Technical Handbook

The 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025

HOCKEY (FIELD HOCKEY)







General Information







Technical Part







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1. Dates

The Field Hockey (HOF) competition for The 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025 will be held from 13 to 19 December 2025

Competition Dates: 13 to 19 December 2025

Training Date: Two (02) Days before the competition day in the

Competition Venue

2. Venues

Field Hockey competition will be held in Chonburi, Thailand at **Thailand National Sports University**, **Chonburi Campus** which consists of

- one (1) main competition field-of-play (FOP)
- one (1) training warm up field.

3. Event

The Field Hockey competition will consist of two (2) team event consist of one (1) Men's team and one (1) women' team event.

Two (2) Team Event	
MEN	WOMEN
One (1) team; Eighteen (18) Athletes	One (1) team; Eighteen (18) Athletes

Note: 1. A minimum of four (4) NOCs should enter the event.

- 2. Each NOC may enter one (1) men and women teams, each comprising of not more than eighteen (18) athletes and six (6) officials.
- 3. Team manager of one team may not also be registered as the team manager of the other.

4. Competition Format, Competition Schedule and Training Policy

4.1 Competition Format

4.1.1 In case of five (5) or fewer participating teams:

The competition will be played in a single round robin format, followed by classification matches.

The first- to fourth-ranked teams in the pool ranking after the conclusion of the round robin play off in two semi-finals (pairings are 1st in Pool v 4th in Pool and 2nd in Pool v 3rd in Pool).

The winners of the semi-finals play in the final for the Gold and Silver medals. The losing semi-finalists occupy the joint third place in the competition final ranking and receive Bronze medals.



4.1.2 In case of six (6) or more participating teams:

The competition is played in a two-pool round robin format, followed by classification matches.

The first- and second-ranked teams in each pool ranking after the conclusion of the round robin play off in two semi-finals (pairings are 1st Pool A v 2nd Pool B and 1st Pool B v 2nd Pool A).

The winners of the semi-finals play in the final for the Gold and Silver medals. The losing semi-finalists occupy the joint third place in the competition final ranking and receive Bronze medals.

The third-ranked teams in the pool ranking after the conclusion of the round robin play off for fifth and sixth place in the competition final ranking.

The fourth-ranked teams in the pool ranking after the conclusion of the round robin play off for seventh and eighth place in the competition final ranking.

4.2 Competition Schedule

The competition schedule will be circulated once teams have been confirmed.

4.3 Training Policies

Pre-competition training during the two (2) days prior to the start of the competition will be allocated to all NOCs. All allocations are final and no requests for changes or additional sessions will be accepted. NOCs are required to notify the Sport Information Desk if any allocated training session will not be used.

- Training during the competition will be allocated on request only, depending on availability and on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Training venue will be used same as competition venue

Training Schedule

- Pre-competition training: 11 and 12 December 2025 (08:00 to 22:00 hours)
- Training during competition: 13 to 19 December 2025 (depend on availability)

Training Ball:

The availability of training and pre-match warm-up balls is the responsibility of each participating team.







5. Entries

5.1 Eligibility

- 5.1.1 Only SEAGF member NOCs are entitled to send athletes to participate in the Field Hockey competition of The 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025
- 5.1.2 To be eligible for participation in the SEA Games Field Hockey Competition, a competitor must comply with the SEA Games Federation (SEAGF) Charter and Rules as well as Rule 40 and the By-Law to Rule 40 of the Olympic Charter (Participation in the Games).
- 5.1.3 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 an athlete may represent in the SEA Games shall be resolved in accordance with the SEA Games Federation (SEAGF) Charter and Rules as well as Rule 41 and By-law to Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter (Nationality of competitors).
- 5.1.4 For eligibility matters, in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the National Olympic Committees, THASOC and AHF, the latter shall prevail.

5.2 Entry Policies

- 5.2.1 Each NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) teams including:
 - One (1) Men's team
 - One (1) Women's team
- 5.2.2 Each team comprising of not more than eighteen (18) athletes and six (6) team officials. At Entry by Name, submission of a namelist of up to 23 players, with the final 18 names to be confirmed at the Team Managers Briefing.
- 5.2.3 Each Team must register a team manager. In accordance with the applicable FIH Tournament Regulations, where a NOC registers both a Men's and Women's team, the Team Manager of one team may not also be registered as the Team Manager of the other.

5.3 Submission of Entries

- Entry Form by Sport: Deadline 8 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.

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6. Pre-Competition: Team Managers and Tournament Officials Meetings

6.1 Passport and Equipment Checks

Date: 12 December 2025

Time: TBC Venue: TBC

6.2 Umpires Managers and Coaches Meeting

Date: 12 December 2025

Time: TBC Venue: TBC

6.3 Team Managers Briefing

Date: 12 December 2025

Time: TBC Venue: TBC

6.4 Technical Officials Briefing

Date: 12 December 2025

Time: TBC Venue: TBC

6.5 Umpires Briefing

Date: 12 December 2025

Time: TBC Venue: TBC

7. General Rules and Regulations

7.1 Rules

7.1.1 Eligibility Code (SEAGF 30)

To be eligible for participation in the SEA Games, a competitor must comply with the Federation's rules, regulations and by-laws, including this Charter and Rules, 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 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 Federation's rules, regulations and by-laws, including this Charter and Rules, relating to eligibility and nationality."





7.1.3 Number of Entries (SEAGF 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 Federation 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 Federation Member-NOC, including the Host NOC or the Organizing Committee of any SEA Games, is allowed to limit the participation of any other Federation 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

International Hockey Federation (FIH)

7.1.5 Asia Continental Sport Federation

Asian Hockey Federation (AHF)

7.1.6 Technical Officials and Jury of Appeal (SEAGF 41)

a) 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 twinshare basis except for single rooms for Technical Delegates, Competition





Manager, and Umpire Managers), 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 until one (1) day after the end of the competition of the last event of that sport or discipline.

- b) 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.
- c) 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 Federation Office, Host NOC, Organizing Committee and Executive Committee.
- d) 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.
- e) 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 Executive Committee.
- f) The Jury of Appeal shall be composed of a Chairperson (who shall be the Technical Delegate) 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.
- g) 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.
- h) 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 Panel of Arbitrators

7.1.7 Arbitration Panel (SEAGF 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 44)

A competitor proved to have fraudulently transgressed or breached any provisions of the Charter, Rules, Regulations or By-laws of the Federation 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

8.1 Competition Rules

The Field Hockey competition of the 33rd SEA Games 2025 are held in accordance with the International Hockey Federation (FIH) Rules of Hockey and FIH Tournament Regulations as applicable at the time and under the guidance of the Technical Delegate (TD) appointed by the Asian Hockey Federation (AHF) as authorized by the FIH.

In case of any disagreement in the interpretation of the FIH and AHF Rules and Regulations, the English version shall prevail. Any unforeseen cases not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be resolved as follows:

- 8.1.1 General Issues: To be resolved in accordance with the SEAGF Charter and Rules.
- 8.1.2 Technical Issues: To be resolved in accordance with the FIH Rules of Hockey and FIH Tournament Regulations as well as any further relevant Statutes, Rules, Regulations and Policies of the International Hockey Federation (FIH).

8.2 Protests and Appeals

8.2.1 Any written protest must first be made and submitted by the Chef de Mission or Team Manager to the Technical Delegate within thirty (30) minutes of the end of the match or end of the standalone shoot-out competition which generated the grounds for the protest, or within thirty (30) minutes of the publication or communication of the decision of the Technical Delegate to which the protest relates, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the FIH Tournament Regulations and with the payment of the required fee.





- 8.2.2 In accordance with the relevant FIH Tournament Regulations, protest against the decision of an Umpire or Technical Official during a match or shoot-out competition may not be made to or considered by the Technical Delegate.
- 8.2.3 All valid protests must be considered by the Technical Delegate concerned who must make a decision and publish it within two hours from the submission of the protest. The Technical Delegate must state the reason(s) for his/her upholding/rejection of the protest.
- 8.2.4 Any Chef de Mission or Team Manager dissatisfied with the decision of the Technical Delegate may, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the FIH Tournament Regulations, appeal to the Jury of Appeal by submitting the written appeal to the TD within sixty (60) minutes of receipt of the TD's written decision. The appeal must be heard and decided by the Jury of Appeal with the decision published not later than two hours before the start of the next match in which the individual or team that is the subject of the appeal is due to participate.
- 8.2.5 Any NOC dissatisfied with any decision by the Jury of Appeal may make an appeal in accordance with Articles 42 and 43 of the SEAGF Charter and Rules.
- 8.2.6 The protest fee shall be refunded if the protest is upheld; it will be forfeited if the protest is rejected.

8.3 Technical Officials and Jury of Appeal

The appointments of Technical Officials and Jury of Appeal members will be in accordance with Article 41 of the SEAGF Charter and Rules.

8.3.1 International Technical Officials (ITOs)

The Asian Hockey Federation (AHF), as duly authorized by the FIH, shall appoint:

- One (1) Technical Delegate (TD)
- Four (4) Assistant Technical Delegates (ATD)
- One (1) Competition Manager
- Two (2) Umpire Manager (UM)
- Four (4) Neutral Umpires (NUs)

For these ITOs, THASOC will bear the cost of international transportation based on an economy direct-route fare, local transportation and accommodation and provide an appropriate daily allowance (per diem)

Additionally, each participating NOC may nominate one (1) Judge and one (1) Umpire for each event in which it has a team participating, provided that any nominated Judge and Umpire must be on the current FIH or AHF list of Technical Officials or Umpires and certified active and capable for this event by the AHF.







From these nominations, the Asian Hockey Federation (AHF), as duly authorized by the FIH, shall appoint:

- A maximum of four (4) male and four (4) female Judges.
- A maximum of six (6) male and six female Umpires.

Each participating NOC shall bear the cost of international transportation for its nominated Technical Officials while THASOC will bear the cost of local transportation and accommodation and provide an appropriate daily allowance (per diem) for the appointed officials.

8.3.2 National Technical Officials (NTOs)

Thailand Hockey Association will appoint such number of National Technical Officials as may be agreed with the AHF and approved by THASOC to assist the International Technical Officials (ITOs)

8.3.3 Jury of Appeal

The Asian Hockey Federation (AHF) shall appoint a total of four (4) persons as the Jury of Appeal, of which one shall be the Chair of the Jury of Appeal, and three (3) shall be Members of the Jury of Appeal.

8.4 Delays, Postponements, Cancellations

The Technical Delegate must consult the THASOC Secretarial if there is any delay, postponement or cancellation of any competition that affects the scheduled times for "live broadcast" or victory ceremonies.

9. Uniforms

- All players shall wear uniforms in accordance with the FIH Tournament Regulations.
- All teams shall wear the colors assigned for the relevant match by the Technical Delegate.
- All players shall wear shoes. The shoes shall be of a outdoor sports model.

10. Sport Equipment and Competition Attire

10.1 Sports Equipment

All sports equipment used in competition must comply with the SEA Games Federation (SEAGF) Charter and Rules as well as Rule 40 and the By-Law to Rule 40 of the Olympic Charter.

10.2 Competition Attire

All attire worn by athletes in competition must comply with SEA Games Federation (SEAGF) Charter and Rules as well as Rule 40 and the By-Law to Rule 40 of the Olympic Charter.







11. Media Interview

- 11.1 All athletes should pass through the Mixed Zone as directed by the Media Officer.
- 11.2 Athletes and/or coaches should attend press conference and interview requests.

12. 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 winners.
- 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.

13. Victory Ceremonies

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.

14. 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.
- 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."

15. 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.

16. Approval of the Technical Handbook

This Technical Handbook was approved by the Asian Hockey Federation (AHF) on 25 August 2025.

Any further amendments to the Technical Handbook shall be circulated via e-mail to the NOCs.

