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History of Sport Climbing at the Olympic Games
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INTRODUCTION
Sport climbing competitions were organised for the first time in the USSR in the late 1940s. In 2014, sport climbing, along with three other sports, was part of the Youth Olympic Games Sports Lab initiative in Nanjing. Sport climbing will feature at the Olympic Games for the first time at Tokyo 2020. The event on the Olympic programme is made up of a combined format featuring three disciplines: speed climbing, lead climbing and bouldering. There will be 40 participants (20 men and 20 women).

KEY STAGES

IOC approval
2016: At the 129th IOC Session that took place in Rio in August, it was decided that sport climbing would be added to the programme for the Olympic Games in 2020. The inclusion of sport climbing in the 2020 Olympic programme was proposed in 2015 by the Organising Committee for Tokyo 2020 in response to the new flexibility provided by Olympic Agenda 2020.

Entry
2020: Sport climbing to make its debut on the Olympic Games programme at Tokyo 2020.

EVOLUTION IN THE NUMBER OF EVENTS
2020: 2 events (1 men’s, 1 women’s)

Find out more about sport climbing
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