## SINGAPORE SCHOOLS SPORTS COUNCIL 13<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL SCHOOL GAMES FOR WUSHU RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR 2017

#### 1. RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Wushu competition shall be conducted in accordance with

- 1.1 the General Rules and Regulations of the Singapore Schools Sports Council (SSSC) and its games rules;
- 1.2 the rules for International Wushu competition (Nov 1999) as adopted by the Singapore Wushu Dragon and Lion Dance Federation (SWDLF) excluding clause 13 unless otherwise stated in the SSSC General Rules and Regulations and its games rules.
- 1.3 adhering to the Baseline Safety Standards for Wushu.

#### 2 CHAMPIONSHIP ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

#### 2.1 <u>COMPOSITION</u>

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

The National Convenor, The Game Advisor The Zone Convenors The Organizing Secretaries and Any other co-opted members deemed necessary

- 2.1.2 The Championship Organizing Committee and the Zone Convenors are empowered to appoint sub-committees and individual members to assist in the organization and running of the competitions as and when required.
- 2.2 DUTIES

The Championship Organizing Committee shall have the following responsibilities and powers:-

- 2.2.1 to draw fixture.
- 2.2.2 to fix venues, dates and times.
- 2.2.3 to arrange for equipment and facilities and perform any other task for conducting the competitions.
- 2.2.4 to appoint referees/ umpires.
- 2.2.5 to conduct RAMS.
- 2.2.6 to incur expenditure within the budgeted allotment approved by SSSC.
- 2.2.7 to select athletes to represent SSSC in approved local competitions; and also appoint coaches to take charge of the teams.

- 2.2.8 to nominate athletes for SSSC Colours Award.
- 2.2.9 to deal with matter pertaining to discipline, protest and other aspects of the competition.

## 3. <u>DIVISION</u>

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

#### 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 From 2012 onwards students in the 'C' Division will no longer be able to opt to represent the school in the 'B' Division, in all individual and team sports/games

## 4. ENTRIES

- 4.1 Each school is eligible to enter only one team in each of the following divisions:
  - i Boys 'A' Division ii Girls 'A' Division

iii	Boys 'B' Division	iv	Girls 'B' Division
v	Boys 'C' Division	vi	Girls 'C' Division

- 4.2 All entries must be submitted through the SSSC e-Registration portal on or before the stipulated closing date. This include details of players along with the necessary supporting documents.
  - a) Baseline Safety Acknowledgement Form
  - b) Supporting documents for Special/Transfer case students
  - c) Other forms as determined by the Championship Organising Committee

## 5. <u>COMPETITION FORMAT</u>

- 5.1 There must be a minimum of 3 participants from 3 different schools before an individual event can be run. Otherwise, the individual event will be cancelled. Schools affected by the cancellation of event/s will be informed and they are allowed to re-register their participants in other confirmed events.
- 5.2 There must be a minimum of 3 teams from 3 different schools before a group event can be run. Otherwise, the group event will be cancelled.
- 5.3 Each school is allowed to register up to a maximum number of 10 participants per division/gender for the Championships.
  - i) For Individual events: a maximum of 10 participants per division/gender (from the list of registered participants)
  - ii) For Group events: 6 participants per division/gender (from the list of registered participants)

#### 5.4 Individual Event:

#### 5.3.1 <u>Formulated Routine 5-Duan only for 'C' Division starting</u> 2016

Quanshu	Short Weapon	Long Weapon
5-Duan Changquan	5-Duan Broadsword	5-Duan Cudgel
5-Duan Nanquan	5-Duan Sword	5-Duan Spear
24 Style Taijiquan	32 Style Taiji Sword	

5.3.2 1<sup>st</sup> International Routine for all Divisions

Quanshu	Short Weapon	Long Weapon
Nanquan	Nan Dao	Nan Gun
Changquan	Broadsword	Cudgel
42 Style Taijiquan	Sword	Spear

42 Style Taij	i Sword

5.3.3 2<sup>nd</sup> International Routine only for 'B' and 'A' Division

Quanshu	Short Weapon	Long Weapon
Changquan	Broadsword	Cudgel
	Sword	Spear

- 5.3.4 A maximum of 2 participants per school are allowed for each individual event.
- 5.3.5 Each participant is allowed to participate in a maximum of 3 different types of individual events (Quanshu, Short Weapon and Long Weapon).
- 5.3.6 Each school is allowed to submit maximum of 10 participants per division.
- 5.4 <u>Group Events (No sparring routine movement to be included)</u>:
  - a. Group Quanshu b. Group Weapon
  - 5.4.1 Each school is allowed to submit one team per division for each group event.
  - \*5.4.2 Each team submitted for a group event must consist of 6 members.
  - 5.4.3 Human pyramid formation for all group events is not allowed. Failure to comply will result in a deduction of **1.0** point.

#### 5.5 <u>Timing:</u>

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- \*5.5.1 Timing for Individual Event:
  - a. Formulated Routine (5-Duan): No time limit
  - Formulated Routine (Taijiquan simplified 24-style & 32-style Taiji Sword): Between 2 to 4 minutes-
  - c. International Routine: Nanquan, Chanquan and all weapons: not less than 1 minute 20 seconds. 42 styles Taijiquan: Between 5 to 6 minutes. 42 styles Taijijian: Between 3 to 4 minutes.

## 5.5.2 <u>Timing for Group Event:</u>

- a. Group Quanshu Events:
  - i Group Quanshu 1 minute 30s to 3 minutes
  - ii Group Taijiquan 5 to 6 minutes
  - iii Group Taijiquan simplified 24 styles 4 to 5 minutes
- b. Group Weapon Events:
  - i Group Weapon 1minute 30s to 3 minutes
  - ii Group Taiji-weapon 3 to 4 minutes

#### 5.6 <u>Routine Stoppage</u>

Athletes who are unable to perform their routine and stop for 10 seconds in the arena will be instructed to abandon their performance upon hearing the whistle from the Head Judge. Athletes will not be allowed to join the queue to re-do the routine. It will be classified as incomplete event and no points will be awarded.

#### 6. <u>REPRESENTATION</u>

- 6.1 Each school/Junior College/Centralized Institute may be represented by a team in each Division.
- 6.2 A school/Junior College/Centralized Institute, which is unable to enter a full team, may be represented by individual participant(s).

## 7. <u>REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS</u>

- 7.1 Each participating school shall register with the Convenor before the date specified by the Convenor. This registration is final.
- 7.2 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.
- 7.3 Students requesting for a transfer after the Joint Admission Exercise may not represent their new school until the transfer has been officially effected.
- 7.4 In the event that any of the participant(s) registered be transferred or has/have to leave school as a result of the Joint Admission Exercise, schools shall be allowed to filled in substitute(s).
- 7.5 Registration constitutes representation, that is, if a student is registered, 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.

- 7.6 Participant who has participated in a division may not play in another division of the particular game within the year.
- 7.7 If a school chooses not to register the maximum number of players allowed by the sports/game, at the time of submitting the registration form to the Convenor, the school shall not be permitted to register additional players subsequently.
- 7.8 International students can only be registered to play for their school after they have been issued with the student passes by the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority.
- 7.9 International students who are in the schools/junior colleges/centralised institute on exchange programme are not allowed to represent the school.
- 7.10 Students granted Leave of Absence (LOA) by MOE will be allowed to represent the school.

## 8. <u>REPORTING</u>

8.1 All participants must report to the competitor steward 30 mins before the event. Failure to report before the event will lead to disqualification. The organizing committee may at his discretion extend the reporting time if deemed justifiable (e.g. in special cases when delay may be caused by traffic jams, floods and etc.).

## 9. POSTPONEMENT

9.1 The organizing committee shall at his discretion postpone the championships if the venue is deemed unsuitable/unsafe for the competition to be conducted.

## 10. PLACING AND PRIZES

- **10.1** Individual and Team placing. Placing will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> for both individual and group events, according to the competitor's/team's score in the competition. The competitor/team who/which has the highest score will be the winner (1<sup>st</sup> place) and the one with the second highest score will win the 2<sup>nd</sup> place, so on and so forth.
- **10.2** Divisional placing for schools. Placing will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> per division ('C' Boys, 'C' Girls, 'B' Boys, 'B' Girls, 'A' Boys and 'A' Girls) according to the total number of points scored overall in both Individual and Group events.

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# <u>10.2.1</u> Allocation of points for 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> position to be used for Divisional placing for schools:

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Placing	Point/s
1 <sup>st</sup>	9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5
4 <sup>th</sup>	3
5 <sup>th</sup>	2
6 <sup>th</sup>	1

Group Events:

Placing	Point/s
1 <sup>st</sup>	11
2 <sup>nd</sup>	9
3 <sup>rd</sup>	7
4 <sup>th</sup>	5
5 <sup>th</sup>	3
6 <sup>th</sup>	1

<u>10.3</u> <u>TIES in Scores</u>- In case of a tie between/or among individuals or teams, the placing shall be determined by the following means,

\*<u>10.3.1</u> The competitor whose mean value of the 2 invalid scores comes closer to the average of the valid scores shall be placed higher;

\*<u>10.3.2</u> If the tie still remains, the competitor with a higher mean value of the 2 invalid scores shall be placed higher;

\*<u>10.3.3</u> If the tie still remains, the competitor whose invalid score is higher shall be placed higher;

\*<u>10.3.4</u> If the tie still remains, the competitors shall share the same placing with the next placing left vacant.

- **10.3.5** In the event of a tie in the total number of points won in both Individual and Group events, the total individual points scored in all Individual Events will be used to determine the placing.
- 10.3.6 If the tie persists, the number of total 1<sup>st</sup> positions (followed by 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> positions if necessary) scored in all Individual events will be used to decide the final placing.
- **10.3.7** Prizes will be awarded to all the winning individuals, teams and schools for 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> placing <u>only</u>.

#### 11. <u>TIES IN POSITION</u>

- 11.1.1 In the event of a tie in the first place, the next best would be placed third.
- 11.1.2 In the event of a tie in the second place, there would be no third placing.
- 11.1.3 In the event of three students tied for the first placing, there would be no second and third placing.

#### 12. <u>ATTIRE</u>

- 12.1 All participants must wear proper wushu attire and footwear (flat sole shoes only ) during all competitions.
- 12.2 All participants must adhere to the Specification of Costumes for the various events listed below.
  - (a) Chang quan routines

Wushu jacket with a Chinese-style upright collar and seven togglelike buttons down the front and short or long sleeves

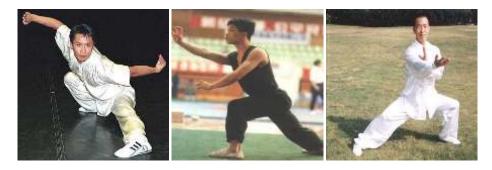
(b) Nan quan routines (Southern Style Fist)

Wushu Chinese-style collarless jacket with seven toggle-like buttons down the front and with <u>short sleeves for girls</u> and <u>sleeveless for boys</u>.

(c) Taiji routines

A long-sleeved jacket of a length not exceeding the participant's middle fingertip when the arms are straightened and hanging down. Wushu jacket with a Chinese-style upright collar and seven toggle-like buttons down the front. Participants are <u>not to wear</u> a soft belt for taijijian and taijiquan routines.

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(a) Chang Quan (b) Nan Quan (c) Taiji Quan

- 12.3 For the group events, all participants must wear identical attire and footwear of similar colour.
- 12.4 Girls with long hair must have it tied neatly.
- 12.5 Failure to comply with 12.1 to 12.4 will result in the deduction of 0.2 points.

## 13. WEAPONS SPECIFICATION FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

13.1 All participants must adhere to the weapons specification listed below:

(a) <u>Spear</u> :

The whole length shall not be shorter than that from the participant's fingertips to his/her sole when he/she stands erect with his/her arms raised straight overhead. The spear must be fitted with a tassle.

In addition, for <u>A and B Division</u>, the diameter of the spear (measuring from the participant's waist) shall be at least:

Boys: 2.10cm Girls : 1.90cm

#### (b) Cudgel & Southern Style Cudgel (Nan Gun):

The whole length shall not be shorter than the participant's height.

In addition, for <u>A and B Division</u>, the diameter of the cudgel and the southern cudgel (measuring from the participant's waist) shall be at least:

<u>Cudgel</u> Boys : 2.10cm Girls : 1.90cm

Southern Cudgel (Nan Gun) Boys : 2.65cm Girls : 2.50cm (c) <u>Sword</u> :

The apex of the sword shall not be lower than the top of the performer's ear when it is held using backhand with the arm straightened and hanging down and the elbow dropped.

#### (d) Broadsword :

The apex of the broadsword shall not be lower than the top of the participant's ear when it is held erect in the hand, with the arm straightened and hanging down and the elbow dropped.

#### (e) Nan Dao (Southern Style Broadsword) :

The apex of the Nan Dao shall be above the chin level of the participant when it is held erect in the hand, with the arm straightened and hanging down and the elbow dropped.

13.2 Failure to comply with 13.1 items a to e will result in the deduction of 0.2 points.

#### 14. USE OF VERBAL COMMANDS AND MUSIC FOR GROUP EVENTS

- 14.1 The use of verbal commands is not allowed.
- 14.2 The use of music with lyrics or with any verbal cues at any point of the routine is not allowed.
- 14.3 The use of music is compulsory.
- 14.4 Failure to comply with 14.1 to 14.3 will result in the deduction of 0.2 points.

#### 15. <u>ADJUSTMENT OF SCORES BY HEAD JUDGE , CHIEF REFEREE TEAM &</u> <u>TECHNICAL COMMITTEE</u>

- 15.1 The Head judge and Chief referee group together with the Technical committee may adjust score by adding/subtracting up to a maximum of 0.2 points to the final score of the 5 individual judges if the situation arises.
- 15.2 The Head judge will announce the final score once the adding/subtracting of the score has been endorsed by the Technical committee.

## 16. WITHDRAWAL AND WALK-OVER

- 16.1 Any withdrawal or walk-over by an individual/a team is considered contrary to the spirit of the competition.
- 16.2 Schools participating in the competition should not withdraw or give walkover. In the event of failing to turn up, neither an individual/a team is entitled to a walkover. The Organizing Committee will take appropriate action against the individual/team.
- 16.3 The schools concerned should then write to the Convenors within 24 hours citing reasons for the failure of the individual/team to turn up.

## 17. <u>PROTEST</u>

- \*17.1 Any protest during the competition must be lodged immediately by the teacher-in charge only, to the National Convenor. This must be followed up in writing and duly signed by the school principal. The protest must reach the National Convenor within <u>1</u> working day of the event.
  - 17.2 If the Championship Organsing Committee upheld the protest, the protest fee will not be required. If it was overruled, the protest fee of \$150 plus GST will be deducted from the school's account via IFAAS.
  - 17.3 Only official video footage will be referred to by the Championship Organising Committee as corroborating evidence when deciding the outcome of the protest.
  - 17.4 The Championship Organising Committee and 2 Technical Officials from SNWDLF will meet to deliberate on the protest within seven (7) working days. The decision will then be made known in writing to the school concerned.

## 18. <u>APPEAL</u>

- 18.1 Upon the release/disclosure of the decision of the Championship Organising Committee, only schools may appeal to the Council.
- 18.2 Notice of such an appeal shall be lodged with the Secretary of the Singapore Schools Sports Council (SSSC) within two (2) working days on receiving the decision provided by the Championship Organising Committee. The appeal must be in writing and duly signed by the principal.
- 18.3 Upon receiving the notice of appeal from the school, the appeal fee of \$300 plus GST will be deducted from the school's account via IFAAS.
- 18.4 The Board of Appeal will deliberate on the appeal. The decision of the Board of Appeal shall be absolute and final.

#### 19. DISQUALIFICATION

- 19.1 Participant(s) in the individual or/and group events may be disqualified from further participation in the championships if the protest from the other participating school(s) is upheld, or if the Championship Organizing Committee discovers any irregularity contravening the competition Rules and Regulations.
- 19.2 In the case that a school is found to have fielded an overage or unregistered participant(s) in the individual or/and group events, the Championship Organizing Committee may call up the teacher for investigation. If the matter is proven to be true, the participant(s) or the team in the group event will be disqualified. The Championship Organizing Committee will notify the Principal concerned of the outcome.
- 19.3 Points accumulated by the participant/s in the individuals or/and group events who were disqualified will be nullified.

#### 20. SUSPENSION

- 20.1 A participant suspended by any one of the following bodies is barred from participating in SSSC competitions for that sport/game for the period of the suspensions.
  - a) The School
  - b) The Zone Council
  - c) The Singapore Schools Sports Council
  - d) The National Association/Federation of the sport/game

#### 21. TEACHER-IN-CHARGE

- 21.1 Each participating school must be accompanied by a teacher (EO) who shall remain with the participant(s) throughout the duration of the competition to ensure students' safety and discipline.
- 21.2 Failure to comply 21.1 may lead to the disqualification of the School.

#### 22. EXTERNAL INSTRUCTORS/COACHES

- 22.1 Each team is to be accompanied by a maximum of 2 coaches.
- 22.2 External coaches are expected to conduct themselves with decorum in carrying out their duties during competitions.
- 22.3 External coaches will not stand in as the person-in-charge and replace the teacher-in-charge of the school.

- 22.4 All coaches who accompanied the participants to the competition arena must be properly attired (sports/PE attire). Baggy pants and slippers are strictly not allowed.
- 22.5 External coaches are not allowed to approach the official/judges to query their decisions. Only teachers-in-charge are allowed to approach the Convenors/ Wushu Advisor to seek clarifications. Failure to comply with this rule may lead to action being taken against the coach and the school and a deduction of 0.2 points will be made from the individual/team score.
- 22.6 Coaches, teachers and students are not allowed to give verbal instructions to the participants during competition. A deduction of 0.1 points will be made from the final score of the participant if this rule is violated.
- 22.7 The onus for the external coaches to adhere to the above rules lies with the schools concerned.
- 22.8 Schools must ensure that their external instructors/coaches adhere to the Singapore Schools Sports Council Rules and Regulations.
- 22.9 Should the external coaches breached any of the Rules and Regulations, the Championship Organizing Committee may take the following actions:-
  - 22.9.1 A verbal warning would be issued in the first instant of the offence.
  - 22.9.2 The external coach will be asked to leave the competition venue after the 2<sup>nd</sup> verbal warning has been issued.
  - 22.9.3 The Championship Organising Committee may issue a written letter of complaint to the school concerned. If the problem persists, then the Championship Organising Committee may bar the external coach from the competition venue for a period of time to be decided at a meeting.

#### 23. SUPPORTERS

- 23.1 Schools sending supporters to the competition shall ensure that their students are in proper school uniform and there are sufficient numbers of teachers on duty to maintain discipline.
- 23.2 Schools are to ensure that no man-made instruments are to be brought to the competition venue

#### 24. PRIZE GIVING

24.1 Prize winners must be in proper school attire or Wushu attire (no slippers or sandals).

## 25. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

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

## 26. <u>AMENDMENTS</u>

26.1 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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