



# ATHLETE INVITATION

**13TH & 14TH FEBRUARY 2016**

**SAPPORO BANKEI SKI AREA**

SAPPORO HOKKAIDO JAPAN

# INVITATION

Dear Snowboard Nations,

We are delighted to invite all Snowboard nations to the FIS Snowboard World Cup which will take place at Sapporo Bankei Ski Area, Sapporo.

FIS Snowboard World Cup 2016 in Sapporo will take place on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th February, 2016.

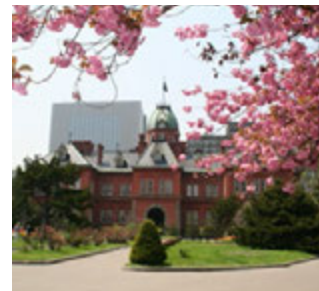
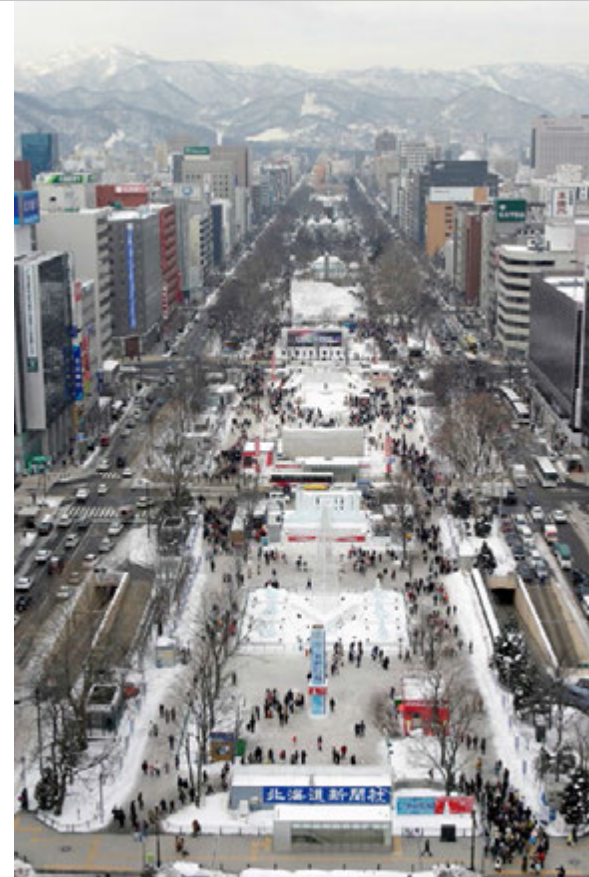
Entries for the FIS Snowboard World Cup are open now through the FIS Online System at [www.fis-ski.com](http://www.fis-ski.com). Please find the athlete and team information below.

For further information, please contact [info@snowboard-worldcup.jp](mailto:info@snowboard-worldcup.jp)

We look forward to welcoming you in Sapporo!

Kind regards,

Ski Association of Sapporo



# KEY DATES AND VENUES

## Dates

FIS Snowboard World Cup 2016 in Sapporo officially runs on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th February (though please note that the first training day is Thursday 11th February).

## Host Town

The event will be based in Sapporo. It is the biggest city in Hokkaido, and holds the 4th largest number of population in Japan. Sapporo held the Winter Olympic Games in 1972, and it was the first time in Asian region. Over 13 million tourists visit Sapporo every year, not only for sightseeing but also participating various international sports and cultural events and important business meetings. Sapporo is going to host The Asian Winter Games in 2017, and has declared to stand as a candidate for the host city for the Winter Olympics and Paralympics in 2026.

## Venue

Sapporo Bankei Ski Area is situated to the west of the city (approximately 20 minutes from the central city area by car). The FIS recognized biggest half pipe in Japan, with the length of 180 meters, 20 meters in width, and 5-6 meters in height, and slope 17 degrees, was built in 2015. For more information, please check:

<http://www.bankei.co.jp/ski/english.html>

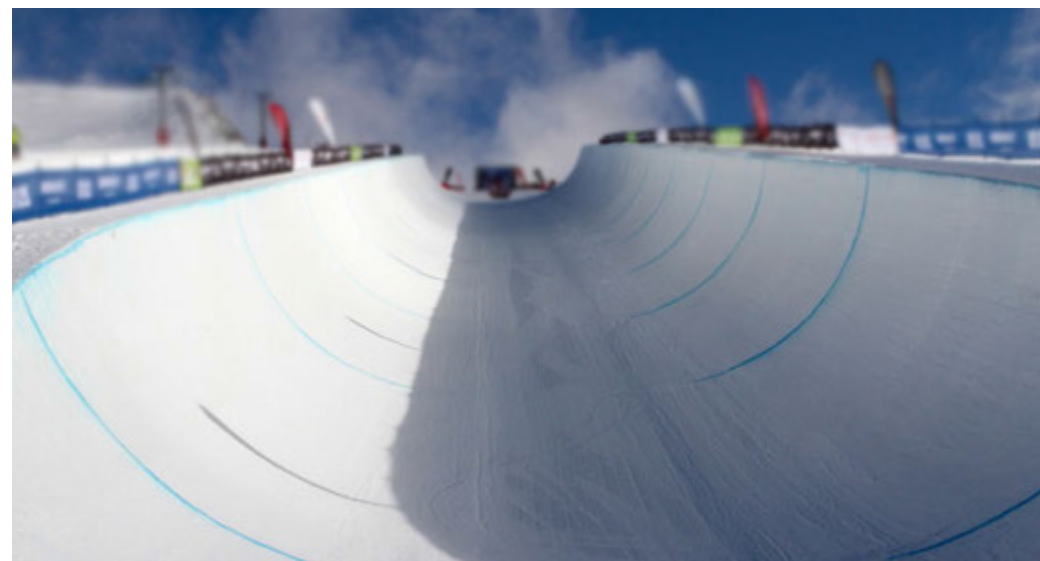


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## 1 ENTRIES, PARTICIPATION FEE AND REGISTRATION

### Entries

Entries for FIS Snowboard World Cup 2016 in Sapporo will be accepted in accordance with the FIS quotas and rules for the World Cup, and must be processed by the national snow sports association through the FIS Online Registration and Entry System at [www.fis-ski.com](http://www.fis-ski.com) under Member Section. If you have any questions, please contact the Organizing Committee on [info@snowboard-worldcup.jp](mailto:info@snowboard-worldcup.jp)

FIS SNOWBOARD QUOTAS 2015/2016:

[http://www.fis-ski.com/mm/Document/documentlibrary/Snowboard/02/03/17/DescriptionSBQuotas1516\\_English.pdf](http://www.fis-ski.com/mm/Document/documentlibrary/Snowboard/02/03/17/DescriptionSBQuotas1516_English.pdf)

### Participation Fee

According to the World Cup Rules, a mandatory Participation Fee of CHF 30 per competitor and training and competition day (11th – 14th Feb.) has to be paid to the Organizing Committee. Therefore the total amount of CHF 120 per competitor has to be charged.

### Deadlines for Entries

Provisional Entry (Announcement of Team Size): 4th January, 2016

Final Team Names: 3rd February, 2016





## 2 TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION

Teams are responsible for their own transportation between your arriving airports from overseas to New Chitose Airport.

Once you arrive at New Chitose Airport, Organizing Committee will prepare shuttle buses to APA HOTEL & RESORT SAPPORO. After the competition, we will also organize buses to send you back from the hotel to New Chitose Airport on your departure day. CHF 16 will be charged as shuttle bus fee of this return trip per person.

### Air Travel into Japan

On the same days of the competition, Sapporo Snow Festival will be held in the city, and over 2.5 million people are estimated to come to this event. Therefore **we highly recommend that you book your flights to New Chitose Airport as early as possible.**



### 3 TEAM CAPTAIN'S MEETINGS

**Venue : Lilac Room, APA HOTEL & RESORT SAPPORO**  
**Dates : Wed. 10th - Sun. 14th February**  
**Time : 18:00 -**

Details regarding to the Team Captain's meeting and reception will also be sent out nearer the event.

### 4 BIBS

All competitors must wear bibs during all competition and award ceremonies.

Training and competition bibs will be allocated at Team Captain's Meetings. A bib deposit of CHF 65 per team or CHF 13 per individual will be required in cash at the first Team Captain's Meeting.



## 5 SCHEDULE

### Wed. 10 February Arrival Day

18:00 - 18:45 Team Captains and riders meeting

### Thu. 11 February Official Training Day

10:00 - 13:00 Ladies and Men's training

18:00 - 18:30 Team Captains and riders meeting

### Fri. 12 February Official Training Day

10:00 - 13:00 Ladies and Men's training

18:00 - 18:45 Team Captains and riders meeting Draw

### Sat. 13 February Qualification

8:00 - 8:30 Ladies Training

8:40 - 9:46 **Ladies Qualifications**

9:56 - 10:26 Men's H1 Training

10:36 - 11:56 **Men's H1 Qualifications**

12:01 - 12:31 Men's H2 Training

12:41 - 14:01 **Men's H2 Qualifications**

18:00 - 18:30 Team Captains Meeting

### Sun. 14 February Semi Finals and Finals

10:00 - 10:38 Men's Semi-Finals Training

10:48 - 11:20 **Men's Halfpipe Semis- Finals (R 1&2)**

12:20 - 12:50 Ladies and Men's Finals Training

13:00 - 13:10 **Ladies Halfpipe Finals (R1)**

13:12 - 13:28 **Men's Halfpipe Finals (R1)**

13:30 - 13:40 **Ladies Halfpipe Finals (R2)**

13:42 - 13:59 **Men's Halfpipe Finals (R2)**

14:01 - 14:11 **Ladies Halfpipe Finals (R3)**

14:13 - 14:30 **Men's Halfpipe Finals (R3)**

14:40 - 14:45 Ladies' Halfpipe Flower Ceremony

14:45 - 14:50 Men's Halfpipe Flower Ceremony

### Mon. 15 February Departure Day

## 6 RACING OFFICE

Name of the Room : Lilac Room, APA HOTEL & RESORT SAPPORO

Opening Hours : 8:30 – 18:00

Duration : Tue. 9th – Sun. 14th February

### Official Notice Board

The official notice board will be located at the Race Office.



## 7 ACCOMMODATION

As per the FIS rule on accommodation, each team member/participant will pay CHF 80 per day/person directly to the organizers. Accommodation at the FIS rate will be provided for the night of Wed. 10th to Sun. 14th Feb.

The exchange rate can be found at:

[http://www.fis-ski.com/mm/Document/documentlibrary/Snowboard/06/99/97/ExchangeRatesFISFreestyleSkiandSnowboardWorldCup\\_English.pdf](http://www.fis-ski.com/mm/Document/documentlibrary/Snowboard/06/99/97/ExchangeRatesFISFreestyleSkiandSnowboardWorldCup_English.pdf)

Team accommodation will be confirmed nearer the time. **Free shuttle bus services will be provided between the hotel and the event venue during the competition.**

Each team will be responsible for any damage incurred during the stay. Payment/Credit card details will be taken from all guests in accommodation and additional extras will be charged to the guest.

### APA HOTEL & RESORT SAPPORO

Address: Kawazoe 4-jo 2-chome, Minami-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido 005-0804

Tel: +81 11 571 3111

HP: [http://www.apahotel.com/hotel/hokkaido/01\\_sapporo/](http://www.apahotel.com/hotel/hokkaido/01_sapporo/)

### Meals

Half board will be provided starting on Wed. 10th Feb. up to and including breakfast on Mon. 15th Feb. Breakfast will be provided in the Hotel.



## 8 PRIZES

The total prize purse for the FIS Snowboard World Cup is CHF 50,000, (CHF 25,000 for men, and CHF 25,000 for women). Prize money will be given to the entitled competitors paid in cash in Japanese Yen.

## 9 ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Each competitor must have his/her own medical insurance. The organizing Committee, Ski Association of Sapporo, sponsors and suppliers, their agents, employees and volunteers decline any responsibility for accidents, damaged or lost equipment and second and third party claims during the event.

## 10 LIABILITY

All athletes, officials and members of the National Association who attend and participate the event shall do so at their own risk. The Organizing Committee, Ski Association of Sapporo, sponsors and suppliers, their agents, employees and volunteers shall not be responsible for any losses or injuries incurred or suffered by any athlete, official or other person in conjunction with the organizing or staging of the event.

## 11 ANTI-DOPING

Anti-Doping control may be conducted at this event.



## 12 MEDIA

If you would like to request media accreditation for the FIS Snowboard World Cup, for editorial or filming for promotional purpose, please contact the Organizing Committee to complete a media accreditation form.

The form must be submitted by Fri. 29th January, 2016.

## 13 FURTHER INFORMATION

Updated information about the even can be found at:  
<http://snowboard-worldcup.jp/>

The latest information of FIS Snowboard World Cup 2016 in Sapporo is also on Facebook.

For any specific event questions, please contact:  
[info@snowboard-worldcup.jp](mailto:info@snowboard-worldcup.jp)





## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

As we announced in “Travel and Transportation” section, Sapporo Snow Festival will be held during your stay. This festival has been held every year in early February for the last 66 years. The main venue will be in Oodori Koen Park, but there are a few other places you can see snow and ice sculptures. It is one of the biggest event in Hokkaido, and over 2.5 million tourists not only from outside of Sapporo but also from all over Japan and overseas come to Sapporo to see this event.

For further information, please check:  
<http://www.snowfes.com/>

