Today marks the one-year countdown to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games (24 July), and it’s only just over a month to the one-year countdown for the Paralympic Games (25 August). So it’s an opportune time to launch our new FEI Newsletter service, which will keep you informed on a regular basis about everything important taking place between now and the start of the Games.

"Every four years, the Olympic and Paralympic Games provide a sporting spectacle like no other and, with one year to go to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, the excitement is building among our Eventing, Jumping, Dressage and Para Dressage athletes. We have a star-studded cast for our Ready Steady Tokyo test event next month, when some of the world’s most decorated Eventing athletes and their equine partners will have the opportunity to trial our two fabulous venues and, at the same time, provide a taste of the level of equestrian action that will be on offer at the Games next year.

We are very lucky to have two wonderful venues at Baji Koen and Sea Forest. Baji Koen, which hosted the Olympic equestrian events at the Tokyo Games in 1964, has been extensively refurbished by the Japan Racing Association, while our cross country venue at Sea Forest, which we share with rowing and canoe sprint is on reclaimed land and will be turned into a park post-Games, so both will offer an incredible legacy to the people of Tokyo and visitors.

Equestrian brings together sporting prowess and horsemanship and we are excited that a whole new global audience will have the chance to witness the unique collaboration between horse and human which creates a cocktail of drama and pure magic." Ingmar De Vos, FEI President
One year to go to the opening of the Olympic Games

Pan American Games in Lima (PER):
- Jumping Olympic qualifier for the three best ranked teams from Groups D and/or E not already qualified
- Dressage Olympic qualifier for the two best ranked teams from Groups D and/or E not already qualified
- Eventing Olympic qualifier for the two best ranked teams from Groups D and/or E not already qualified

Tokyo 2020 Olympic test event (CCI3*):
A climate session will be included in the observers programme for NOCs and NFs during the test event

Longines FEI European Championships, Jumping, Dressage and Para Dressage, Rotterdam (NED).
- Jumping Olympic qualifier for the three best ranked teams from Group A and/or B not already qualified
- Dressage Olympic qualifier for the three best ranked teams from Group A and/or B not already qualified

Longines FEI Eventing European Championships, Luhmühlen (GER)
Eventing Olympic qualifier for the two best ranked teams from Groups A and/or B not already qualified

Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ Final, Barcelona (ESP)
Olympic qualifier for the best ranked team not already qualified
FEI Eventing Nations Cup™, Boekelo (NED)

Olympic qualifier for the highest ranked team according to the final classification of the FEI Eventing Nations Cup™ Series 2019 not already qualified

Olympic flame will be lit in Olympia (GRE) for the start of the Olympic torch relay

FEI nominated entries

Tokyo sports entry deadline (FEI definite entries)

Tokyo 2020 Olympic Opening Ceremony

Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Opening Ceremony
With one year to go to the opening of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, the Organising Committee want to showcase athletes from around the world getting excited about the Games, counting down the days until the Games begin and they would like all sports to get involved.

Athletes have been invited to post videos on their social media channels and also send them to Tokyo 2020 celebrating one year to go and a compilation video goes live on Tokyo2020.org today! Please make sure you share, retweet and encourage all your athletes to do it as well!

Activations from IOC/Olympic Channel:

Live show: the Olympic Channel will be streaming two live shows from Tokyo. The first show will be in Japanese, live streamed to Japan and hosted by double figure skating world champion Miki Ando, beginning at 08:30 am CEST time – 3.30pm in Tokyo. The second show will be in English, streamed globally and hosted by the Olympic Channel’s Ash Tulloch, beginning at 9:15 am CEST time – 4.15pm in Tokyo. Viewers can send comments, vote in our interactive poll, and suggest questions for the presenters to ask our special guests using #1YearToGo on social media. Both shows will be streamed on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, on the Olympic Channel platform and on connected devices.

- Tune in on Facebook (Eng)
- Tune in on Twitter (Eng)

Olympic Sunglasses lens: you can join in the countdown by wearing the Olympic Rings sunglasses. Head over to the @OlympicChannel Instagram account and, using our special edition filter, take a video or snap a selfie wearing the sunglasses. Be sure to tag @OlympicChannel and use the hashtag #1YearToGo when you post. But be quick – it’s only available for 17 days!

Click here to use the lens now
TESTING THE NEW OLYMPIC FORMATS

The FEI has held a series of comprehensive tests for the new Olympic formats, with the latest at one of the most important annual youth competitions, the Future Champions event (Jumping and Dressage) at Hof Kasselmann in Hagen (GER) from 11-16 June. All the key Tokyo 2020 players were involved, including FEI Officials, ORIS, OBS, and Swiss Timing, with the Young Riders trialling the new Olympic formats for both disciplines.

The Olympic format for Eventing has so far been tested in Poland, Ireland, Italy and New Zealand, and will also be trialled in the Netherlands later this year at the final event in the FEI Eventing Nations Cup™, with the highest ranked team at the end of the series that isn’t already qualified earning a team place for Tokyo 2020.

These events are an opportunity to test all the systems and logistics to ensure that everyone is ready for Tokyo 2020 when it comes to technical planning and processes, rules, scheduling, IT and results management, timing, and sport presentation, as well as giving NOCs the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the new formats.

EXPLAINER VIDEOS FOR THE NEW OLYMPIC FORMATS

The new Olympic formats have been designed to allow for more flags at the Olympic Games by reducing teams from four to three members and removing the drop score, as well as simplifying the rules and making the competitions shorter and more exciting for spectators.

In a bid to ensure everyone is familiar with the new formats, and following the recent test of the Jumping and Dressage formats in Hagen, the FEI has developed “explainer” videos outlining the changes, which are now available on the FEI YouTube channel.

Jumping Explainer video
Dressage Explainer video
An Eventing explainer video will be produced and made available later on this year

*Tokyo will be the first Olympic Games to use these new formats and we encourage you to share these “explainer” videos with all your entourage, such as your athletes, coaches, chefs d’équipes, media, members, fans, etc.*
Test Event in Tokyo (12-14 August 2019)

The two fabulous Olympic equestrian venues at Baji Koen and Sea Forest will be used for the Ready Steady Tokyo test event from 12-14 August. ([link to our press release](#)) There will also be an observers programme for NOCs and NFs during the test event, which will include a session on optimising equine and human performance in a challenging climate.

RULES AND QUALIFICATIONS

- IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Games of the XXXII Olympiad Tokyo 2020

You will find attached a letter outlining the key areas of the IOC Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Games of the XXXII Olympiad Tokyo 2020 (the “IOC Anti-Doping Rules”), which are based on the WADA “Model Major Events Organisations Anti-Doping Rules” pursuant to the 2015 World Anti-Doping Code with 2019 amendments (the “Code”).

The IOC Human Anti-Doping Rules can be found here on Inside FEI.

The FEI Equine Anti-Doping Rules can be found here on Inside FEI.

Discover the Tokyo 2020 Olympic mascot, Miraitowa, representing each of the 33 Olympic sports (you will be redirected to YouTube)
Check all the latest information on Tokyo 2020 on Inside FEI here:
- All relevant info about the Olympic Games
- All relevant info about the Paralympic Games

For all video content related to Tokyo2020, check out our dedicated stream on YouTube:
- Road to #Tokyo2020

Official websites of the Games and the IOC:
- www.tokyo2020.org
- www.olympic.org