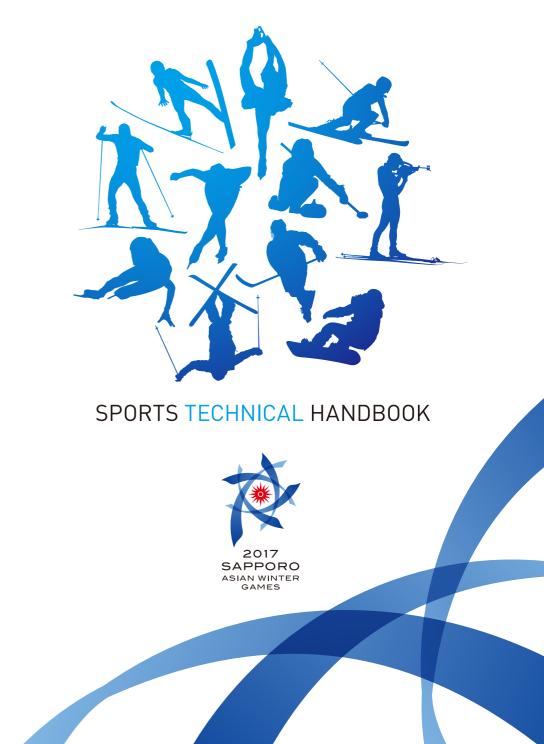


2017 SAPPORO ASIAN WINTER GAMES SPORTS TECHNICAL HANDBOOK



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Capital	Tokyo
Population	approx. 126,850,000 (as of September 1, 2015)
Area	377,972.28 km ²
Language	Japanese
Currency	Yen (¥)
Time zone	UTC + 9 hours
Geographical position	East longitude 139° 44' / North latitude 35° 39'

This handbook is intended to give an overview of the 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games and provide technical information on each sport as required by the OCA Constitution and Rules. The 8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee (SAWGOC) is currently making necessary preparations for the event, and looks forward to welcoming athletes and officials from all over Asia.

Beyond your ambitions

Sapporo is one of the world's safest, most convenient cosmopolitan cities.

Having hosted the Winter Olympic Games and various other international sporting events, the city is seen as a mecca for winter sports.

It's time for athletes in Asia to show everything they have on this incomparable stage.

The paths they will take on the snow-covered ground will lead them to success on the world stage.

The 8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee aims to hold the event in urban areas that coexist with the region's rich natural environment. On this stage, athletes will push themselves beyond their limits in pursuit of their ambitions and make strides toward being world-leaders in their fields. The Committee also views the Games as a way of promoting the potential of Asia to the rest of the world, thereby opening up a new era of winter sports.

Slogan of the Games

Beyond your ambitions

Concepts of the Games

Promoting the appeal of winter sports and the rich natural environment that has supported their development, and leaving a legacy for future generations

Welcoming visitors with warm hospitality and running a safe, compact Games with high levels of convenience and environmental sustainability

Bringing together people from across Asia to promote global peace and friendship while encouraging exchanges between people from diverse cultural backgrounds and promoting intercultural understanding

Welcome to the Land of Ice and Snow.



Sapporo is Japan's northernmost ordinance-designated city. It has been known as a city of international tourism since it hosted the Winter Olympics in 1972. It is the cultural, political and economic center of Hokkaido, and is also renowned for its rich natural environment.

 SAPPORO
 Population
 1,948,262 (as of September 1, 2015)

 Area
 1,121.26 km²

 Average temperature
 Annual: 9.4°C

 February: -2.8°C
 February: -2.8°C

 Average snowfall
 Annual: 472.4 cm

 February: 103.4 cm
 *Average temperature/snowfall for 2011 to 2015

Obihiro is a core city located in eastern Hokkaido. Large-scale farming is practiced in this region, which is one of Japan's main production areas. Obihiro is also known for its speed skating rinks and other well-developed sports facilities that provide locals with ideal opportunities for related activities.

	Population	168,446 (as of Septembe	er 1, 2015)
	Area	619.34 km ²	
OBIHIRO	Average temperature	Annual: 7.5°C	
		February: -5.5°C	
	Average snowfall	Annual: 206 cm	
		February: 39.8 cm	* Average temperature/snowfall for 2011 to 2015

Greetings



A Word from the Honorary President

Toward the Development of Winter Sports in Asia

In response to Japan's proposal of the Asian Winter Games (AWG) for the development of winter sports in Asia, the city of Sapporo hosted the first AWG in March 1986 and the second in March 1990.

The cities of Sapporo and Obihiro are now scheduled to host Japan's fourth AWG after the event was held in Aomori in 2003.

To promote winter sports as well as sporting participation, culture and international goodwill among Asian youths, the 8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee is preparing for the event with Japan's traditional spirit of hospitality (known in Japanese as omotenashi) based on safe, reliable and environmentally friendly planning for a spectacle that will encourage athletes from across Asia to perform to the best of their abilities.

The event will showcase Japan's dynamism to Asian countries and regions with focus on Sapporo – a city where people engage in international exchanges, embrace cultures different from their own, and continue to take on new challenges amid Hokkaido's beautiful natural environment.

The Committee intends to make the 2017 Asian Winter Games a great success that will help to expand winter sport networks in Asia.

The efforts and cooperation of everybody involved in this endeavor are greatly appreciated.

Tsunekazu Takeda

Honorary President 8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee President Japanese Olympic Committee



A Word from the President

Making the Games an Outstanding Showcase for the Future

In February 2017, athletes from across Asia will gather in the cities of Sapporo and Obihiro to compete in the exciting Asian Winter Games. I'm truly thrilled that this will be the third time Sapporo has hosted the event in the last 30 years.

Sapporo has hosted numerous international meets in the sporting world, including the Winter Olympic Games and the FIS Nordic World Ski Championships. Based on this experience, the city is forging ahead with preparations for a successful Games in collaboration with the Japanese Olympic Committee (JOC).

The many people who will come to Sapporo and Obihiro from countries and regions across Asia for the event will be welcomed with unrivalled hospitality. This is expected to promote new exchanges as well as highlighting the appeal of the host cities and of Hokkaido as a whole.

All available resources will be used to make the 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games an outstanding showcase for the future. The event will provide chances for people to experience the excitement and enjoyment inherent in sports, and will help to give children, in their role as leaders of the future, the aspirations and inspiration needed to inherit this legacy with pride.

The contribution of all involved in these preparations is greatly appreciated.

Katsuhiro Akimoto

Mayor of Sapporo President 8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee

Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) Executive Board

Position	Name
President	Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah
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Honorary Life Vice-president	Mr. Jizhong Wei
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Vice-president	Mr. Timothy Tsun Ting Fok
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Vice-president	Mrs. Rita Sri Wahyusih Subowo
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Chairman, Athletes Committee	Mr. Koji Murofushi
Chairman, Sports Environment Committee	Mr. Kyung-Sun Yu
Chairman, Medical Committee	Dr. Manikavasagam Jegathesan
Chairman, Sports for All Committee	Brig. Gen. Mowaffak Joumaa
Chairman, Media Committee	Mr. Charles King Chiu Lo
Chairman, Finance Committee	Dr. Kevin Kuo-I Chen
Chairman, Culture Committee	Mr. Mohammad A. Alkamali
Chairman, Entourage Committee	Mr. Daesung Moon
Chairman, Education Committee	HRH Prince Abdulhakim Bin Mosaa
Chairman, Coordination Committee	Mr. Tsunekazu Takeda
Chairman, Ethics Committee	Mr. Jizhong Wei
Chairman, Information & Statistics Committee	Dr. Demchigjav Zagdsuren
Chairman, International Relations Committee	HRH Prince Jigyel Ugyen Wangchuck
Chairman, Sports Committee	Mr. Luzeng Song
Member	HRH Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah
Member	Mr. Mirabror Usmanov
Member	Mr. Kiumars Hashemi
Member	Mr. Raad Hammoudi Salman Al-Dulaimi
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Honorary Member	Mr. Habib Abdul Nabi Yousuf Macki
Honorary Member	Gen. Souhail Khoury
Director General & Technical Director	Mr. Husain A H Z Al-Musallam
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8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee (SAWGOC)

Position	Name				
Honorary President	Tsunekazu Takeda				
President	Katsuhiro Akimoto				
Vice-president	Hirobumi Kawano				
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Director-general	Hiroshi Abe				
Member	Eisuke Hiraoka				
Member	Toshiya Ishikawa				
Member	Tetsuo Sato				
Member	Mitsuhiro Tsuruga				
Member	Hajime Yoshida Etsuko Hatanaka				
Member					
Member	Koichi Adachi				
Member	Takeshi Miyakoshi				
Member	Hiroyuki Deguchi				
Member	Hiroshi Ikeda				
Member	Kazumori Kominami				
Member	Osamu Fujiwara				
Member	Hiroki Sugiyama				
Member	Jun Terasawa				
Auditor	Suteshige Ikeda				
Auditor	Katsuya Mizuno				

Secretariat

Position	Name				
Secretary-general	Noriaki Ikushima				
Director-general	Hiroshi Abe				
Director, General Affairs Bureau	Katsunori Takahashi				
Director, Sports Affairs Bureau	Fumio Takei				

*As of September 28, 2015

*As of September 16, 2015

Organization Bodies

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OCA Members

No.	NOC	Code			
1	Afghanistan	AFG			
2	Bahrain	BRN			
3	Bangladesh	BAN			
4	Bhutan	BHU			
5	Brunei Darussalam	BRU			
6	Cambodia	CAM			
7	People's Republic of China	CHN			
8	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	PRK			
9	Hong Kong, China	HKG			
10	India	IND			
11	Indonesia				
12	Islamic Republic of Iran	IRI			
13	Iraq				
14	Japan				
15	Jordan				
16	Kazakhstan	KAZ			
17	Republic of Korea	KOR			
18	Kuwait	KUW			
19	Kyrgyzstan	KGZ			
20	Lao People's Democratic Republic	LAO			
21	Lebanon	LIB			
22	Macau, China	MAC			
23	Malaysia	MAS			

No.	NOC					
24	Maldives	MDV				
25	Mongolia					
26	Myanmar	MYA				
27	Nepal	NEP				
28	Oman	OMA				
29	Pakistan	PAK				
30	Palestine	PLE				
31	Philippines	PHI				
32	Qatar	QAT				
33	Saudi Arabia	KSA				
34	Singapore	SIN				
35	Sri Lanka	SRI				
36	Syrian Arab Republic	SYR				
37	Chinese Taipei	TPE				
38	Tajikistan	TJK				
39	Thailand	THA				
40	Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste	TLS				
41	Turkmenistan	ткм				
42	United Arab Emirates	UAE				
43	Uzbekistan	UZB				
44	Vietnam	VIE				
45	Yemen	YEM				

*As of January 1, 2016

Games Overview

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The 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games will be held in the Japanese cities of Sapporo and Obihiro. The Asian Winter Games are an international multi-sport event run by the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA), which has 45 member countries and regions, with the aim of developing winter sports in Asia.

Event	8th Asian Winter Games Sapporo 2017 (2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games)						
Period	Sunday, February 19 – Sunday, February 26, 2017 (8 days)						
Host Cities	Sapporo and Obihiro (Hokkaido)						
Competition	Sapporo : Sapporo Teine, Shirahatayama Open Stadium						
Venues	Miyanomori Ski Jump Stadium, Okurayama Ski Jump Stadium						
	Sapporo Bankei Ski Area, Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink						
	Nishioka Biathlon Stadium, Tsukisamu Gymnasium						
	Mikaho Gymnasium, Hoshioki Ice Skating Rink						
	Sapporo Curling Stadium						
	Obihiro : Obihiro Forest Speed Skating Oval						
Opening Ceremony Venue	Sapporo Dome						
Closing Ceremony Venue	Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink						
Sports, Disciplines and Events	5 sports, 11 disciplines and 64 events						
	*Please refer to p.16 for details of the events.						
	Skiing : Alpine Skiing / Cross-country Skiing / Ski Jumping						
	Freestyle Skiing / Snowboard						
	Skating : Speed Skating / Short Track Speed Skating / Figure Skating						
	Biathlon						
	Ice Hockey						
	Curling						
Administrator	Olympic Council of Asia (OCA)						
Organizer	8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee (SAWGOC)						

Official Logo

The official logo was chosen from among proposals submitted by the Japanese public.

The overall form of the logo represents Hokkaido – the northernmost of Japan's four main islands – as a whole. It also has design elements echoing the North Star shining in the night sky, a snow crystal and the winter breeze.

The five blue arcs themselves represent the five sports of the Games and the people from the five Asian regions who will assemble in the host cities of Sapporo and Obihiro and work together to ensure the success of the event. They also signify the assembly and collaboration of representatives from the five regions under the OCA symbolized by the sun in the middle.

The arcs also further represent the organizers' hopes that the influence of this winter sporting event will develop and spread along with Hokkaido's international profile.

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Official Mascot

Sporting a red scarf and blue cape, Ezomon is a very special type of flying squirrel that, in Japan, is found only in Hokkaido. Ezomon is a winter sports hero who encourages children to dream big.

The outgoing Ezomon creates excitement for the Games by flying around, wearing the cape with pride!

Official website http://sapporo2017.org/en/

Official Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/sapporo2017



General Program

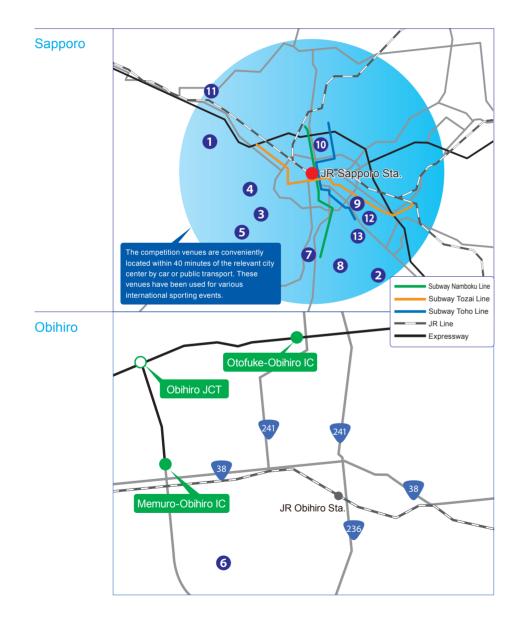
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Sport	Discipline		Event		February 2017										
(5)	(11)		(64)	Venue	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
						Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	
	Opening Ceremony		Sapporo Dome												
		Men	Giant Slalom												
	Alpine Skiing		Slalom	Sapporo Teine											
	Alpine Skillig	Ladies	Giant Slalom												
		Lauico	Slalom												
			1.4 km Individual Sprint Classical												
			10 km Classical												
		Men	15 km Free												
			30 km Free Mass Start												
	Cross-country		4 × 7.5 km Relay	Shirahatayama Open											
	Skiing		1.4 km Individual Sprint Classical	Stadium											
		5 km Classical													
		Ladies	10 km Free												
Skiing		15 km Free Mass Start													
Skiiriy			4 × 5 km Relay												
			Normal Hill Individual	Miyanomori Ski Jump Stadium											
	Ski Jumping	Men	Large Hill Individual	Okurayama Ski Jump											
			Large Hill Team	Stadium											
		Men	Dual Moguls												
	Freestyle	WICH	Moguls	Sapporo Bankei Ski Area											
	Skiing	Ladies	Dual Moguls	Sapporo Bariker Ski Area											
		Lauico	Moguls												
			Giant Slalom	Sapporo Teine											
		Men	Slalom	Sapporo reine											
	Snowboard		Halfpipe	Sapporo Bankei Ski Area											
	Griowboald		Giant Slalom	Sapporo Teine											
		Ladies	Slalom	Sapporo reine											
			Halfpipe	Sapporo Bankei Ski Area											

Sport	Discipline		Event		February 2017									
(5)	(11)		(64)	Venue	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
					Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.	Su
			500 m											
			1000 m											
			1500 m											
		Men	5000 m											
			10000 m											
			8 Laps Team Pursuit											
	Speed		16 Laps Mass Start	Obihiro Forest Speed Skating Oval										
	Skating		500 m	Skaling Ovar										
			1000 m											
			1500 m											
		Ladies	3000 m											
			5000 m											
01			6 Laps Team Pursuit											
Skating			16 Laps Mass Start											
			500 m											
			1000 m	Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink										
		Men	1500 m											
	Short Track		5000 m Relay											
	Speed Skating		500 m											
	ondung	Ladiaa	1000 m											
		Ladies	1500 m											
			3000 m Relay											
		Men	Short Program/Free Skating											
	Figure	Ladies	Short Program/Free Skating	Makomanai Indoor										
	Skating	Pairs	(Short Program/Free Skating)	Skating Rink										
		Ice Dance (Short Dance/Free Dance)												
			10 km Sprint											
		Men	12.5 km Pursuit											
			15 km Mass Start											
Bia	thlon		7.5 km Sprint	Nishioka Biathlon										
		Women	10 km Pursuit	Stadium										
			12.5 km Mass Start											
		Mixed	(2 × 6 km Women + 2 × 7.5 km Men) Mixed Relay	1										
			Top Division	Tsukisamu Gymnasium										
		Men		Mikaho Gymnasium										
Ice F	lockey		Premier Division	Hoshioki Ice Skating Rink										
		Women	Top Division	Tsukisamu Gymnasium										
		Men	•	Sapporo Curling										
Cur	rling	Women		Stadium										-
			ng Ceremony	Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink										

Competition and Ceremony Venues

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1Sapporo Teine

Skiing: Alpine Skiing Skiing: Snowboard (Giant Slalom, Slalom)

Address: Teine-Kanayama 172-1, Teine-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.sapporo-teine.com/snow/lang/en/ Major international sporting events: 11th Winter Olympic Games (1972), 1st and 2nd Asian Winter Games (1986 and 1990)

2 Shirahatayama Open Stadium

Skiing: Cross-country Skiing

Address: Shin-ei 502-1, Kiyota-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Major international sporting events: 2nd Asian Winter Games (1990), FIS Nordic World Ski Championships (2007)

OMiyanomori Ski Jump Stadium

Skiing: Ski Jumping - Normal Hill

Address: Miyanomori 1-jo 18-chome, Chuo-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.welcome.city.sapporo.jp/find/sports/ miyanomori_ski_jump_stadium/?lang=en Major international sporting events: 11th Winter Olympic Games (1972), FIS Nordic World Ski Championships (2007)



Skiing: Ski Jumping – Large Hill

Address: Miyanomori 1274, Chuo-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.sapporo-dc.co.jp/eng/okurayama/jump/ Major international sporting events: 11th Winter Olympic Games (1972), FIS Nordic World Ski Championships (2007)



Sapporo Bankei Ski Area

Skiing: Freestyle Skiing Skiing: Snowboard (Halfpipe) Address: Bankei 410-1, Chuo-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.bankei.co.jp/ski/english.html

Major international sporting events: FIS Snowboard World Cup 2016 in Sapporo



Competition and Ceremony Venues

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6Obihiro Forest Speed Skating Oval Skating: Speed Skating

Address: Minami 7-sen 56-7 Obihiro, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://obihiro-foundation.jp/shisetsu/sportslist/oval Major international sporting events: ISU Junior World Cup Speed Skating Final 2011/12 (Obihiro), ISU World Cup Speed Skating 2014/15 (Obihiro)



Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink

Skating: Short Track Speed Skating Skating: Figure Skating Closing Ceremony Address: Makomanai Koen 1-chome 1, Minami-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Major international sporting events: 11th Winter Olympic Games (1972),

1st and 2nd Asian Winter Games (1986 and 1990),

ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2011/12 NHK Trophy

(3) Nishioka Biathlon Stadium

Biathlon

Address: Nishioka, Toyohira-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Major international sporting events: 11th Winter Olympic Games (1972), 1st and 2nd Asian Winter Games (1986 and 1990), 8th Asian Biathlon Championships (2013)



9Tsukisamu Gymnasium

Ice Hockey

Address: Tsukisamu-Higashi 1-jo 8-chome, Toyohira-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan

Major international sporting events: 11th Winter Olympic Games (1972), 1st and 2nd Asian Winter Games (1986 and 1990), 2008 IIHF World Championship Division I Group B

10 Mikaho Gymnasium

Ice Hockey

Address: Kita 22-jo Higashi 5-chome, Higashi-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan

Major international sporting events: 11th Winter Olympic Games (1972), 1st and 2nd Asian Winter Games (1986 and 1990)

1Hoshioki Ice Skating Rink

Ice Hockey

Address: Hoshioki 2-jo 1-chome 12-1, Teine-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan

Sapporo Curling Stadium

Championships (2007), TOYOTA BIG AIR

BSapporo Dome Opening Ceremony

Curling

Address: Tsukisamu-Higashi 1-jo 9-chome, Toyohira-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan

Address: Hitsujigaoka 1, Toyohira-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.sapporo-dome.co.jp/foreign/index-en.html Major international sporting events: FIS Nordic World Ski

Major international sporting events: World Women's Curling Championship 2015









Games Information

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Accreditation and Validation

Asian Winter Games Identification and Accreditation Cards (AWGIACs) produced by the 8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee (SAWGOC) will be issued to establish identity and give the right of access to specific Games venues and zones so that holders can perform their functions at the 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games.

SAWGOC will distribute an Accreditation Package with an Accreditation Guide to each NOCs and Responsible Organization in May 2016.

Pre-valid AWGIACs (PVCs) for approved applicants applying by Monday, September 19, 2016, will be sent to the relevant Responsible Organizations.

PVCs constitute documentation authorizing entry into Japan for overseas delegations along with a valid passport or travel document.

PVC holders are required to visit one of the Validation Counters at the Games official airport or an Accreditation Center and present their PVC along with a valid passport or travel document to have the card validated. Once this process is complete, the card can be used as an AWGIAC.

Immigration and Visas

During the period from Friday, January 20 to Monday, March 13, 2017, PVC holders are permitted multiple entries into Japan without a separate entry visa. Upon entry to Japan, overseas delegations must present a PVC and a valid passport or travel document and submit an Embarkation/ Disembarkation Card.

Delegates who do not have a PVC and who plan to stay in Japan outside the validity period will need to make their own arrangements for entry into Japan in accordance with Japanese immigration law.

Individuals using their PVC as a visa to enter Japan must ensure that their passport is valid after Monday, March 13, 2017 and that the details on the passport match the information provided on the application for accreditation.

Games Official Airport and Flight Information

The official airport for the 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games is New Chitose Airport, which is located in the city adjacent to Sapporo.

Overseas delegations are strongly advised to initially enter Japan via New Chitose Airport in order to take advantage of the related support provided there by SAWGOC.

SAWGOC will distribute Online Arrival and Departure System (ADS) manuals to Responsible Organizations around August 2016.

Responsible Organizations are required to enter correct flight information for all confirmed applicants into the ADS by the deadline.



New Chitose Airport

Address: Bibi, Chitose, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.new-chitose-airport.jp/en/

Transportation Services

Transportation Services for Arrival and Departure

Transportation services between New Chitose Airport and the Athletes' Hotel will be provided for participating athletes and officials in accordance with their flight schedules.

NOC Dedicated Vehicle Services

Based on the number of delegates per NOC, dedicated vehicle services between the Athletes' Hotel and areas designated by SAWGOC will be provided for athletes and officials.

Transportation Services for Competitions and Training

Transportation services between the Athletes' Hotel and the venues will be provided for athletes and officials participating in competitions or official training.

Transportation Services for Opening/Closing Ceremonies

Transportation services between the Athletes' Hotel and the venues will be provided for athletes and officials participating in the Opening or Closing Ceremonies.

Transportation Services for Competition Viewing

Transportation services between the Athletes' Hotel and the venues will be provided for athletes and officials wishing to watch competitions. However, transportation services for athletes and officials participating in the competitions will take priority.

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Transportation Services for Luggage

If the luggage brought by athletes or officials exceeds the capacity of the buses used for their transportation, extra vehicles will be provided for luggage.

*The above transportation services will be provided only in Sapporo. Details of Obihiro transportation services will be announced separately.

Athletes' Hotels

The Apa Hotel & Resort Sapporo will serve as the Athletes' Hotel for athletes and officials staying in Sapporo. The opening period will be from Sunday, February 12 to Monday, February 27, 2017.

The Hotel Nikko Northland Obihiro will serve as the Athletes' Hotel for athletes and officials participating in the Speed Skating competitions in Obihiro. The opening period will be from Wednesday, February 15 to Friday, February 24.

Apa Hotel & Resort Sapporo

Address: Kawazoe 4-jo 2-chome, Minami-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.apahotel.com.e.ju.hp.transer.com/language/ hokkaido/04_resort-sapporo.html



Hotel Nikko Northland Obihiro

Address: Nishi 2-jo Minami 13-chome 1, Obihiro, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.jrhotels.co.jp/obihiro/english/

Meals and Catering Services

Three buffet-style meals will be served to athletes and officials at the Athletes' Hotels daily.

The menu will incorporate a wide variety of food, including Japanese and other types of Asian cuisine, and will accommodate requirements for diverse preferences related to religious and ethnic backgrounds.

Lunch boxes will be provided for athletes and officials unable to eat at the Athletes' Hotels due to their schedule.

Catering services for athletes and officials will be provided at each competition venue.

Medical Services

During the Games, SAWGOC will run Medical Stations for athletes at each venue and provide onsite medical services and emergency transport. Medical staff will be stationed at an Athletes' Hotel Medical Station, "clinic", to provide care and treatment. If advanced care is needed, patients will be transferred to the Games' designated hospitals.

AWGIAC holders who are not athletes or officials may undergo medical treatment at the clinic or designated hospitals free of charge for acute illnesses, severe injuries or acute exacerbations of chronic conditions. If necessary, medical services such as emergency treatment, hospitalization and emergency transfer will be provided. Free medical services will not include non-essential medical care nor elective medical treatment.

Opening and Closing Ceremonies

The Opening and Closing Ceremonies will be held as detailed below.

Opening Ceremony: Sunday, February 19, 2017, at Sapporo Dome Closing Ceremony: Sunday, February 26, 2017, at Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink

Athletes attending the Opening Ceremony are required to wear their delegation uniforms. NOC representatives will bear their delegation flag during the athletes' parade at the Opening Ceremony.

Cultural Program

A Japanese Cultural Program will be run at the Athletes' Hotel during the Games to provide athletes with experience of aspects of traditional Japanese culture such as kimono dressing and the tea ceremony.

Welcome Ceremony

The 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games Welcome Ceremony will be held at the Athletes' Hotel with timing based on delegates' arrival dates/times.

Volunteers

Skilled volunteers with significant experience of international sporting events and young volunteers will provide support for the Games, and look forward to welcoming athletes and officials from all over Asia.

Games Information

Media

Main Media Center (MMC)

The Main Media Center (MMC) will be located in the Sapporo Convention Center. It will house the International Broadcasting Center (IBC), which will provide international video and audio feeds, and the Main Press Center (MPC), which will serve as a workplace for journalists and photographers.

Sapporo Convention Center

Address: Higashi-Sapporo 6-jo 1-chome 1-1, Shiroishi-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Website: http://www.sora-scc.jp/eng/



Mixed Zone

A Mixed Zone will be set up at each competition venue to allow media interviews of athletes. Athletes are kindly asked to cooperate with interviewers as much as possible when passing through these zones.

Press Conferences

Athletes may be asked via NOCs to attend press conferences during the Games. Such conferences will be held at each competition venue or MPC. SAWGOC staff will guide athletes to the press conference room, and their coaches are asked to accompany them.

TV Interviews

At competition venues, athletes may be asked to do interviews by broadcasters outside the Mixed Zone. They may also be asked via NOCs to do interviews at the IBC, and are kindly asked to cooperate as much as possible.

Technical Information





Competition Dates

Figure Skating competitions will be held from Thursday, February 23 to Sunday, February 26, 2017, at Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink.

Venue

Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink

Makomanai-Koen 1-chome 1, Minami-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan Rink specifications: an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 60 m x 30 m

Chief of Competition

Hidehito Ito (Japan Skating Federation (JSF))

Competition Schedule

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Date	Time	Event					
Echrucry 22 (Thu)	16:00	Ice Dance (Short Dance (SD))					
February 23 (Thu.)	17:45	Ladies (Short Program (SP))					
	14:15	Pairs (Short Program (SP))					
February 24 (Fri.)	15:50	Ice Dance (Free Dance (FD))					
	18:00	Men (Short Program (SP))					
February 25 (Pat)	15:00	Pairs (Free Skating (FS))					
February 25 (Sat.)	17:00	Ladies (Free Skating (FS))					
February 26 (Sun.)	12:00	Men (Free Skating (FS))					

Official Practice

Official practice for athletes begins on Wednesday, February 22 at the competition venue. Schedule details will be announced later.

Competition Rules and Regulations

Figure Skating athletes will be conducted in accordance with the International Skating Union (ISU) General Regulations, the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Single and Pair Skating and Ice Dance and relevant communications applicable to the Games.

Eligibility

Skating: Figure Skating

All members of National Olympic Committees and Olympic Council of Asia whose national or regional associations are member of ISU are entitled to enter athletes in each event. Participating athletes must meet all the requirements of the OCA Constitution and Rules. No ISU Minimum Technical Score is required for participation in this event.

*Age requirement: To be eligible for participation in the Games, athletes must be at least 15 years old on July 1, 2016.

Number of Entries

Event	Number of athletes	Maximum number of entries per NOC
Men	2	2
Ladies	2	2
Pairs	2 couples	2 couples
Ice Dance	2 couples	2 couples

Entry Timelines

Entry by number – deadline: 24:00 Saturday, November 19, 2016 (Japan time, UTC + 9) Entry by name – deadline: 24:00 Thursday, January 19, 2017 (Japan time, UTC + 9)

Judges

Each OCA Member NOC is entitled to enter one (1) ISU judge (internationally qualified judge). Depending on NOC nominations, participating NOCs may be invited by SAWGOC to enter one or more Judges for one event.

If the number of Judges nominated by NOCs does not reach that specified by Rule 420, paragraph 3 of the ISU Constitution and General Regulations, SAWGOC may ask for additional Judges to be entered at a later time.

Technical Delegate/Referees/Technical Officials

Based on the request by SAWGOC, the JSF will invite Officials (Technical Delegate, Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data & Replay Operators) who meet the qualifications for Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations, Rule 420.

OCA reserves the right to propose the appointment of any Technical Delegate, Referees and Technical Officials via JSF with justified reason.

Starting Orders

SP/SD

The draw to determine starting order shall be conducted in accordance with Rule 520 of the ISU Constitution and General Regulations.

FS/FD

The starting order for Free Skating and Free Dance will be the reverse order of the results following the previous segment.



Skating: Figure Skating



Results

The scoring system will be in accordance with the ISU Constitution and Rule 352 of the General Regulations. Results will be determined and announced in accordance with Rule 353 of the same.

Victory Ceremonies

After competitions, victory ceremonies will be held at competition venues to honor the three best-placed participants/couples in each event. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to individuals ranked first, second and third. Certificates will also be given to the top six participants/couples individually (rather than at victory ceremonies).

Exhibitions

An exhibition gala may be held at the conclusion of the competition. SAWGOC will appoint skaters to take part.

Protests and Appeals

Any protests regarding competitions shall be resolved under the ISU Constitution and General Regulations. Any disputes not resolved under the ISU Constitution and General Regulations or the OCA Constitution and Rules may be referred to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).

Doping Control

Doping control during the 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games will be conducted in accordance with the OCA Anti-Doping Rules and the ISU Anti-Doping Rules & Procedures applicable to the Games, and will comply with the World Anti-Doping Code and its relevant International Standards.

In collaboration with the Medical Committee of the OCA, SAWGOC will arrange the resources to handle the investigation of any cases involving disorders of sexual determination. The need for related tests and the processes to be followed will be as per the rules/procedures laid down by the OCA.

*The competition schedule and other details contained in this Technical Information are subject to change. SAWGOC will inform individual NOCs separately in the event of any changes.

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International Federation (IF)

International Skating Union (ISU) Website: http://www.isu.org/en/home

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