
IOC Approves Facilities for Olympic Games in 2020

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The International Olympic Committee (IOC) has approved the facilities, for Tokyo 2020, that will host the five new sports recently incorporated into the Olympic Games.

The new sports are, men's baseball, women's softball, karate (both sexes), skateboarding, surfing and climbing.

Baseball and softball will be held in the Yokohama Stadium, built in 1978. The possibility of first round matches taking place in Fukushima (devastated on March 11th, 2011 by a nuclear accident) is still under analysis.

The karate competition will be held in the Nippon Budokan in the Japanese capital, while temporary structures in the Aomi Urban Sports Complex in the city will be installed for skateboarding and rock climbing.

Surfing will be held on the natural waves off Kujukuri Beach, Chiba Prefecture, a hundred kilometers east of Tokyo.