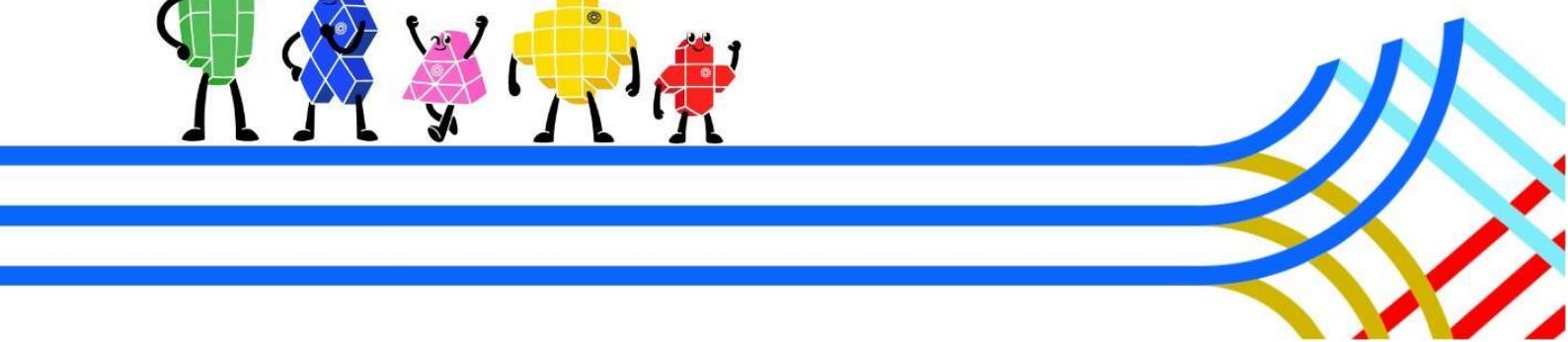
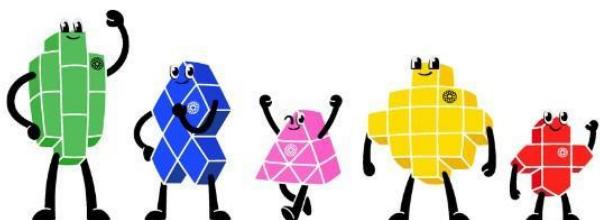
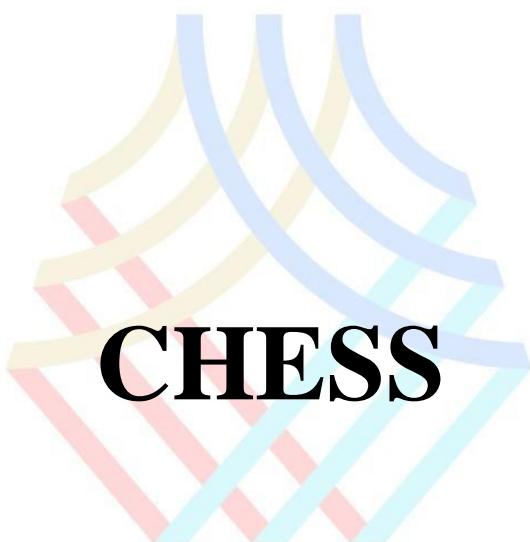


Technical Handbook

The 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025



General Information

Technical Part

Sport Information

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1. Date

Chess (CHS) competition date for 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025 will be held from 10th to 19th December 2025

2. Competition and Training Venue

2.1 The competition venue will be held at the Prem Auditorium, Thaksin University in Songkhla, Thailand.

2.2 The training venue will take place at the Prem Auditorium, Thaksin University in Songkhla, Thailand.

3. Events

Chess events will organize eight (8) events as follows:

- Five (5) men's events
- Two (2) women's events
- One (1) mixed event

Discipline / Events	Men	Women	Mixed
FIDE Chess			
15/10 Rapid (15 minutes given time plus a 10-second increment)	Doubles	Doubles	
ASEAN Chess			
15/10 Rapid (15 minutes given time plus a 10-second increment)	Quadruples	Quadruples	
Makruk Chess			
60/20 Classic (60 minutes given time plus a 20-second increment)	Doubles		
3/2 Blitz (3 minutes given time plus a 2-second increment)	Triples		
15/10 Rapid (15 minute given time plus a 10-second increment)	Quadruples		
60/20 Classic (60 minutes given time plus a 20-second increment)			Quintuples (Four Men and One Woman)

Note: Each NOC may enter a maximum of twenty-two (22) men athletes and 8 (female) women athletes.



4. Competition Schedule

Events: Date December 2025	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
MB, Men's Triples		A										
MC, Mixed Quintuples			R1,2, 3	R4,5	S/F							
MC, Men's Doubles							R1,2,3	R4,5	S/F			
AR, Women's Quadruples							R1,2,3,4 ,5	S/F				
AR, Men's Quadruples							R1,2,3,4 ,5	S/F				
MR, Men's Quadruples										R1,2, 3,4,5	S/F	
FR, Men's Doubles										R1,2, 3,4,5	S/F	
FR, Women's Doubles										R1,2, 3,4,5	S/F	

Abbreviations:

- MB** = Makruk Chess Blitz 3/2
- MR** = Makruk Chess Rapid 15/10
- MC** = Makruk Chess Classic 60/20
- AR** = Asean Chess Rapid 15/10
- FR** = Fide Chess Rapid 15/10
- A** = All Rounds
- R** = Rounds
- S** = Semi Final
- F** = Final



5. Competition Rules

5.1 The regulations of competitions enacted by Thailand Chess Association shall be effective in the competition.

5.2 The competitions shall be organized under the competition regulations enacted by the Technical Committee of Thailand Chess Association.

5.3 **The FIDE Chess Competitions** shall be organized according to the Laws of FIDE Chess which have taken effect since March 2025.

5.4 **The ASEAN Chess Competitions** shall be organized according to the Laws of ASEAN Chess which have currently taken effect.

5.5 **The Makruk Competitions** shall be organized according to the Laws of Makruk Chess enacted by Thailand Chess Association, which have taken effect since 8th January 2025 as attached file.

6. Competition System for all Categories

6.1 The Qualifier Stage

6.1.1 There is only one group in the Qualifier Stage. All teams shall play according to the Swiss system, with the seeded players of the team competing against each other. ***The top four teams*** shall qualify for the Semifinal round.

6.2 The Semifinal & Final Stage

6.2.1 In the semifinal round, the first placed team shall face the fourth placed team in the group, and the second placed team shall face the third placed team in the group.

6.2.2 The winners of this round shall advance to the final, while the losers shall receive the bronze medal.

6.2.3 Points shall be awarded based on the total number of points of each athlete in the team: 1 point for a win, 0.5 for a draw and 0 for a loss. The winner shall be the team with the higher total number of points of all athletes and receives 1 point.

6.2.4 In case of a tie in the qualifier stage, the Swiss system shall be applied, initially based on the result of the direct encounter or head-to-head comparison. The winner shall be the team that wins the tiebreaker.

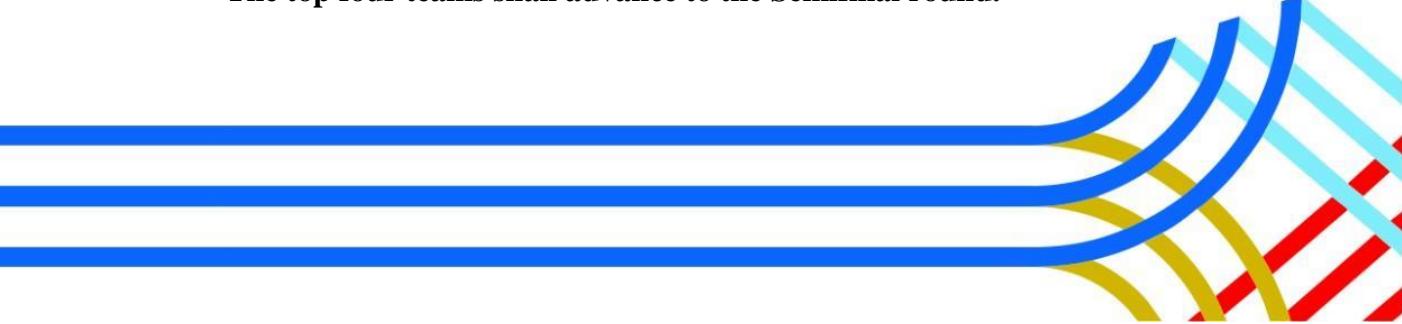
6.3 Number of Game Matches

6.3.1 The Qualifier Stage:

1. **Blitz 3/2:** Each pair of players on a team shall play two games, alternating the colors of the pieces. All teams shall play according to the Swiss system, with the seeded team players competing against each other.

2. **Rapid 15/10 and Classic 60/20:** Each pair of players on a team shall play one game, with the color of the pieces alternating depending on seeding position, white and black and so on. All teams shall play according to the Swiss system, with the seeded team players competing against each other.

The top four teams shall advance to the Semifinal round.



6.3.2 The Semifinal & Final Stage:

1. **Blitz 3/2:** Each pair of players on a team shall play two games, alternating the colors of the pieces. All teams shall play in a knockout format, with seeded players competing against each other. The losing teams shall receive a bronze medal, while the winning teams shall advance to the final.
2. **Rapid 15/10 and Classic 60/20:** Each pair of players on a team shall play one game, with the color of the pieces alternating depending on seeding positions, white and black and so on. All teams shall play in a knockout format. The losing teams shall receive a bronze medal, while the winning teams shall advance to the final.

In case of tie, all seeded team players shall play one game against themselves to determine the tiebreaker. In case it is still tie, all seeded team players shall play one more game against themselves, switching the color of the pieces. If the result is still tied, the team with more total time remaining of all players on clock combined in the final tiebreak round shall be declared the winner.

In a classic makruk competitions, a rapid tiebreaker shall be played under the time control of 15/10 in the manner mentioned above.

6.4 Decisions

The decisions on wins, draws and losses shall lead to the following results:

6.4.1 The Qualifier stage: The teams compete for points according to the Swiss system. A team receives 1 point for a win, 0.5 point for a draw and 0 point for a loss. The team with the highest score shall be declared ‘the first winner’. The team with the second highest score shall be declared ‘the second winner’. The team with the third highest score shall be declared ‘the third winner’. And the team with the fourth highest score shall be declared ‘the fourth winner’, and so on.

6.4.2 The Semifinal & Final Stage: The semifinal & final stage shall be elimination rounds. The two winning teams semifinal round shall advance to the final round. The two losing teams shall be eliminated and receive a bronze medal.

6.4.3 Player Scorings: Each player shall receive 1 point for a player win, 0.5 point for a player draw and 0 point for a player loss.

6.4.4 Team Scorings: The team with a higher total player scoring shall receive 1 point for a team win, 0.5 point for a team draw and 0 point for a team loss.



6.5 Tie Breaks

6.5.1 The Qualifier Stage: If the points are equal, the competitive history of the teams' direct encounters shall be decisive. If the tie remains, the tiebreak shall be decided according to the Swiss system and as enacted in Article 6.

6.5.2 The Semifinal & Final stage: In case of a tie, all seeded team players shall play one game against themselves to determine the tiebreaker. In case it is still a tie, all seeded team players shall play one more game against themselves, switching the color of the pieces. If the result is still tied, the team with more total time remaining of all players on clock combined in the final tiebreak round shall be declared the winner.

6.5.3 In a classic makruk competition, a rapid tiebreaker shall be played under the time control of 15/10 in the manner mentioned above.

7. Sport Entries

7.1 Eligibility

To be eligible for the participation in the 33rd SEA Games Chess competitions, an athlete shall comply with SEA Games Charter and rules 2023.

There is ***no age limit*** for athletes to participate in chess competitions.

All athletes' individual international passport shall be the only valid proof of nationality. The passports shall not be damaged, tempered with or deleted.

All athlete's certificates of nationality shall be reproduced upon request by the relevant Committee or Officials.

7.2 Entries Timeline

- Entry Form by Sport: Deadline 2 May 2025 at 24.00 (Bangkok time)
 - Entry Form by Number: Deadline 8 May 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:

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7.3 Entry Policies

- Each NOC shall submit before the deadline.
- The submission shall be confirmed on the first registration day upon arrival at the Chess Venue.
 - The submission shall be made in black and white.
 - The national body responsible for each variant of chess shall submit a list of athletes who will participate in the events.
 - Doubles Events: Each NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) athletes and one (1) substitute athlete in each event.**
 - Triples Events: Each NOC may enter a maximum of three (3) athletes and one (1) substitute athlete in each event.**
 - Quadruples Events: Each NOC may enter a maximum of four (4) athletes and one (1) substitute athlete in each event.**
 - Mixed Quintuples Events: Each NOC may enter a maximum of four (4) male athletes, one (1) female athlete and one (1) substitute athlete in each event.**

Total: Each NOC may enter a maximum of twenty-two (22) men athletes and 8 (female) women athletes.

Note: Any NOC that withdraws its athletes or team after the submission of the final entries by name phase will be faced with disciplinary action by the Sports Technical Committee of 33rd SEA Games Thailand Organizing Committee.

8. Substitution

Each team may substitute one athlete.

- 8.1 A doubles team may consist of two seeded players and one substitute.
- 8.2 A triples team may consist of three seeded players and one substitute.
- 8.3 A quadruples team may consist of four seeded players and one substitute.
- 8.4 A quintuples team may consist of five seeded players and one substitute.
- 8.5 Each team may substitute one athlete at any seeded position in the team.
- 8.6 Swapping the positions of seeded athletes in the team shall not be permitted.
- 8.7 The substitution of athletes may be permitted in each round.
- 8.8 The substitution of athletes shall be completed before the start of the next round.
- 8.9 After the start of each round, the substitution of athletes shall no longer be permitted.
- 8.10 The substitution of athletes shall be made '**in black and white**' to the head of competition committee or equivalent authority.



9. Code of Dress

- 9.1 During the competitions, all athletes and authorities shall not wear hats or clothes with any advertising banner or logo without the permission of the competition Commission.
- 9.2 Athletes shall wear sportswear and sports shoes with socks.
- 9.3 Eyeglasses shall be permitted.
- 9.4 Fashion glasses or sunglasses, hats, sandals and jeans shall not be permitted.

10. Code of Ethnics

- 10.1 An athlete who has finished the match shall leave the play table to avoid disturbing other athletes who are still playing.
- 10.2 An athlete shall not smoke, drink alcoholic beverage, devalue the opponent, be noisy or inappropriately behave in any way that affects the competition or disturbs the opponent.

11. Code of Conducts

- 11.1 Athletes shall greet each other politely and respectfully. (a wai or a handshake).
- 11.2 Any athlete, who is 15 minutes late after the classic game starts, shall be decided as a loser.
- 11.3 Any athlete, whose time runs out in the blitz and rapid categories, shall be decided as a loser.
- 11.4 An athlete shall take the correct seat according to the Swiss pairing (white moves first).
- 11.5 The chess clock shall be placed on the left hand of the white athlete.
- 11.6 During the competition, an athlete shall hold a chess figure, and press the chess clock with the same hand.
- 11.7 An athlete shall touch or hold any chess figure and move that one.
- 11.8 If an athlete holds any chess figure of the opponent, he/she shall capture that one. In case of refusal, that athlete shall be automatically decided as a loser.
- 11.9 During the competition, if any athlete makes 3-time mistakes in one competition, such as: an illegal move, king being checkmated but committing another figure move, a falling chess figure(s) etc., such the athlete shall be automatically decided as a loser.
 - 11.8 During the competition, an athlete shall have the right to request a count for a draw.
- 11.10 Any athlete who does not respect the rules shall be considered as a loser.
- 11.11 Any athlete who does not respect the code of ethics, such as talking loudly, disturbing the opponent with inappropriate words, showing inappropriate or immoral manners, causing any problem during the competition, shall be expelled from the competition and automatically considered as a loser.
- 11.12 Any athlete who does not follow the rules and regulations shall be decided as a loser.
- 11.13 Any athlete whose time runs out shall be decided as a loser.

12. Complaints and Protests

- Only the delegate leader or athletes listed in the competition applications shall have the right to discuss with the Chess Competition Commission.
- Any NOC dissatisfied with any decision by the Jury of Appeal may make any appeal in accordance with Articles 42 and 43 of the SEAGF Charter and Rules.
- Any Chef de Mission or Team Manager dissatisfied with the decision of the Technical Delegate, may appeal to the Jury of Appeal by submitting the written appeal to the TD within sixty (60) minutes of the receipt of the TD's written decision. The appeal must be heard and decided by the Jury of Appeal.

13. Arbitration

- The Chess Competition Committee shall reserve all rights to amend the internal regulations in case of necessary.
- 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 program.

14. Effectiveness

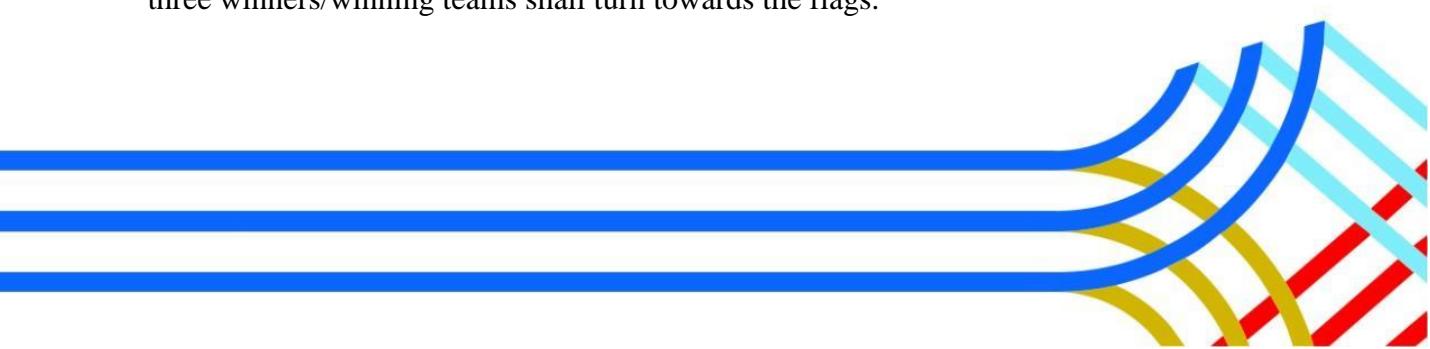
These internal regulations shall be effective from the date of signing onwards.

15. Prizes and Commendations

- Medals to the winners of the SEAGF Games shall be presented by the SEAGF President. The President may delegate this privilege to other members of the SEAGF, 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 Executive Board EB 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 EB, including but not limited to disqualification, withdrawal of medals, certificates, accreditation, rankings as decided by the EB.
- 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.

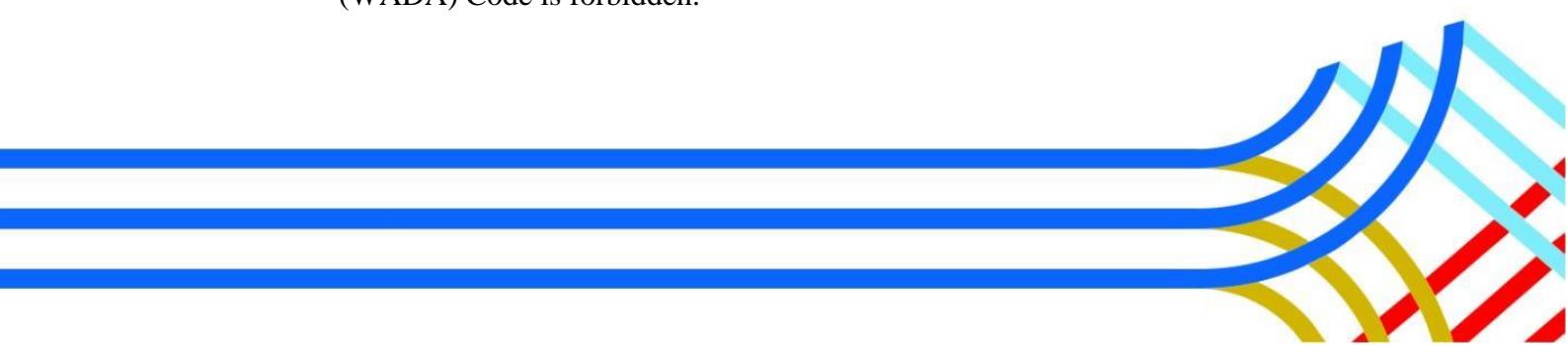
16. Victory Ceremony

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 Federation, 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.

17. Medical Code (SEAGF 33)

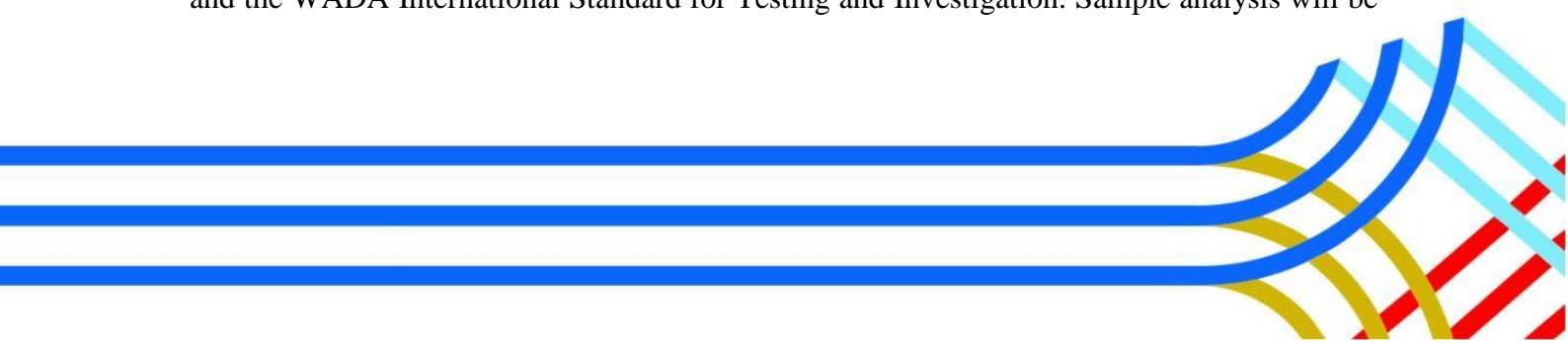
- The Host NOC and Organizing Committee of the SEA Games will ensure the health of all athletes and other participants during the SEA Games.
- Anti-Doping Rule Violations as defined by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code is forbidden.



- All competitors shall be subject, during the Games, to doping control initiated by the Federation 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 Executive Committee or the Council 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 and Regulations 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 Federation Member-NOC, IOC, OCA, 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 Executive Committee or the Council on the recommendation of the Arbitration Panel when an athlete is found guilty of any violation or offence thereunder.”

18. Doping Control

The 33rd 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 33rd 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 (TBC). If an athlete has already been granted a TUE by their National Anti-Doping Organization or International Federation, the SEAGF Anti-Doping Committee will recognize it.

19. Approval of the Technical Handbook

This Technical Handbook has been approved by the **Asean Chess Confederation** by 19 May 2025. Any further amendments to the Technical Handbook shall be circulated via e-mail to the NOCs.

