



**SPORT EXPLANATORY BROCHURE  
SPORT-SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

**HOCKEY**

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## 2 Key Dates & Activities

Activities	Date	Venue	Time
Equipment Check, Passport Check, Allocation of colours	14 Aug 2010	Sengkang Hockey Stadium	10:00 – 11:00
Medical Briefing	15 Aug 2010	Sengkang Hockey Stadium	13:00 – 14:00
Team Managers' Briefing	15 Aug 2010	Sengkang Hockey Stadium	14:00 15:00

## 3 Events & Quotas

### 3.1 EVENTS

Boys' Event (1)	Girls' Event (1)
6-team tournament	6-team tournament

### 3.2 QUOTAS

Category	Qualified via IF	NOC Universality Places	Host Country Places	Total
Boys	80	N/A	16*	96
Girls	80	N/A	16*	96
Total	160	N/A	32**	192

\* The Host Country will get 16 places - either one Boys' OR one Girls' team.

\*\* The other 16 places will be attributed to a continent based upon firstly, the continent which has the greatest number of teams participating in its YOG qualifying tournament, and secondly, the team that is ranked in second place at the particular continental qualifying event as set out in Section 4.2.2 of the Qualification System, of the respective gender, not already qualified.

### 3.3 NOC QUOTA

Maximum of 32 players, with one (1) Boys' team of 16 players and one (1) Girls' team of 16 players.



## **4 Qualification System**

### **4.1 ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

Athletes must have been born between 1 January 1993 and 31 December 1994.

### **4.2 PERFORMANCE & CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATION**

#### **4.2.1 Performance Representation**

The six-team tournament for both Boys and Girls shall consist of one national team per continent as well as a sixth team which shall either represent the host NOC or be proposed by the FIH in accordance with the criteria set out below.

Participation shall be limited to one Boys' team and one Girls' team per NOC across all team sports, namely, Football, Handball, Hockey and Volleyball. In the event that an NOC qualifies more than two teams across the different sports there shall be a reallocation process in accordance with the criteria set out hereunder.

#### **4.2.2 Continental Representation**

##### **4.2.2.1 Boys – Continental Qualifications (5 teams to qualify)**

Five continental champions, namely:

- a. Africa African Men's Youth Olympic Qualifier
- b. America 1st Men's Youth Pan American Cup
- c. Asia 2nd U18 Boys Asia Cup
- d. Europe EuroHockey U18 Boys' Youth Nations Championship
- e. Oceania Cup 2009

##### **4.2.2.2 Girls – Continental Qualifications (5 teams to qualify)**

Five continental champions, namely:

- a. Africa African Women's Youth Olympic Qualifier
- b. America 1st Women's Youth Pan American Cup
- c. Asia 2nd U18 Girls' Asia Cup
- d. Europe EuroHockey U18 Girls' Youth Nations Championship
- e. Oceania Cup 2009

### **4.3 HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION**

The Host Country shall only automatically qualify one team (either Boys or Girls). The unused Host Country place (either Boys or Girls) shall be reallocated in accordance with the criteria set out below.



## **4.4 REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES**

### **4.4.1 Unused IF Quota places**

At the conclusion of the YOG qualifying tournaments, the FIH will communicate in writing the confirmation of qualification to the NOC and the National Association of each obtained place within 14 days of the conclusion of the competition.

Upon receipt of confirmation of qualification to the YOG hockey tournament from the FIH, the NOC must confirm its acceptance in writing of the obtained place by 1 June 2010 to the FIH and the SYOGOC.

In the event that an NOC does not accept an obtained place, the FIH will communicate in writing the confirmation of qualification to the NOC and the National Association of the next best ranked teams in order at the relevant continental qualifying tournament until the continental allocation is accepted.

### **4.4.2 Unused Host Country Places**

One additional place will be allocated to the continents, to be determined at the relevant continental qualification tournaments set out in Section 4.2.2 above, in whichever tournament the Host Country does not enter a team.

The one additional place to be allocated to a continent shall be based upon firstly, the continent which has the greatest number of teams participating in its YOG qualifying tournament, and secondly, the team that is ranked in second place at the particular continental qualifying event as set out in Section 4.2.2 above.



## 5 Qualification Timeline

Date	Milestone
Mar 2009 – May 2010	YOG 2010 FIH qualification period
7 – 12 Jul 2009	EuroHockey Youth Nations Championship Nivelles, Belgium
20 – 26 Jul 2009	2nd U18 Girls' Asia Cup Shanghai, China
14 – 22 Nov 2009	2nd U18 Boys' Asia Cup Yangon, Myanmar
6 – 14 Feb 2010	1st Pan American Youth Championship (Boys) Hermosillo City, Mexico
13 – 21 Mar 2010	1st Pan American Youth Championship (Girls) Montevideo, Uruguay
Feb 2010 <i>(Date TBC)</i>	1st African Youth Olympic Qualifier (Boys) South Africa
Feb 2010 <i>(Date TBC)</i>	1st African Youth Olympic Qualifier (Girls) South Africa
25 – 29 Aug 2009	Men's Oceania Cup 2009 (Boys) Invercargill, New Zealand
25 – 29 Aug 2009	Women's Oceania Cup 2009 (Girls) Invercargill, New Zealand
31 Dec 2009	Host Country to advise IOC and FIH which Host Country quota it will use namely, either its Boys' or Girls' team.
15 Mar 2010	FIH to nominate extra quota from Continentals for tournament in which the Host Country does not participate
31 Mar 2010	FIH confirms qualification to the National Associations and NOCs
1 Jun 2010	NOCs to confirm to the FIH and YOGOC that they will use the obtained Places
1 Jun – 14 Jul 2010	Final reallocation period for unused quota places
15 Jul 2010	Entries deadline (by name) for all sports



## 6 Competition Format

The Youth Olympic Games Hockey competition comprises Boys' and Girls' events. Both events have the same format and rules. Six teams play in one pool competition and each team plays every other team in the pool. To determine the final standings after the end of one pool competition, teams will play the final classification play-off competition as follows:

- 1st Ranked Team vs. 2nd Ranked Team (Gold Medal Match)
- 3rd Ranked Team vs. 4th Ranked Team (Bronze Medal Match)
- 5th Ranked Team vs. 6th Ranked Team (Classification 5th - 6th)

### 6.1 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE FIH JUNIOR WORLD CUP & THE YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

The FIH Junior World Cup is significantly different to the Youth Olympic Games. The Boys' competition is a 20 team competition (4 pools x 5 teams) and the Girls' competition is a 16 team competition (4 pools x 4 teams), with differences in both the pool and the classification matches.





## **7 Competition Rules & Procedures**

### **7.1 SCORING**

The team scoring the most goals wins the match. At the completion of each match during pool play, three points will be awarded to the winner; one point will be awarded to each team in the event of a draw; zero points are awarded to the loser. Classification matches are single elimination.

### **7.2 RANKING IN POOL**

Ranking in pool will be determined by the total number of points earned. Ties will be broken by:

- a. the highest total number of wins;
- b. then by the goal difference;
- c. then by the total number of goals scored; and
- d. then by the result of the match played between the tied teams.

If the teams remain tied a penalty stroke competition will be held.

### **7.3 TIE-BREAK RULES AND PROCEDURES**

Pool-play matches can end in a draw. If the score is tied at the end of a classification match, an extra time period (maximum of two times seven and a half (7.5) minutes) will be played. If a team scores a goal during the extra time period they are declared the winners (Golden Goal). If the match is still tied an outright winner will be established by a penalty stroke competition.

### **7.4 BASIC RULES**

The match is controlled by two umpires. A card system is used to discipline players where a green card is a warning, a yellow is a suspension for a minimum of five minutes (the maximum is at the umpire's discretion), and a red card means a permanent suspension from at least that match. Further penalties can be imposed to a red carded player by the Event Delegate.

Of the 16 players in the team, only 11 may be on the field of play at any one time. The other five may be substituted as and when the coach deems fit and as often as the coach pleases (rolling substitution) except at a penalty corner, when the defending goalkeeper may be substituted only when he/she is injured or suspended.

Players may only use the flat side of the stick to play the ball, other than the goalkeeper, may not use any part of their body to play the ball. The goalkeeper may use any part of his or her body to block the ball but may only use the stick or their feet to propel it.

Players may not use their body or stick to obstruct another player from attempting to play the ball. The ball may be lifted during open play providing there is no danger to other players, but may not be lifted from a free hit.



A free hit is awarded against the offending player for any breach of the rules. A free hit awarded inside the circle to the attacking team becomes a penalty corner, which is a set play with specific rules governing how it is conducted. An intentional foul inside the 23m area but outside the circle, but outside the circle also leads to the award of a penalty corner. An intentional foul inside the circle leads to the award of a penalty stroke.

A penalty stroke is a one-on-one (attacker on goalkeeper) set play taken from a spot 6.4m in front of the goal with specific rules governing how it is conducted. The taker may only push, scoop or flick the ball in this situation.

## **7.5 TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS**

The FIH Tournament Regulations for the event is available from the FIH and may be found on their Internet web site <http://www.worldhockey.org>.

## **7.6 PENALTIES / DISQUALIFICATION RULES**

The regulations concerning penalties and/or disqualification are set out in the FIH Tournament Regulations.

## **7.7 PROTESTS / APPEALS**

There will be no Appeal Jury at this event. The decision of the Event Delegate will be final, although a team will have the opportunity under the special tournament regulations for this tournament to lodge a protest. Any such protest will be dealt with by the Event Delegate, whose decision shall be binding and final.



## 8 Equipment & Clothing

Equipment used or clothing worn by athletes and other participants at the Youth Olympic Games Hockey competition must comply with the FIH Constitution and Technical Rules and with the Bye-Law to Rule 51 of the Olympic Charter.

## 9 Doping Control

The Singapore Youth Olympic Games Organising Committee (SYOGOC), under the guidance of International Olympic Committee (IOC), will be responsible for the Doping Control Programme during the Singapore 2010 Youth Olympic Games. The Doping Control Programme will be implemented in accordance with the IOC Anti-Doping Rules, the World Anti-Doping Code and its relevant International Standards.

Doping Control stations will be set up at competition venues and the Polyclinic within the Youth Olympic Village, where in-competition testing will be conducted. The Test Distribution Plan and criteria for athlete selection for each sport will comply with the Doping Control protocol established by the IOC, IFs and SYOGOC. Doping Control procedures will be implemented according to the WADA's International Standards for Testing.

Sample analysis will be performed at a WADA-accredited laboratory or as otherwise approved by WADA.



## 10 Competition Venue

### SENGKANG HOCKEY STADIUM

#### 10.1 LOCATION

Serving the residents of Sengkang, a new suburb in the north-eastern part of Singapore, Sengkang Hockey Stadium is part of the Sengkang Sports & Recreation Centre.

#### 10.2 HISTORY

Situated in Sengkang new town, a relatively young satellite residential town, Sengkang Hockey Stadium is part of the newly opened Sengkang Sports & Recreation Centre. The Sengkang Sports & Recreation Centre houses a community club, swimming pools, indoor sports hall, gymnasium, dance studio, and retail and eating outlets.

Equipped with two new pitches, Sengkang Hockey Stadium hosted the Men's Junior World Cup in June 2009.





## 11 Competition Schedule by Day

Date	Time
16 Aug 2010	16:00 – 21:30
17 Aug 2010	15:00 – 21:30 15:30 – 22:00
18 Aug 2010	16:00 – 21:30
19 Aug 2010	16:00 – 21:30
20 Aug 2010	15:00 – 21:30 15:30 – 22:00
21 Aug 2010	16:00 – 21:30
22 Aug 2010	16:00 – 21:30
23 Aug 2010	16:00 – 21:30
24 Aug 2010	15:00 – 23:00
25 Aug 2010	15:00 – 23:00

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*Competition Schedule by Session will be provided during the Chef de Mission Seminar in March 2010.*



## **12 Games-Time Training**

### **12.1 TRAINING VENUES**

- Sengkang Hockey Stadium (2 Pitches)
- Youth Olympic Village Hockey Pitch (1 Pitch)

### **12.2 TRAINING SCHEDULE**

#### **12.2.1 Pre-Competition**

Date : 10 – 13, 15 August 2010  
Time : 08:00 – 20:00  
Length of session : 2 hours

#### **12.2.2 Competition**

Date : 16 – 25 August 2010  
Time : 08:00 – 20:00  
Length of session : 2 hours

### **12.3 TRAINING POLICIES**

#### **12.3.1 Pre-Competition Training (10 – 13, 15 August 2010) and Training during Competition (16 – 25 August 2010)**

Pre-Competition Training will be conducted from 10 to 13 and 15 August at the competition and training venue. Training during competition will be available at the training venue, from 16 to 25 August. There will not be any training available on 14 August 2010 due to the Opening Ceremony.

NOCs are allowed to book for their preferred training sessions prior to Games-Time.

Booking of training sessions during Games-Time can be made at the Sport Information Desk (SID), which is located within the Youth Olympic Village (YOV).

Please refer to Section 12.4 for information on booking of training sessions.

#### **12.3.2 Post-Competition Training**

There is no Post-Competition Training for Hockey.



## **12.4 BOOKING PROCEDURES & POLICIES**

### **12.4.1 Booking of Training Sessions prior to Games-Time**

- a. Training Request Forms will be sent to participating NOCs once the qualification process is completed on 1 June 2010
- b. NOCs are required to reply with their preferred training session times by 30 June 2010
- c. Requested training session times are not guaranteed as more than one NOC may have requested for the same session
- d. The allocation of training sessions will be at the discretion of the Competition Manager to ensure fairness and equitable distribution of training sessions
- e. Teams are guaranteed a minimum of one training session per day at the Seng Kang competition venue.
- f. Each session will be of 2 hours duration. Each team will be allocated minimum of one training session per day.
- g. Training schedule will be provided to each participating NOC on arrival at the YOY after the training sessions are allocated by Competition Manager.

### **12.4.2 Booking of Training Sessions during Games-Time**

NOCs that have not booked any training sessions can do so at the SID. Booking of training sessions will be on a first-come-first-served basis.

All training bookings have to be made at least 24 hours before the preferred session.

A Training Booking form will be issued to the NOC whenever a booking is completed.

### **12.4.3 Request for Change, Additional or Cancellation of Training Sessions**

NOCs that wish to request for a change or for additional training sessions are required to notify the SID at least 24 hours in advance. NOCs are to note that all requests will be subjected to availability.

NOCs are required to notify the SID if they do not intend to use their allocated/booked training sessions.



### 13 Medals

The top three teams in the finals will each receive a Gold medals, Silver medals and Bronze medals respectively.


### 14 Victory Ceremonies

Victory Ceremonies (VYC) will be held in accordance with the protocol determined by the IOC to honour the individual and team achievements of the athletes.

They will be held at the respective competition venues following the announcement of the final results. Prior to the commencement of the ceremony, medallists will be ushered to the VYC Holding Area for preparation. They will be briefed by the VYC Team on the ceremony protocol and subsequently escorted to the podium for the medals presentation. Once the ceremony is over, the medallists will be escorted out of the VYC podium area.

Medallists must wear their NOC official sport uniform. They will take their places on the podium and face the Guest Stand upon announcement of their names. The Gold Medallist(s) will stand on a centred, higher platform. The Silver and Bronze Medallists will stand on equal height, to the right and left of the Gold Medallist(s) respectively. Flags of the medallists' delegations will be raised while the abridged version of the Gold-medallist(s)' NOC anthem is being played. During the playing of the NOC anthem and the raising of the flags, medallists shall accord due respect and face the flags when they are raised.

For NOC Team events, the IOC flag will be raised in tandem with the abridged version of the IOC anthem.

 indicates information to be confirmed / determined by the International Federation.