



INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SPORT CLIMBING

CLIMBING COMMUNITY ECSTATIC TO BE RECOMMENDED FOR INCLUSION AT LA28

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The International Federation of Sport Climbing (IFSC) is thrilled with the news that the Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) has recommended that Sport Climbing be included on the full programme of 28 sports for the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028.

The proposal, made yesterday with the endorsement of the LA28 organising committee, will now be subject to a vote by the full IOC Session during the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022, in February.

In addition to Sport Climbing, Skateboarding and Surfing were also included among the list of 28 sports to be submitted for approval by the Session.

Sport Climbing made its successful Olympic debut at Tokyo 2020 this summer with a Combined event of Boulder, Lead, and Speed. It is also set to appear at Paris 2024, where a total of 68 athletes will compete in two events: Speed, and a new Boulder & Lead format.

The exciting news about LA28 has been greeted with great enthusiasm by the climbing community.

IFSC President Marco Sclaris:

“I am grateful to the IOC Executive Board for this recognition. I am confident the IOC Session in Beijing will accept their proposal, and that we will be given the possibility to contribute to the success of LA28.”

IFSC Athletes' Commission President and Olympian Shauna Coxsey:

“The continued presence of Sport Climbing in the Olympic programme for Los Angeles 2028 will continue to introduce the sport I love to new audiences around the world. The Olympics was a life changing experience for me, and I am so pleased that future generations of athletes will be able to compete on the biggest stage and more people will get to share the joys our sport can bring.”

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