QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – ASIAN GAMES AICHI-NAGOYA 2026
World Climbing Asia
Updated as of 15 January 2026

A. EVENTS (6)

Men's events (3)	Women's events (3)
Boulder	Boulder
Lead	Lead
Speed	Speed

B. QUOTA PLACES

B.1. Total quota places for Boulder:

	Qualification	Host NOC	Total
Men	14	1	15
Women	14	1	15
Total	28	2	30

B.2. Total quota places for Lead:

	Qualification	Host NOC	Total
Men	14	1	15
Women	14	1	15
Total	28	2	30

B.3. Total quota places for Speed (4 lanes):

	Qualification	Host NOC	Total
Men	17	1	18
Women	17	1	18
Total	34	2	36

B.4. Maximum number of athletes per National Olympic Committee (NOC):

	Boulder	Lead	Speed	Total
Men	2	2	2	6
Women	2	2	2	6
Total	4	4	4	12

B.5. Quota places are allocated to the athletes (by name) for the Boulder, Lead, and Speed events.

C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

C.1. Compliance with the Constitution and Rules of Olympic Council of Asia and other relevant rules

All athletes must respect and comply with the Constitution and Rules of Olympic Council of Asia ("Rule") currently in force. Only those athletes who respect and comply with the Rules, the World Anti- Doping Code, and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions, including the conditions of participation established by the OCA, plus the rules of World Climbing, may participate in the Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026.

C.2. Additional IF/AF eligibility criteria

All participating athletes must comply with World Climbing Rules and relevant regulations (link) and the following:

- To be eligible to participate in the Asian Games 2026, athletes must be born on or before 31 December 2009 (i.e., at least 17 years old in 2026).
- Hold a valid international license issued by World Climbing during the qualification period and the year of Asian Games 2026.
- Not have been banned from participating in any World Climbing competitions during the qualification period and the year of Asian Games 2026.

D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

D.1. Quota places

The qualification events are listed in hierarchical order of qualification.

Number of quota places	Qualification events
12 Men (4 boulder, 4 lead, and 4 speed) 12 Women (4 boulder, 4 lead, and 4 speed)	**D.1.1. IFSC World Championships - 20 to 28 September 2025 – Seoul, Korea** Top 4 Asian athletes per gender in Boulder, Lead, Speed (max 1 quota per gender per discipline per NOC)
20 Men (6 boulder, 6 lead, and 8 speed) 20 Women (6 boulder, 6 lead, and 8 speed)	**D.1.2. World Climbing Asia Championship – 8-12 April 2026 – Meishan, China** Top 6 per gender for Boulder, Lead and top 8 for Speed, respecting the max. quota per gender per NOC. In case an athlete already obtained a quota place through D.1.1., the quota place is allocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete who is not yet qualified, respecting the max. quota per gender per NOC.
9 Men (4 lead and 5 speed) 9 Women (4 lead and 5 speed)	**D.1.3. World Climbing Asia Series – Lead, Speed *(CANCELLED)*** Top 4 per gender for Lead and top 5 for Speed, respecting the max. quota per gender per NOC. In case an athlete already obtained a quota place through D.1.1. and D.1.2, the quota place is allocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete who is not yet qualified, respecting the max. quota per gender per NOC.

4 Men (boulder) 4 Women (boulder)	**D.1.4. World Climbing Asia Series – Boulder *(CANCELLED)*** Top 4 per gender (Boulder), respecting the max. quota per gender per NOC. In case an athlete already obtained a quota place through D.1.1. and D.1.2, the quota place is allocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete who is not yet qualified, respecting the max. quota per gender per NOC.

Contingency qualification pathway: If the quota places remain unfilled after **D. Qualification Pathway**, all unused quota places will be allocated based on the 2025 World Climbing Championship results.

D.2. Host NOC Places

In the case where the host NOC does not qualify any athlete per gender through the **D. Qualification Pathway**, one (1) quota place will be allocated to the highest placed athlete from the host NOC at the 2025 IFSC World Championships, respecting the max. NOC quota per gender per event.

In case there are no eligible athletes from the host NOC at the 2025 IFSC World Climbing Championships, one (1) quota place will be firstly allocated to the highest placed athlete from the host NOC at the 2026 World Climbing Asia Championship, respecting the max. NOC quota per gender per event.

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF QUOTA PLACES

E.1. Confirmation of quota places

World Climbing Asia will publish the results of the event on the World Climbing website.

World Climbing Asia will confirm in writing to the NOCs within three (3) days after the end of each qualifying events, the quota places they have obtained. The NOCs will then inform World Climbing Asia if they wish to confirm or decline these quota places as detailed in section **H. Qualification Timeline**.

E.2. Confirmation of quota places

In case where the host NOC did not qualify any athletes through the **D. Qualification Pathway**, World Climbing Asia will send a request to the host NOC as outlined in section **H. Qualification Timeline**.

World Climbing Asia will ask to the NOC if they wish to use the host NOC place for the eligible athlete(s), applicable per gender, as described under section **D.2 Host NOC Places**, and the NOC will then confirm to World Climbing Asia if they wish to use such quota place.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

F.1. Reallocation of unused quota places

Unused quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete, not yet qualified, at the 2025 IFSC World Championships, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC.

If the event is canceled or the quota places remained unfilled after 2025 IFSC World Championships pathway outlined in section **D. Qualification Pathway**, the unused quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible athlete, not yet qualified, at the 2026 World Climbing Asia Championship, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC.

The reallocation will be implemented according to the timeline expressed in section **H. Qualification Timeline**.

F.2. Reallocation of unused host NOC quota places

Unused host NOC quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest placed eligible athlete, not yet qualified, at the 2025 IFSC World Championships, respecting the maximum quota per gender and per NOC.

If the event is canceled or the quota places remained unfilled after 2025 IFSC World Championships pathway outlined in section **D. Qualification Pathway**, the unused quota place(s) will be reallocated to the next highest ranked eligible athlete, not yet qualified, at the 2026 World Climbing Asia Championship, respecting the maximum quota per gender per NOC.

The reallocation will be implemented according to the timeline expressed in section **H. Qualification Timeline**.

G. Qualification Timeline

Timeline	Qualification event
20 - 28 September, 2025	**D.1. IFSC World Championships, Seoul, Korea**
Within 3 days after each event	World Climbing Asia confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
By 7 days after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing Asia the use of the allocated quota places.
8-12 April 2026	**D.2. 2026 World Climbing Asia Championship, Meishan, China**
Within 3 days after each event	World Climbing Asia confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
By 7 days after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing Asia the use of the allocated quota places.
CANCELLED	D.3. 2026 World Climbing Asia Series Lead & Speed
Within 3 days after each event	World Climbing Asia confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
By 7 days after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing Asia the use of the allocated quota places.
CANCELLED	D.4. 2026 World Climbing Asia Series Boulder
Within 3 days after each event	World Climbing Asia confirms in writing to the NOCs the quota places obtained.
By 7 days after the previous step	The NOCs to confirm to World Climbing Asia the use of the allocated quota places.
	Reallocation of Host Country Place (if needed)
After the previous steps are completed	World Climbing Asia to reallocate all unused quota place and publish the final name-list of the 20th ASIAN GAMES AICHI-NAGOYA 2026
14 May 2026	20th ASIAN GAMES AICHI-NAGOYA 2026 Accreditation (Long list) deadline
1 July 2026	20th ASIAN GAMES AICHI-NAGOYA 2026 Sport Entries deadline
Until Technical Meeting	Final confirmation for the attendance before Technical meeting and no reallocation permitted after the commencement of Technical meeting.
19 September – 4 October 2026	**20th ASIAN GAMES AICHI-NAGOYA 2026**
29 September – 3 October 2026	**Sport Climbing (Boulder, Lead, and Speed)**