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COMPETITION INFORMATION

1. Dates and Venues

The 23rd SEA Games Lawn Bowls Competition will be held from December 1-4, 2005 at the Hidden Vale Sports Club/Greenlands in Angeles City, Pampanga.

2. Events

The 23rd SEA Games Lawn Bowls Competition will be contested in the following events:

Men: 2 events

Singles

Pairs

Triples

Women: 2 events

Singles

Pairs

Triples

3. Competition Schedule

01 December

0830 – 1200 hrs

Men & Ladies' Singles

Round 1

Men & Ladies' Pairs

Men & Ladies' Triples

1300 – 1700 hrs

Men & Ladies' Singles

Round 2

Men & Ladies' Pairs

02 December

0830 – 1200 hrs

Men & Ladies' Singles

Round 3

Men & Ladies' Pairs

Men & Ladies' Triples

1300 – 1700 hrs

Men & Ladies' Singles

Round 4

Men & Singles' Pairs

03 December

0830 – 1200 hrs

Men & Ladies' Singles

Round 5

Men & Ladies' Pairs

Men & Ladies' Triples

04 December

0830 – 1200 hrs

Men & Ladies' Triples

Finals & 3rd Place

Men & Ladies' Triples

1300 – 1600 hrs

Men & Ladies' Pairs

Finals & 3rd Place

1700 hrs

Medal Presentation

GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Rules

The 23rd SEA Games Lawn Bowls Competition will be conducted in accordance with the World Bowls Limited Rules. In case of a disagreement in the interpretation of rules from versions in different languages, the English text will prevail. Any unforeseen incident not covered by the WBL Rules shall be dealt with accordingly in the following manner:

- 1.1.** Technical questions shall be resolved in accordance with the WBL 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 Rule 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 Rule 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. The 23rd SEA Games Lawn Bowls 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 (2005) and the ISSF Rules are entitled to participate.
- 2.3. Each player may only compete in one (1) event.
- 2.4. Each participating country may enter only up to four (4) men and women competitors.

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 e 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) 8342432/36
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 competition to enable the green keeper to prepare the green.

COMPETITION GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Technical Organization

The Philippine Lawn Bowls Association is responsible for and has full control of the technical organization of the Lawn Bowls competition, in collaboration with the World Bowls Limited (WBL).

2. Competition Format

The competitions for Singles and Pairs for both men's and women's events will be played concurrently. Participating Countries may enter any or all of these events.

3. System of Competition

- 3.1.** The general competition will be conducted in accordance with the WBL and the 23rd SEA Games Rules.

- 3.2. The competitions are to be conducted on a single Round Robin basis, with each team or singles player playing against each other team or singles player.
- 3.3. The winning team or singles player will be determined by the overall result of each event.
- 3.4. Final classification in each event will be decided as follows:
 - 3.4.1. The Pairs or singles player with the highest point total will rank first, the team or player with the second highest total will rank second, etc.
 - 3.4.2. In the event of a tied score for any position, the team or singles player with the larger difference between “shots for” and “shots against” will
 - 3.4.3. take the higher rank. In the event of a further tie, the team or singles player with the higher number of total shots scored will take the higher rank. In the event of a further tie, the winner of the head to head event shall receive the higher rank.
 - 3.4.4. The placing in each event of each competition will be decided as follows:
 - 3.4.4.1. The first- and second-placed competitors in each event will play a Final to decide the Gold and Silver medal winners in that event.
 - 3.4.4.2. The third- and fourth-placed competitors in each event will play a Play -off to determine the Bronze medal winner in that event.

4. Points

- 4.1. **Singles Event** – 21 Shots Up, 2 Points for a Win
- 4.2. **Pairs Event** – 18 Ends, 2 Points for a Win, 1 Point for a Tie
- 4.3. **Points Not Provided For** – Any point not provided for in the Conditions of Play in any of the competition hereinafter referred to will be decided by the Jury of Appeal.

5. Events

5.1. Singles

Each competitor shall play four bowls singly and alternately in accordance with the World Bowls Limited (WBL) Rules.

The winner of each game shall be the first player to attain 21 shots up (shots in excess of 21 shall not count), and all competitors will play one another as per the draw.

In each game, the winner will be awarded two (2) points and the competitor gaining the highest point total in all of his/her games will be the preliminary winner of that event in the competition.

5.2. Pairs

Two players, a “lead” and a “skip” shall play four bowls, the “lead” playing first and the “skip” as defined in the WBL Rules. Matches shall consist of 18 ends (except where there is any permissible variation in terms of the Rules) and all teams will play one another as per the draw, except where specifically produced otherwise.

Two (2) points shall be awarded for a win and one (1) point for a tie in each game. The team with the highest number of points shall be declared the preliminary winner of the Pairs competition, prior to final.

5.3. Triples

Three (3) players, a “lead”, “second” and a “skip” shall play 3 bowls. The “lead” playing first then the “second” and the “skip” as defined in the WBL rules.

6. Substitutions

The Pairs and Singles competitions shall be played throughout by the competitors who are named on the entry forms submitted to the PhilSOC Secretariat.

Substitutes are permitted in the Pairs and Triples competitions at the direction of the Jury of Appeal, who must determine that the players substituted, are genuinely unable to play.

The substitute player shall not be permitted to play in the position of “skip” unless the Jury of Appeal deems the regular player unable to return to play, in which case the substitute shall become the regular player and may play in any position.

The opponent shall, at the completion of the Round Robin, be credited with the average net-shot margins of all matches completed by the player defeated by default.

7. Technical Officials

Each participating country must nominate two (2) qualified Technical Officials (Umpires) or their equivalent to officiate at the competitions. The Philippines, being the host nation, is entitled to nominate more than two (2) umpires to officiate at the competition.

8. Equipment

All bowls utilized in play must bear a valid and dated stamp of WBL or any other stamp recognized by WBL. They may be subjected to a bowls test prior to the competition

9. Green Maintenance

The Green Keeper will prepare the greens between games. Team Managers must allow sufficient time for this preparation.

10. Trial Ends

Two (2) trial ends will be allowed for all games, but only two bowls will be allotted per player except in the case of Singles, four (4) bowls per player may be allowed with the expressed approval of the organizing committee if time permits.

11. Bell/Toss

A bell will be rung five (5) minutes before the fixed starting time for each session. Players may use this time to complete their trial ends within a reasonable time frame. The “skip” in Pairs and Triples, and the Players in singles shall toss to decide who shall play first, and the winner of this toss shall have the option. In all subsequent ends, the winner of the preceding scoring end shall have the option.

12. Lateness

Any player arriving at the green more than fifteen (15) minutes after the official starting time shall forfeit the points of the game.

13. Signing of Final Score Card

The final score card shall be signed by both players and the marker in the Singles matches, and by the “skip” in the Pairs and Triples matches. It shall be returned to the Umpire, who shall also countersign the card.

14. Stoppage due to Unsuitable Weather

Due to the severity of rainfall during the wet season in this country, rules governing play stoppages will be discussed in detail during the Team Managers’ Meeting prior to the tournament. The Jury of Appeal is given specific power to decide fair means of awarding points for abandoned games and events.

PRIZES AND COMMENDATION

a. Victory Ceremonies

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

b. Prizes

a. Singles Events

- First Prize: Gold Medal and Diploma to the winner in each event.
Second Prize: Silver Medal and Diploma to the athlete placed second in each event.
Third Prize: Bronze Medal and Diploma to the athletes placed third in each event.

b. Pairs Events

- First Prize: Gold Medal and Diploma to each member of the winning team in each event.
Second Prize: Silver Medal and Diploma to each member of the team placed second in each event.
Third Prize: Bronze Medal and Diploma to each member of the team placed third in each event.

c. Triples Events

- First Prize: Gold Medal and Diploma to each member of the winning team in each event.
Second Prize: Silver Medal and Diploma to each member of the team placed second in each event.

There shall be no tie for gold, silver or bronze medal placing, except in events where there is no play-off between the losing semi-finalists for the bronze medal. Should there be a tie at the end of a competition for the gold, silver or bronze medal placing, a sudden death play-off shall be held to break the tie.