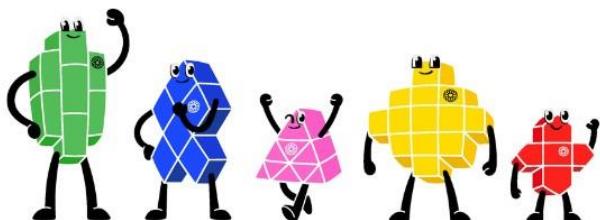


# Technical Handbook

The 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025

**BASEBALL & SOFTBALL**

**(BASEBALL 5)**



# General Information

# Technical Part

## Sport Information

### I. Sports Federation

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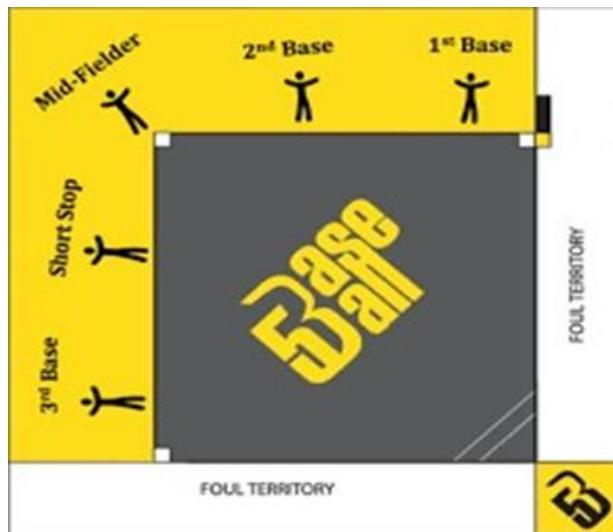
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## Brief Overview of the Sport-Discipline of Baseball5

Baseball5 or BS5, is a new faster urban five-on-five discipline, five-inning street version of the game of Baseball/Softball – which only requires a ball to play, based on the “four corners” game, that can be played anywhere. Five-inning games are played with five on-field athlete-players on each side. Competitors are limited to using only their bare hands to hit and field the balls. An inning consists of a turn at bat for each team.

The purpose of Baseball5 comes from the desire to increase accessibility to baseball/softball, maintaining the uniqueness of the game, while it eliminates their structural complexities.



The game-competition format may comprise of a win in a one set match or a win played over the best of three sets in a match.

The competition infield is square in shape, with a base in each corner. The distance in between bases is 13 m or 42.5 feet. Starting from the batter's box, behind home plate, the bases are numbered counterclockwise. (1st, 2nd and 3rd).

The number of active athlete-players per team during a game is five at all times. If a team cannot meet the minimum required number of athlete-players on the field, the team shall forfeit and the match is over. The maximum number of athlete-players on the roster is eight (five in play and three reserves). In mixed gender competitions, the defensive team must have at all times a minimum of two athlete-players per gender on the field-of-play.

The Home Team starts the game in defence and the Visiting Team starts in offence.

The goal of the defensive team is to eliminate (get “out”) three athlete-players of the offensive team in order to switch sides. When the teams switch sides, the defensive team will play offence and vice-versa.



The goal of the offensive team is to score runs (points). A run is scored when an offensive athlete-player is able to complete a full run by touching all four bases and safely returning home without being eliminated by the defence.

The game ends at the end of the fifth inning if one team has scored more runs than the opponent. Should the Home Team be ahead on the scorecard after the Visiting Team has completed its fifth offensive inning, the game is over, and the Home Team wins.

On matches played over a series of three sets, the team that wins two sets is the winner. In the case of a tied game, the “Tie-break” Rule applies where the teams shall play and complete extra inning(s) until one team scores more runs than the opponent.

In the “Run ahead/difference” Rule, a game is over if a team leads by fifteen (15) runs at the end of the third inning or by ten at the end of the fourth. Should a team reach a ten (10) or more run advantage during the top of the fifth inning the game shall be completed.

## 1. Dates

The **Baseball5 (BS5)** competition for the **33<sup>rd</sup> SEA Games Thailand 2025** will be held from **10 to 14 December 2025**

- 10 December 2025: Practice Day and Pre-Competition Team Managers Meeting.
- 11 December 2025: Group Stage Preliminary Round
- 12 December 2025: Super Round and Placement Round.
- 13 December 2025: Semi-Finals.
- 14 December 2025: Semi-Finals and Medals Games.

## 2. Venues

The Baseball5 competition will be held in Bangkok, Thailand at **Sports Authority of Thailand (SAT) , Multi- purpose Venue, in Ramkhamhaeng Rd, Huamark, Bangkapi, Bangkok**, which consists of one (1) main competition field-of-play (FOP) and one (1) training – warm up field.

## 3. Event

The Baseball5 competition will consist of one (1) Mixed team event comprising of **four (4) Men and four (4) women athletes**.

<b>One (1) Mixed Team Event</b>	
<b>MEN</b>	<b>WOMEN</b>
A maximum of Four (4) Athletes	A maximum of Four (4) Athletes

**Note: A maximum of three (3) team officials only per team.**

## 4. Competition Format and Schedule

### 4.1 Competition Format

**(The competition format will be confirmed when the number of participating teams is finalized)**

4.1.1 The competition format of the Baseball5 competition in the 33<sup>rd</sup> SEA Games Thailand 2025 will comprise of the following three (3) stages:

- The Group Stage Preliminary Round; followed by;
- The Super Round and Placement Round; and then;
- The two (2) Semi-Finals; and then;
- The Medals Games comprising of the bronze medal and gold medal games.

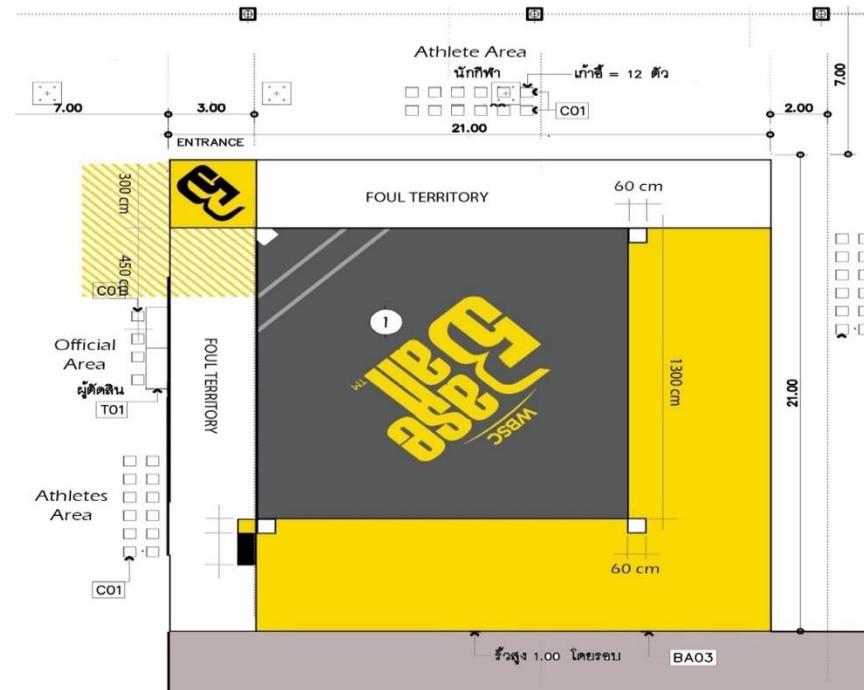
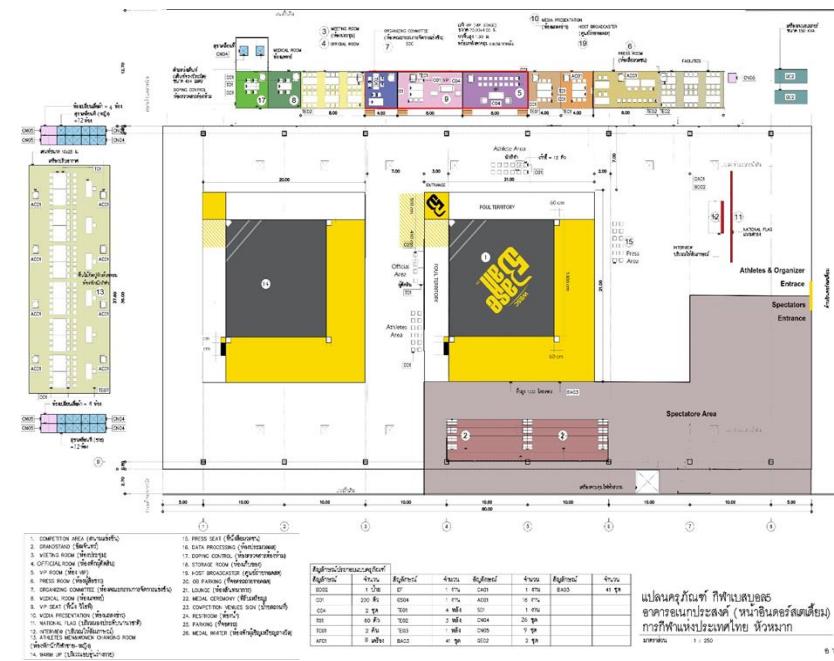
Description	Remarks
Preliminary Round – Teams divided into Groups - Group Stage	Single Round robin within each Group
Super Round (SR)	Top two teams from each Group advance to the SR. All games played between teams in the Group Stage will be carried forward into the SR.
Placement Round (PR)	Remaining two teams in each Group play in Placement Round. All games played between teams in the Group Stage will be carried forward into the PR.
Semi-Finals (SF)	The 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> ranked teams after the completion of the Super Round will play in the Semi-Final #1. The top ranked and the 4 <sup>th</sup> ranked teams after the completion of the Super Round will play in the Semi-Final #2.
Finals - Medals Games	The two losing Semi-finalists will play in the Bronze Medal Game. The two winners of the Semi-Finals will play in the Gold Medal Game.

#### 4.2 Competition Schedule

(The competition schedule will be confirmed when the number of participating teams is finalized):



### 4.3 The Field-of-Play Layout



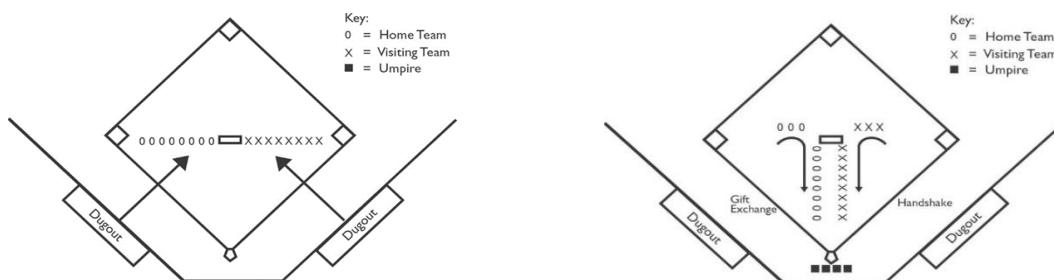
## 4.4 Teams' Game Countdown Procedures

### 4.4.1 Pre-Game

Prior to Game	Activity	Location
Team Decision	Team arrives at Venue NO later than 75 minutes prior to game start at which time they may begin warm up.	Athlete's drop off/ Training Sites (Met by Venue Liaison)
60 minutes	Team Official submits starting line-up to Games-Table Officials on duty.	Games-Table Officials for the game concerned at the official Games-Table Officials table at competition venue
10 minutes	Teams must be in dugouts	Competition field
5 minutes	Teams shake hands and exchange gifts.	Two lines from centre of field to home plate
0 minutes	<b>Game starts</b>	Competition field

### 4.4.2 Post-Game

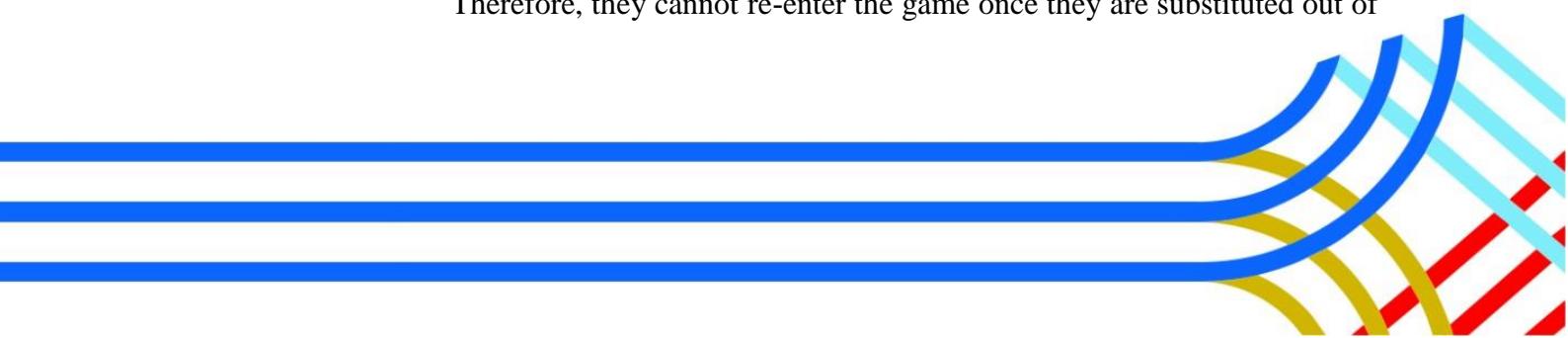
After Game	Activity	Location
5 minutes	Team equipment to be removed from dugout. Shake hands	
5 minutes	Doping Control identifies athlete(s) for testing	Dugout
5 minutes	Athletes/Coaches may be asked to be interviewed must confirm with team representative that athlete/coach is available	Outside competition field or in press centre



### 4.4.3 Team Lineup Change Procedures

- **Tactical Substitution:**

Tactical substitutions can take place every time a team changes between offence and defence. Reserve athletes can only enter the game once. Therefore, they cannot re-enter the game once they are substituted out of



the game. A starting athlete can only re-enter the game to regain their original spot in the batting order.

- **Injury Substitution:**

Should an athlete suffer an injury, they can be substituted at any time. The injured athlete cannot re-enter the game. Should the match be played over a series of three sets, the injured athlete is out for the whole series.

- **Temporary bleeding/injury Substitution:**

For health and security reasons any athlete who is bleeding or need treatment due to a collision shall leave the court to be medicated. To re-enter he/she must wait the completion of the inning. Temporary substitution shall be granted by the Game Officials not requested by the team. Temporary substitutions do not count; therefore, the designated substitute athlete does not lose his/her right to enter the game.

## 5. Entries

### 5.1 Eligibility

- 5.1.1 Only South East Asian Games Federation (SEAGF) Member-NOCs are entitled to send athletes to participate in the Baseball5 competition of the 33<sup>rd</sup> SEA Games Thailand 2025
- 5.1.2 Only athletes who comply with the SEAGF Charter and Rules and its by-laws are entitled to participate in the Baseball5 competition.
- 5.1.3 All athletes-players must be born in 2010 or before to be eligible for the Baseball5 competition.

### 5.2 Entry Policies

- 5.2.1 Each NOC may enter only one (1) mixed team.
- 5.2.2 The host NOC shall enter one (1) mixed team, comprising of a maximum each of four Men athletes-players and four Women athletes-players, and a maximum of three team officials only.
- 5.2.3 NOCs that withdraw their athletes-players or teams after the submission of the final Entries by Name and Team Sport Draw will be faced with disciplinary action by SEAGF.

### 5.3 Submission of Entries

- Entry Form by Sport: Deadline 2 May 2025 at 24.00 (Bangkok time)
- Entry Form by Number: Deadline 12 June 2025 at 24.00 (Bangkok time)
- Entry Form by Name: Deadline 1 September 2025 at 24.00 (Bangkok time)

All Entry Form by Sport, Entry Form by Number and Entry by Name may be sent via Game Management System (GMS) and subsequently confirmed with stamped original, then upload to the system.

If you need any assistant, please contact us:

#### The 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025 Organizing Committee

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## 6. Pre-Competition Team Managers and Technical Officials Meetings

### 6.1 Pre-Competition Team Managers Meeting

Date: **10 December 2025**

Time: 14.00 hours

Venue: Sports Authority of Thailand

### 6.2 Technical Officials Meeting

Date: **10 December 2025**

Time: 16.00 hours

Venue: Sports Authority of Thailand

## 7. General Rules and Regulations

### 7.1 Rules

#### 7.1.1 Eligibility Code (SEAGF Rule 30)

To be eligible for participation in the SEA Games, a competitor must comply with the SEAGF Charter and Rules, regulations and by-laws, , in particular in relation to eligibility and nationality, as well as the related provisions in the Olympic Charter, and the rules, regulations and by-laws for participation in the Olympic Games.

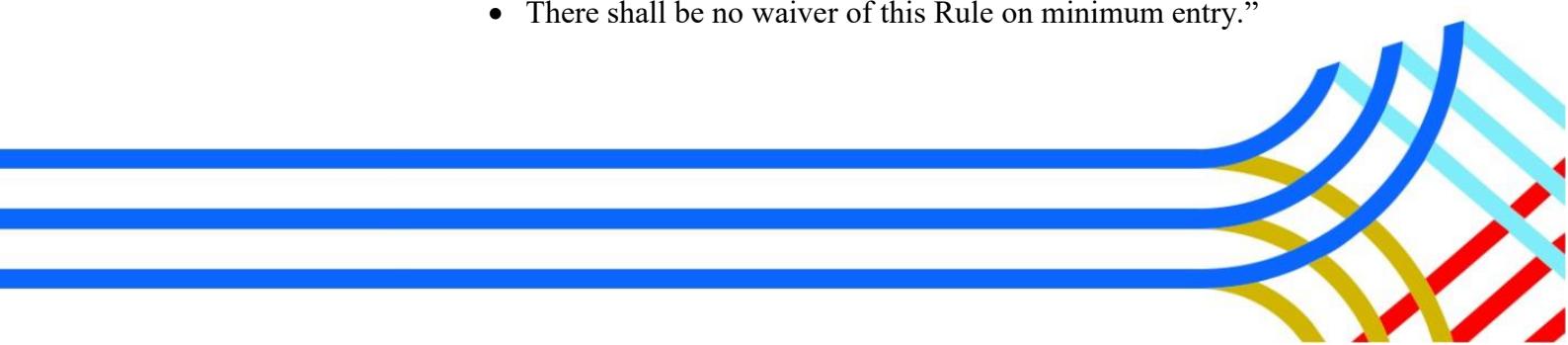
#### 7.1.2 Nationality of Competitor (SEAGF Rule 31)

Only nationals of the country of the NOC who are holding current valid national passports of the county of that Member-NOC shall be qualified and eligible to represent the Member-NOC in the SEA Games. All disputes relating to the determination of the country which a competitor may represent in the SEA Games shall be decided by the Arbitration Panel established under this Charter and Rules, in accordance with the SEAGF Charter and Rules, regulations and by-laws relating to eligibility and nationality.

#### 7.1.3 Number of Entries (SEAGF Rules 34.3, 37)

a) A minimum of four (4) NOCs must register to participate by the respective closing date of both the Entry by Number and the Entry by Name registration in a sport or discipline or team event, and in the case of an individual event, a minimum of three (3) NOCs must register to participate by the closing date of both the Entry by Number and Entry by Name registration, for it to be included in the SEA Games programme. For the avoidance of doubt:

- A doubles event shall be considered an individual event.
- There shall be no waiver of this Rule on minimum entry.”



- b) The maximum number of entries from each nation in each event is fixed by the SEAGF in consultation with the Host NOC. However, the following numbers cannot be exceeded:
- For individual events, including singles and doubles events, there shall only be two (2) entries from each NOC (without reserves) EXCEPT for the sports with weight category, such as all martial arts and combat sports, Body-building, Weightlifting, etc., where there shall only be one (1) entry per weight category or per event from each NOC; and for the sport of Sailing, where there shall only be one (1) entry per event from each NOC.
  - For team events, there shall be one (1) team per NOC, and the number of reserves shall not exceed the number of players allowed by the International Federation.
  - For all events where individual competitions are conducted, the competitors for any one (1) NOC cannot win more than two (2) medals in the respective individual events.
  - No SEAGF Member-NOC, including the Host NOC or the Organizing Committee of any SEA Games, is allowed to limit the participation of any other SEAGF Member-NOC or any athlete from participating in any sport, discipline or event solely on the ground or for any reason of limitation of participation.

#### **7.1.4 International Sport Federation**

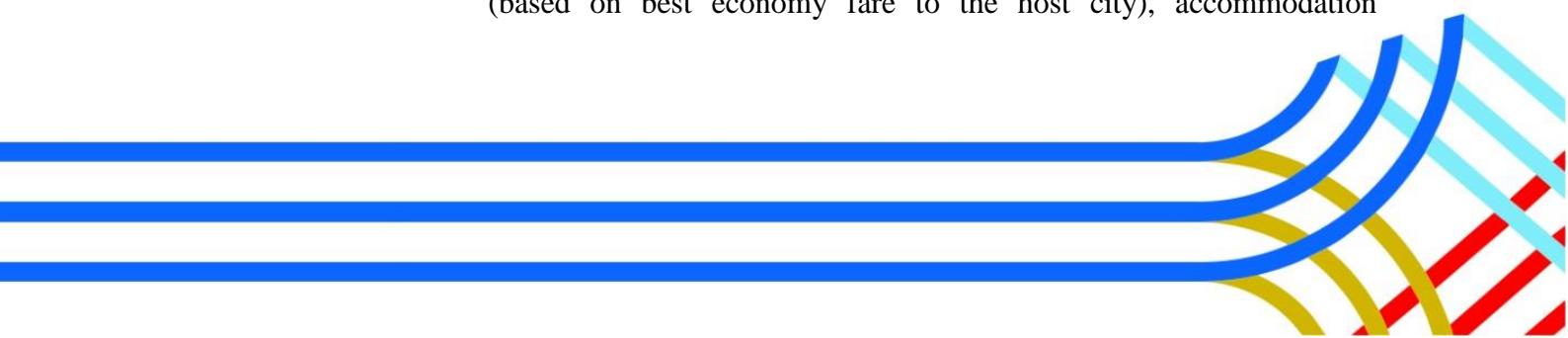
World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC)

#### **7.1.5 Asia Continental Sport Federation**

Softball Asia (SA)

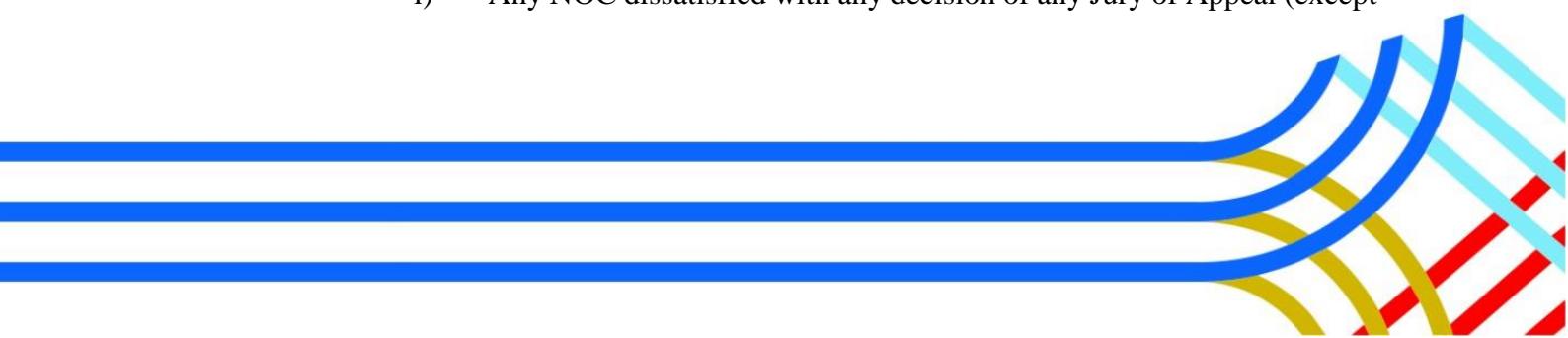
#### **7.1.6 Technical Officials and Jury of Appeal (SEAGF Rule 41)**

- a) The necessary technical officials, referees, judges, umpires, timekeepers, inspectors and other technical officials (collectively “International Technical Officials” or ITOs”) and a Jury of Appeal for each sport in such number as shall be determined by the Host NOC or the Organizing Committee, shall be appointed by the Host NOC or Organizing Committee in consultation with the appropriate IF/AF and in cooperation with the respective National Federation of the Host NOC or local sport official/representative. All such ITOs and Jury of Appeal officials approved and appointed by the Host NOC or Organizing Committee shall be referred collectively as “IF/AF International Technical Officials” or IF/AF ITOs” and “Jury of Appeal” accordingly.
- b) The Organizing Committee shall pay for the air or international travel (based on best economy fare to the host city), accommodation



(equivalent to a hotel of at least a 3-star internationally accepted rating, based on twin-share basis except for single rooms for TDs, Chief Umpires and Chief Scorer), meals, official local transport expenses and a per diem only of the IF/AF ITOs and Jury of Appeal officials at the established rates of the Organizing Committee starting from within than two (2) days before the start of the first event of the sport or discipline concerned OR the date of arrival, whichever is the later, until one (1) day after the end of the competition of the last event of that sport or discipline OR the date of departure, whichever is the earlier.

- c) In approving and appointments of ITOs and Jury of Appeal members, all IF and or AF concerned must give priority, first to the appointment of qualified ITOs and Jury of Appeal members who reside within the South East Asian (SEA) region, and second, to those who reside within the Asian continent, before appointing any ITOs or Jury of Appeal members from outside the SEA region or Asia continent.
- d) No official who has participated in a decision may serve in the Jury of Appeal that reviews it. The findings of the Jury of Appeal shall be communicated as soon as possible to the SEAGF Office, Host NOC, Organizing Committee and Executive Committee.
- e) Technical officials and members of the Jury of Appeal may not live in the Games Villages, but the Organizing Committee shall ensure and bear the cost of their accommodation, including board and local transport facilities at such established rates of the Organizing Committee.
- f) The Jury of Appeal's decision(s) on all technical questions concerning its respective sport or of disciplinary nature is/are final. Such decision shall, however, be without prejudice to any further penalty and or sanction, which may be imposed by the SEAGF.
- g) The Jury of Appeal shall be composed of a Chairperson (who shall be the TD) and not more than two (2) other representatives as Jury of Appeal members, who shall be appointed by the IF/AF from amongst the IF/AF ITOS and or IF/AF representative(s) present at the Games.
- h) In the event of a dispute or protest relating to technical questions concerning its respective sport, discipline and or event, or competition or any matter that is disciplinary in nature, that is referred to a relevant Jury of Appeal, representatives of countries in the Jury of Appeal whose countries are involved in the dispute or protest must NOT participate in the deliberations and or decision making and cannot vote in the resolution of the dispute or protest.
- i) Any NOC dissatisfied with any decision of any Jury of Appeal (except



decisions concerning matters of fact and judgment calls where no appeal is allowed) may refer his/her appeal to the SEAGF Arbitration Panel.

#### **7.1.7 Arbitration Panel (SEAGF Rule 42)**

The Arbitration Panel shall deliberate and decide finally on all questions concerning the SEA Games or s, protests or appeals (including on any violation of anti-doping code, rules or regulations) from any sport, discipline or event or any disputes arising from or related to the SEA Games. NOCs or the Organizing Committee may also submit question or any matter related to the SEA Games to the Arbitration Panel for determination. Further, the Arbitration Panel may intervene in and determine all questions of non-technical nature outside the jurisdiction of the Jury of Appeal set up for each sport, discipline or event in the Games programme.

#### **7.1.8 Penalty in case of Fraud (SEAGF Rule 44)**

A competitor proved to have fraudulently transgressed or breached any provisions of the SEAGF Charter and Rules, Regulations or By-laws. shall be disqualified and lose any position or medal 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 concerned.

### **8. Competition Rules and Regulations**

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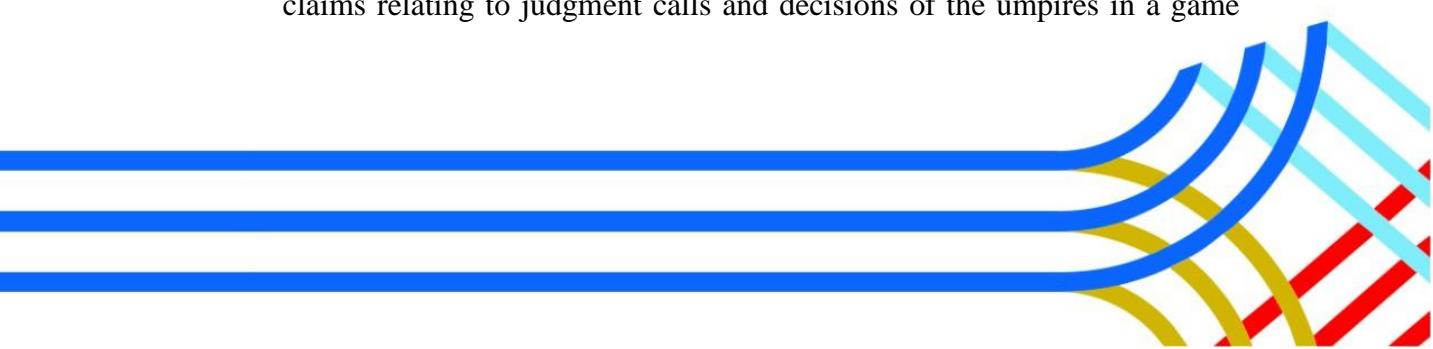
The Baseball5 competition in the 33<sup>rd</sup> SEA will be competed in accordance with the WBSC, BFA and SA respective Statutes/Constitution, Rules, Regulations and By-Laws, and Official WBSC Baseball5 Rulebook 2024, and the SEAGF Charter and Rules, Regulations and By-Laws, other relevant rules and regulations in force during the Games.

In case of any disagreement in the language interpretation of any rule, regulation or by-law, the English version shall prevail. Any unforeseen cases not covered by the rule, regulations or by-laws, shall be resolved as follows:

- General issues: Resolved in accordance with the SEAGF Charter and Rules, Regulations and By-laws.
- Technical issues: Resolved in accordance with the WBSC, BFA and SA respective Statutes/Constitution, Rules, Regulations and By-Laws, and the Official WBSC Baseball5 Rulebook 2023.

#### **8.2 Protests and Appeals**

- 8.2.1 All protests and claims relating to judgment calls and decisions of the Umpires in a game must be settled on the competition FOP. No protests or claims relating to judgment calls and decisions of the umpires in a game



will be considered following the completion of the game.

- 8.2.2 All protests, claims and appeals must be submitted in writing, by the Team Manager concerned or the Chef de Mission appointed by the NOC in accordance with the WBSC and SA respective Statutes/Constitution, Rules, Regulations and By-Laws as well as the WBSC Official Baseball5 Rulebook 2024, no later than thirty (30) minutes after the completion of the relevant game or of the decision made on the incident or occurrence.
- 8.2.3 The protest, claim or appeal must be accompanied by a fee of USD200 payable to Softball Asia. The fee will not be refunded if the protest, claim or appeal is rejected / not successful.
- 8.2.4 All protests shall be conducted in accordance with the WBSC and SA respective Constitution, Rules, Regulations, By-Laws and their processes and procedures, as well as the WBSC Official Baseball5 Rulebook 2024 in force during the Games.
- 8.2.5 The Jury of Appeal must decide on the protest, claim or appeal as soon as possible.
- 8.2.6 Any NOC dissatisfied with the decision of any Jury of Appeal may, within twenty-four (24) hours of the notice of the decision of the Jury of Appeal, appeal in writing to the Arbitration Panel, which Arbitration Panel shall decide on the matter. All decisions of the Arbitration Panel shall be final.

### 8.3 Cancellation

The decision to cancel a sport/discipline competition can only be made by the DPC Committee, in consultation with the SEAGF, through the SEAGF Office.

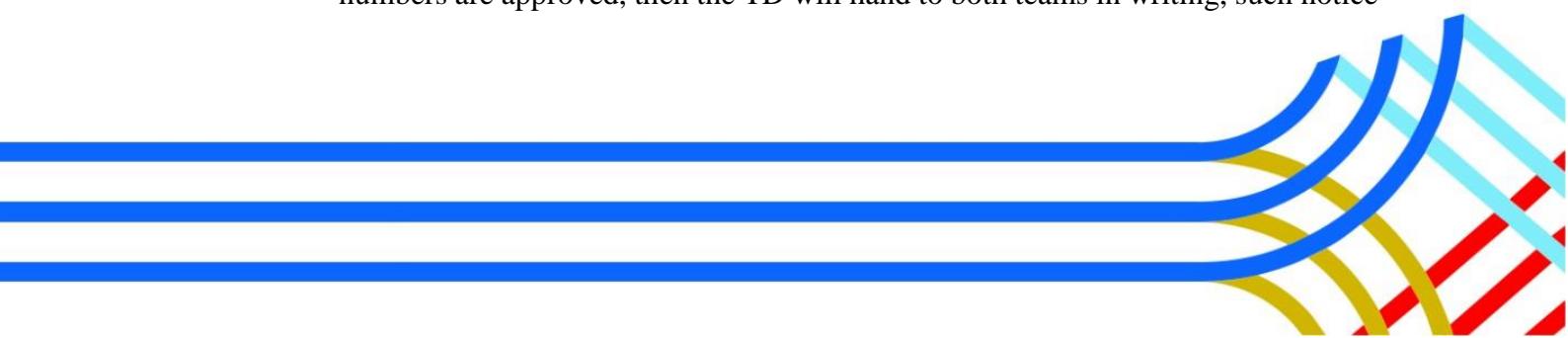
## 9. Uniforms

Clothing and uniforms worn by athletes and team officials and other relevant participants in competition must comply with the rules and regulations of the SEAGF, WBSA, BFA and SA as well as the Official WBSC Baseball5 Uniform Guidelines and Official WBSC Baseball5 Rulebook 2023 in force during the Games.

- 9.1 The Home Team shall have preference to wear the colours of their national uniform, and the Visiting Team shall wear a colour that is in contrast which cannot get confused with the other one. The final decision on the colours to be worn by each Team on each match will be made at the Pre-Competition Team Managers Meeting.

There will be no changes allowed to the established uniforms.

- 9.2 Each athlete-player must wear a specified number on the uniform, which number must be different from all other athletes-players. Each player will keep the same number during the whole duration of competition. In any case, no numbers can be changed on the uniforms without the previous approval by the TD. If any changes to uniform numbers are approved, then the TD will hand to both teams in writing, such notice



of number change prior to the start of the game. Uniform numbers must be chosen from 0 to 99.

- 9.3 Neither athletes nor technical officials can attach any form of commercial advertising to his or her competition uniform without prior agreement with SA, SEAGF and the Organizing Committee.

## 10. Official Equipment

Equipment and facilities used by athletes and team officials and other relevant participants in competition must comply with the rules and regulations of the SEAGF, WBSA, BFA and SA as well as the Official WBSC Baseball5 Rulebook 2023 in force during the Games.

The official Baseball5 competition ball is the Brett rubber Baseball5 ball

## 11. Prizes and Commendations (Rule 45)

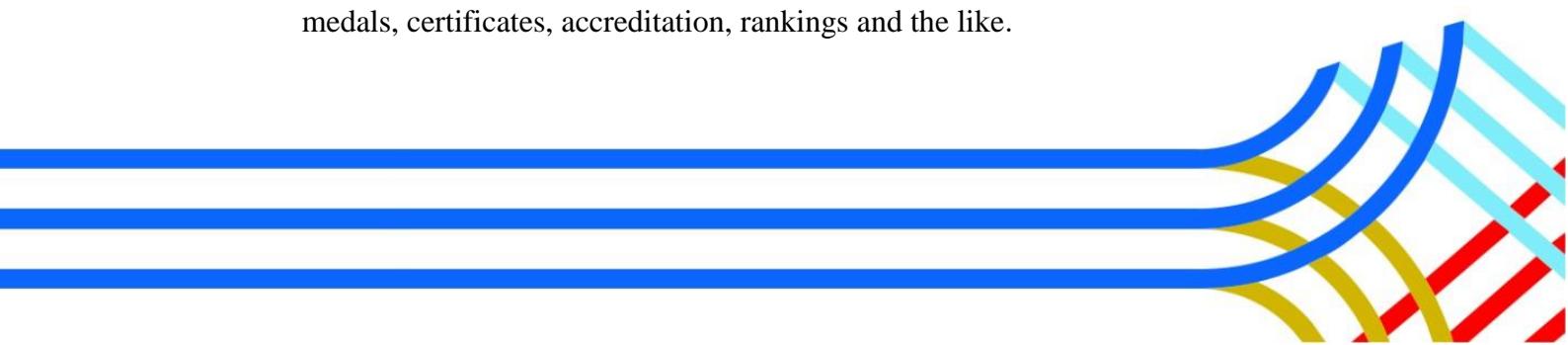
- Medals to the winners of the SEA Games shall be presented by the SEAGF President. The President may delegate this privilege to other members of the SEAGF Member-NOCs, accompanied by the President of the IF and/or AF concerned (or their deputy), if possible, immediately after the event and where the competition took place in the following manner.

- The competitors who have been judged first, second and third shall take their places, in their sports uniforms, on a stand on the field facing the Tribune of Honour, with the winner slightly above the second who is on their right and the third who is on their left.

The flag of the delegates of the winner shall be hoisted on the central flag-pole and those

of the second and third on adjoining flagpoles on the right and on the left, as they face the arena. Meanwhile, the abbreviated National Anthem of the winner is played. The three winners/winning teams shall turn towards the flags.

- The medal presentations shall be as per the following order:
  - Gold Medal – to the first-place winner.
  - Silver Medal – to the second-place winner.
  - Bronze Medal – to the third-place winner.
- All medalists must wear their respective NOC official uniform.
- No equipment or accessories may be taken by the athlete to the medal award ceremony or media interview areas, unless it is worn, e.g., shoes and clothing which must be in accordance with the SEAGF commercial guidelines.
- No kind of demonstration or commercial, political, religious or racial propaganda is permitted during the Victory Ceremony of the Games. Any action of such kind will be subject to penalization by the SEAGF, including disqualification, withdrawal of medals, certificates, accreditation, rankings and the like.



- Any disrespect shown to the Games, Medals, Flags, Mascot or Certificates or any other material, by any athlete during the Victory Ceremony or during the Games will be subject to penalization by the SEAGF, including but not limited to disqualification, withdrawal of medals, certificates, accreditation, rankings as decided by the SEAGF.
- Victory, medals and diploma certificates, shall be in strict compliance with the SEAGF Protocol Guidelines. The design and format of the medals and diplomas shall be submitted to the SEAGF for its approval.

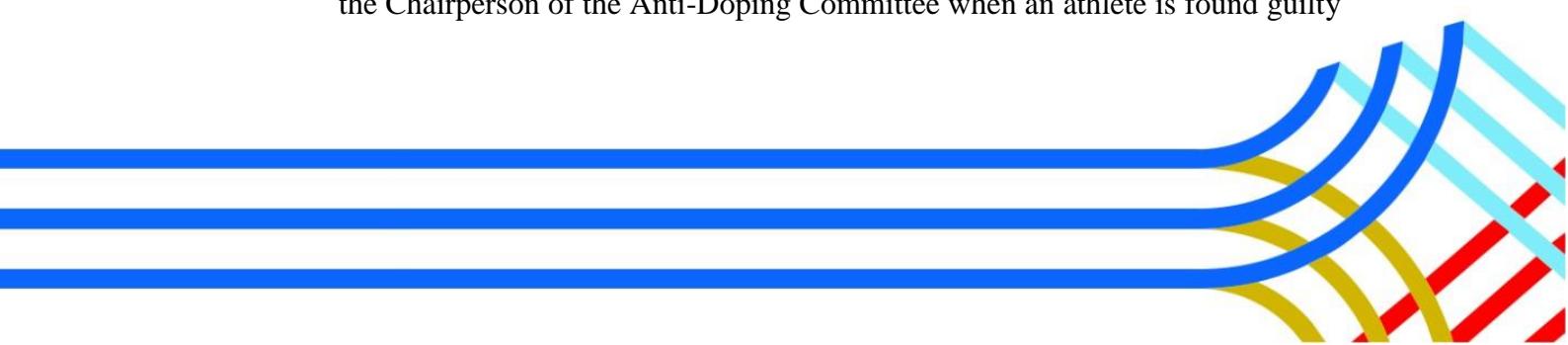
## 12. Victory Ceremonies (Rule 28)

The medals may be presented by the board members of the Member-NOCs participating in the particular sport, discipline or event (with priority being given to those with medal winners) and or Guests of Honor of the SEAGF, and such victory ceremonies, if possible, shall take place immediately after the event at a place where the competition took place and in the following manner:

- The competitors who have been judged first, second and third shall take their places, in their sport attire or NOC designated attire, on a stand facing the Tribune of Honor, with the winner slightly above the second who is on his/her right, and the third who is on his/her left.
- The flag of the country of the winner shall be hoisted on the central flagpole or screen and those of the second and third on adjoining flagpoles or screen on the right and left as they face the arena. Meanwhile, the National Anthem of the country of the winner is played and the competitors and spectators shall face the flags.

## 13. Medical Code (SEAGF Rule 33)

- The Host NOC and Organizing Committee of the SEA Games will ensure the health of all athletes and other participants during the SEA Games.
- Anti-Doping Rule Violations as defined by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code is forbidden.
- All competitors shall be subject, during the Games, to doping control initiated by the SEAGF at any time or place, carried out in conformity with the WADA Code and its respective International Standards, as elaborated in the SEA Games Anti-Doping Rules.
- Competitors in sports restricted to women must comply with the prescribed tests for disorders of sexual determination when so needed.
- Any competitor refusing to submit to doping control or who is found guilty of any Anti-Doping Rule violation shall be excluded from the SEA Games.
- The principles of exclusion for teams and individuals shall be in accordance with the WADA Code.
- A medal may be withdrawn by order of the SEAGF on the recommendation of the Chairperson of the Anti-Doping Committee when an athlete is found guilty



of a violation under the SEA Games Anti-Doping Rules and or the WADA Code.

- The Anti-Doping Committee shall manage and implement the doping test programme for the SEA Games to which it was appointed for in accordance with WADA requirements, and implement the SEA Games Anti-Doping Rules and WADA Code.
- The SEA Games Anti-Doping Rules shall in no way affect further and or other sanctions by the relevant International Federation, WADA and or any other relevant national, regional, continental, international or world organizations or bodies.
- All competitors and officials are also subject to, and shall comply with the respective anti-gaming and manipulation, and harassment and abuse, and safeguarding rules, regulations, codes and guidelines of the respective SEAGF Member-NOC, IOC, SEAGF, the respective IF and or AF of the sport concerned.
  - a) Any competitor or team official refusing to submit thereto or found guilty of any violation or offence thereunder shall be excluded from the SEA GAMES.
  - b) A medal may be withdrawn by order of the SEAGF on the recommendation of the Arbitration Panel when an athlete is found guilty of any violation or offence thereunder.

#### 14. Doping Control

The 33<sup>rd</sup> SEA Games Thailand 2025 Organizing Committee, shall establish the SEAGF Anti-Doping Committee, which shall, under the guidance of the SEAGF and working with the SEAGF Office, be responsible for the Anti-Doping program for the 33<sup>rd</sup> SEA Games Thailand 2025. The Anti-Doping program will be run in accordance with the SEAGF Anti-Doping Rules and the WADA International Standard for Testing and Investigation. Sample analysis will be performed at a WADA-accredited laboratory or as otherwise approved by WADA. Both urine and blood tests will be conducted before and during the competition to ensure compliance.

Athletes requiring the use of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method during the event must apply for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) through the SEAGF Anti-Doping Committee by the specified deadline.

#### 15. Approval of the Technical Handbook

This Technical Handbook was approved by the **Softball Asia on 08 April 2025**. Any further amendments to the Technical Handbook shall be circulated via e-mail to the NOCs.