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COMPETITION INFORMATION

1. Venue

The 23rd SEA Games Baseball Competition will be from November 28 – December 4, 2005, at the historic Rizal Memorial Baseball Stadium within the Rizal Memorial Sports Complex located at the corner, P. Ocampo and M. Adriatico Street, Malate Manila.

2. Events

Men's Baseball Tournament

3. Competition Schedule:

28 November

08:30 AM	Thailand	vs.	Indonesia
11:30 AM	Philippines	vs.	Malaysia
02:30 PM	Myanmar	vs.	Singapore

29 November

08:30 AM	Singapore	vs.	Thailand
11:30 AM	Indonesia	vs.	Philippines
02:30 PM	Malaysia	vs.	Myanmar

30 November

08:30 AM	Malaysia	vs.	Thailand
11:30 AM	Indonesia	vs.	Singapore
02:30 PM	Myanmar	vs.	Philippines

01 December

08:30 AM	Philippines	vs.	Singapore
11:30 AM	Indonesia	vs.	Malaysia
02:30 PM	Thailand	vs.	Myanmar

02 December

08:30 AM	Singapore	vs.	Malaysia
11:30 AM	Thailand	vs.	Philippines
02:30 PM	Indonesia	vs.	Myanmar

SEMI-FINALS

03 December

09:00 AM	1 st	vs.	4 th	(Game 1)
01:30 PM	2 nd	vs.	3 rd	(Game 2)

nominated by their respective NOC as approved by the Medical Commission of the SEAG Federation.

- g. The above regulations shall in no way affect further sanctions by the International Federation.

SEAGF Rule 38 – Number of Entries:

The maximum number of entries from each nation in each event is fixed by the Federation in consultation with the Host NOC. However, the following numbers cannot be exceeded:

- a. For individual events, including singles and doubles event, there shall only be two (2) entries from each NOC (excluding reserves). For the sports of Arnis, Bodybuilding, Boxing, Judo, Karate-do, Muay, Pencak Silat, Taekwondo, Weightlifting, Wrestling, and Wushu, there shall only be one (1) entry per weight category from each NOC, and for Sailing where there shall only be one (1) entry per event from each NOC. Any event with three (3) or more members to make up a team shall be deemed to be a team event, and there shall only be one team (entry) from each NOC.
- b. For team events, one (1) team per nation, the number of reserves shall not exceed the number of players allowed by the International Federation.
- c. For events where both team and individual competitions are conducted at the same time, the competitors for any one NOC cannot win more than two (2) medals in their respective individual events.

SEAGF Rule 41 – International Federation:

- a. The Organizing Committee shall write to the International Federation or the Asian Sports Federation concerned for their permission to hold their sport in the Games. The Organizing Committee may invite a representative who shall arrive at least three (3) days before the beginning of the first event of their sport in order to check the facilities and equipment and arrange the entries, which conform to its rules and the rules of the SEAGF.
- b. The Organizing Committee shall pay the accommodation, meals and local expenses of its representative at the established rate of the Organizing Committee until two (2) days after the closing of their competition.
- c. In exceptional cases, if for technical reasons the presence of additional delegates is necessary, the appropriate arrangements shall be made with the Organizing Committee; the Executive Committee must be previously informed. In case of disagreement, the Executive Committee shall decide.

SEAGF Rule 42 – Technical Officials and Jury of Appeal:

- a. The necessary Technical Officials (referees, judges, umpires, timekeepers, inspectors, etc.) and a Jury of Appeal for each sport shall be appointed by the appropriate National Federation of the Host Country, which shall direct their work in conjunction with the Organizing Committee.
- b. If technical officials are needed from the other Member Organizations, to be invited to the Games, the Organizing Committee shall seek approval from the Executive Committee. Should the Executive Committee approve the request, the Organizing Committee shall pay their expenses for accommodation, meals, and local transport for the whole period of the Games.

- c. The technical officials and the members of the Jury of Appeal must have never been professionals in sport.
- d. No official who has participated in a decision may serve in the Jury of Appeal that reviews it. The findings of the Jury shall be communicated as soon as possible to the Organizing Committee and the Executive Committee.
- e. Technical officials may not live in the Games Villages, but the Organizing Committee shall ensure and bear the cost of their living accommodation, including board and local transport facilities.
- f. The Jury of Appeal's decision on all technical questions concerning its respective disciplinary nature is final. They shall, however, be without prejudice to any further penalty, which may be imposed by the Executive Committee.
- g. The Jury of Appeal shall be composed of a Chairman/ woman, which position shall be filled up by the Host Country of the Games with a representative of each member country as members.
- h. The International Technical delegates to the Games may be appointed ex-officio members of the body and shall act only in an advisory capacity, unless their respective International Federation requires otherwise
- i. In the event of a dispute or protest relative to technical questions concerning its respective sporting event, representatives of countries in the Jury of Appeal whose countries are involved in the dispute or protest may be allowed to participate in the deliberations, but cannot vote in the resolution of the protest or dispute.

SEAGF Rule 43 – Court of Appeal

The Executive Committee on behalf of the Federation is the Court of Appeal, which will decide finally on all questions concerning the Games. NOCs or the Organizing Committee may submit questions to the Court of Appeal. In addition the Court of Appeal may intervene in all questions of non-technical nature outside the Jurisdiction of the Juries of Appeal set up for each sport in the programme.

SEAGF Rule 44 – Claims and Protests

- a. Claims and protests made to the judges on the grounds concerning matters of fact are decided by them without appeal. Appeals against other decisions of the Judges or with regard to any other matter must be addressed to the Chairman of the Jury of Appeal for the sport concerned by a representative of the NOC of the country making the appeal.
- b. For exceptional circumstances, any claim must be made within thirty (30) minutes of the decision giving rise to the claim. The Jury of Appeal after an investigation shall then give a decision and this decision shall be irrevocable, except for the case of a disqualification of a team or of a competitor for infraction of the Southeast Asian Games Federation, which shall be decided by the Court of Appeal. All claims and appeals must be made in writing.

SEAGF Rule 45 – Penalties in Case of Fraud:

A competitor proved fraudulently to have transgressed the Rules and Regulations of the Southeast Asian Games Federation, shall be disqualified and lose any position he/she may have gained. If this competitor's NOC is proved to have been a party to the fraud, his/her country shall be disqualified in the sport involved.

2. Participants

- 2.1 The 23rd SEA Games Baseball Competition is reserved for teams representing National Federations affiliated to the SEA Games Federation.
- 2.2 Only competitors who comply with the conditions laid down in the SEAGF Statutes and Rules (2003) and the IBAF Rules are entitled to participate.
- 2.3 Each country may enter a maximum of twenty-two (22) players per team, and four (4) team officials, (Team Manager, 2 Coaches and Trainer). Each team will have to bring umpire.

3. Entries

- 3.1 Entries in each participating country must be submitted in accordance with the regulation laid down by the Organizing Committee of the 23rd SEA Games.
- 3.2 Preliminary Deadline for "Entry by Number"
Preliminary entry forms by number from each participating country, forward through the respective national Olympic Committee (NOC), must be completed and should be received by PhilSOC not later than 31 May 2005 at 2400 hours Philippine time (GMT +8).
- 3.3 Final Deadline for "Entry by Name"
The entry forms by name must be received by PhilSOC not later than 27 October 2005 at 2400 hours Philippine time (GMT +8).
- 3.4 Both entries by number and name may be sent by fax or e-mail, but must subsequently be confirmed with the original documents, by mailing them to the following address:

PhilSOC Secretariat Office
3rd floor Room 358
Philippine International Convention Center
CCP Complex, Roxas Blvd., Pasay City
Tel. No.: (632) 834 2432/36
Fax: +63 2 834-2434
Website: www.2005seagames.com.ph

4. Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting will be held one (1) day before the commencement of the competition. The time and venue of the meeting will be announced later.

5. Training and Practice

All competitors will be given a chance to train two (2) days before competition as designated by PhilSOC. Training will not be allowed to all participating countries one (1) day before the start of the competition to enable the green keeper to prepare the green.

COMPETITION GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Technical Organization

The Philippine Amateur Baseball Association is responsible for and has full control of the technical organization of the Baseball competition, in collaboration with the Baseball Federation of Asia (BFA).

2. Pre-tournament Briefing

Team manager, team head coaches and umpires must attend the pre-tournament briefing with the technical delegate, the Tournament Director the Jury of Appeal, the technical Commission and the Management.

3. Contest Duration

Run difference Rule: If a team is losing by ten (10) or more runs after having batted in at least seven innings, the game will be ended at that point.

4. Protest

When the Manager makes a protest over a suspended misapplication of the Official Baseball Rules it shall be made to the home plate umpire, according to the Official Baseball Rules. When such a protest is made, the chief umpire must inform the Manager of the opposing team on the content of the protest with the audience and the BFA Technical Commission members present.

The protest shall be submitted in writing within 10 minutes stating the number of the Baseball Rule(s) involved, accompanied by a deposit of US \$200 in cash to the Technical Commission assigned to work on that game. If the protest occurs on a game-ending play, the desire to submit a protest must be announced by the consultation with the umpire, the Technical Commission will immediately take a decision before the game continues.

Any decision of the Technical Commission regarding the playing rules will be final and not subject to appeal.

The deposit will be refunded unless the protest is overruled.

5. Ejections

Assault on any players, Team officials, Umpire or Tournament Official: In case any tournament participant is charged with any kind of conduct that requires any stronger sanction than ejection from the game, hearing must be held and charges must be presented against him. After the evidence has been heard, the technical Commission may impose will be taken up by the Jury of Appeal, which will make the final decision.

6. Tournament Director

The Tournament Director will be the supreme authority of the BFA in this tournament.

7. Jury of Appeal

The Jury of Appeal will be composed of three (3) members appointed by PABA. The Jury will decide on all questions, which are presented conforming to the rules of BFA.

8. Technical commission

The Technical Commission will be composed of international members, headed by the Tournament Director.

9. Umpires

BFA will appoint international umpires.

10. Designated Hitter

In the 23rd SEAGF Baseball competition, the designated hitter will be accepted.

11. Local Organizing Committee for Baseball (PABA)

Shall appoint the following: the Tournament Director, Umpire in Chief and 3 members who will act as Technical Assistant and Jury;.

COMPETITION FORMAT

The SEAG Baseball competition will consist of six (6) men's teams playing round-robin tournament, progressing to semifinals and medal round games.

1. Preliminary Round

During the Preliminary round, each team will play with every other team once. Ranking of the teams will be in accordance with the win-loss record of all the games played. All ties after preliminary round will settled according to the following order of precedence:

- a. The team that won the game between the Team tied shall be ranked higher (won over the other rule)
- b. Fewer runs allowed in the games played between teams tied.
- c. More runs scored in the game played between tied.
- d. Higher Batting average in the games played between Teams tied.
- e. Fewer runs allowed in all the games played.

2. Semifinal Round

The four teams with the highest rank from the Preliminary round will progress to the semifinal round. In this round, the teams will play each other in the following format:

Semifinal 1	:	1 st ranked team	vs.	4 th ranked team
Semifinal 2	:	2 nd ranked team	vs.	3 rd ranked team

The winners of these matches will progress to hold the gold medal match; the losers will progress to the bronze medal match.

Final Round

The final round is played in the following format:

Bronze Medal Game	:	Loser of Semifinal 1	vs.	Loser of Semifinal 2
Gold Medal Game	:	Winner of Semifinal 1	vs.	Winner of Semifinal 2

PRIZES AND COMMENDATION

1. Victory Ceremonies

The victory Ceremonies shall normally be held after competition of the Final Round. Participants receiving awards must wear official NOC uniform.

2. Prizes

The medals and diplomas for Baseball competition will be awarded as follows:

First Place

First prize will be a gold medal and a diploma.

Second Place

Second prize will be a silver medal and a diploma.

Third Place

Third Place will be a bronze medal and a diploma.

Fourth to eight Places

Competitors placing fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eight will receive a Diploma.

Additionally all participants in the 2005 SEA Games will receive a commemorative medal and a diploma.