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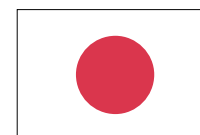
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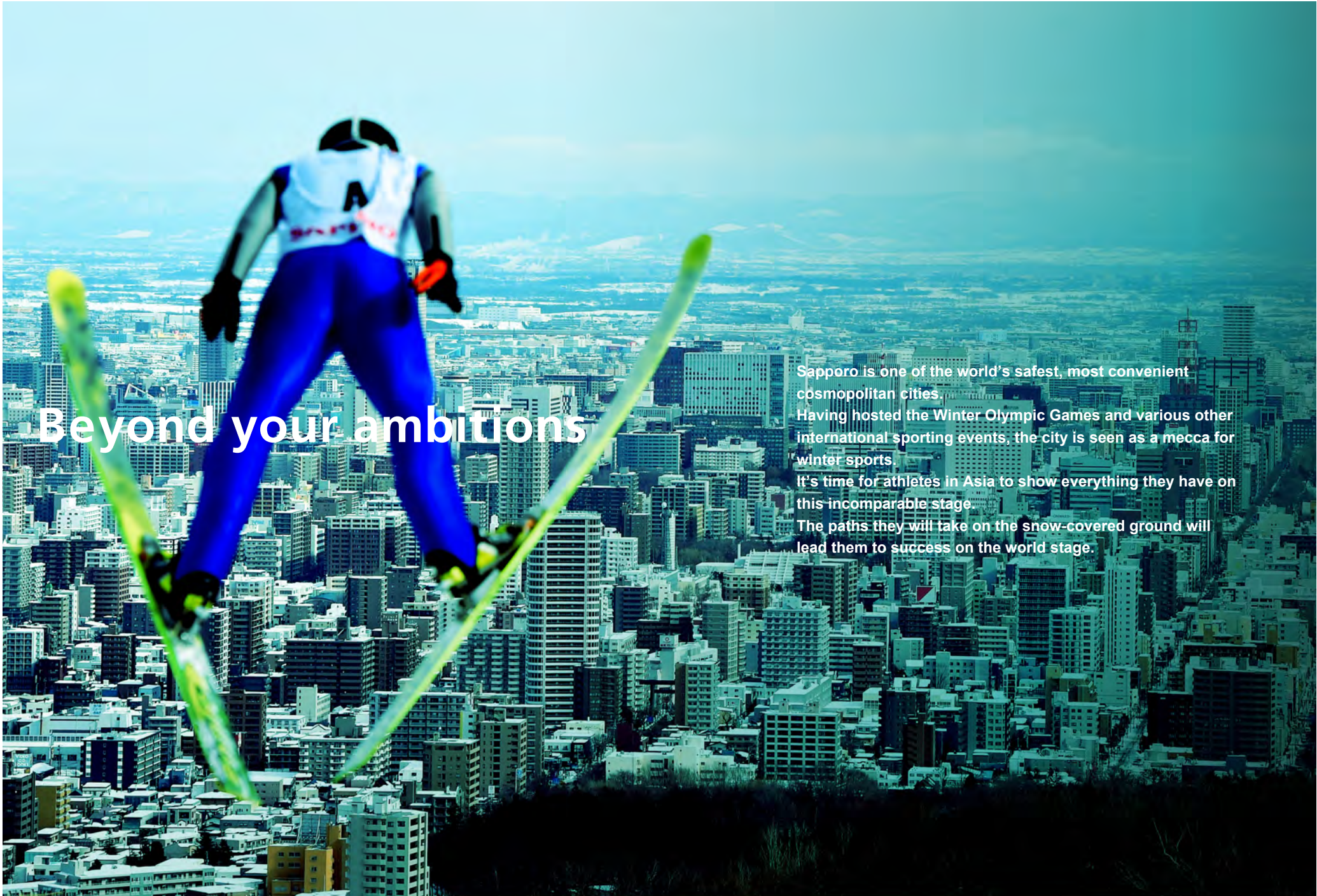
This handbook is intended to give an overview of the 2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games and provide technical information on each sport as required by the OCA Constitution and Rules.

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.



### Host Country in Brief Japan

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




# 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.



Slogan of the Games

# Beyond your ambitions

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.

## 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.

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.

## SAPPORO

<b>Population</b>	1,948,262 (as of September 1, 2015)
<b>Area</b>	1,121.26 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Average temperature</b>	Annual: 9.4°C February: -2.8°C
<b>Average snowfall</b>	Annual: 472.4 cm February: 103.4 cm

\* Average temperature/snowfall for 2011 to 2015

## OBIHIRO

<b>Population</b>	168,446 (as of September 1, 2015)
<b>Area</b>	619.34 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Average temperature</b>	Annual: 7.5°C February: -5.5°C
<b>Average snowfall</b>	Annual: 206 cm February: 39.8 cm

\* Average temperature/snowfall for 2011 to 2015



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.

**Katsuhiko 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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Vice-president	Maj. Gen. Charouck Arirachakaran
Vice-president	Mr. Timothy Tsun Ting Fok
Vice-president	Lt. Gen. Syed Arif Hasan
Vice-president	HE Sheikh Isa Bin Rashid Al-Khalifa
Vice-president	Mr. Temirkhan Dosmukhambetov
Vice-president	Mr. Tsunekazu Takeda
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Vice-president	Mrs. Rita Sri Wahyusih Subowo
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Chairman, Advisory Committee	Mr. Ser Miang Ng
Chairman, Peace Through Sport Committee	HRH Prince Faisal Bin Al-Hussein
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
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Member	Mr. Mirabrur Usmanov
Member	Mr. Kiumars Hashemi
Member	Mr. Raad Hammoudi Salman Al-Dulaimi
Honorary Member	Mr. Jilong Zhang
Honorary Member	Mr. Habib Abdul Nabi Yousuf Macki
Honorary Member	Gen. Souhail Khoury
Director General & Technical Director	Mr. Husain A H Z Al-Musallam

\*As of September 16, 2015

## 8th Sapporo Asian Winter Games Organising Committee (SAWGOC)

Position	Name
Honorary President	Tsunekazu Takeda
President	Katsuhiro Akimoto
Vice-president	Hirobumi Kawano
Secretary-general	Noriaki Ikushima
Director-general	Hiroshi Abe
Member	Eisuke Hiraoka
Member	Toshiya Ishikawa
Member	Tetsuo Sato
Member	Mitsuhiro Tsuruga
Member	Hajime Yoshida
Member	Etsuko Hatanaka
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

## 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	INA
12	Islamic Republic of Iran	IRI
13	Iraq	IRQ
14	Japan	JPN
15	Jordan	JOR
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	Code
24	Maldives	MDV
25	Mongolia	MGL
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	TKM
42	United Arab Emirates	UAE
43	Uzbekistan	UZB
44	Vietnam	VIE
45	Yemen	YEM



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.

<b>Event</b>	8th Asian Winter Games Sapporo 2017 (2017 Sapporo Asian Winter Games)
<b>Period</b>	Sunday, February 19 – Sunday, February 26, 2017 (8 days)
<b>Host Cities</b>	Sapporo and Obihiro (Hokkaido)
<b>Competition Venues</b>	Sapporo : Sapporo Teine, Shirahatayama Open Stadium 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
<b>Opening Ceremony Venue</b>	Sapporo Dome
<b>Closing Ceremony Venue</b>	Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink
<b>Sports, Disciplines and Events</b>	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
<b>Administrator</b>	Olympic Council of Asia (OCA)
<b>Organizer</b>	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.



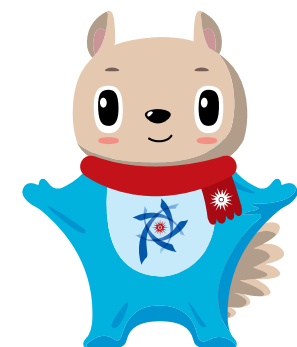
## Official Mascot

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!

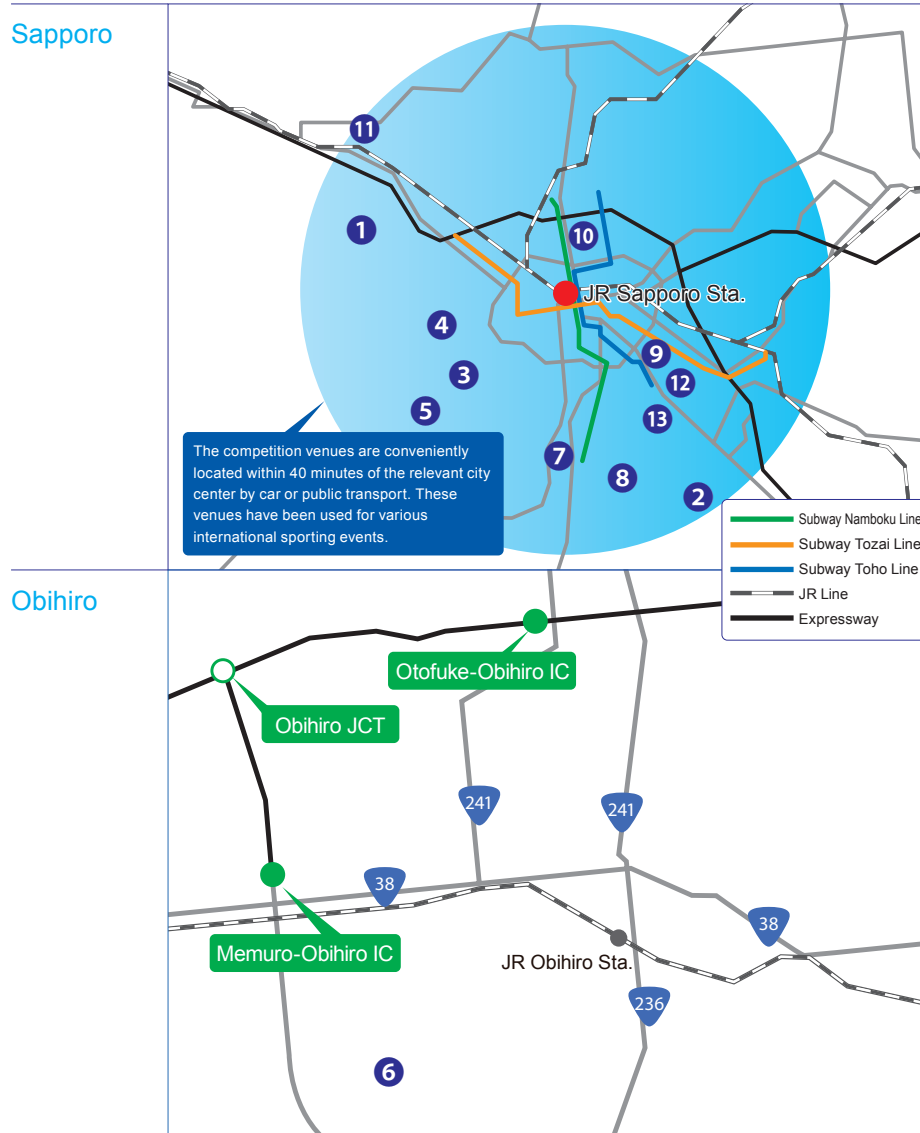
Official website  
<http://sapporo2017.org/en/>

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



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

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				17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26					
				Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.					
Skating	Speed Skating	Men	500 m															
			1000 m															
			1500 m															
			5000 m															
		Ladies	10000 m															
			8 Laps Team Pursuit															
			16 Laps Mass Start															
			500 m															
			1000 m															
			1500 m															
		Short Track Speed Skating	Men	500 m														
				1000 m														
				1500 m														
			Ladies	5000 m Relay														
	500 m																	
	Figure Skating	Men	1000 m															
			1500 m															
		Ladies	3000 m															
			5000 m															
	Biathlon	Men	10 km Sprint															
			12.5 km Pursuit															
	Ice Hockey	Men	15 km Mass Start															
			7.5 km Sprint															
Women		10 km Pursuit																
		12.5 km Mass Start																
Curling	Mixed	(2 × 6 km Women + 2 × 7.5 km Men) Mixed Relay																
Closing Ceremony			Makomanai Indoor Skating Rink															



## 1 Sapporo 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)



## 3 Miyanomori 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](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)



## 4 Okurayama Ski Jump Stadium

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)



## 5 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



## 6 Obihiro 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)



## 7 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



## 8 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)



## 9 Tsukisamu 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

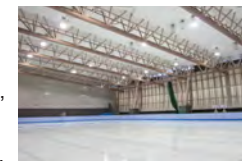


## 10 Mikaho Gymnasium

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)



## 11 Hoshioki Ice Skating Rink

Ice Hockey

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



## 12 Sapporo Curling Stadium

Curling

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

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



## 13 Sapporo Dome

Opening Ceremony

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 Championships (2007), TOYOTA BIG AIR



## 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.

## 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](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

Short Track Speed Skating competitions will be held from Monday, February 20 to Wednesday, February 22, 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

Takashi Kawakami (Japan Skating Federation (JSF))

## Competition Schedule

Date	Time	Event
February 20 (Mon.)	13:00	Ladies 1500 m
		Men 1500 m
		Ladies Heats 3000 m Relay
		Men Heats 5000 m Relay
February 21 (Tue.)	13:00	Ladies 500 m
		Men 500 m
		Ladies Semi-final 3000 m Relay
		Men Semi-final 5000 m Relay
February 22 (Wed.)	12:00	Ladies 1000 m
		Men 1000 m
		Ladies Final 3000 m Relay
		Men Final 5000 m Relay

## Official Practice

Official practice for athletes begins on Saturday, February 18 at the competition venue. Schedule details will be announced later.

## Competition Rules and Regulations

Short Track Speed Skating competitions will be conducted in accordance with the International Skating Union (ISU) General Regulations, the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating applicable to the Games.

## Eligibility

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.

\*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	500 m	3	5
	1000 m	3	
	1500 m	3	
	5000 m Relay	5	
Ladies	500 m	3	5
	1000 m	3	
	1500 m	3	
	3000 m Relay	5	

## 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)

## Technical Delegate & Competition Officials

Based on the request by SAWGOC, the JSF will invite Officials (Technical Delegate, Referees, Assistant Referees, Starters and Competitors Stewards) who meet the qualifications for Short Track Speed Skating in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations.

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

## Starting Order

The draw to determine the starting order shall be conducted in accordance with the ISU Special Regulations.

## Timing & Results

The timing system and announcement of results will be in accordance with the ISU Special Regulations.





## Victory Ceremonies

After competitions, victory ceremonies will be held at competition venues to honor the three best-placed participants/teams in each event. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to individuals/teams ranked first, second and third. For individual events, only the top two athletes in each NOC may take the podium. Certificates will also be given to the top six participants/teams individually (rather than at victory ceremonies).

## 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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E-mail: [jsf@skatingjapan.or.jp](mailto:jsf@skatingjapan.or.jp)

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## International Federation (IF)

International Skating Union (ISU)

Website: <http://www.isu.org/en/home>

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## Asian Federation (AF)

Asian Skating Union (ASU)

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