



Sport Climbing – Specific regulations and protocols for the 2020 Olympic Games

1. Introduction

The present document shall be read in conjunction with IFSC 2021 Rules. The aim of the present document is to cover specific needs related to the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo (JPN). The information below is released to all IFSC National Federations and it has validity during the sport climbing competition at the 2020 Olympic Games.

2. COVID-19 Sport Specific Regulations

Sport Specific Regulations have been put in place setting out protocols in the event that competitors or officials (including both Team Officials and IFSC officials) are precluded from further participation in the competition under the Games protocols in place at the time. Affected competitors will be recorded as “Did Not Start” for any stage or round of competition in which they are precluded from competing. The ranking of such competitors will be determined in accordance with article 11.13(A) of the rules.

Additionally, the following limitations have been agreed with the event organisers in order to manage COVID transmission risks:

- a) *The maximum number of Team Officials allowed in the Isolation Area will be limited as follow:*
 - i) *where the National Federation has two athletes competing in the relevant round, a maximum of three nominated Team Officials*
 - ii) *where the National Federation has one athlete competing in the relevant round, a maximum of two nominated Team Officials*
- b) Access to the “coaches corridor” will be limited to 2 appropriately accredited Team Officials in possession of Coaches’ Zone Access Pass from each participating team. i.e. access will be limited to those teams with competitors participating in the relevant round of competition.

The IOC has published Playbooks setting out protocols to be followed by all Games participants, aimed minimising the risks from COVID-19 on Games participants and the host city. Breaches/violations of the Playbooks may result in sanctions by the Event Organisers, the IOC and/or the IFSC. The Playbook will be treated as an applicable regulation for the purposes of the IFSC’s disciplinary rules.

3. Sport protocol implementation

The following protocols will be applied for the sport climbing competition at the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo (JPN). In bold the difference with previous versions of IFSC rules. These protocols are related to the uniqueness of the Olympic Games. Specifically, with regard to schedule and the need to deliver the sport climbing results immediately after the last stage of competition.

“11.4 The Qualification round will be organised such that:

- A) *the period between the scheduled **start** of the Speed stage and the commencement of the stage following shall not be less than **60** minutes; and*



- B) *the period between the scheduled **start** of any other stage and the commencement of the stage following shall not be less than **180** minutes.”*

“11.15 *Technical Incidents and Appeals in relation to each stage of each round will be managed as set out in Articles 7 (Lead), 8 (Boulder) and 9 (Speed) **with the following amendments:***

- A) ***the provisions of paragraph 7.30(B.2) shall apply in respect of the Lead stage for both Qualification and Final rounds;***
- B) ***for the purposes of this paragraph 11.15, references to Team Official shall mean the Team Manager (only).***

For the avoidance of doubt:

- C) *Once the results for any stage have been made Official and, if relevant, any Appeals determined, the results for that stage will not be capable of subsequent appeal;*
- D) *Upon the completion of each round, the Combined Ranking and Ranking Points calculation for that round will be published as the Official Results for the round. Any appeal on the Combined Ranking and Ranking Points calculation must be made in writing and:*
 - 1) *in respect of the Qualification round, within five (5) minutes of the publication of the Official Results; or*
 - 2) *in respect of the Final round, upon publication of the Official Results.”*

4. Speed licence rules

In order to comply with event rules concerning advertising, Speed holds used at the 2020 Olympic Games will not feature an IFSC logo. All other aspects of the Speed licence rules shall continue to apply.