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RULES & REGULATIONS OF THE NATIONAL SCHOOL GAMES

SHOOTING (AIR PISTOL/RIFLE) CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

1 RULES AND REGULATIONS

The National School Game Shooting Championships shall be conducted:

- 1.1 according to the Rules and Regulations laid down by the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF)
- 1.2 in the event that the rules and regulations are modified for safety /developmental reasons to suit the level of our students, it must be clearly stated in the respective sports/games rules and regulations and
- 1.3 as governed by the Rules and Regulations of the Singapore Schools Sports Council
- 1.4 In the absence of a set of recognised rules to govern the occurrence of situations during the competitions, the rules of the prevailing International Federations will be applied.
- 1.5 adhering to the Baseline Safety Standards for National School Games.

2 SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

2.1 COMPOSITION

2.1.1 The Championship Organizing Committee shall consist of the following:-

- a) The National Convenor,
- b) The Game Adviser,
- c) The Zone Convenors,
- d) Organizing Secretaries,
- e) National School Games Officers and
- f) Technical Advisor from Singapore Shooting Association

2.1.2 The Championship Organising Committee and the Zone Convenors are empowered to appoint sub-committees and individual members to assist in the organisation and running of the Championship as and when required.

2.2 DUTIES

The Championship Organizing Committee shall have the following roles & responsibilities:-

- 2.2.1 to draw fixtures
- 2.2.2 to fix venues, dates and times
- 2.2.3 to arrange for equipment and facilities, and perform any other tasks for conducting the Championships

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- 2.2.4 to conduct RAMS for the championships
- 2.2.5 to ensure that venue managers conduct RAMS for the respective championships venues¹
- 2.2.6 to appoint judges/referees/umpires/linesman/officials
- 2.2.7 to organize training/upgrading officiating courses for judges/referees/umpires/linesman/officials (where applicable);
- 2.2.8 to incur expenditure within the allocated budget approved by the SSSC
- 2.2.9 to select players to represent SSSC in approved local and overseas championships; and also to appoint coaches to take charge of the teams
- 2.2.10 to nominate players for SSSC's Colours Award
- 2.2.11 to deal with matters pertaining to discipline, protest and other aspects of the championship; and
- 2.2.12 to source for coaching and officiating courses to upgrade the technical knowledge and expertise of teachers
- 2.2.13 to implement the Baseline Safety Standards in the organization of the National School Games.

3 DIVISION

- 3.1 All students shall compete in their respective divisions according to their year of birth as follows:

A Division*	2 Jan 1997 - 31 Dec 1997
	1 Jan 1998 - 31 Dec 1998
	1 Jan 1999 - 31 Dec 1999
	1 Jan 2000 - 31 Dec 2000
	1 Jan 2001
B Division*	2 Jan 2000 - 31 Dec 2000
	1 Jan 2001 - 31 Dec 2001
	1 Jan 2002 - 31 Dec 2002
	1 Jan 2003
C Division*	2 Jan 2003 - 31 Dec 2003
	1 Jan 2004 - 31 Dec 2004
	1 Jan 2005

¹ Organising committee and range officials will be responsible for the safety for the field of play for the competition. Venue Manager (SAFRA) will take care of the area beyond the field of play. Venue Manager may also take charge of the entire competition venue including the field of play depending where the competition is held.

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Except for the following conditions:

- 3.1.1 All students in the Junior Colleges and Centralised Institute must compete in the 'A' Division.
- 3.1.2 Year 1 to Year 4 students in the Integrated Programme (i.e. Through-Train Programme) and International Baccalaureate Programme will compete in their respective age group. Those in Year 5 (equivalent to JC 1) and Year 6 (equivalent to JC 2) must compete in the 'A' Division.
- 3.1.3 All students in Secondary Schools must compete in the 'B' or 'C' Division according to their year of birth.
- 3.1.4 All students in Secondary Schools not born in the stipulated year for 'B' or 'C' Division must compete in the 'A' Division.
- 3.1.5 All students in the 'C' Division will not be able to opt to represent the school in the 'B' Division, in all individual and team sports.

2 ENTRIES

- 4.1 Each school is eligible to enter one boys' and one girls' team for the following Divisions:
 - a) A Division
 - b) B Division
 - c) C Division
- 4.2 Each student is allowed to take part in only one event, Air Rifle event or Air Pistol event.
- 4.3 Team Composition: Each team shall comprise a minimum of 3 Shooters to a maximum of 4 Shooters. Schools are permitted to enter up to 2 individuals if they are unable to form a team of 3 Shooters.
- 4.4 All entries must be received by the Convenor concerned on or before the stipulated closing date. Late entries will not be accepted.
- 4.5 The registration forms of shooters must be received by the Convenor concerned on or before the stipulated closing date which must be at least three (3) working days before commencement of the competition.
- 4.6 The registration forms must include the following particulars:
 - a) Full Name as in NRIC / Student pass
 - b) Date of Birth
 - c) NRIC No. or Student Pass No.
 - d) Race
 - e) Nationality
 - f) Baseline Safety Acknowledgement Form

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5 REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

- 5.1 Each team shall comprise a minimum of 3 Shooters to a maximum of 4 Shooters. Schools are permitted to enter up to 2 individuals if they are unable to form a team of 3 Shooters. No reserve or replacement is allowed.
- 5.2 No changes of shooters are allowed after registration.
- 5.3 If a school chooses not to register the maximum number of shooters allowed at the time of submitting the registration form to the convenor, the school shall not be permitted to register additional shooters subsequently.
- 5.4 The date of posting in the Joint Admission Exercise (JAE) of students announced by MOE shall be the day in which a student would be deemed as a bona fide member of the school or JC or CI.
- 5.5 Students requesting for a transfer after the Joint Admission Exercise may not represent their new school until the transfer has been officially effected.
- 5.6 Only in the event that any of the shooter(s) registered is/are transferred or has/have to leave school during the preliminary rounds, schools shall be allowed to replace the affected shooter(s) provided that schools write in to inform the Convenors of the replacement at least one (1) working day before the next match.
- 5.7 International students can only be registered to play for their school after they have been issued with student passes by the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA).
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- 5.9 International students who are in the schools/junior colleges/centralized institute on exchange programme are not allowed to represent the school.
- 5.10 Students granted Leave of Absence (LOA) by MOE will be allowed to represent the school.
- 5.11 Registration constitutes representation, that is, once a student is registered to play for a school/junior college/centralised institute, he or she is deemed to have represented his or her school/junior college/centralized institute. Hence, the student is not allowed to represent another school/junior college/centralised institute in the same sports/games in the same year.

6 CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

- 6.1 Please refer to Annex A1 for the Qualification / Team event.
- 6.2 Please refer to Annex A2 for the Individual Finals.

7 POSTPONEMENT

The Convenor or his representative shall, at his/her discretion, decide to postpone a match if he/she thinks the venue is unfit for play, or for any other valid reasons for which he/she deems a postponement is in order. Teams must abide by the decision of the Convenor or his/her representative.

8 WITHDRAWAL AND WALK-OVER

- 8.1 Any withdrawal or walk-over is considered contrary to the spirit of the game.
- 8.2 Schools participating in the championship should not withdraw or give a walk-over.
- 8.3 For each withdrawal or walk-over, a written explanation duly endorsed by the Principal shall be submitted to the Convenor and the Game Adviser within two (2) working days.

9 ABANDONED GAME

- 9.1 The referee/umpire/jury match manager is required to submit a written report on an abandoned game within one (1) working day.
- 9.2 For decisions on abandoned game, refer to Para 21 on disqualification.

10 PROTEST

- 10.1 Any clarification on points of laws/rules, must be lodged immediately by the teacher-in-charge **only**, to the Chief Range Officer. Any decision taken by the referee/umpire/jury will be final.
- 10.2 All protests shall be referred to the Championship Organizing Committee.
 - 10.2.1 Any protest must be made with the principal's consent and confirmed by a sms or phone call from the principal concerned.
 - 10.2.2 **Protest on a specific condition of the competition, decision or action made by competition officials** - The intention of written protests must be made known to Championship Organizing Committee not later than 20 minutes after the matter in question.
 - 10.2.3 **Protest on scores** – must be submitted not later than 10 minutes after the preliminary scores are posted on the Scoreboard.
 - 10.2.4 All protests must subsequently be followed with a written submission, duly signed by the principal, and reach the organizing committee within **one (1)** working day from the point of protest.
 - 10.2.5 A protest fee of one hundred and fifty dollars, plus GST, will be charged by the SSSC. If the protest is upheld, the protest fee will not be required. If it overruled, the protest fee of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150), plus GST, will be deducted from the protesting school's account, via IFAAS.

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- 10.3 The Championship Organizing Committee will meet to deliberate on the protest within the same day. The decision will then be made known in writing to the school concerned.
- 10.4 In the event that the National and Zonal Championship Organizing Committees are involved in a protest, the affected school concerned will inform the SSSC Secretary and shall not be involved in any further deliberations on the matter.

11 APPEAL

- 11.1 Upon the release/disclosure of the decision of the Championship Organizing Committee, only schools may appeal to the SSSC. Such appeals must be submitted in writing and a fee of three hundred dollars, plus GST, will be charged.
- 11.2 Notices of appeal shall be lodged with the Secretary of the Main Council within two (2) working days upon receiving the Championship Organizing Committee's Decision. The appeal must be in writing and duly signed by the principal.
- 11.3 Upon receiving the notice of appeal from the school, the appeal fee of three hundred dollars (\$300) plus GST* will be deducted from the school's account via IFAAS.
- 11.4 The Board of Appeal will deliberate on the appeal. The decision of the Board of Appeal shall be final. (Please refer to Annex B)

12 SUSPENSION

A player suspended by any one of the following bodies is barred from participating in SSSC championships for that sports/games for the period of suspension:

- a) the School
- b) the Zone Council
- c) the Schools Sport Council
- d) the Singapore Shooting Association

13 ELECTRONIC SCORING

- 13.1 Pistol targets will be scored in full ring values (i.e. 10, 9, 8 etc.).
- 13.2 Rifle targets will be scored in decimal ring values (i.e. 10.9, 9.0, 8.6, 8.3 etc.).

14 TIE IN SCORE

14.1 Individual Ties.

Ties will be broken to decide the order of ranking as follows:

- a. 1st by the total number of inner tens;
- b. 2nd by the highest score of the last ten shots series working backwards by 10 shot series in full ring scoring (not inner tens or decimals);
- c. 3rd by comparing shot-by-shot basis using inner tens (i.e an inner ten outranks a 10 that is not an inner ten) beginning with the last shot, then the next to the last shot, etc.

14.2 Team Ties.

Ties in team events must be decided by totaling the results of the top 3 members of the team and follow the procedures for breaking individual ties described in Rule 15.1.

15 PRIZES

15.1 The number of prizes and plaques (for team championships only) to be awarded at the National Championship shall be as follows :

3 teams	: 2 team prizes
4 teams	: 3 team prizes
5 or more teams	: 4 team prizes

16 TEACHER-IN-CHARGE OF TEAM

16.1 Each participating team must be accompanied by a teacher (EO) who shall remain with the team throughout the duration of competition (Please refer to Annex C for the role of the teacher in charge).

16.2 Teachers-in-charge are not allowed to interfere with the final decision taken by the referee/umpire/judge on points of laws/rules after clarification has been sought. If such interference results in disruption of any match/game, a report shall be made by the Convenor and the matter brought to the attention of the Competition Organizing Committee for appropriate action.

17 REFEREES / UMPIRES / OFFICIALS

17.1 Fees for the officials will be borne by National School Games Office.

17.2 Referees, Umpires, Officials, Juries are to fulfil their duties in alignment to the spirit of the Officials' Oath (Refer to Annex)

18 EXTERNAL INSTRUCTORS

18.1 External instructors are expected to conduct themselves with decorum during competitions (Please refer to Annex C).

18.2 External instructors are not allowed to approach the game officials to query their decisions. Only teachers-in-charge are allowed to approach game officials to seek clarifications.

18.3 Schools must ensure that their external instructors adhere to the SSSC Rules and Regulations and the code of conduct..

18.4 An external instructor who has breached the Rules and Regulations and the code of conduct will be referred to the respective Championship Organising Committees by the respective convenors or the schools which engaged him/her for appropriate action to be taken.

19 SUPPORTERS

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- 19.1 Schools sending supporters to any competition shall ensure that their students are in proper school uniform and there is sufficient number of teachers on duty to maintain discipline.
- 19.2 Supporters are not allowed to participate in any form of sideline coaching and/or interfering during the game.
- 19.3 Participating schools must ensure that their supporters and spectators attending the game(s) conduct themselves to the best of their abilities (Refer to Annex E). In the event that unsportsmanlike behaviour is observed, the Convenor may, at his discretion, issue an eviction of the spectator from the training/competition venue.

20 DISQUALIFICATION

A school will be disqualified if it commits any of the following:

- a) fielding overaged player
- b) fielding unregistered player
- c) fielding an ineligible player
- d) fielding player without a valid student pass
- e) fielding a non-bona-fide student
- f) team/player not accompanied by education officer
- g) team/player which caused a game/match to be abandoned

All results involving the team which has been disqualified will be considered null and void.

21 ATTIRE

All school athletes must be suitably attired in accordance with the requirement of the game/sport. The attire should bear the school logo/badge or name.

22 MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

All matters not provided for in these Rules and Regulations shall be dealt with by the respective Championship Organizing Committees.

23 AMENDMENTS

The Singapore Schools Sports Council shall have the right to delete, add or amend the rules and regulations laid down herein.

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Annex A1

AIR WEAPON QUALIFICATION / TEAM FINALS FORMAT

1. For Team Sports/Games, there must be a minimum of three (3) registered teams from three (3) different schools before a team championship will be organized.
2. For Team events, the ranking will be based on the scores of the top 3 shooters of each team.
3. This Team Event format is also used as the qualification round for individual finals for schools with less than 3 shooters:

Electronic Scoring Targets

	Pistol	Rifle
Boys (60 shots)	Preparation and Sighting Time: 15 mins	Preparation and Sighting Time: 15 mins
	Competition Time: 1 hour 15 mins	Competition Time: 1 hour 15 mins
Girls (40 shots)	Preparation and Sighting Time: 15 mins	Preparation and Sighting Time: 15 mins
	Competition Time: 50 mins	Competition Time: 50 mins

Preparation and sighting Time:

4. Chief Range Officer will call the Shooters to the firing line.
5. After the Chief Range Officer calls shooters to the line, they are permitted to handle their guns, dry fire or carry out holding and aiming exercises on the firing line before the Preparation and Sighting Time starts.
6. Shooters are to ensure that Sighting targets must be visible before the Preparation and Sighting Time starts.
7. The Preparation and Sighting Time begins with the command "PREPARATION AND SIGHTING TIME...START"; No shot may be fired before the command "START".
8. During this phase, shooters may fire unlimited Sighting Shots.
9. Any shooter who fires a shot or shots before the start of the Preparation and Sighting Time will be disqualified if safety is compromised. If safety is not compromised, the first competition shot must be registered as a miss (0).
10. At the end of the Preparation and Sighting Time, the Chief Range Officer will command "END OF PREPARATION AND SIGHTING...STOP".
11. Shooters are given 15 minutes before the start of competition to make their final preparation.
12. The competition is considered to have started when the Chief Range Officer has given the command "START". Shots fired after this command will be deemed as competition shots.
13. Competitors shall provide their own rifles/pistols, which must be transported to the competition venue in the approved carrying cases for safety reasons. Air pistols/rifles are to be kept in the carrying case when being transported to/from the firing line. Competitors entering the competition venue without using the carrying cases may be

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disqualified. Only air rifles/pistols and accessories that comply with the ISSF rules are allowed to be used for the competition.

14. Pellets – Competitors shall provide their own pellets.

Grace Period

15. Late comers will be allowed to participate in the competition. However, **NO** extra time will be given. If an athlete arrives after the Preparation and Sighting Time, no additional Sighting time will be given. When it can be proven that an athlete's late arrival was due to circumstances beyond his control, the Jury must grant extra time, including time for Preparation and Sighting if this does not delay the start of the Final or disrupt the overall shooting program. In this case the Jury will determine when and on which firing point the late athlete may start. However, the team concerned must contact the Convenor or his/her representative at the venue concerned to inform him/her of the delay. Teams must abide by the decision of the Convenor or his/her representative.

AIR WEAPON INDIVIDUAL FINALS FORMAT

1. The Finals consists of two (2) series of three (3) MATCH shots each fired in a time of 150 sec. per series, followed by eighteen (18) single MATCH shots. **Command will be given centrally at each of the 20 stages, for athletes to commence firing.** Eliminations of the lowest scoring finalists begin after the eighth shot and continue after every two shots until the gold and silver medals are decided. There are a total of twenty (24) Finals shots.
2. There will be a preparation and sighting time of 15 minutes.
3. No dry firing is allowed during finals except during preparation and sighting time.

SCORING

4. Scoring in Finals is done with tenth-ring (decimal) scoring for the respective target. Cumulative total scores in Finals determine final individual rankings, with ties broken according to shootoff scores:

Sequence of events

24 Athletes shoot (2) series of (3) Match shots each fired in a time of 150 Sec. per series.

24 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

24 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

3 lowest scoring finalists eliminated (Shootoff if necessary)

21 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

21 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

3 lowest scoring finalists eliminated (Shootoff if necessary)

18 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

18 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

3 lowest scoring finalists eliminated (Shootoff if necessary)

15 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

15 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

3 lowest scoring finalists eliminated (Shootoff if necessary)

12 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

12 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

3 lowest scoring finalists eliminated (Shootoff if necessary)

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9 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

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3 lowest scoring finalists eliminated (Shootoff if necessary)

6 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

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3 lowest scoring finalists eliminated (Shootoff if necessary)

3 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

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Bronze medal Winner (Shootoff if necessary)

2 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

2 Athletes shoot (1) single Match Shot on command in a time of 50 Sec.

Silver Medal Winner (Shootoff if necessary)

Gold Medal Winner

Tabulated Format of Individual Shooting Finals

Stage	Number of Shooters	Number of shots	Time Frame	Number of shooters eliminated*	Position of shooters
1	24	3	150	-	
2	24	3	150	-	
3	24	1	50	-	
4	24	1	50	3	22 nd , 23 rd , 24 th
5	21	1	50	-	
6	21	1	50	3	19 th , 20 th , 21 st
7	18	1	50	-	
8	18	1	50	3	16 th , 17 th , 18 th
9	15	1	50	-	
10	15	1	50	3	13 th , 14 th , 15 th
11	12	1	50	-	
12	12	1	50	3	10 th , 11 th , 12 th
13	9	1	50	-	

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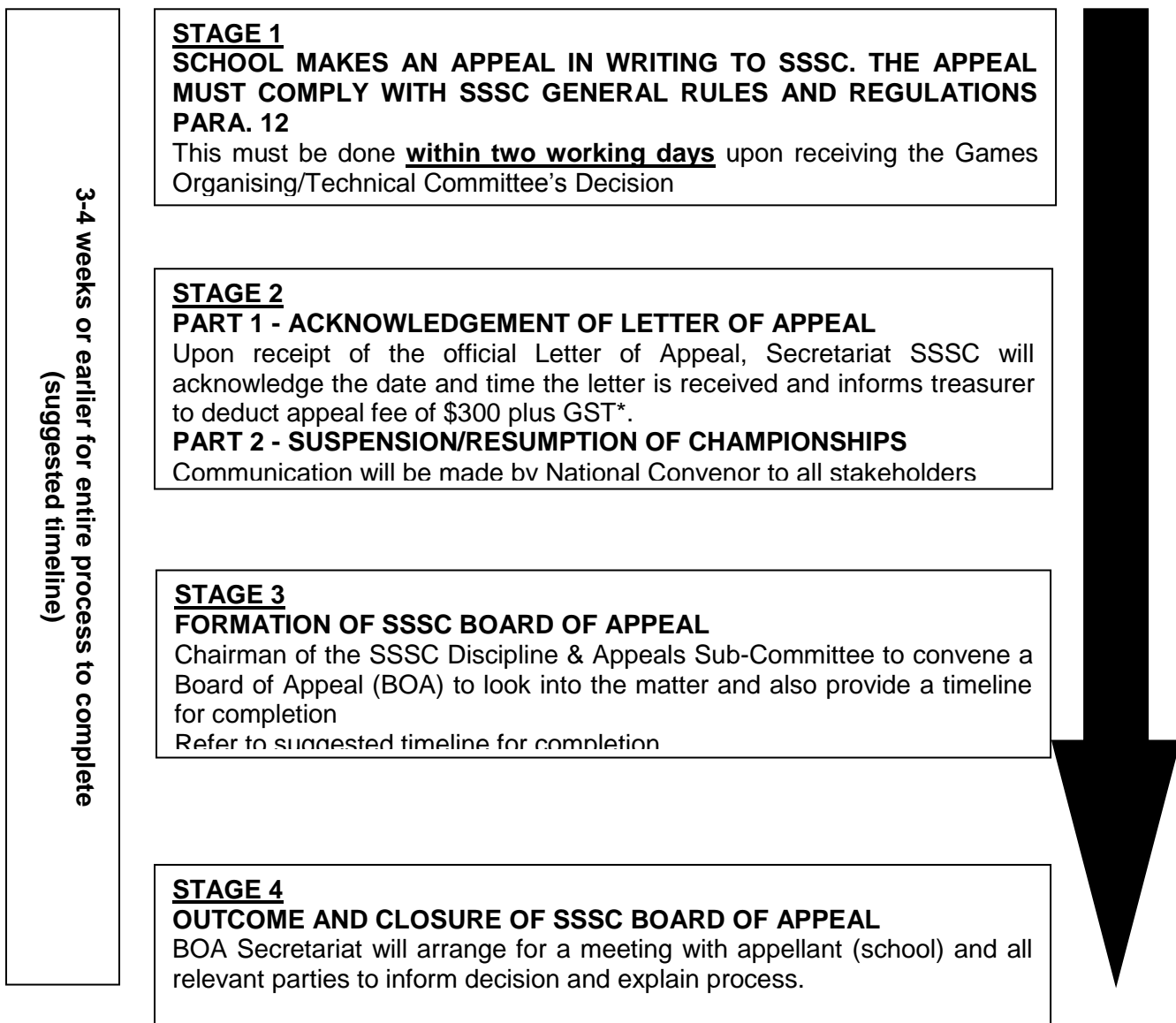
14	9	1	50	3	7 th , 8 th , 9 th
15	6	1	50	-	
16	6	1	50	3	4 th , 5 th , 6 th
17	3	1	50	-	
18	3	1	50	1	Bronze
19	2	1	50	-	
20	2	1	50	1	Silver, Gold

*** Note: in the event of a tie at the elimination stages (4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20), a shootoff will be conducted to determine the shooters who will proceed to the next stage.**

Grace Period

- 5. Latecomers will not be allowed to participate in the Individual Finals.**
6. Individual concerned **must** contact the Convenor or his/her representative at the venue concerned to inform him/her of the delay. The Convenor may decide to allow for grace period to be given based on the circumstances and all shooters must abide by the decision of the Convenor or his/her representative.

SSSC PROCEDURE FOR APPEALS
WORKFLOW



As in accordance with the SSSC General Rules and Regulations under para.12, the decision of the Board of Appeal or the Standing Committee shall be absolute.

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ROLE OF THE TEACHER IN-CHARGE

The teacher in-charge will represent the school on all matters pertaining to the administration and organisation of the tournament. He/She will do the following:

- to ensure good attendance during practice
- to take follow-up actions on absenteeism of members
- to co-ordinate training sessions with the external instructor
- to monitor and take stock of sports equipment
- to attend meetings called by the game convenor
- to submit team list
- to be responsible for the accuracy of the players' particulars in the entry forms and ensure that the pupils are not placed in the wrong division.
- to liaise between the Organising Committee (convenor school) and the Principal (school)
- to check the fixtures and schedules
- to make transport arrangements for the teams
- to accompany the schools teams for all competitions
- to remain with the team throughout the duration of play
- to be responsible for the conduct and behaviour of the external instructor, players and supporters
- to represent the school in matters pertaining to appeals/protests (as required by the sport/game)
- to accompany pupils at disciplinary board meeting
- to ensure that the team is medically covered e.g. first aid kit

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Code of Conduct for External Instructors

- External instructors are expected to conduct themselves well in carrying out their duties.
- They are to observe the rules and regulations of the school.
- They should not replace the role of the teacher in-charge.
- They will prepare the training schedule for the team, in consultation with the Principal and the teacher in-charge (i.e. 30-week programme)
- They are not allowed into the competition area except where the rule of the game requires the presence of the instructor e.g. Softball.
- They cannot represent the school in any matters.
- They must not interfere with the organisation of the tournament.
- They are not allowed to approach the game officials to query their decisions. Only teachers-in-charge are allowed to approach game officials to seek clarifications.
- External instructors violating the above rules will be asked to leave the competition arena.
- Action will be taken against the school if the external instructors fail to comply with the tournament rules.
- The onus for the external instructors to adhere to the above rules and to be well versed with the competition rules amended to meet the needs of our pupils' lies with the school concerned.
- Ensure that the team has adequate rest and given water breaks.
- Instructors should refrain from using foul language or in a tone not becoming of proper behaviour.



COACHES' OATH

*In the name of all the coaches,
we promise to respect all athletes,
officials and coaches in these
National School Games.*

*We shall act in the best interest of the
athletes and schools,
without doping and without drugs.*

*We commit ourselves to ensure that the
spirit of sportsmanship and fair play is
fully adhered to and upheld always."*

(Revised 2016; Adapted from the Olympic Coaches' Oath, 2012)

Character in Sporting Excellence

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Expected Behaviour for Spectators

Spectators' Creed

- Be a Motivator– Cheer to motivate. Never shout at or ridicule players/officials.
- Be a Supporter – Focus on players/teams' efforts and well-being; not just the results.
- Be a Role Model – Show respect and appreciation to players, teachers, officials and all other individuals/organisations.



SPECTATORS' CREED

Be a Respectful Supporter

- Applaud excellence and fair play
- Appreciate the efforts of all athletes, teachers, coaches, officials and organisers

Be a Caring Motivator

- Cheer to encourage and motivate
- Care for athletes' well-being

Be a Responsible Spectator

- Keep the venue safe and comfortable for all
- Keep the venue clean

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OFFICIALS' OATH

**"In the name of all the judges and officials,
we promise that we shall officiate
in these National School Games
with complete impartiality,
without doping and without drugs.
We will respect and abide by
the rules which govern the Games,
in the true spirit of sportsmanship."**

(Revised Version 2015; Adapted from the Olympic Officials' Oath, 1999)

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