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□Conditions for participation

- 1) The team should be composed of between 4 and 6 members.
- 2) Participation is available to anyone except preschool children regardless of nationality or gender.
- 3) Participants should wear warm winter clothes.
- 4) Participants should have be in good health and the stamina to undertake some activities in cold temperatures.

□Participation fee

5,000 yen per team (Fees will be collected at the reception desk on the day of the event.)

□Competition event (1) [Igloo speed building section] SUMMARY

●The WICA (World Igloo Building Championships Association) rules will be applied in principle.

●Tools:

We (WICA) will provide you all the tools such as **2 saws, 2 scoops and 1 tape measure**. You can also bring and use your own tools except powered one (ex; chainsaw). However you may only use a spricified number of tools during the competition.

The number of tools is as follows; 2 saws, 2 scoops and 1 measure.

(Teams who damage the tools should contribute 2,000 yen to the WICA for each tool damaged.)

●The team which completes an igloo that meets the specified requirements first will be deemed the winner of the World Igloo Building Championships.

●It will take about one minute to decide whether an igloo has been built according to the WICA's rules or not.

●Each team should provide its own team flag.(The flag should be made of cloth of no bigger than 70 cm x 70 cm and have two strings to be used to mount the flag onto the pole.)

□Competition event(2) [Igloo artistic building section] SUMMARY

●The WICA rules will be applied in principle.

●In this category, participants build the igloos of high artistic quality within a specified time (4 hour).

Igloos are judged by five judges according to five criteria (size, beauty, novel designs, unique theme, creativity). The total of each team's three middle scores will be calculated and the team which has the highest resulting score will be deemed the winner.

●Tools:

We (WICA) will provide you all the tools such as **2 saws, 2 scoops and 1 tape measure**. You can also bring and use your own tools except powered one (ex; chainsaw). However you may only use a spricified number of tools during the competition.

The number of tools is as follows; 2 saws, 2 scoops and 1 measure.

(Teams who damage the tools should contribute 2,000 yen to the WICA for each tool damaged.)

However, paint, materials for coloring the igloos, decorations and other such materials used for the purpose of improving the artistic quality of the igloos should be provided by the participants themselves.

Number of participating teams

- Igloo speed building section ···· 10 teams
- Igloo artistic building section team ···· 30 teams

Invited teams (teams who are invited by the executive committee for the promotion of the igloo building competition) ···· 10 teams (5 for art, 5 for speed)

* The application for the event will close as soon as the maximum number of entries allowed is reached.

* If the number of entries of a section is less than 5, the competition in that section will not be held.

How to apply

Download the application form (e-mail version / fax version), fill it out and send it to the executive office by e-mail or fax. (Fees will be collected at the reception desk on the day of the event. APPLICATION TERM IS FROM DEC.1ST TO THE DAY OF FULL APPLICATION)

How to fill in the application form (Important)

1) Participation section

There are two sections: the igloo speed building section (participants compete against the clock to complete building igloos of a specified size) and the igloo artistic building section (participants compete against the clock to build igloos for aesthetic appearance). Please ensure that the appropriate box is checked.

2) Team profile

The team profiles will be posted on the event website and in the programs to be distributed on the day of the championships. Teams will be registered as representatives of their nations of the checked nationality box. In the case of applications being sent by e-mail and including team photos, the photos will be posted on the event website and published in the programs.

3) Personal information

Please ensure that you complete the official entry form.

It is required for your accident insurance application and emergency care.

Prizes

- Winning team in each section: 50,000 yen
- Runner-up team in each section: 30,000 yen
- 3rd-place team in each section: Local products worth 20,000 yen
- Special prize in each section: [1] Cosplay prize [2] Team flag prize / etc...!
- All participants are presented with a “Morimin” goods as a participation prize!! Morimin is the town’s mascot which symbolizes forest therapy.

□ Contact

For any inquiries concerning the event, contact World Igloo Championships Association (WICA)

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Instructions for the Igloo Building Championships in Hiroshima

All team members participating in the Igloo Building Championships in Hiroshima should prepare by creating a building plan, share responsibilities and work together to build the best igloos possible in accordance with the WICA rules. It will be an exciting and fantastic competition.

© Rules for the igloo speed building section (WICA rules are applied.)

- 1) Although it can do a member change on the way of competition, the number of workers have to be within 6 persons per each area. (Example: One team leader and 3 to 5 team members. The leader should also be a participant.) Participation is available to anyone except pre-school children regardless of nationality or gender.
- 2) Each team should erect a team flag (70 cm x 70 cm or less) attached on a pole in their igloo building site. Pole will be handed over at the reception by staff.
- 3) Competition will start at 11:20 by the sound of the starting horn.
- 4) Participants dig up compressed snow from within their 5 m x 5 m building site and create blocks of snow of a proper size to be used to build the igloos.
- 5) Tools:

We (WICA) will provide you all the tools such as 2 saws, 2 scoops and 1 tape measure. You can also bring and use your own tools except powered one (ex; chainsaw). However you may only use a spricified number of tools during the competition.

The number of tools is as follows; 2 saws, 2 scoops and 1 measure.

(Teams who damage the tools should contribute 2,000 yen to the WICA for each tool damaged.)
- 6) Step or platform for helping to build higher part of igloo should be prepared by participants.
- 7) The internal diameter of the igloo floors should be between 1.0 m and 1.3 m at the narrowest section.
- 8) Each team has to build an igloo entrance with scale of more than 50 cm in length and 40 cm in width.
- 9) The entrance should be built of snow blocks and designed in an arch shape.
- 10) Please fill in all openings between blocks by snow.
- 11) Each team must notify the competition committee when the building of the igloo has been completed.

The committee will decide whether the igloos conform to the WICA rules. Igloos that do not conform to the rules will be regarded as being incomplete until the igloo conforms to the WICA rules.
- 12) The competition ends when the top three teams are determined. The remaining teams, however, can continue construction until their igloos are completed.
- 13) After the competition ends within 2hours from start, an award ceremony will be held. The teams which are still building their igloos should stop their work and participate in the ceremony.

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- 1) For any questions and concerns about the competition, please feel free to contact the event headquarters.
 - 2) No offensive remarks or behavior against other teams and judges will be permitted.
 - 3) Each team should use their tools and pile up blocks with care. Scoops and some tools have sharp edges.
 - 4) Teams who behave inappropriately at any time during the competition will be cautioned by the executive committee judges. Teams who do not heed the warnings will be ejected from the competition site.
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© Rules for the igloo artistic building section (WICA rules are applied.)

- 1) Although it can do a member change on the way of competition, the number of workers has to be 4~6 persons per each area. (Participation is available to anyone except pre-school children regardless of nationality or gender.) (Example: One team leader and 3 to 5 team members. The leader should also be a participant.)
- 2) Each team should erect a flag pole attached with a flag (70 cm x 70 cm or less) in their igloo building site. Pole will be handed over at the reception by staff.
- 3) Competition will start at the sound of the starting horn.
- 4) Igloos must be completed within the time limit (11:20 ~ 15:20). All igloos will be judged, even those not completed, by 15:20. Unfinished work will also be marked but deducted 2 points each from 5 scoring items.
- 5) Participants dig up compressed snow from within their 6 m x 6 m building site and create blocks of snow of a proper size to be used to build the igloos.
- 6) Tools:

We (WICA) will provide you all the tools such as 2 saws, 2 scoops and 1 tape measure. You can also bring and use your own tools except powered one (ex; chainsaw). However you may only use a specified number of tools during the competition.

The number of tools is as follows; 2 saws, 2 scoops and 1 measure.

(Teams who damage the tools should contribute 2,000 yen to the WICA for each tool damaged.)
- 7) Step or platform for helping to build higher part of igloo should be prepared by participants.
- 8) Materials used for coloring and decorations should be provided by the participants themselves.

* WICA aims in mind to this event with the environment of this town, the forest therapy base, and color paint will be limited to what the lead, chromium compounds, toluene, xylene and phthalate plasticizer is not included.

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- 9) The internal diameter of the igloo floors should be 1.3 m or more at the narrowest section.
- 10) Each team should build an igloo entrance of more than 60 cm in length and 50 cm in width.
- 11) The entrance should be built of snow blocks and designed in an arch shape.
- 12) Each team must notify the competition committee when the building of the igloo has been completed. The committee will decide whether the igloos conform to the WICA rules. Igloos that do not conform to the rules will be regarded as being incomplete until the igloo conforms to the WICA rules.
- 13) Judging will take place between 15:20 and 15:50, during which time all participants will assemble in the ski resort buildings.
- 14) Judgments will be performed by five judges. The total of each team's three middle scores will be calculated and the team which has the highest resulting score will be deemed the winner.
- 15) Judgments will be undertaken according to five criteria (size, beauty, novel designs, unique theme and creativity).
- 16) After the judging has been completed, an award ceremony will be held at 15:50. All team members should participate in the ceremony.

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- 2) No offensive remarks or behavior against other teams and judges will be permitted.
- 3) Each team should use their tools and pile up blocks with care. Scoops and some tools have sharp edges. Teams who behave inappropriately at any time during the competition will be cautioned by the executive committee judges. Teams who do not heed the warnings will be ejected from the competition site.
- 4) The leader of each team is responsible for notifying team members about lunch arrangement. Team members may have lunch individually or together.

Easy-to-follow Igloo Building Instructions

An igloo is a temporary house made of snow which the Inuit people of northern Canada build when they go hunting. As a result, igloos are designed to be built easily, which makes it easy for anyone to be able to build them. So, take this opportunity to have fun building an igloo with your family and friends.

The following are easy-to-follow illustrated instructions.

1) Cut out blocks of snow with a saw from the compressed snow surface.

As the snow has been rolled flat over and over again by a snowmobile on the morning of the event, it will be relatively easy to cut the blocks of snow.

It is recommended to use larger blocks for the base of the igloo. Using smaller ones will result in the base being weak and unstable, making the building of the igloo more difficult later on. The higher you go, the smaller the blocks should be.



2) Begin building the igloo by making a clearly defined circle in accordance with the WICA rules and then neatly arrange some blocks around the circle.

The inner diameter of the igloo should be between 1 m and 1.3 m for the igloo speed building section and 1.3 m or more for the igloo artistic building section. Measure the diameter accurately using a tape measure when drawing the circle.

The blocks used for the base should all be the same height. If the blocks are different in height, the igloo will become unstable. Cut the blocks in each layer to the same height, or adjust the height of the blocks so that each block is the same height.



3) Gradually shift the blocks toward the center of the igloo as you go up.

Also place the blocks where each block on the layer below joins together.

The igloo should look like an upside-down cup. As a result, the blocks should be gradually tilted toward the inside of the igloo. If not, the igloo will become unstable and may collapse inwards. Check the stability of the igloo carefully as the igloo increases in height.

Make sure to place the blocks where each block on the layer below joins together. The mosaic pattern of block arrangement helps to ensure that the igloo remains stable and prevents the igloo from collapsing when making the opening for the entrance.



4) When reaching the top of the igloo, fill the gaps between the blocks with snow, and cut a hole in the front of the igloo with a saw to make an entrance. Then, arrange some blocks neatly around the entrance.

Cutting the opening for the entrance with a saw requires courage and care. Make the entrance carefully so that the igloo doesn't collapse. Otherwise, you would have to start making the igloo all over again from the beginning.

When you finish arranging the blocks around the entrance, the igloo is completed.

(The picture on the right shows an uncompleted igloo.)



We did it! The igloo is all finished!

● The photo below shows an igloo which was made on Dec. 26, 2012 in accordance with the international igloo speed building rules (the inner diameter of the igloo floor is 1 m to 1.3 m). This igloo was made by three staff members in only 100 minutes.

In the igloo speed building section, you can participate in the competition in the morning and hopefully win some prize money, and have fun in the snow in the afternoon, enjoying sleighing, skiing and snowboarding.



● The photo below shows the 2012 Igloo Building event. Everybody from schoolchildren to adults were furiously making igloos.



~ Igloo artistic building section ~

The example of a work sample



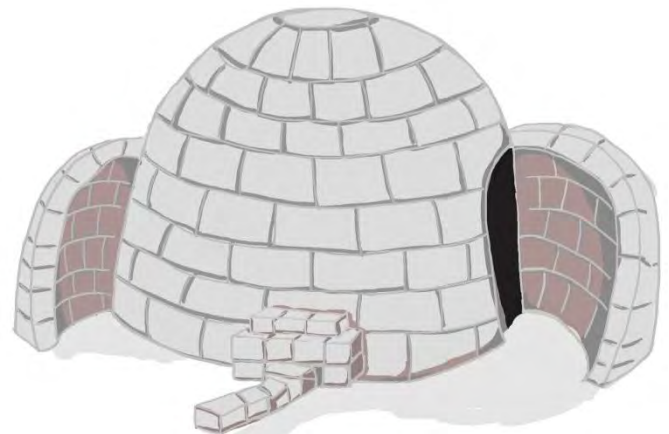
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(Method :Decoration)



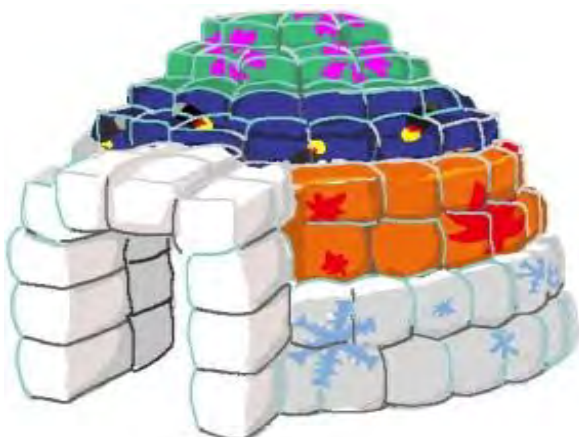
Title : Happy birthday
(Method :Decoration)



Title : Sandankyo falls in Akiota-town
(Method :Painting & Decoration)



Title: Snow Elephants
(Method : Painting & Modification)



Title: Four seasons of Japan
(Method : Painting)



Title : We are the world
(Method : Painting)

**Each team is required to prepare a team flag
(70cm × 70cm) designed by yourself.**

