

Event Features

(1) The only cycling event in Japan that takes place on an expressway

All courses include expressways traveling across the bridges from island to island. Participants are able to cycle on roads that are normally reserved for vehicles and enjoy a sense of freedom as they ride during this cycling event. Cycling Shimanami 2018 is the only cycling event in Japan in which participants can ride on the main roads of an in-use expressway.

(2) International fun riding event using a world-class cycling course

This is an international cycling event that welcomes 7,000 participants from inside and outside of Japan to the Seto Inland Sea Shimanami Kaido, which was selected by CNN as one of the top seven cycling courses in the world. The cycling road, which travels over the splendid Seto Inland Sea featuring many tiny islands floating on a calm ocean, is widely known throughout the world as a "Mecca for cyclists."

(3) Course features for true enjoyment of the beauty of the Seto Inland Sea Shimanami Kaido

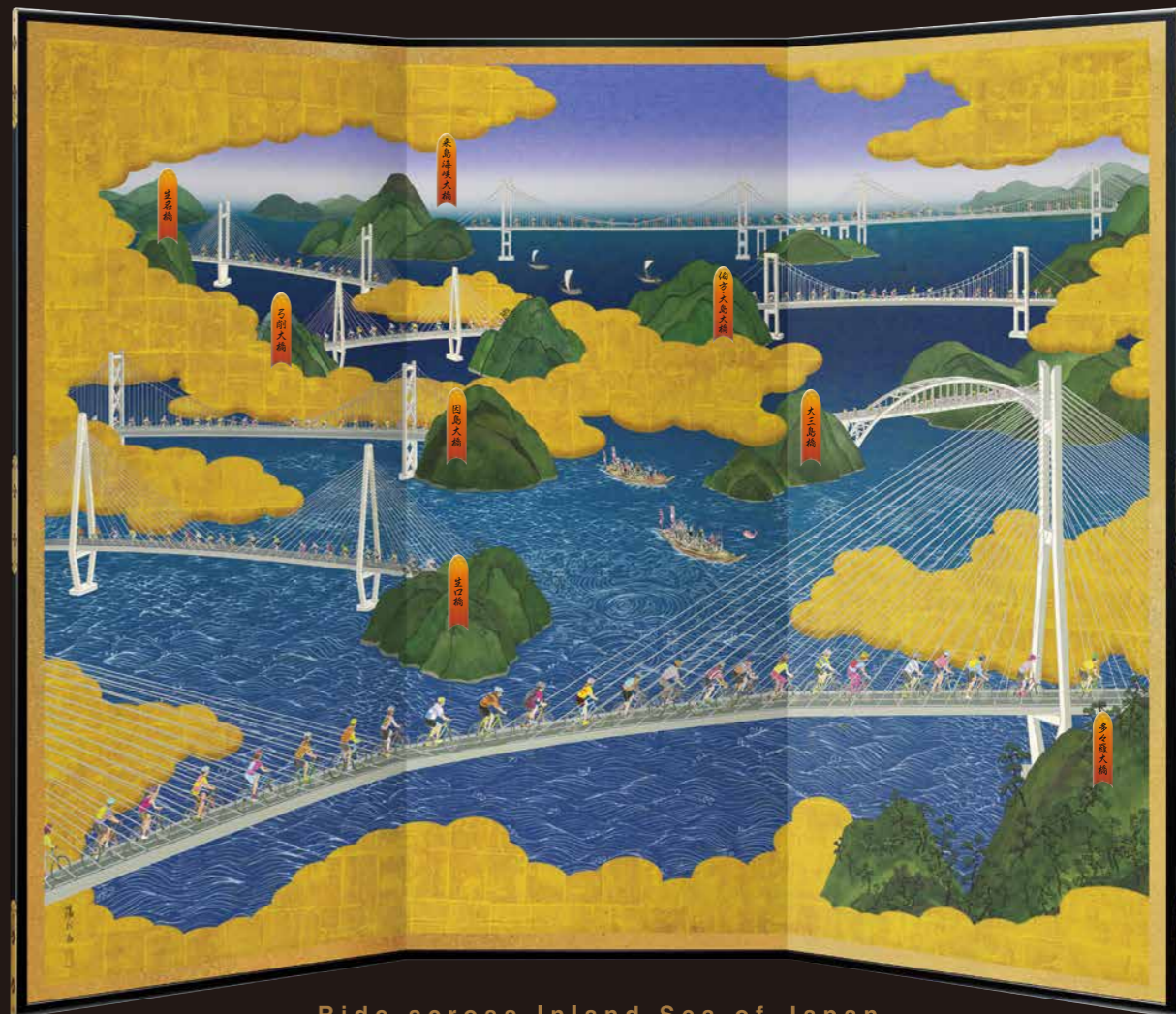
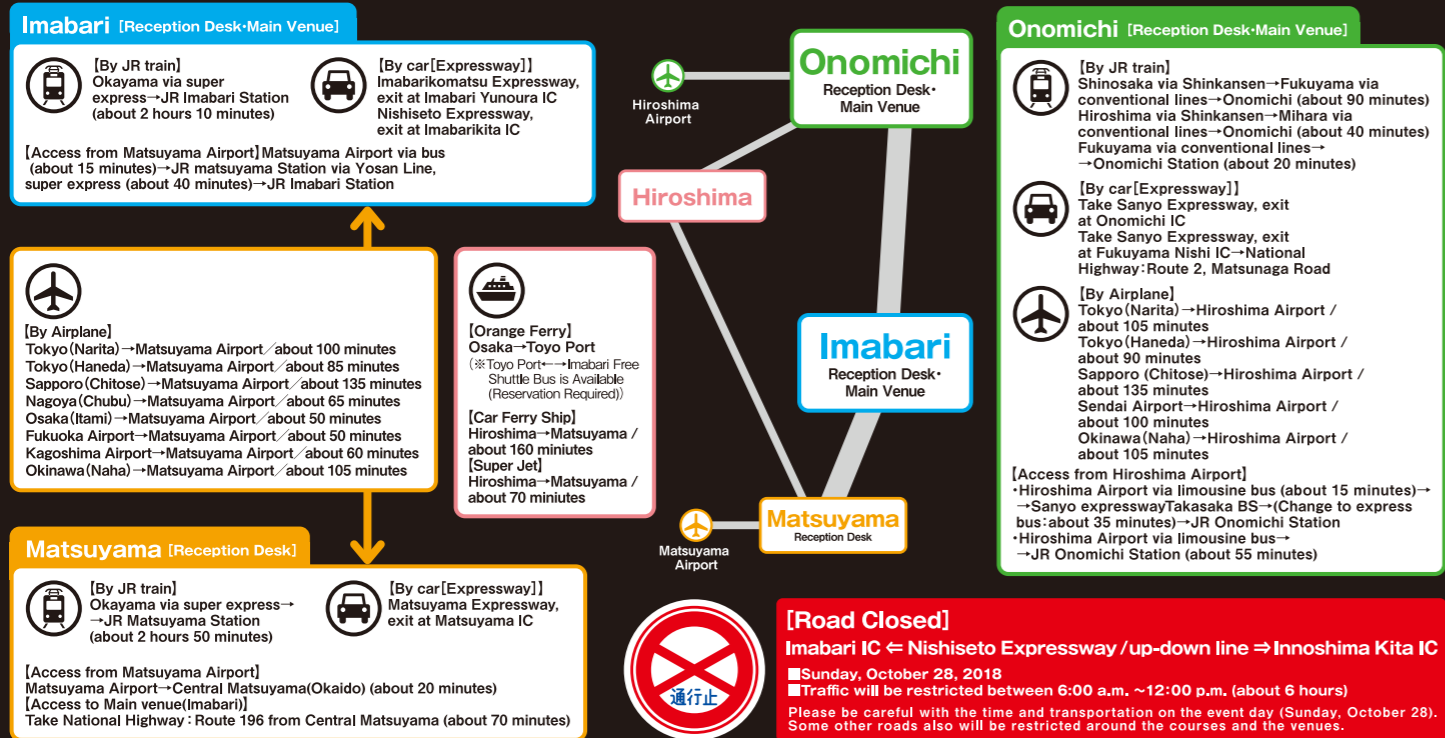
The diverse courses that allow participants to enjoy the wonderful scenery and beautiful natural features of the Seto Inland Sea Shimanami Kaido are a major attraction of Cycling Shimanami 2018. Seven courses in accordance with skill level and preference have been prepared. These include: a long course with a round trip over the Seto Inland Sea Shimanami Kaido; a middle course that travels refreshingly through Imabari and Onomichi; a course for fully enjoying scenery in travels throughout various islands; a cruising course that involves a ferry ride together with cycling; and a fun course that can also be enjoyed by beginners and families.

(4) Experience "Omotenashi" Hospitality from the Islanders of Setouchi

Participants will be able to enjoy the natural landscape, including the beauty of the tiny dotted islands, the history and culture of each island, and delicious food produced in the rich nature of the Seto Inland Sea. Besides all of this, they will experience the warm heart of all islanders through the roadside aid stations and spectators on each island.



Access



Shuttle bus service

A shuttle bus service will be offered for event participants (set package with transport of bicycle by truck).  
- Premium entry: apply after entry finalization - General entry: apply after selection

Shuttle bus		Bicycle transport truck	
Day of event	Matsuyama/Fukuyama/Onomichi → Imabari	Day before event	Check in bicycle at reception on day before event (venue) and receive bicycle at shuttle bus drop-off point (Imabari) on day of event.
Day of event	Imabari/Fukuyama → Onomichi	Day before event	Check in bicycle at reception on day before event (venue) and receive bicycle at shuttle bus drop-off point (Onomichi) on day of event.

\*A special charter boat (charged) service will be offered from Kamijima to each of the start venues.

Shuttle bus		Bicycle transport truck	
Day of event	Imabari → Matsuyama/Fukuyama/Onomichi (Course A to C/E to G)	Day of event	Check in bicycle before getting on shuttle bus and receive bicycle upon drop-off.
Day of event	Onomichi → Imabari/Fukuyama (Course D)	Day of event	Check in bicycle before getting on shuttle bus and receive bicycle upon drop-off.

Operation of special cycle train service

On the day of the event, a special cycle train service will be operated for event participants from JR Matsuyama Station to JR Imabari Station and JR Fukuyama Station to JR Onomichi Station.

Notes

- This event is not about position or time. Please obey traffic rules during the event.
- During the event, follow the directions of police, security personnel and event officials.

Application related inquiries	<b>CYCLING Shimanami 2018 entry center</b> TEL: +81-570-03-1900 Office Hours: 10:00~17:00 Office Closed: Every Weekends and National Holidays
Event related inquiries	Cycling Shimanami 2018 Executive Committee Imabari Headquarters TEL: +81-898-23-2870 Office Hours: 9:00~17:00 Office Closed: Every Weekends and National Holidays E-mail: ima-syoko@pref.ehime.lg.jp
Official Website	<a href="http://cycling-shimanami.jp/english/">http://cycling-shimanami.jp/english/</a>



Setouchi Shimanami Kaido International Cycling Event

# CYCLING SHIMANAMI 2018

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A massive cycling event featuring a famous expressway and spectacular islands

- Date: [Check-in] Saturday, October 27, 2018 [Event] Sunday, October 28, 2018
- Course location: Setouchi Shimanami Kaido and Surrounding Area / about 30 km~140 km (7 courses)  
[Start Venue] In front of the first Shin Imabari Toshi (Nishiseo drive way Imabari IC) Kurushimakaikyo service area (Imabari), Mukaishima Sports Park (Onomichi)  
[Finish Venue] Imabarishintoshi 2nd district (Shimanami Earthland) Shinhama Kenei Uwaya (Onomichi), Yuge Port (Kamijima)
- Organizer: Cycling Shimanami 2018 Executive Committee
- Application period: [Premium Entry] Wednesday, April 25 to Thursday, May 31 <first-come-first-served basis>  
(Package of guaranteed participation and local specialties)  
[General Entry] Wednesday, April 25 to Thursday, May 31 <lottery>
- How to apply: Online application etc. (Please refer to the official website below)
- Capacity: 7,000 people
- Style: Non-competitive public cycling event.

<http://cycling-shimanami.jp/english/>



# Cycling Shimanami 2018 Applicant Guidelines

## Schedule

	Cycling Shimanami 2018	Co-located Events
<b>Saturday, October 27</b> Check-in -Events (Check-in is only the day before the event)	<b>[Imabari / Matsuyama / Onomichi check-in venue]</b> Applicant check-in(10:00~20:00) ● Imabari:Shimanami Earthland ● Matsuyama: Ehime Prefectural Office ● Onomichi:Shimanami Koryukan(Teatro Shell-rune)	<b>[Cycling Shimanami 2018 Cycle Event (subject to change)]</b> (10:00~18:00) ● Imabari:Shimanami Earthland ● Onomichi:Shimanami Koryukan(Teatro Shell-rune) etc. <b>[Shimanami Cycling Summit (subject to change)]</b> (14:30~19:30) ● Imabari:City Hotel
<b>Sunday, October 28</b> <b>Main Event Day</b>	<b>[Course A (1,000 people)]</b> (6:15~) <b>[Course B~F (5,000 people)]</b> (7:35~) <b>[Course G (1,000 people)]</b> (9:30~)	<b>[Cycling Shimanami 2018 Cycle Event (subject to change)]</b> ● Imabari:Shimanami Earthland(9:30~17:30) ● Onomichi:Shinham Kenei Uwaya(10:30~15:30) ● Kamijima:Yuge Port(12:30~16:30)

## Category

Course	Distance (Expressway)	Capacity (Premium Entry)	Entry Fee (Premium Entry) *Elementary and junior high school students	Bicycle Class	Start & Finish Venue	Number of Aid Stations	Time limit
<b>A</b> One-way course over Seto Inland Sea from Onomichi —Ride through Shimanami to the south— <b>IMABARI 70</b> Onomichi (Mukaishima)→Imabari (one-way)	about 70km (about 13km)	1,000 people (100 people)	11,000 yen (31,000 yen)	Sport	Mukaishima Sports Park Shimanami Earthland	4	Within 10 hours *However, after departing the start venue, each 33 km section should be completed within 1 hour 45 minutes.
<b>B</b> Satisfying middle course —Ride around and past the island— <b>OMISHIMA 110</b> Imabari⇄Omishima (round trip)	about 110km (about 30km)	1,500 people (150 people)	11,000 yen (31,000 yen)		Imabari IC Shimanami Earthland	4	Within 9 hours
<b>C</b> Longest course with a round trip over the Seto Inland Sea —Fully enjoy the attractions of Shimanami Kaido— <b>COMPLETE SHIMANAMI 140</b> Imabari⇄Onomichi (round trip)	about 140km (about 43km)	500 people (50 people)	14,000 yen (34,000 yen)		Imabari IC Shinhama Kenei Uwaya	7	Within 8.5 hours *Includes approximately 30 minutes boat travel time
<b>D</b> One-way course over the Seto Inland Sea from Imabari —Ride past Shimanami to the north— <b>ONOMICHI 70</b> Imabari→Onomichi (one-way)	about 70km (about 43km)	1,500 people (150 people)	12,000 yen (32,000 yen)		Imabari IC Shimanami Earthland	5	Within 8 hours
<b>E</b> Middle course over four bridges to cross the prefectural border —Crossing islands, dreaming of islands— <b>IKUCHIJIMA 110</b> Imabari⇄Ikuchijima (round trip)	about 110km (about 35km)	1,000 people (100 people)	11,000 yen (31,000 yen)		Imabari IC Yuge Port *Yuge→ Imabari temporary ferry(for a fee)	3	Within 7 hours *Includes approximately 30 minutes boat travel time
<b>F</b> Course devoted to islands, traveling over eight islands —Traveling over two sea routes—Shimanami and Yumeshima— <b>YUMESHIMA 70</b> Imabari→Kamijima (one-way)	about 70km (about 35km)	500 people (50 people)	11,000 yen (31,000 yen)		Sport City Tandem	Kurushima Kalkyo service area Shimanami Earthland	1
<b>G</b> Fun course that can also be enjoyed by beginners and families —Gazing over scenery from the Kurushima-Kaikyo Bridge— <b>OSHIMA 30</b> Imabari⇄Oshima (round trip)	about 30km (about 8km)	1,000 people (N/A)	4,000 yen (※2,000 yen)				

※In addition to entry fee, entry handling charge is separately necessary. Please note that entry fee is no-refundable in case of cancellation after the entry.  
 ※Applicants for A,B,C,D,E and F are required to provide the estimated time to complete the course by referring to their finish time in the past cycling event. Please be sure to include break times for each aid station.  
 ※Applicants for G are required to apply for a bicycle type. Please refer to the guidelines from the Official Home Page.  
 ※For tandem bikes(Applicants for G),registration as a pair is required. Entry fee is required for each person.  
 ※Consumption tax, insurance and ferry ticket fees are included in the entry fee.

## Participant Eligibility

<b>All Courses</b>	●Participants must judge themselves to be in good health and possessing the ability to complete their selected course within the time limit. ●Participants acknowledge the "Event Rules" and "Bicycle Class Rules".
<b>Course A</b>	●For the safety management of the course, participants must check the course map on the official website and have the ability to complete the section of 33 km(Expressway 13 km, General road 20 km) from the start venue(Mukaishima Sports Park) to the exit of Express Way(Omishima IC) within 1 hour and 45 minutes.
<b>Course A,B,C,D,E,F</b>	●Participants must be in their first year of high school and 15 years of age or older and have completed the same distance of the course to which they are applying in a previous cycling event.
<b>Course G</b>	●Participants must be in the 4th grade of elementary school and 9 years of age or older and able to ride on their own. Children in elementary school or junior high school must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. (Written permission from a parent or guardian will be required in advance.)

## Application Period

<b>Premium Entry</b> First-come-first-served basis	Registration period: <b>8 p.m. Wednesday, April 25~11:59 p.m. Thursday, May 31</b> (Japan time) Package including a priority cyclist ticket and local specialty set.
<b>General Entry</b> Lottery	Registration period: <b>8 p.m. Wednesday, April 25~11:59 p.m. Thursday, May 31</b> (Japan time) Individual entry or group entry of up to five participants.

## Application Procedure

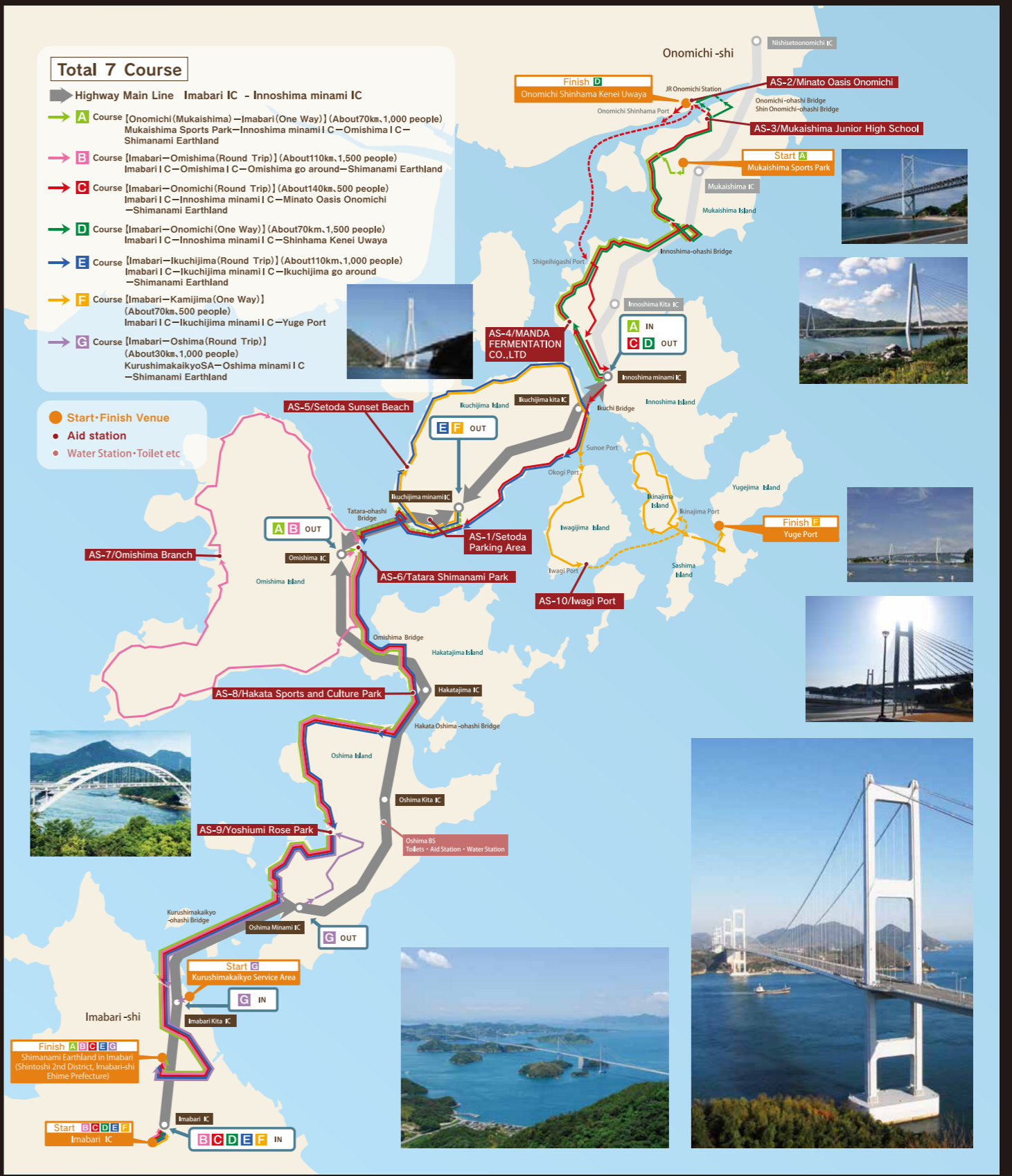
<b>Premium Entry</b>	Entry is accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis. Registration will close when full capacity. Please make your payment of entry and handling fees when you apply.
<b>General Entry</b>	Results of the lottery will be sent via email in mid-June. Successful applicants must make a payment of entry and handling fees by the specified due date.

## Notes at the time of entry

- Participation rights may not be transferred. It is not allowed to change any registered information, including registered name with application error.
- Application may be delayed or not be completed due to your internet connection or software.
- If the event is cancelled or a participant is not able to join the event due to reasons not attributable to the event committee, including weather condition, participants' violation of terms and conditions of the event, or tardiness,entry fee is non-refundable.



## Course map



## Gate opening time by course/finish line close time (planned)

Course	Starting Time	Expressway Closing time (subject to change) (Location, Distance from Start)	Closing time (subject to change) (Finish Venue)
<b>A</b> IMABARI 70 Onomichi (Mukaishima)→Imabari (one-way)	6:15~ / 35 participants every 1 minutes	8:25 (Ikuchijimaminami IC / about 28 km)	17:00 (Shimanami Earthland)
<b>B</b> OMISHIMA 110 Imabari⇄Omishima (round trip)	7:35~ / 250 participants every 5 minutes	10:30 (Hakatajima IC / about 23 km)	17:00 (Shimanami Earthland)
<b>C</b> COMPLETE SHIMANAMI 140 Imabari⇄Onomichi (round trip)	8:05~ / 250 participants every 4 minutes	11:05 (Setoda Bus Stop / about 38 km)	17:00 (Shimanami Earthland)
<b>D</b> ONOMICHI 70 Imabari→Onomichi (one-way)	8:13~ / 250 participants every 4 minutes	11:05 (Setoda Bus Stop / about 38 km)	15:00 (Shinhama Kenei Uwaya)
<b>E</b> IKUCHIJIMA 110 Imabari⇄Ikuchijima (round trip)	8:37~ / 250 participants every 4 minutes	11:10 (Setoda Parking Area / about 34 km)	17:00 (Shimanami Earthland)
<b>F</b> YUMESHIMA 70 Imabari→Kamijima (one-way)	8:53~ / 250 participants every 4 minutes	11:10 (Setoda Parking Area / about 34 km)	16:00 (Yuge Port)
<b>G</b> OSHIMA 30 Imabari⇄Oshima (round trip)	9:30~ / 25 participants every 1 minutes		17:00 (Shimanami Earthland)

Competitors are expected to travel at a mean speed of 17 km/h through the expressway gate (for course A, approximately 20 km/h for the expressway main road and approximately 17 km/h for general roads).