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COMPETITION INFORMATION

1. Dates and Venues

The 23rd SEA Games Golf Competition will be held from 27 November – 05 December 2005.

2. Venue

The competition will be played at the following venues:

Women – Manila Golf and Country Club, Makati City

Men - The Country Club, Canlubang, Laguna

3. Events

The 23rd SEA Games Golf Competition will be contested in individual and team events each for men and women and will be played under stroke play.

4. Competition Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Sunday, November 27	Practice Round (Women)	0730 hours
Monday, November 28	Practice Round (Women)	0730 hours
	Technical Committee Meeting (Women)	1400 hours
Tuesday, November 29	First Round (Women)	0730 hours
Wednesday, November 30	Second Round (women)	0730 hours
	Practice Round (Men)	0730 hours
	Technical Committee Meeting (Men)	1400 hours
Thursday, December 1	Third Round (Women)	0730 hours
	Practice Round (Men)	0730 hours
	Awarding Ceremonies (Women)	1400 hours
Friday, December 2	First Round (Men)	0730 hours
Saturday, December 3	Second Round (Men)	0730 hours
Sunday, December 4	Third Round (Men)	0730 hours
Monday, December 5	Fourth Round (Men)	0730 hours
	Awarding Ceremonies(Men)	1500 hours

GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Rules

The 23rd SEA Games Golf Competition will be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews (R&A) and the Local Rules as approved by the Organizing Committee. Any unforeseen incident not covered by the Rules shall be dealt with accordingly in the following manner:

- 1.1. Technical questions shall be resolved in accordance with the R&A Rules.
- 1.2. Cases of general nature shall be resolved in accordance with the SEA Games Federation (SEAGF) Statutes and Rules (2005). Particularly, the following rules shall have precedence:

SEAGF Rules 31 : Eligibility Code

To be eligible for participation in the SEA Games, a competitor must comply with the SEA Games Federation Statutes and Rules as well as Rules 45 and the By-Laws to Rule 45 of the Olympic Charter.

SEAGF Rule 32 – Nationality of Competitor

Only nationals of the country of the NOC shall be qualified to represent the NOC in the Games. All disputes relating to the determination of the country which competitor may represent in the SEA Games shall be resolved by the Executive Committee in accordance with the By-Laws to Rule 46 of the Olympic Charter.

SEAGF Rule 34 – Medical Code:

- a. Doping violation as defined by the WADA Code is forbidden.
- b. All competitors are liable to medical control and examination carried out in conformity with the rules of the International Olympic Committee Medical Commission, the WADA Anti-Doping Code and Explanatory documents.
- c. Competitors in sports restricted to women must comply with the prescribed tests for femininity, when needed.
- d. Any competitor refusing to submit for a medical control or examination or is found guilty of an Anti-doping violation shall be excluded from the SEA games. The principles of exclusion for teams and individuals shall be in accordance with the WADA Code.
- e. A medal may be withdrawn by order of the Executive Committee on the proposal of the Chairman of the Organizing Committee.
- f. A Medical Commission as approved by the Medical Committee of the SEAG Federation will be set up to implement these rules. Members of which be 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. Each country may enter one men's team and one women's team.
- 2.2. Each men's team shall consist of three or four players and a captain and each women's team shall consist of two or three players and a captain. The captains may be playing or non-playing members of a team.

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, forwarded 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 be subsequently confirmed with the original documents, by mailing them to the following address:

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4. Technical Committee Meeting

The Technical Committee Meetings WITH OF Team Captains/Managers from each participating country will be held as follows:

- a. Manila Gold and Country Club – November 28, 2005 (Women)
- b. The Country Club - November 30, 2005 (Men)

COMPETITION GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Technical Organization

The National Golf Association of the Philippines shall be responsible for and have full control of the technical organization of the Golf competition.

2. Format Play

- 2.1 The Team Event is over 72-hole & 54-hole scratch stroke play for men and women respectively. The teams will play 18 holes daily and the total of the best scores for men and the total of the best scores for women daily will count as the daily team score. In the event of circumstances or conditions, which make the playing of the full number of holes impracticable, the event will be decided on a lesser number of holes to be determined by the Golf Organizing Committee.
- 2.2 The winner of the team event shall be the team returning the lowest aggregate score for 72-holes for men and 54-holes for women or for the rounds played as revised by the golf organizing committee. In the event of a tie for the first, second and third positions the tie shall be decided by a hole-by-hole-off. The play-off holes shall be determined by the Golf Organizing Committee.

Procedure for Tie Break (Sudden Death Play-off): All team players will play each play-off hole and total of the best three scores for men or best two scores for women will be the team total for the hole as against the team total of the other team/teams in the play-off. The lowest team total for the hole wins the play-off. Play-off will continue a winner is determined.

- 2.3 Ties for the other placings shall be decided by a count-back of team scores over the last 18 holes, the third 18 holes, the second 18 holes and the first 18 holes in that order. If any tie still remains, it shall be determined by lot.

3 Starting Time and Groups

- 3.3 Starting times and groups for the first two rounds will be arranged by the Golf Organizing Committee. Starting time and groups for the last two rounds for men and women, shall be arranged in accordance with the team scores; the best scores teeing off last. Players will be paired according to scores. Best

players tee-off last. However, if a player is an individual medal contender but his/her team is not one of the top three teams after 36-holes, the Committee may opt to pair him/her with the top individual medal contenders.

3.4 Players shall start at the time laid down by the Committee.

3.5 If a player arrives at his starting point, ready to play, within five minutes after his starting time, in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provide in Rule 33-7, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes, instead disqualification.

4 Slow Play

4.3 The attention of all competitors is drawn to Rule 6-7 regarding undue delay. In the interest of fair play, the Committee will not hesitate to impose the penalties provided by the rule.

4.4 Pace of play conditions will be issued to players before the start of play.

5 Advice to team members during competition.

Since the team and individual competitions will be held simultaneously, team captains will **NOT** be allowed to give advise to team members during the competition.

6 Approved Balls

6.1 List of Conforming Golf Balls

The ball the player uses shall be named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews. Penalty for breach of condition: Disqualification.

6.2 One Ball Condition

6.2.1. During a stipulated round, the balls a player uses must be of the same brand and type as detailed by a single entry on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls. Penalty for breach of condition: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

6.2.2. Procedure when Breach Discovered

When player discovers that he had used a ball in breach of this condition he shall abandon that ball before playing from the next teeing ground and complete the round using a proper ball; otherwise the player shall be disqualified. If discovery is made during play of a hole and the player elects to substitute a proper ball before completing that hole the players shall place a proper ball on the spot where the ball used in breach of the condition lay.

7 Practice Between Holes

A player shall not play any practice stroke on or near the putting green of the last hole played. If a practice stroke is played on or near the putting green of the hole last played, the player shall incur a penalty of two strokes at the next hole, except that in the case of the last hole of the round, he incurs the penalty at that hole.

8 Transportation

Players shall walk at all times during a stipulated round unless authorize by the Rules Committee. Penalty for breach of this condition: two strokes at each hole at which any breach occurred: maximum penalty per round: Four strokes. four

Use of any unauthorized form of transportation shall be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise, the player shall be disqualified.

9 Disqualification of Player

Disqualification of a player in any round shall not disqualify that player from any other round unless the Committee determines otherwise.

PRIZES AND COMMENDATION

1. Victory Ceremonies

The Victory Ceremonies shall normally be held after the completion of each event. Participants receiving awards must wear official NOC uniform.

2. Prizes

The following prizes shall be awarded:

Individual Events (Men & Women)

First Prize	:	Gold Medal and Diploma
Second Prize	:	Silver Medal and Diploma
Third Prize	:	Bronze Medal and Diploma
Fourth to Sixth Prize	:	Diploma

Team Event (Men & Women)

First Prize	:	Gold Medal and Diploma to each participating member of the winning team.
Second Prize	:	Silver Medal and Diploma to each participating member of the team placed second.
Third Prize	:	Bronze Medal and Diploma to the participating members of the third place team.

Limitation

Only two players from any one country may win medals in the individual event.

10 Disputes and Decisions

The Golf Organizing Committee shall appoint a Rules Sub-Committee whose decisions in all matters affecting play shall be final.

All disputes and queries must be reported to the Rules Sub-Committee as soon as possible on completion of the round and in any case not later than fifteen minutes after the completion of the round.

