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OLYMPIC FLAME-LIGHTING & HANDOVER CEREMONIES LIVE FEEDS & ADDITIONAL CONTENT FROM GREECE

Olympic Winter Games Milano Cortina 2026

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Initial release.

On **26 November**, the Olympic flame will be lit in front of the ruins of the Temple of Hera in Olympia, Greece. The Olympic flame will then travel through Greece before heading to Athens. On **4 December**, the Olympic flame will be handed over from Greece to the Milano Cortina 2026 Organising Committee at the Panathenaic Stadium, where the first modern Olympic Games were held in 1896. The Olympic flame will then travel to Rome, Italy on the same day.

On **5 December** in Rome, there will be a public ceremony attended by the Italian Head of State.

The Olympic Torch Relay officially begins on **6 December**, starting in Rome.

Olympic Channel Services (OCS) will produce live coverage of the flame-lighting and handover ceremonies, as well as additional content (highlights package from each ceremony, daily highlights from the Greek leg of the Olympic Torch Relay).

Access to the ceremony live feeds

The live feeds are provided free of charge to the media by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

Media Rights-Holders (MRHs) and IOC Official News Agencies will be contacted directly by Olympic Broadcasting Services (OBS) regarding the signal distribution for the two events in Greece.

Non-MRHs and other media outlets are requested to contact the distribution partner directly, as referred on page 3.

Advanced signal booking is required and must be made at least one week prior to the start of transmission.

Please note that the exact timings and duration of each event are not yet fully confirmed. Therefore, the transmission times may change closer to the dates.

Olympic Flame-Lighting & Handover Ceremonies
Live Feeds and Additional Content from Greece

Events	Olympic Flame - Lighting Ceremony	Olympic Flame - Handover Ceremony
Dates	26 November 2025	4 December 2025
Location	Ancient Olympia, Greece	Athens, Greece
Provisional <u>transmission</u> start/end time	08:20 – 09:50 UTC 11:20 – 12:50 Athens time	07:50 – 09:45 UTC 10:50 – 12:45 Athens time
Provisional <u>programme</u> start/end time	08:30 – 09:40 UTC 11:30 – 12:40 Athens time	08:00 – 09:25 UTC 11:00 – 12:25 Athens time
Host Broadcaster/Source	Olympic Channel Services (OCS)	
Booking Deadline	Advance signal booking is required and must take place at least one week prior to transmission start time.	
Offer	MRHs and IOC Official News Agencies: Global distribution via cloud. Free of technical charge. Non-MRHs and other media outlets: Distribution via satellite in Europe (encrypted with BISS key). 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. Language 1 Clean (English) 4. Language 2 Clean (Italian) 5. English PGM L 6. English PGM R 7. Italian PGM L 8. Italian PGM R	
Graphics	Dirty feed with graphics in English. With Olympic Rings bug on top left.	
Distribution Contact – Cloud (only for MRHs and IOC Official News Agencies)	Olympic Broadcasting Services (OBS) OBS Engineering (for technical queries): ibcn-support@obs.tv OBS Information (for any other queries): obsinfo@obs.tv	
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Event Organiser	Hellenic Olympic Committee (HOC) Website	

All information is subject to change.