

**SKATEBOARDING
QUALIFICATION SYSTEM**

TOKYO 2020 - JAPAN

DISCIPLINES

STREET AND PARK

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BACKGROUND

While Skateboarding is a newcomer in the world of Olympic sport, it has had a strong international competition scene since the early 80s.

The majority of skateboarders have always travelled independently, in crews of friends or within small privately organized and sponsored teams. This has always allowed a great level of flexibility when it comes to planning, booking, and financing travelling for contests.

Most of the skateboarding competitions have always been privately organized, supported by private sponsors with limited participation of public authorities.

For this reason, contest promoters and event organizers have never had the need to plan long in advance skate contests and information related to the latter was released to the public 3 to 6 months before the start of the competitions.

The inclusion of Skateboarding in the TOKYO 2020 program, and the dependencies coming from the sport becoming Olympic, impose the need for the Skateboarding world to adapt accordingly and adopt the necessary structure for National Federations and National Olympic Committees to operate and support Skateboarders in their pursuit towards the upcoming Summer Olympic Games Qualifications.

WORLD SKATE AND OUR COMMITMENT

World Skate completely understands the need for strategic planning that drives National Federation's activities and we are working to create a more coordinated schedule for the upcoming seasons.

While the mid-term goal is to achieve a detailed schedule for the 2020 season (09/16/2019 - 05/31/2020) by the end of July 2019, we all have to cope with the current state of the international skateboarding competition structure and tradition as it is today.

While it is not possible, at least at this stage, to provide the confirmed and exact dates for the 2019 qualification season events (09/15/2019 - 01/01/2020) we can help National Federations and National Olympic

Committees schedule their team activity by providing deadlines for information release and a perspective on what is ahead of us

QUALIFYING SYSTEM: STRUCTURE

The qualification period is divided into two seasons. For each season a different number of events will assign World Skateboarding Ranking Points.

Season 1

While no event will be held before May 2019, the season will gradually pick up the pace during the northern hemisphere summer. With the **3 best scores**, counting toward point accrual in the World Skateboard Ranking (WSR), the first season will feature the following category events:

SEASON 1	
Street	Park
World Championship	World Championship
Street League Pro Tour	5-Star events
5-Star events	National Championship
National Championship	

When it comes to hosting countries, Asia, South and North America, and Europe are the continents to hold these events.

5 Star events will be held as single or double discipline (Street and Park) format events.

If you want your National Championships to be part of the qualification system, please write to skateboarding@worldskate.org

Further details about the mentioned events and additional qualification opportunities will be announced by the end of March 2019

Season 2

The **World Skate Park Tour** will debut in the last quarter of 2019, more 5-Star events will be announced, and a full list of **Continental Championships** will be added into the big picture as well.

With the 6 best scores of season 2, counting toward point accrual in the WSR, the list of events is going to be packed.

An exciting series of competitions will culminate in the **Street and Park World Championships 2020**: both events will be **direct qualifiers to the Olympic Games** to any skater making the podium.

Dates and further details of Season 2 of the Olympic qualification will be released by the end of July 2019.

ATHLETES QUOTA AND SEASON SEEDING

Every event of the Olympic Qualification System will be open to the National Federations' athletes, with a **country quota of 3 skaters** per discipline per gender. Park and Street World Championships 2018 will be the reference ranking for Season #1 seeding. Pre-seeded skaters won't count toward country quota.

Further details of season seeding will be released by the end of February 2019

WORLD SKATEBOARD RANKING: POINT SYSTEM

When it comes to point-earning for World Skateboarding Ranking, the value assigned to each event is available by downloading Annex 1 from Bulletin #02:

<http://www.worldskate.org/skateboarding/about/bulletins/category/289-tokyo2020-bulletins.html>

OFFICIAL INFORMATION

All the official information is available at:
<http://www.worldskate.org/skateboarding>

Best Regards,



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