

WORLD MASTERS HOCKEY

MEMO

To: All Members/Masters Organisations
From: Executive Board
Subject: Change of dates for the Masters World Cup, Tokyo 2020
Date: 24th May 2019

The Japanese Organising Committee for WMH Masters Hockey World Cup 2020 Tokyo has made a request to WMH that the recently announced dates of 14th-24th October be moved to 5th -15th November 2020.

This change of dates will allow the third Olympic pitch to be utilised, which is felt to be critical to the success of the tournament, at an acceptable cost. The cost for the use of this third pitch in October was going to be prohibitively expensive as it would disrupt and delay plans for post-Olympic construction work on the Olympic site.

After careful consideration the WMH Board feels that it is definitely in the interests of the tournament as a whole to agree to such a change. We apologise to all of those members who may have already undertaken initial planning based on the recently announced dates but it is hoped that the inconvenience suffered will be more than outweighed by the delivery of an enjoyable and successful tournament.

As an additional benefit the Japanese Organising Committee assures us that the weather will be more settled in November, with less risk of typhoon disruption, and that the autumn colours will be at their best at that time.

NB Please ensure that this change of dates is passed on to anyone who may have been given the previous dates to avoid confusion at a later stage.

Attached is the original press release with the new dates for Tournament 4.

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