

**Children of Asia Games International Committee**

**CONCEPT  
OF THE CHILDREN OF ASIA INTERNATIONAL  
SPORTS GAMES**

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## **1. FOREWORD**

The given Concept is a code of regulations, rules and explanations approved by the International Committee of the Children of Asia Games (hereinafter referred to as the Committee). The Concept regulates and determines terms and conditions of the idea and conducting the Children of Asia International Sports Games (hereinafter referred to as the Games), wholly under guidance of the fundamental principles of the Olympic Charter and the Constitution of the Committee.

The Games are competitions among children and youth in individual and team sports. The Games consist of the Children of Asia International Sports Games (hereinafter referred to as the Games), held in summer sports and Winter Children of Asia International Sports Games (hereinafter referred to as the Winter Games), held in sports on snow and ice.

Devoted to the celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Olympic Movement, the first Children of Asia International Sports Games were launched in 1996 by the initiative of the First President of the Sakha Republic (Yakutia) of the Russian Federation Mikhail Efimovich Nikolayev. As an appreciation for establishing, holding and promotion of the Children of Asia International Sports Games, the Sakha Republic (Yakutia) of the Russian Federation is recognized as the Founder of the Games.

The Games are held every four years under the patronage of UNESCO, International Olympic Committee and under support of the President and Government of the Russian Federation, Olympic Council of Asia, and Olympic Committee of Russia.

## **2. LEGAL STATUS OF THE CHILDREN OF ASIA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS GAMES**

The Games and the Winter Games are property of the Committee and are held by the Committee on the basis of the Constitution of the Autonomous Non-Commercial Organization "International Committee of the Children of Asia Games", approved by the Constituent Assembly of its founders (Olympic Council of Asia, Olympic Committee of Russia, and Sakha Republic (Yakutia)) on November 8, 2012 during the 31<sup>st</sup> General Assembly of the Olympic Council of Asia.

Headquarters of the Committee is located in Yakutsk, Sakha Republic (Yakutia), Russian Federation.

## **3. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE CHILDREN OF ASIA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS GAMES**

- Promotion of Olympic ideas among children and youth;
- Stimulation of interest in sports and physical education of children in Asian countries and regions of the Russian Federation, the territory of which is located on the Asian continent;
- Promotion of healthy lifestyle by prioritizing the development of physical culture and sports, while providing more opportunities for children to learn sports skills;
- Identification of the best athletes for national sports reserves in Asian countries and regions of the Russian Federation, the territory of which is located on the Asian continent;

- Promotion and systematizing of the development of physical culture and sports among children and youth with limited capabilities;
- Promotion of sports facilities for the development of physical culture and mass sports;
- Contribution into social and economic development of the region;
- Positioning of the Games and the Winter Games as a prime stage in the preparation and training cycle of the highest sportsmanship.

## **4. RULES AND REGULATIONS OF CONDUCTING THE CHILDREN OF ASIA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS GAMES**

### **4.1. Hosts and Periodicity of the Games**

The main host city of the Games is Yakutsk, capital of the Sakha Republic (Yakutia), Russian Federation, and other settlements of the Sakha Republic (Yakutia).

The main host place of the Winter Games is a region of the Russian Federation the territory of which is located on the Asian continent.

The counting of the Games is carried out from the First Games in 1996. The Winter Games are held every four years and the counting is carried out from 2018.

With the aim of further expansion and development of children and youth sports on the Asian Continent, the Games and Winter Games are held by turns in the Russian Federation, and a host city from a member country of the Olympic Council of Asia on the basis of a bidding principle, taking into account the following:

1. The election of any host city is the exclusive prerogative of the Committee.
2. The Committee Board determines the procedure to be followed until the election by the Annual Meeting of the Board takes place. Save in exceptional circumstances, such election of a host city takes place four years before the celebration of the Games.
3. The National Government of a country or a region of any applicant city must submit to the Committee a legally binding instrument by which the said government undertakes and guarantees that the country and its public authorities will comply with and respect the Constitution of the Committee and the Concept of the Games.

In case if no host city from a member country of the Olympic Council of Asia is elected by the Committee according to the results of a bidding campaign to hold the next edition of the Games, the Committee determines the host city of the Games and/or the Winter Games to be Yakutsk, Sakha Republic (Yakutia), Russian Federation and the host city of the Winter Games to be the other region of the Russian Federation the territory of which is located on the Asian continent.

### **4.2. Organizing Committee**

Each edition of the Games and the Winter Games supposes establishment of an Organizing Committee composed of working groups responsible for each sphere of activities in preparation of the Games. Composition of the Organizing Committee is formed by Committee Board Members, representatives of state and regional authorities of host country, Olympic Council of Asia, national Olympic institutions, enterprises and companies of host country.

Representatives of the International Olympic Committee may also be invited to become members of the Organizing Committee.

#### **4.3. Attribution Fee**

Organizing Committee is obliged to pay an organizational fee for the right to host the Games and/or Winter Games to the Committee. All terms and conditions are prescribed in the contract documents related to attributing an Organizing Committee with the conduction of the Games and/or Winter Games.

#### **4.4. Torch Relay of the Games**

Torch Relay is an integral part of holding the Games and the Winter Games.

The Torch of the Games and the Winter Games is lit on the territory of the Lena Pillars Nature Park in the Sakha Republic (Yakutia), Russian Federation. The period of lighting and relaying the Torch is determined by the Organizing Committee of the Games and the Winter Games. The Torch shall be relayed by the best athletes, sports veterans, respected persons and notable public figures along the pre-determined route to the opening ceremony's venue of the Games and/or the Winter Games.

#### **4.5. Flag of the Games**

The Flag of the Games and/or Winter Games is a white silk canvas with embroidered emblem of the Games and/or Winter Games respectively (see Article 4.18).

During the Closing Ceremony of the Games or Winter Games the Flag is given to the representatives of the Organizing Committee of the next Games or Winter Games. The Flag can be carried only by the Flag Keepers (champions and prizewinners of the previous Games or Winter Games), as well as by leadership of a country or region, which is to host the next Games or Winter Games.

Upon arrival to the host country or region, the Organizing Committee conducts a Flag Relay via a determined route and over a determined period approved by the Committee. In the end of the relay the Flag should be kept in a guarded glass case in a public place until the Opening Ceremony of the Games or Winter Games.

During the Opening Ceremony of the Games or Winter Games the Flag is raised together with flags of founders and patron organizations.

#### **4.6. Sports Program**

The choice of all sports, as well as the determination of the criteria and conditions for the inclusion of any sport in the Program, falls within the competence of the Committee. After each edition of any Games and the Winter Games, the Committee reviews the program. On the occasion of each review, the standards for the inclusion of sports, disciplines or events may be reviewed and the inclusion or exclusion of sports, disciplines or events are determined by the Committee.

Sports to be included in the Games Program on a compulsory basis:

1. Archery (boys, girls);
2. Basketball (boys, girls);

3. Boxing (boys);
4. Football (boys);
5. Freestyle Wrestling (boys, girls);
6. Judo (boys, girls);
7. Khapsagay Wrestling (boys);
8. Mas Wrestling (boys);
9. Rhythmic Gymnastics (girls);
10. Shooting (boys, girls);
11. Swimming (boys, girls);
12. Table Tennis (boys, girls);
13. Taekwondo (WTF) (boys, girls);
14. Track and Field Athletics (boys, girls);
15. Volleyball (boys, girls);
16. Yakut Jumps (boys, girls).

Sports to be included in the Winter Games Program on a compulsory basis:

1. Alpine Skiing (boys, girls);
2. Biathlon (boys, girls);
3. Cross-Country Skiing (boys, girls);
4. Figure Skating (boys, girls);
5. Ice Hockey (boys);
6. Short Track (boys, girls);
7. Snowboarding (boys, girls).

The Committee reserves the right to amend the list of compulsory sports of the Games and the Winter Games. The Committee has the right to exclude sports from the Program of the next Games and the Winter Games if less than 4 countries participated based on the analysis of the previous Games and Winter Games.

The Organizing Committee of the next edition of the Games or the Winter Games has the right to propose to the Committee to include in the Program not less than two and not more than five additional sports. Save in exceptional circumstances, Organizing Committee has the right to increase the amount of additional sports of the Program.

Guided by the Principles of the Olympic Charter the Organizing Committee should have as a goal equal participation of boys and girls in various sports.

#### **4.7. Regulations and Rules of Procedure**

The Organizing Committee prepares fundamental and guidance documents of the next edition of the Games and the Winter Games – Regulations and Rules of Procedure.

The Regulations indicates host city and dates, Games Program with sports, disciplines and events, requirements for participants and conditions of their admission, application forms with rules and dates of their submission, information on accreditation, accommodation, meals, financial and insurance issues, contacts of the Organizing Committee, and so on.

The Rules of Procedure derive from the Regulations with more detailed information on each sports and disciplines, and timetables.

#### **4.8. Refereeing**

Refereeing during the Games and the Winter Games is implemented by judges and referees from sports federations of host country, as well as from international, continental and national sports federations of Asia. Special attention shall be paid to the highest level of refereeing and provision of its full compliance with international requirements, and with standards and rules of fair play.

#### **4.9. Participants**

Age range of participants – 16 years old and younger. Age range of participants in certain sports is determined by the Regulations of the Games and/or the Winter Games.

Conditions of participants' admission is determined separately by the Organizing Committee of the next edition of the Games and/or the Winter Games and are reflected in the Regulations, however, each Organizing Committee shall endeavor its best efforts in covering as much participating regions of the Russian Federation, as well as countries and regions, the territory of which is located on the Asian continent, with compulsory provision of all conditions for fair and equal participation of all eligible participants.

Sakha Republic (Yakutia) of the Russian Federation bearing the right of the Founder of Children of Asia International Sports Games has the permanent right to submit a separate team to participate in the Games and the Winter Games.

Countries, regions and territories having the right to participate in the Games and the Winter Games:

##### A. Countries and regions – members of the Olympic Council of Asia:

1. Islamic Republic of Afghanistan;
2. People's Republic of Bangladesh;
3. Kingdom of Bahrain;
4. Kingdom of Bhutan;
5. Nation of Brunei, the Abode of Peace;
6. Kingdom of Cambodia;
7. People's Republic of China;
8. Hong Kong, Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China;
9. Republic of India;
10. Republic of Indonesia;
11. Islamic Republic of Iran;
12. Republic of Iraq;
13. Japan;
14. Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan;
15. Republic of Kazakhstan;
16. Democratic People's Republic of Korea;
17. Republic of Korea;
18. State of Kuwait;
19. Kyrgyz Republic;
20. Lao People's Democratic Republic;

21. Lebanese Republic;
22. Macau, Special Administrative Regions of the People's Republic of China;
23. Malaysia;
24. Republic of the Maldives;
25. Mongolia;
26. Republic of the Union of Myanmar;
27. Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal;
28. Sultanate of Oman;
29. Islamic Republic of Pakistan;
30. State of Palestine;
31. Republic of the Philippines;
32. State of Qatar;
33. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia;
34. Republic of Singapore;
35. Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka;
36. Syrian Arab Republic;
37. Chinese Taipei;
38. Republic of Tajikistan;
39. Kingdom of Thailand;
40. Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste;
41. Turkmenistan;
42. United Arab Emirates;
43. Republic of Uzbekistan;
44. Socialist Republic of Vietnam;
45. Republic of Yemen.

B. Countries and regions, territory of which is located on the Asian continent:

1. Republic of Armenia;
2. Republic of Azerbaijan;
3. Georgia;
4. Republic of Turkey.

C. Cities and regions of the Russian Federation:

a) on the basis of intergovernmental agreements with the Sakha Republic (Yakutia) of the Russian Federation in the period of their validity:

1. City of Moscow of the Russian Federation;
2. Republic of Bashkortostan of the Russian Federation;
3. Republic of Tatarstan of the Russian Federation;

b) territory of which is located on the Asian continent:

4. Ural Federal District of the Russian Federation;
5. Siberian Federal District of the Russian Federation;
6. Far Eastern Federal District of the Russian Federation.

D. Delegation possessing an exclusive participating status when Games are held in Yakutsk, Sakha Republic (Yakutia), Russian Federation on the grounds of the terms of the

Agreement of May 8, 2012 between the Municipality of Ancient Olympia and the Administration of the City of Yakutsk on twin cities relationships:

- Municipality of Ancient Olympia, Hellenic Republic.

Formation of teams should be implemented by national and regional children and youth sports authorities on the basis of final results of national and regional competitions in each sports of the Games Program, taking into account that official applications for participation in the Games and the Winter Games should be conformed with national Olympic committees of the applying country.

Participants of the Children of Asia International Sports Games shall respect and follow the rules of fair play and mutual understanding with a spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play.

#### **4.10. Uniforms of Referees and Participants**

Uniforms of referees (both ceremonial and competition) should be provided by the Organizing Committee.

Uniforms of participants (both ceremonial and competition) should be provided by national and regional children and youth sports authorities delegating the teams to the Games.

Uniforms should have embossed symbols of the Games and/or the Winter Games approved by the Organizing Committee. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to emboss logos of sponsors and partners of the Games and/or Winter Games on additional elements of uniform (number badges, ID tags, etc) under permission of the Committee.

#### **4.11. Sports Venues and Equipment**

All venues for competitions and training should be fitted with competition and refereeing equipment that fully complies with current international standards and technical requirements of respective sports federations.

Each sports venue should also comply with all requirements of fire safety regulations, hygiene and sanitary norms, safety and antiterrorism conditions.

#### **4.12. Venues for Accommodation and Catering**

Host country creates all necessary conditions for accommodation of participants taking into account fire safety regulations, hygiene and sanitary norms, safety and antiterrorism conditions.

Host country also creates all necessary conditions for catering of participants taking into account preferences and national cuisine issues of participating countries.

When determining accommodation and catering venues the Organizing Committee should take into account that travelling distances between these venues and sports and events venues of the Games and the Winter Games should be within reasonable limits.

#### **4.13. Transportation**

All ground transportation of participants should be implemented by specially organized transport, which complies with all safety requirements. The Organizing Committee may establish a Central Dispatch Service for coordinating all carrier activities. Depending on the



location of accommodation, catering, sports and events venues of the Games and the Winter Games the Organizing Committee should develop optimal transportation routes.

#### **4.14. Medical Service**

Medical service during the Games and the Winter Games should be implemented by medical staff qualified in servicing sports competitions. All accommodation, sports and events venues should be provided with medical service stations and ER duties.

All participants must have medical insurance policies valid in the host country of the Games.

#### **4.15. Security**

Law and order and public security during the events, as well as in accommodation and catering venues of participants, referees, guest of honor, etc, should be provided by the Organizing Committee.

In case if the Games and /or the Winter Games are held on the territory of the Russian Federation, the law enforcement authorities in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation render assistance to the Organizing Committee in ensuring public safety and security during the Games. If the Games and / or the Games are held in a host city of a member country of the Olympic Council of Asia, then provision of public safety and security is implemented according to the legislation of the given country.

All venues must comply with antiterrorism requirements, as well as all accommodation, sports and events venues must be equipped with access control systems.

#### **4.16. Volunteers**

The Organizing Committee welcomes anyone, independent of their age, gender and citizenship, to become volunteers of the Games and the Winter Games to assist in all areas such as team guides, servicing in sports, accommodation and catering venues, press center, transport, welcome groups, accreditation center, administration, referee assistants, etc.

Accommodation, meals and uniforms for volunteers are provided by the Organizing Committee.

#### **4.17. Cultural Program**

One of the aims of the Games and the Winter Games is promoting international and interregional cooperation through cultural exchange, hence, during the Games and the Winter Games various cultural and entertainment events and festivals should be conducted by the Organizing Committee.

All participants should have access to cultural events, excursions and sightseeing tours. It is recommended that during the Games and the Winter Games the Organizing Committee should also organize the traditional friendship festival of children and youth where all teams are welcome to take an active part.

#### **4.18. Symbols of the Games**

Symbols of the Games and the Winter Games (emblem, talisman, flag, medals, torch, etc) are property of the Children of Asia International Sports Games. All rights for the Games

property, including rights for commercial use, belong to the Committee, which reserves the right to license all and/or partial rights of use.

The emblem (or logo) of the Children of Asia International Sports Games should not be changed or amended whatsoever and in any way. It is a composition in the form of an arch with a yellow circle in the center, with four dark blue lines along the arch and three undulated lines in light blue, red and green horizontally crossing the dark blue lines. The undulated lines symbolize the Olympic motto "Citius – Altius – Fortius". The emblem is not liable to any variations.

The Organizing Committee of the next edition of the Games and the Winter Games develops the Talisman as well as designs of medals and awards, torch, official souvenirs, elements of internal and external branding in host city of the next Games and the Winter Games.

#### **4.19. Financing and Sponsors**

Financing of the Games and/or the Winter Games should be implemented by the country or region of the host city as well as at the account of sponsor and charity funds.

Accumulation and expenditure of sponsor and charity funds is implemented according to regulations developed and approved by the Organizing Committee. It should be noted that candidates for official general and main sponsors should be conformed with the Committee.

#### **4.20. Partners of the Committee**

During the Games or Winter Games the Committee elaborates its sponsorship program with Committee Partners.

Partners of the Committee are organizations, which consented to sponsor the Committee and render assistance in organizing the events conducted by the Committee.

The Committee reserves the right to determine goods and services under the Protected Categories of the Committee. The list of the Protected Categories is determined by the Board of the Committee.

#### **4.21. Coverage in Mass Media**

The Organizing Committee should pay particular attention to covering the preparation process and holding of the Games and the Winter Games in international, national and regional mass media for their further promotion and development of global popularity.

For the next Games and the Winter Games an Organizing Committee should suggest and the Committee should approve the host broadcaster entitled to implement shooting and broadcasting of competitions and events of the Games and the Winter Games (live, recorded and in the form of diaries) on international, national and regional television channels.

During the preparation, process and holding of the Games and the Winter Games the Organizing Committee should establish the International Press Center with all necessary technical and communications equipment in order to facilitate appropriate working conditions for international and local reporters and mass media representatives.

## **5. ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS**

Suggestions for additions and amendments in the Concept may be addressed in written form by members of the Organizing Committee, representatives of national Olympic committees of the member countries of the Olympic Council of Asia and other concerned parties to the Committee Board.

The decision to include additions and amendments in the Concept is taken solely by the Committee Board.