



Handball



- 1 Organisers:** Organising Committee of the World Masters Games 2021 Kansai,
World Masters Games 2021 Kansai Kyoto Local Organising Committee,
World Masters Games 2021 Kansai Kyotanabe City Local Organising Committee
- 2 Co-Organisers:** Japan Handball Association, Kyoto Prefecture, Kyotanabe City
- 3 Managing Organisations:** Kyoto Handball Association, Kinki Handball Association
- 4 Dates:** Friday, 14th May – Sunday, 23rd May 2027 (Competition: 9 Days)

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Friday, 14 th May	10:00 - 17:00	Official Practice (For all categories)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium
Saturday, 15 th May	10:00 - 18:00	Opening Ceremony Competitive Preliminary Rounds (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium
Sunday, 16 th May	10:00 - 18:00	Competitive Preliminary Rounds (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium
Monday, 17 th May	10:00 - 18:00	Tournaments (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium
Tuesday, 18 th May	10:00 - 18:00	Competitive Preliminary Rounds (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium
Wednesday, 19 th May	10:00 - 18:00	Competitive Preliminary Rounds (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium
Thursday, 20 th May	10:00 - 18:00	Tournaments (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium
Friday, 21 st May	10:00 - 18:00	Competitive Preliminary Rounds (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium
Saturday, 22 nd May	10:00 - 18:00	Competitive Preliminary Rounds (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium
Sunday, 23 rd May	10:00 - 18:00	Tournaments (Men & Women)	Tanabe Central Gymnasium

Extra days for bad weather: None

5 Venues

- (1) Tanabe Central Gymnasium
(19 Tanabe Maruyama, Kyotanabe City, Kyoto 610-0331)
- (2) Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium (Taiyogaoka)
(1 Hachikenyardani, Hironocho, Uji City, Kyoto 611-0031)

*All the matches will be held throughout the day in the same venue.



6 Competition Capacities

Men: 35+ 8 teams, 45+ 16 teams, 55+ 16 teams. Total 40 teams

Women: 30+ 16 teams, 40+ 8 teams, 50+ 8 teams. Total 32 teams

*Each team should be composed of minimum seven to maximum 16 athletes and one team manager. Each team can register a maximum of four officials, including a team manager. Team managers are eligible to participate in the events as players. The maximum number of members (athletes and officials) per team is 20.

7 Competition Rules and Methods

(1) Competition Rules

All events will be conducted in accordance with the competition rules of the Japan Handball Association, or as otherwise specified in this document.

(2) Technical Delegate

Kiyotaka Saji, Vice-president, Kyoto Handball Association

(3) Competition Rule

- Minimum three matches will be played per team in all categories. (Subject to change based on number of participating teams.)
- Teams are divided into men and women with three age categories.
- For each age category, a league competition will be held involving four teams. The top team(s) from each league will then compete in a tournament to determine first to third place.
- The medals will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd-ranked teams.
- The competition schedule and venues are subject to change depending on the number of applications.
- The organiser will provide referees and scorers in all matches.

8 Events

(General Category)

Gender	Age Categories
Men	35+, 45+, 55+
Women	30+, 40+, 50+

*An athlete can compete in a younger age category.

*The age of youngest registered team member determines which age category the team will compete in.

9 Eligibility

Nothing in particular

No individual application for participation is allowed.

10 Age Requirement



Men: Minimum age is 35 (born on or before 31st December 1992)

Women: Minimum age is 30 (born on or before 31st December 1997)

11 Medal Ceremony

The Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded to the first, second and third-ranked men's and women's teams by age category. The medal ceremony will be held at the Tanabe Central Gymnasium after the end of each tournament.

12 Registration Fee

(1) Competition participation fee (including tax and handling fee)

* Check [World Masters Games 2027 Kansai Participation Terms and Conditions](#) for detail.

○ Competition participants (Basic fee: allowed to participate in 5 types of competition across all sport)

a) Overseas participants: 34,000yen/person

b) Domestic participants: 15,000 yen/person

○ Official/Coach, Helper, Partner (Basic fee)

a) Overseas participants: 20,000 yen/person

b) Domestic participants: 5,000 yen/person

* When a helper (a person who assists a para athlete in a competition) participates in the competition to provide support, he/she is not required to apply for participation and is not required to pay a registration fee (provided, however, that the helper must apply for participation as a competition official when he/she requires a participant's kit, etc.).

(2) Additional charges (extra fee)

None

(3) Rental fee for competition equipment, etc.

None (Competition equipment will not be rented.)

13 How to Apply for Participation

Application is made through the [entry system on the official website \(Entry System\) dedicated to the application for the entry to the competition](#) via PC or smartphone.

* Check [World Masters Games 2027 Kansai Participation Terms and Conditions](#) for details.

14 Notes on Participation

(1) Clothing

Players of the same team must wear the same uniform.

The goalkeeper must wear a uniform that can be distinguished from that of the court players and that of the goal keeper of the opposing team.

Athletes must wear indoor shoes at designated places such as on the gymnasium floor.

(2) Competition equipment

The organiser will provide the competition equipment, including the balls, goals, goal nets and the like.

(3) Insurance



The Organisers will take out accident insurance; however, the coverage is limited to injuries sustained by Athletes and Non-playing Officials during competition at the competition venue. The insurance coverage has a compensation limit and does not cover all risks to participants during the Games. Therefore, participants of the Games are advised to take out insurance against diseases and accidents (accident insurance, travel insurance, medical insurance, etc.).

(4) Doping Control

- Doping control in accordance with the [World Anti-Doping Code](#) and [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) shall apply to this competition.
- Anti-doping activities (doping inspections and anti-doping education activities) shall be conducted in accordance with [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#).
- By entering the Games, participants are deemed to have agreed to be subject to doping control procedures in accordance with [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) upon entry to the competition. Participants are advised to check [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) Rules for more details.
- This competition aims to promote anti-doping activities as an activity to protect clean sports and clean athletes in order to leave various values of sports to the next generation through sports in cooperation with the Japan Anti-Doping Agency.

(5) Procedure for Bad Weather

If a weather warning is issued and a disaster is predicted to occur or transportation is expected to be suspended, the competition may be cancelled.

15 Application for Accommodation and Transportation

(1) Accommodation

Refer to [the Accommodation Information Page on the World Masters Games 2027 Kansai Official Website](#) for information on accommodation.

(2) Transportation

Refer to [the Transportation Information Page on the World Masters Game 2027 Kansai Official Website](#) for transportation information including access to the venue.

- The organiser will not arrange accommodation or transportation, but related information is available on the website exclusive to the handball competition.
- The shuttle bus connecting the nearest station (at or around Kintetsu Shin Tanabe Station) to Tanabe Central Gymnasium is available free of charge.

16 Others

All participants must complete the accreditation process and check-in at the competition venue before participating (competing or getting involved) in a competition.

(1) Games Accreditation

Accreditation services shall be provided at in the manner prescribed by the organisers.

For details regarding however, the registration period, times, and other matters, please check [the World Masters Games 2027 Kansai Participation Terms and Conditions](#).

(2) Sport Check-in (Supporters are not required to sport check-in)

- ① Date and Time: Every day from 9:00 to 15:00 (before participating in the competition)
- ② Place for the Sport Check-in: Tanabe Central Gymnasium or Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium
- ③ Remarks
 - a) Sport check-in must complete at the competition venue before participating in the competition of each competition day.
 - b) For team athletes, a team representative can sport check-in as a team by confirming the other team members.
 - c) Bring your Digital Accreditation Card which will be provided at the games accreditation for sport check-in.

(3) Official Practice

On Friday, 14th May, both venues (Tanabe Central Gymnasium and Yamashiro Sports Park Gymnasium) will be open for practice. No application is required. Since reservations are not accepted, each person must take turns and use the venue. There is also a shuttle bus service available. For details, please refer to the Games website.

(4) Medal Ceremony

- ① Date
 - Monday, 17th, Thursday, 20th, and Sunday, 23rd May 2027
 - The medal ceremony will be conducted after the end of each tournament.
- ② Venue
 - Tanabe Central Gymnasium (19 Tanabe Maruyama, Kyotanabe City, Kyoto 610-0331)

