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The 3rd Mölkky Asia Tournament in Imabari, Ehime

Asia Nations Cup: Japan Players Announced



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1. About the Asia Nations Cup

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■ **A select-team competition between countries and regions, held separately from the Asia Tournament (Main Event)**

■ **Date & time: Friday, January 15, 2027, 14:30 - 17:00 (planned)**

* Times are subject to change

■ **Venue: Imabari Municipal Sports Park (1-2 Takahashi Fureai-no-Oka, Imabari, Ehime)**

■ **Organizer: International Mölkky Organisation (IMO) / Administrator: Japan Mölkky Association (JMA)**

■ **Format**

- Team event: 1 team of 3 players per country/region (up to 5 registered: 1 substitute, 1 coach)
- Individual event: 1 - 3 players per country/region

*** The team and individual events run at the same time, so each player may enter only one**

■ The Asia Tournament (Main Event) follows on January 16 (Sat) - 17 (Sun) at the same venue

■ Participating countries/regions and the match format will be confirmed in December 2026

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2. How the Japanese Players Were Selected

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Team Event

Japan National Team "KODAMA JAPAN"

The three members of KODAMA JAPAN 2026

* If a player withdraws, the next highest-ranked player at the Japan Mölkky Championship 2026 (Finals) moves up

Individual Event

Japan Selection (Individual Event)

The top 1 - 3 players at the Japan Mölkky Championship 2026 (Finals), excluding the team event players

* If a player withdraws, players down to 8th place move up in order. If the minimum is still not met, JMA selects players based on results at major domestic tournaments

Based on these criteria, the six players on the following pages will compete

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3. Japan National Team "KODAMA JAPAN" (Team Event)

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The following three players will represent Japan as "KODAMA JAPAN" in the team event

KODAMA JAPAN	KODAMA JAPAN	KODAMA JAPAN
Shumpei SANO 佐野 駿平	**Taisei NAKAMURA** 中村 太星	**Ryuki INAMOTO** 稲本 隆輝

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4. Japan Selection (Individual Event)

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The following three players will compete for Japan in the individual event

Japan Selection	Japan Selection	Japan Selection
Kota YOKOYAMA 横山 航大	**Koichiro SUZUKI** 鈴木 宏一郎	**Maito NAKAMURA** 中村 毎途

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5. Players at a Glance

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Event	Player
Team Event | KODAMA JAPAN	Shumpei SANO
	Taisei NAKAMURA
	Ryuki INAMOTO
Individual Event | Japan Selection	Kota YOKOYAMA
	Koichiro SUZUKI
	Maito NAKAMURA

Please send your warm support to the six players carrying the flag for Japan!

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