

Olympic Games Tokyo 2020: Match official profiles



MATCH OFFICIAL PROFILES

MEN'S COMPETITION PANEL

JAMES DOLEMAN (NEW ZEALAND)

- Age: 30
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 24 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed six Cup finals on Series, including Sydney in 2020
- Made test debut as referee on 13 July with Australia v France in Melbourne

CRAIG EVANS (GREAT BRITAIN/WALES)

- Age: 29
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June, including the men's Qualifier Final which Ireland won to book ticket to Tokyo 2020
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 26 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed seven Cup finals on Series, including Hamilton and Los Angeles in 2020
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018, including men's semi-final
- Refereed at Commonwealth Games 2018, including bronze medal match
- Refereed England v Canada test on 10 July – first time refereeing a Six Nations or Rugby Championship team

FRANCISCO GONZÁLEZ (URUGUAY)

- Age: 30
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at Youth Olympic Games 2018 in Buenos Aires – was assistant referee for the boys' final between hosts Argentina and France
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Las Vegas in 2019 season
- Refereed eight tournaments on the World Series

SAM GROVE-WHITE (GREAT BRITAIN/SCOTLAND)

- Age: 29
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Las Vegas in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 24 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed two Cup finals on Series, including Vancouver in 2020
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018
- Refereed at Commonwealth Games 2018, including opening match
- Named on men's referee panel for the 2021 Series

NORI HASHIMOTO (JAPAN)

- Age: 34
- First Olympic Games
- Will only act as an assistant referee or in-goal judge at Tokyo 2020
- Added to Olympic panel after Jeremy Rozier was ruled out with an ACL injury
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2016-17 season
- Refereed eight tournaments on the World Series

RICHARD HAUGHTON (GREAT BRITAIN/ENGLAND)

- Age: 40
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 18 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018
- Refereed at Commonwealth Games 2018
- Played 31 Series events for England from 2001-06 as well as at RWC Sevens 2005 and Commonwealth Games 2006

DAMON MURPHY (AUSTRALIA)

- Age: 37
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Wellington in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 19 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018
- Refereed at Commonwealth Games 2018, including men's gold medal match
- Played 17 Series events for Australia from 2005-09 as well as at RWC Sevens 2009 and Commonwealth Games 2006
- Refereed New Zealand v Fiji test match in Hamilton on 17 July

NEHUEN JAURI RIVERO (ARGENTINA)

- Age: 27
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at Youth Olympic Games 2018 in Buenos Aires
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Hong Kong in 2019 season
- Refereed three tournaments on the World Series
- Named on men's referee panel for the 2021 Series

MATT RODDEN (HONG KONG)

- Age: 31
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Singapore in 2015-16 season
- Refereed 23 men's tournaments and one women's tournament on the World Series
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018
- Born in New Zealand but lives in Hong Kong

DAMIÁN SCHNEIDER (ARGENTINA)

- Age: 28
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at Youth Olympic Games 2018 in Buenos Aires, including boys' bronze medal match
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 25 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018
- Refereed the Brazil v Paraguay Rugby World Cup 2023 qualifier on 26 June

JORDAN WAY (AUSTRALIA)

- Age: 26
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 23 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed four Cup finals on Series, including Dubai and Cape Town in 2020 season
- Refereed at Commonwealth Games 2018

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S COMPETITION PANEL

PAULO DUARTE (PORTUGAL)

- Age: 33
- First Olympic Games – will referee in both men's and women's competitions
- Refereed at Youth Olympic Games 2018 in Buenos Aires, including boys' final
- Refereed at the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Las Vegas in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 19 tournaments on the World Series
- Named on men's referee panel for the 2021 Series
- Refereed two Rugby World Cup 2023 qualifiers in the Rugby Europe Championship 2021

WOMEN'S COMPETITION PANEL

SARA COX (GREAT BRITAIN/ENGLAND)

- Age: 31
- Second Olympic Games
- Refereed three matches at Rio 2016 (NZL 52-0 KEN, AUS 36-0 FIJ, fifth place play-off FRA 5-19 USA)
- Refereed at the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June, including the women's Qualifier Final 2 which France won to book their ticket to Tokyo 2020
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2013-14 season
- Refereed 23 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed four Cup finals on Series, including Glendale in the 2020 season
- Refereed at the Commonwealth Games 2018, including the women's gold medal match between Australia and New Zealand
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018, including the women's final between New Zealand and France
- Named on women's referee panel for the 2021 Series
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup 2017 in Ireland

HOLLIE DAVIDSON (GREAT BRITAIN/SCOTLAND)

- Age: 28
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June, including the women's Qualifier Final 1 which Russia won to book their ticket to Tokyo 2020
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Las Vegas in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 15 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed five Cup finals on Series, including Hamilton on the 2020 season
- Refereed at the Commonwealth Games 2018, including first-ever women's match and the bronze medal match between England and Canada
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018
- Named on women's referee panel for the 2021 Series
- Refereed the Women's Six Nations 2021 final between France and England in April

LAUREN JENNER (NEW ZEALAND)

- Age: 24
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at Youth Olympic Games 2018 in Buenos Aires, including girls' bronze medal match and assistant referee for boys' final
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2019 season
- Refereed five tournaments on the World Series
- Named on women's referee panel for the 2021 Series

ADAM JONES (GREAT BRITAIN/WALES)

- Age: 27
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco in June
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 11 women's and two men's tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed one Cup final on Series, in Sydney in 2016-17 season
- Refereed at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018

TYLER MILLER (AUSTRALIA)

- Age: 26
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Paris in 2018 season
- Refereed seven tournaments on the World Series
- Named on women's referee panel for the 2021 Series

MADELEINE PUTZ (AUSTRALIA)

- Age: 31
- First Olympic Games
- Refereed at Youth Olympic Games 2018 in Buenos Aires and was assistant referee for the girls' final
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2019 season
- Refereed four tournaments on the World Series
- Named on women's referee panel for the 2021 Series
- Played four tests for Australia, including two at Rugby World Cup 2014 in France

AMY PERRETT (AUSTRALIA)

- Age: 31
- Second Olympic Games
- Refereed five matches at Rio 2016, including first-ever Olympic sevens match when France beat Spain 24-7 and women's bronze medal game when Canada beat Great Britain 33-10
- Other matches refereed were: CAN 38-0 BRA, CAN 15-5 FRA (QF), GBR 7-25 NZL (SF)
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in inaugural round in Dubai in 2012 and took charge of the final
- Refereed 23 tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed seven Cup finals on Series, including Dubai and Sydney in the 2020 season
- Named on women's referee panel for the 2021 Series
- Refereed the Rugby World Cup 2014 final but missed the 2017 tournament due to being pregnant with her son Liam
- First female to referee a Super Rugby match in August 2020, four years after being the first female to act as assistant referee in the competition

TEVITA ROKOVERENI (FIJI)

- Age: 32
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Wellington (men's) in 2016-17 season
- Refereed 11 men's and seven women's tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed at the Commonwealth Games 2018
- Named on men's referee panel for the 2021 Series

SELICA WINIATA (NEW ZEALAND)

- Age: 34
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Dubai in 2020 season
- Refereed four tournaments on the World Series
- Named on women's referee panel for the 2021 Series
- Played 11 Series tournaments for New Zealand from 2013-16, winning first three Series titles and also runner-up in 2015-16
- Rugby World Cup Sevens 2009 runner-up and 2013 winner
- Current New Zealand 15s player, capped 40 times and aiming to play at RWC 2021 on home soil
- Rugby World Cup 2017 winner, scoring two tries in the final, and also played at 2014 tournament in France
- A police officer

JULIANNE ZUSSMAN (CANADA)

- Age: 34
- First Olympic Games
- Made refereeing debut on World Rugby Sevens Series in Glendale in 2020 season
- Refereed three tournaments on the World Series
- Refereed one Cup final on Series, in Cape Town in 2020 season
- Named on women's referee panel for the 2021 Series
- Played two Series tournaments for Canada in 2012-13 season
- Rugby World Cup 2014 runner-up, one of three tournaments she played in
- Capped 43 times by Canada from 2007-17, scoring 17 test tries