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FLAME-LIGHTING CEREMONY

Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games

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Initial release.

On **10 September 2026**, the Olympic flame for the Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games will be lit and officially handed over from Greece to the Dakar 2026 Organising Committee during a ceremony at the Panathenaic Stadium in Athens, Greece, the venue of the first modern Olympic Games in 1896.

The following day, the flame will travel to Senegal. On **12 September**, a public celebration in Dakar will mark its arrival and the launch of the Torch Festival, which will travel across the country.

Olympic Channel Services (OCS) will provide live coverage of the flame-lighting ceremony, along with additional content including a highlights package, short interviews and other feature content.

Access to the ceremony live feed

Signal distribution will be **via SRT or satellite (Europe only)** free of charge through our distribution partner, Overon. Please note that distribution beyond Europe may incur additional costs. For further details or arrangements, [please contact Overon directly](#).

Please be advised that the exact timing and duration of the Ceremony are still being confirmed. Consequently, transmission times may be revised as we approach the event date. All information contained below remains subject to change.

Event	Olympic Flame-Lighting Ceremony
Dates	10 September 2026
Location	Athens, Greece
Provisional transmission start/end time	08:00 UTC time / 11:00 Athens time: <i>International Pool Signal Up (Bars and Tone)</i>
	08:25 UTC time / 11:25 Athens time: <i>Start of International Feed – Run-up (with Opening Animation)</i>
	08:28 UTC time / 11:28 Athens time: <i>Start of the Official Ceremony</i>
	09:20 UTC time / 12:20 Athens time: <i>End of transmission (approximate)</i>
Host Broadcaster/Source	Olympic Channel Services (OCS)
Booking Deadline	10 September 2026, no later than two hours before transmission
Offer	Distribution via SRT or satellite in Europe, (EUTELSAT 3B (C-BAND)). Free of technical charge. Additional costs may incur for extension outside of Europe.
Format	1080p50
Audio	1. Int. Sound L 2. Int. Sound R 3. English PGM Left 4. English PGM Right 5. French PGM Left (STRICTLY RESERVED for use by Senegalese Media Rights-Holder RTS and Olympics.com only. Not authorised for use by any other organisation or platform.) 6. French PGM Right (STRICTLY RESERVED for use by Senegalese Media Rights-Holder RTS and Olympics.com only. Not authorised for use by any other organisation or platform.) 7. English Clean 8. French Clean (can <u>only</u> be used by Senegalese Media Rights-Holder RTS and Olympics.com)
Graphics	Dirty feed with graphics in English. With Olympic Rings bug on top left.

Distribution Contact – SRT/Satellite	OVERON Bookings: sports@overon.es Phone +34 91 512 1700
	Booking reference: OCSOVEDK261 09 September – End-to-end test: 12:30-13:00 UTC
Production/On-site Contact	Sara Hernaez Production Manager, Olympic Channel
Event Organiser	Hellenic Olympic Committee (HOC) Website