



World up
Keep
Climbing

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF **SPORT CLIMBING**
www.ifsc-climbing.org

OFFICIAL PRESS RELEASE

2020
MONDAY
27th
JANUARY

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SPORT CLIMBING

IFSC CALENDAR 2020: SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS

Last year, Sport Climbing's first Olympic qualified athletes were determined, now the Olympics are here. This season will be busy with all eyes on both the regular IFSC World Cup season and on Tokyo 2020.

Olympic Qualification Comes to a Close

At the end of the 2019 season, 28 athletes had earned places in the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympic Games after two serious competitions in Hachioji, Japan and Toulouse, France. As 2020 gets underway, the final 12 Olympic qualified athletes will be determined at the conclusion of the five upcoming IFSC Continental Championships.

- **Pan-American Championships** - Los Angeles (USA): 24 February - 1 March
- **African Championships** - Cape Town (RSA): 19-22 March
- **European Championships** - Moscow (RUS): 20-27 March
- **Oceania Championships** - Sydney (AUS): 27-29 March
- **Asian Championships** - Chongqing (CHN): 25 April - 3 May

"Needless to say, we are all excited as we enter a historic year. The Tokyo 2020 preparation is at full speed, but we look forward to congratulating the remaining Olympic qualified athletes at the upcoming Continental Championships this spring and through the Tripartite slots (1+1), to be released soon by the IOC," says IFSC President Marco Scolaris.

World Cups Keep Pace

On top of the final qualifying events and preparations for the big Olympic debut in August, the IFSC World Cup series will continue as usual. Sport Climbing's top athletes will compete in 12 cities across eight countries with reappearances in Meiringen, Wujiang, Chongqing, Munich, Villars, Chamonix, Briançon and Xiamen.

The World Cups will also make a return to the iconic climbing venue in Innsbruck in June for both Boulder and Lead competitions, while the annual trip to the United States will take place in Salt Lake City, Utah instead of Vail, Colorado. Similarly, the event in Slovenia is moving from Kranj to the capital city of Ljubljana, and a new location has been added in Seoul, Korea for Boulder and Speed.

The Future's Time to Shine

Following Sport Climbing's first Olympic appearance, the rising stars of the sport will take the stage at the annual IFSC Youth Climbing World Championships in Voronezh, Russia. The eight-day event will feature all three climbing disciplines across the three youth categories, Youth A, Youth B and Juniors from 23 to 31 August.

Apply for Media Accreditation

Media can now register to attend IFSC events on the online [media accreditation platform](#). Registration closes one week before the start of each event for TV broadcasters and 48 hours for other media. Broadcasters who wish to film the competition climbing can contact press@ifsc-climbing.org.

IFSC Partners:



FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Riley LONDRES - Pierre-Emmanuel DANGER, IFSC Press Officers

Mobile: +33 651485215 - +33 672230735 | Email: press@ifsc-climbing.org

	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
1		(USA)		(CHN)					
2						Villars (SUD)			
3			Meiringen (SUI)						
4							Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games		
5									
6		READY STEADY TOKYO Olympic Test Event							
7									
8				Seoul (KOR)					
9									Xiamen (CHN)
10									
11						Chamonix (FRA)			
12					Salt Lake City (USA)				
13									
14									
15									
16									
17									
18			Wujiang (CHN)						FISU World University Championships (ITA)
19		African Championships (RSA)				Briancon (FRA)			
20									
21									
22			Chongqing (CHN)						
23				Munich (GER)	Innsbruck (AUT)				
24	Pan-American Continental Championships (USA)	European Championships (RUS)					YWCH Voronezh (RUS)		
25								Ljubljana (SLO)	
26									
27		Oceania Championships (AUS)	Asian Championships (CHN)						
28									
29									
30									
31									

WC Boulder
WC Lead
WC Speed
Championships
Olympic Events