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**ISU World Team Trophy  
in Figure Skating 2019**

Fukuoka/JAPAN April 11-14, 2019

# City Overview: FUKUOKA

## INTRODUCTION

Fukuoka prefecture has been known as the gateway between Kyushu area and main island of Honshu, and Hakata port has prospered as an international trading port.

Fukuoka Prefecture serves not only as the center of Kyushu markets with a 15 million population, but also as the focal point of the Asian market, which attracts many businesses and special education institutes.

Moreover, in Fukuoka Prefecture, an area of harmony between business functions and rich environment, prices are stable compared to those of Tokyo and Osaka. The Prefecture offers excellent living and education environments, which help residents to live a relaxed life.

As the gateway of neighboring Asian countries, Fukuoka is now substantially upgrading its infrastructure and transportation.

Japan Skating Federation would like to extend a warm welcome to Fukuoka.



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## TIME ZONE

Time zone for Japan is 9 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time(GMT +9:00).

## ELECTRICITY

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## THE CLIMATE(April in Fukuoka)

Day time Average 18.0 °C(64 F)

Night time Average 11.0 °C(52F)

April is often considered the best time to visit Japan because the cherry blossoms are in full bloom in most regions of the country and the weather is pleasantly mild. Domestic travel activity is increased in early April due to spring school holidays, in late April due to the start of the Golden Week and during most of the rest of the month due the cherry blossom season.

## The Venue

### Marine Messe Fukuoka

7-1 Okihama-machi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka City 812-0031  
TEL:092-262-3111

Japan Skating Federation will host the ISU World Team Trophy in Figure Skating 2019 at the “Marine Messe Fukuoka”, which is located in port (west) side of Fukuoka and approximately 15 minutes by bus from Hakata station. In December 2013 this venue hosted the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final.

The size of the arena is approximately 8,000m<sup>2</sup>, and has 4 stories above ground and 2 basements. The arena is indoor, air-conditioned and heated. An ice surface is 30 m x 60 m.

The seating capacity of the arena is approximately 6,600 seats.



## Travel Information

### AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION

**OC Shuttle:** All ISU officials, judges and team members are picked up at the official airport, Fukuoka International Airport (FUK), in accordance with the submitted arrival schedule and necessary ground transportation will be organized to the official hotel, Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk.

In case, Coaches, Team Medical Staff, Member Press Officer and Chaperones arrive at the same time as their teams, they will be allowed to join the same ground transportation for free.

However, individually travelling team members and chaperones or any other persons not officially included in the team delegation must pay the ground transportation at their own expense.

**Fukuoka International Airport** is the official airport of the event.

Transport facilities and access time from the airport to the official hotel, Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel are as follows:

#### <Fukuoka International Airport>

**Bus:** Take Airport Limousine Bus bound for Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel.

(approx.25 minutes/JPY1,000)

**Subway:** Take the Fukuoka City Subway, getting off at Tojinmachi Station. The hotel is a 7-minute by taxi from the station.

Approximately 15 minute subway ride from the airport.



Airport Limousine Bus



Subway





## Accreditation and Visa application

### SCHEDULE of ACCREDITATION

Accreditation is necessary for all participating team members, Judges, ISU Event Officials and ISU Office Holders; and the accreditation room will be open from 13:00 on Apr. 9 at the official hotel “Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel” through midnight.

### REISSUING ACCREDITATION

All accredited persons are requested to present their accreditation card when entering competition venue.

In case the accreditation card is lost, you need to report to the OC Headquarter in the competition venue or at the hotel as soon as possible.

The OC together with the ISU will evaluate the situation and decide in accordance with given security measures if the ID card will be reissued.

The OC will charge you 10,000 Yen for reissuing an ID-card.

### VISA APPLICATION

Check the following URL to find out if you need to obtain a visa to enter Japan.

[http://www.mofa.go.jp/j\\_info/visit/visa/short/novisa.html](http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/short/novisa.html)

The procedure is shown in the following page to apply for a visa.

[http://www.mofa.go.jp/j\\_info/visit/visa/index.html](http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html)

After submitting your entry forms, our agent will contact you directly and ask you to for some application questions e.g. name on passport, passport number, passport validity date, applying city, and they will send you the necessary package “official invitation letter” to your mentioned address by DHL or EMS as soon as possible. After receiving the package, applicants need to submit the passport with the necessary forms to the Consulate with the jurisdiction at a Japanese Embassy or Consulate General which is mentioned in your paper. It will take at least one week for the visa to be issued, so it is highly recommended to consider the timing for the application.

## Hotels

OFFICIAL HOTEL for ISU/Judge/Team/OC

### Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel

2-2-3, Jigyohama, Chuo-ku,  
Fukuoka, 810-8650, Japan

Tel: +81-92-844-8111

Fax: +81-92-844-7887

URL: <http://www.hiltonfukuokaseahawk.jp/>



The hotel is located by the side of Hakata Bay and overlooking the city of Fukuoka. It is about 11 km from Fukuoka Airport.

There are over 1,000 guest rooms in all types, 20 all size party & meeting rooms for functions with up to 1,200 person available.

9 restaurants & bars, fitness gym & swimming pool available.

OC will organize a private dining room for ISU Event Officials and Office Holders, Judges, Skaters, and its opening hours will be

Breakfast	Apr. 10-15 / 06:00 - 10:00 (included)
Lunch	Apr. 10-14 / 11:30 - 14:30 (4,000 Yen)
Dinner	Apr. 09-14 / 19:00 - 23:00 (6,000 Yen)

(Hotel Information: as of Oct. 2018)



## Hotels

The accommodation fee for ISU Event Officials, Judges, Skaters and 2 person per Team as support personnel will be covered by the OC from dinner on Tuesday, April 9 until breakfast on Monday, April 15, 2019.

All other team members are requested to pay the following fee at the information desk located at the hotel lobby. (※Refer to the Announcement for details)

### Room Charge

Single room

21,500 Yen / per day (including Breakfast & Tax)

Double room

32,000 Yen / per day (including Breakfast & Tax)

### Room Equipment

Refrigerator / Digital TV / Electric pot

Hair Dryer / Showercap

Soap / Body soap / Shampoo / Conditioner

Toothbrush / Comb / Shaver

Bath Towel / Face Towel / Slippers



### Telephone

Room to room: 6+ Room No.

International call: 0+010+Country code + Number

### Internet

Free high-speed internet available in your room (Wired LAN).

### Room Service

From 6:00 am to 11:00 pm

### Laundry Service

Picked up by 11:00 and done until 18:00 or picked up from 11:00 to 17:00 and done on the next day (10:00).

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## Hotels

### Wi-Fi

Free Wi-Fi is also available at each public area as listed below.

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floor: Foyer of Banquet Room

4<sup>th</sup> floor : Lobby

33<sup>rd</sup> floor : Executive lounge

34<sup>th</sup> floor: Break out space of Banquet room

35<sup>th</sup> floor: Dining space, etc.

### Currency Exchange

Available 24 hours at the ATM (4F).

US\$ , RMB¥ and KRW ONLY

(※Up to ¥100,000/ per day / per person).

### Safety Box

Available in the room or the hotel reception (4F).

### Fitness center (5F)

Available 24 hours free of charge.

### Convenience store (4F)

Available 24 hours at Sea Hawk Avenue.

### Cancellation Policy for Official Hotel

Changes and cancellations shall be made in writing and directly to the OC as well as updated in the ORS.

If cancellations are made for rooms not covered by the OC, the following policy will be in force:

- before March 29, 2019 no charge will apply
- less than one week before your planned check-in date a 50% cancellation fee of the room rate has to be paid.
- one day before your check in date the full room rate has to be paid.



(Hotel Information: as of Oct. 2018)



## Hotels

SUB HOTEL for Overseas Media & OC

### Seaside Hotel Twins MOMOCHI

1-7-4, Momochihama, Fukuoka Sawara-ku,  
Fukuoka , 814-0001, Japan

Tel: +81-92-822-5001

Fax: +81-92-847-3110

URL: <http://www.ihwgroup.co.jp/>

#### Location

7 min. walk from Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel.

#### Room Charge

Single room 9,180 Yen / per day(including Breakfast & Tax)  
✕11,340 Yen (Saturday only)

#### Internet

Free high-speed internet available in your room (Wired LAN)



**Breakfast**  
Buffet Style  
(7:00-10:00)



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## Useful Information



### CURRENCY

Paper bills are available as 10,000 Yen, 5,000 Yen and 1,000 Yen bills and coins as 500 Yen, 100 Yen, 50 Yen, 10 Yen, 5 Yen and 1 Yen coins. Most stores accept all bills but larger bills (10,000Yen or 5,000Yen) may not be accepted when you take public transportation like buses or subways.

### FINANCIAL SERVICES AND BANKING HOURS

Regular banking hours are Monday to Friday from 9:00 to 15:00. All banks are closed on Saturday, Sunday and national holidays. Also you may withdraw money with major credit cards or international cash card in Japan Post Bank ATMs or ATMs at major convenience stores. ATM marked with a Plus symbol will accept automated banking cards from outside Japan.

**Note: for transactions that incur service charges may occur, a fee is charged for each transactions.**

Major credit cards are accepted in places. The Japanese Yen has a favorable exchange rate. Most shops and restaurants will accept major international credit cards e.g. Visa, MasterCard, American Express Card, Diners Club, but no Euro Card is accepted in Japan. Also traveler's cheques will be accepted in major shops, but it is recommended to visit the nearest major bank to change it to CASH for your convenience.

### TAXES

8% sales tax is collected in the entire country for all services and products. Prices are posted with sometimes tax included and sometimes tax excluded. Vending machines, convenient stores, coffee shops, buses, taxis, etc. are mainly included. Restaurants, fashion boutiques, hotel, etc. are mainly excluded.

### GRATUITY

Tipping in restaurants is not necessary. Hotel restaurants or cafe automatically add a service charge to the bill.

### LIQUOR LAWS

The minimum legal drinking age in Japan is 20 years. At liquor stores, bars, you may be asked to show your identification.

### SMOKING

There is a smoking law in Japan. It is illegal to smoke for people under 20 years old. There are many restricted building, hotels, arena or restaurant, and limited area for smokers.

### ELECTRICITY

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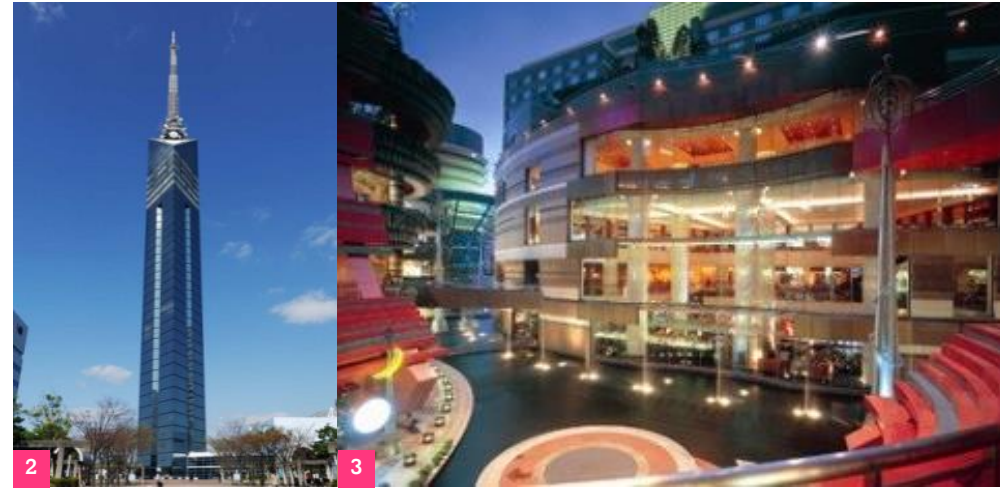


## Useful Information-Tourism and Culture

### 1. Seahawk Galleria

The newly-redesigned Seahawk Galleria shopping arcade, located on the premises of the Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel, is comprised of 24 specialty shops in 5 different zones arranged in elegant surroundings.

Visitors of the hotel will have their stay enriched by the shopping opportunities offered here, making it a more pleasant and memorable journey to Japan.



### 2. Fukuoka Tower

This is the tallest seaside tower in Japan, the total 234 m high, and covered with about 8,000 half mirrors. You can enjoy 360-degree panoramic view of Hakata city from the observation room at 123 meters from the ground.

### 3. Canal City

The place is popular as not only an enormous shopping destination with numerous restaurants but also as an entertainment complex, such as a movie theater, hotels, and performing arts center.



## Useful Information-Food Culture



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### 1. Food Stalls

Many variety of food stalls line on the streets at night in Fukuoka. It makes the city even more exciting and lively. It is firstly appeared and spread in the town after the World War II as a mobile eating place. More than 190 stalls are set up in the city and they offer a wide variety of dishes including ramen, oden, yakitori, tempura and many others.

### 2. Karashi-Mentaiko

It can be said the Karashi -Mentaiko is the most popular souvenir from Fukuoka. Mentaiko is cod roe seasoned with cayenne peppers. It is spicy and rich flavors. You can enjoy simply with rice or add in pasta and pizza as a rich hot flavor.

### 3. Motsu-nabe

This food is also as popular as Mizutaki, but which is made from the offal or guts of cow, called "motsu" in Japanese. It is known as healthy with low calorie and high nutrition. Chopped Cabbage, Chinese chive, leek, garlic, and chili pepper are placed in the hot pot with motsu is very common style. Soy sauce or miso soup are usually cooked with.

### 4. Mizu-taki

This food is one of the best known specialties of the Fukuoka Prefecture. Boned chicken and skin are placed in the hot pot with cold water, and slowly simmered to a boil. Some fresh vegetables and tofu are cooked with. You can enjoy the taste of chicken-based broth adding a little salt first, and then eat chicken and vegetables with a ponzu dip (a mix of soy sauce with citrus juice). Put rice into the soup in the hot pot in the end is popular way to eat.

### 5. Hakata Ramen

"Ramen" is the now most widely eaten food all over Japan. "Tonkotsu Ramen" is on the top list of must-try cuisine in Hakata. The most famous features of this Ramen are rich in flavor of pork bone broth soup and firm texture of noodles. Some roasted pork slice and chopped welsh onions are very good when served with. If you still have a room, you should go on "Kaedama" which is a noodle refill to eat with the remaining soup.



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## Event Schedule (as of October, 2018) – subject to change

Date	Time	Event	Date	Time	Event
Wednesday, Apr. 10	07:30	Official Practice	Thursday, Apr. 11	08:30	Official Practice
	08:30	Technical Panel Meeting – Ice Dance		14:30	Opening Ceremony on Ice
	10:00	Team Leaders Meeting		15:15	Ice Dance –Rhythm Dance
	10:30	Technical Panel Meeting – Pairs		16:35	Ladies – Short Program
	11:15	Team Medical Meeting		18:40	Men –Short Program
	11:30	Technical Panel Meeting – Men	Friday, Apr. 12	09:30	Official Practice
	12:45	Technical Panel Meeting – Ladies		16:00	Pairs – Short Program
	16:00	Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting (Hotel)		17:25	Ice Dance – Free Dance
	17:00	Judges Meeting (Hotel)		19:00	Men – Free Skating
19:30	Opening Ceremony & Reception (Hotel)				

## Event Schedule (as of October, 2018) – subject to change

Date	Time	Event	Date	Time	Event
Saturday, Apr. 13	07:15	Technical Panel Review Meeting – Men (Hotel)	Sunday, Apr. 14	07:15	Technical Panel Review Meeting – Pairs (Hotel)
	08:00	Round Table Discussion – Men (Hotel)		08:00	Technical Panel Review Meeting – Ladies (Hotel)
	08:15	Technical Panel Review Meeting – Ice Dance (Hotel)		08:30	Exhibition Practice
	09:15	Round Table Discussion – Ice Dance (Hotel)		09:00	Round Table Discussion – Pairs (Hotel)
	10:00	Official Practice		10:15	Round Table Discussion – Ladies (Hotel)
	15:15	Pairs – Free Skating		14:00	GALA Exhibition
	16:50	Ladies – Free Skating			
	18:50	Victory Ceremony			
	21:00	Prize Giving Ceremony & Closing Banquet (Hotel)			





## Summary of Deadlines

Form		Deadline Day
ORS	Composition of Delegation	Thursday, March 28, 2019
ORS	Entry by Name for Competitors	Thursday, March 28, 2019
ORS	Entry by Name for Judges	Thursday, March 28, 2019
ORS	Hotel Reservation	Thursday, March 28, 2019
ORS	Bank Transfer	Thursday, March 28, 2019
ORS	Travel Details	Thursday, March 28, 2019
	Skater Health Care Form	Thursday, March 28, 2019
	Visa Request Form	a.s.a.p.