

## Preface

In November 2010, the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games will be held in Guangzhou, China. The city of Guangzhou, with its openness, kindness and warmth, is welcoming friends from all over Asia as always.

“Thrilling Games, Harmonious Asia”. In 2010, through the delivery of efficient and effective planning and organization, state-of-the-art venues and facilities, customer-oriented services with a friendly and supportive environment, Guangzhou is expecting the elite Asian athletes to display their passion and the charming of sport, for promoting the development of sport in Asia, and strengthening the sports and cultural exchanges among the Asian countries and regions.

This publication, which includes a hard copy and an electronic copy both in Chinese and English, presents the competition technical information on Rugby at the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games. It also contains information on all related services, brief introductions to China, Guangdong Province and the city of Guangzhou, as well as contact information for the relevant sport organizations.

We have the honour to present you this Technical Handbook one year prior to the opening of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games. We sincerely hope this publication is conducive to and plays an important role in your participation in the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games.



## Organization Bodies

### OCA Executive Board

<b>President</b>	Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah
<b>Secretary General</b>	Raja Randhir Singh
<b>Vice Presidents</b>	Mr. Rakhimov Gafur Arslanbek
	Mr. Timothy Fok
	Lt. Genl. Syed Arif Hasan
	Maj. Genl. Charouck Arirachakran
	Sheikh Issa Bin Rashid Al-Khalifa
	Mr. Yu Zaiqing
	Mr. Temirkhan Dosmukhambetov
	Prof. Hoang Vinh Giang
	Mr. Habib Abdul Macki
	Mr. Yong Suk Shin

#### **Chairman, Coordination Committee**

Mr. Tsunekazu Takeda

#### **Chairman, Advisory Committee**

Mr. Ser Miang Ng

#### **Chairperson, Athletes Committee**

Mrs. Yuko Arakida

#### **Chairman, Cultural Committee**

Mr. Hemasiri Fernando

#### **Chairman, Finance Committee**

Dr. Feng-Shu Chang

**Chairman, Information & Statistics Committee**

Mr. Bahram Afsharzadeh

**Chairman, Media Committee**

Mr. Manuel Silverio

**Chairman, Medical Committee**

Dr. M. Jegathesan

**Chairman, Rules Committee**

Sheikh Talal Fahad Al-Sabah

**Chairman, Sports & Environment Committee**

Mr. Kyung-Sun Yu

**Chairman, Peace Through Sports Committee**

HRH Prince Faisal Al-Hussein

**Chairman, Sports For All Committee**

Genl. Souhail Khoury

**Chairman, Sports Committee**

Mr. Zhang Jilong

**Chairperson, International Relations Committee**

Mrs. Rita Subowo

**Chairperson, Women and Sports Committee**

Mrs. Natalya Sipovich

**Director General & Technical Director**

Mr. Husain A H Z Al-Musallam



## **GAGOC Executive Board**

<b>President</b>	Mr. Liu Peng
<b>Executive President</b>	Mr. Huang Huahua
<b>Vice Presidents</b>	Mr. Yu Zaiqing Mr. Duan Shijie Mr. Yang Shu'an Mr. Xiao Tian Mr. Huang Longyun Mr. Zhu Xiaodan Mr. Lin Musheng
<b>Vice President &amp; Secretary General</b>	Mr. Zhang Guangning
<b>Executive Deputy Secretary General</b>	Mr. Xu Ruisheng
<b>Deputy Secretaries General</b>	Mr. Song Luzeng Mr. Ni Huizhong Mr. Guo Jianjun Mr. Luo Ou Mr. Yang Naijun Mr. Ye Xiquan Mr. Tian Xinde Mr. Gu Shiyang Mr. Liu Jiangnan

## OCA Members

No.	NOC	Code
1	Afghanistan	AFG
2	Bahrain	BRN
3	Bangladesh	BAN
4	Bhutan	BHU
5	Brunei Darussalam	BRU
6	Cambodia	CAM
7	China	CHN
8	D.P.R. Korea	PRK
9	Hong Kong, China	HKG
10	India	IND
11	Indonesia	INA
12	Iran	IRI
13	Iraq	IRQ
14	Japan	JPN
15	Jordan	JOR
16	Kazakhstan	KAZ
17	Korea	KOR
18	Kuwait	KUW
19	Kyrgyzstan	KGZ
20	Laos	LAO
21	Lebanon	LIB
22	Macau, China	MAC
23	Malaysia	MAS
24	Maldives	MDV
25	Mongolia	MGL
26	Myanmar	MYA



No.	NOC	Code
27	Nepal	NEP
28	Oman	OMA
29	Pakistan	PAK
30	Palestine	PLE
31	Philippines	PHI
32	Qatar	QAT
33	Saudi Arabia	KSA
34	Singapore	SIN
35	Sri Lanka	SRI
36	Syria	SYR
37	Chinese Taipei	TPE
38	Tajikistan	TJK
39	Thailand	THA
40	Timor-Leste	TLS
41	Turkmenistan	TKM
42	United Arab Emirates	UAE
43	Uzbekistan	UZB
44	Vietnam	VIE
45	Yemen	YEM

# Contents

<b>General Information</b> .....	1
<b>China in Brief</b> .....	1
<b>Guangdong Province in Brief</b> .....	2
<b>Guangzhou in Brief</b> .....	3
<b>The 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games in Brief</b> .....	5
<b>Accreditation and Validation</b> .....	7
<b>Immigration / Visa</b> .....	7
<b>Transportation</b> .....	8
<b>Accommodation</b> .....	10
<b>Media</b> .....	10
<b>Medical Services</b> .....	11
<b>Weather Information in November</b> .....	12
<b>Competition Technical Information</b> .....	14
<b>Rugby</b> .....	14
Competition Date and Venue .....	14
Competition Management .....	14
Competition Events .....	14
Competition Schedule .....	14
Competition Venue .....	18
Competition Rules .....	18
Competition Format .....	18
Sport Entries .....	22
Technical Meeting .....	22
Technical Officials .....	22
Protests and Appeals .....	23
Equipment and Clothing .....	23
Doping Control .....	23



---

Gender Verification .....	23
Victory Ceremony .....	24
Sport Information .....	24
Training Venue .....	24
<b>Approval of the Technical Handbook .....</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>General Contacts .....</b>	<b>25</b>

## General Information

### China in Brief

China is one of the world's most ancient civilizations with rich material and cultural heritages that trace back a history of over 5,000 years. As the world's largest developing country, China has accomplished enormous economic and social progress for which it is acclaimed by the world. Nowadays, China enjoys political and social stability and fast economic growth, and its people's living standards keep improving.

### Geography

China is situated in East Asia on the western coast of the Pacific. With a land area of 9.6 million square kilometers, China has a highly varied terrain that in general slopes downward from the west to the east.

### Climate

China has highly varied climate conditions across its vast territory. Most parts of the country are within the North Temperate Zone, typical of a continental monsoon climate, featuring moderate weather conditions and distinct four seasons.

### Population, Ethnicity and Language

Population: 1,328,020,000

Ethnicity: China is a multi-ethnic country with 56 different ethnic groups.



Language: Over 80 different languages are spoken in China, about 30 of which have written forms. Putonghua (Mandarin) is the official language of China.

## Religion

Religion: China is a country with multi-religions mainly including Buddhism, Taoism, Islam, Catholics and Christianity. Chinese citizens enjoy the freedom of religious belief.

## Miscellaneous

Currency: Renminbi (RMB) is the legal currency of China. The fractional currency is jiao and fen. One yuan is composed of 10 jiao and one jiao is composed of 10 fen. Foreign currencies can be exchanged at most hotels and banks in China.

Voltage: 220V (50Hz)

Please visit [www.gov.cn](http://www.gov.cn) for more information.

## Guangdong Province in Brief

### Geographic Location

The Guangdong Province covers a land area of 179,800 square kilometers between 20°13' – 25°31'N and 109°39' – 117°19'E on the southern end of the Chinese mainland. Situated to the north of the South China Sea, Guangdong Province has a coastline of 3,368.1 kilometers.

## Climate

Guangdong Province has a mixture of tropical and subtropical monsoon climates, with an annual average temperature of 22.3 Celsius degrees, featuring prolonged summer and warm winter. Guangdong is a humid province, as the rainfall averages between 1,300mm and 2,500mm annually. The low altitude and the ocean also have a great impact on the local climate.

## Population and Language

Population: 94,490,000

Language: Three dialect phyla in addition to Putonghua.

## Guangzhou in Brief

### Administrative Districts and Population

As the capital of Guangdong Province, Guangzhou is the political, economic, and cultural center of the province. It is also a major trading hub of China.

Covering an area of 7,434.4 square kilometers and with a resident population of nearly 10 million, Guangzhou administrates 10 districts and two county-level cities, Conghua and Zengcheng.

### Touristic Resources

Guangzhou enjoys rich touristic resources. There are more than 100 scenic sites.

The famous Eight Top Scenic Spots of Guangzhou: Baiyun



Mountain, Pearl River, Yuexiu Mountain, East Station Square, Chen Clan Academy, Huanghuagang Mausoleum of 72 Martyrs, Guangdong Olympic Sports Center and Lotus Mountain.

Other famous scenic sites include Dr. Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall, Huangpu Military Academy, Western Han Nanyue King Museum, Guangzhou International Convention and Exhibition Center, Guangzhou Museum of Art, South China Botanical Garden, Conghua Hot Spring, Liuxi River National Forest Park, Up Down Nine Pedestrian Street, and Beijing Road Pedestrian Street, etc.

Please visit [www.gz.gov.cn](http://www.gz.gov.cn) for more information.

## History and Culture

Guangzhou is a famous cultural city with a history of more than 2,200 years. In the year of 214 B.C. , Nanhai Prefecture ( the Capital was built in “Panyu” ) was founded. In the year of 226 A. D. , the city was named “Guangzhou”.

Guangzhou was the starting point of the “Maritime Silk Road” and was the earliest trade port in China. The city is also a cradle of modern Chinese revolution.

Cantonese Opera is a typical local opera. It is popular in Guangdong Province, Hong Kong, Macau and Southeast Asia. Lingnan painting school is one of China’s modern painting schools. Guangzhou’s carvings, porcelains and ceramics, and embroideries are fine art crafts famous both at home and abroad. Cantonese cuisine is one of the major cuisines in China.

It is rich in popular customs such as Spring Flower Festival, dragon boat racing, mountain climbing in the Double Ninth Festival, morning tea, etc.

## Useful Information

1. Languages: Putonghua and Cantonese
2. Time Zone: GMT +8 (Beijing Time)
3. Voltage: 220V (50Hz)
4. Emergency: Telephone Number Inquiry: 114;  
Ambulance: 120;  
Fire: 119;  
Police: 110;  
Traffic Accident: 122.
5. Banking: the following foreign credit cards can be used in Guangzhou: Master Card, Visa Card, American Express Card, and JCB, etc.

## The 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games in Brief

- Dates: November 12 – 27, 2010
- Location: Guangzhou, China
- Sport Program: 42 sports, 473 events
- Venues: 53 competition venues
- Mission: In the Olympic spirit and the spirit of the Asian Games, the Games seek to promote solidarity, friendship and exchanges among Asian countries and regions and to contribute to the building of a harmonious Asia.



Vision: Thrilling Games, Harmonious Asia

### The Emblem

The official emblem of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games was designed based on the contours of the Statue of the Five Goats, the symbol of Guangzhou. Its soft lines move upward to form the silhouette of the Statue, which also resembles the flame in the caldron of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games. The design well embodies the symbol of Guangzhou, representing the goodwill of the Guangzhou people and the dynamics of the Asian Games.

### The Mascots

Named “*Le Yangyang*” as a group, the Mascots of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games are five sporty and cute goats called *A Xiang* [a:ˈsj ʌ ŋ], *A He* [a:ˈhə:], *A Ru* [a:ˈru:], *A Yi* [a:ˈji:] and *Le Yangyang* [ˈlɑ: j ʌ ŋj ʌ ŋ] respectively. Put together, these names mean “peace, fortune and happiness”. They express the goodwill that Guangzhou hopes to bring to Asia through the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games: fortune, harmony, happiness, fulfillment and joy; and also convey the Games’ message - harmony and passion.

### The Asian Games Town

The Asian Games Town covers a planned area of 2.73 square kilometers on the east side of Guangzhou New Town, right at the foot of the Lotus Mountain and alongside the Lotus Waterway. Well-equipped and set in a beautiful environment, the Asian Games Town comprises the Athletes’ Village, the Media Village, the International Broadcast Center, the Main Press Center and the Asian Games Park.

## **Accreditation and Validation**

GAGOC will start distributing the accreditation application forms and Users' Guide from March 15, 2010.

The completed accreditation application forms shall be returned to GAGOC by June 30, 2010.

From September 1, 2010, GAGOC will start sending out the accreditation cards of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games to NOCs that have submitted valid accreditation application forms with photos before June 30, 2010. The bearers of the accreditation cards can activate the accreditation cards at the accreditation centers at the airport or the Asian Games Town /the sub-villages upon entering China. Once activated, the accreditation cards will be used as the official IDs for participation in the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games. The bearers have access rights to different venues and zones according to the access entitlement specified on their accreditation cards.

## **Immigration / Visa**

From October 13 to December 12, 2010, AGIAC holders will be permitted multiple entries into China upon presentation of their AGIAC, together with a valid passport or other valid international travel documents. Card holders will not need to apply for a China Visa or Residence Permit in order to enter the country. Any AGIAC holders wishing to enter China before or after the validity period of the AGIAC, or remain in China after its expiry date, will need to make their own arrangements regarding visas or



residence permit.

AGIAC holders should ensure that the information on their valid passport or international travel documents when entering China is exactly the same with the information on the certified document used for application for AGIAC, and that their passport or travel document remain valid at least till May 31, 2011.

AGIAC: ASIAN GAMES IDENTITY ACCREDITATION CARD

## **Transportation**

### *Transport Services for Arrival and Departure*

Provision of shuttle bus services for athletes and team officials between designated sites and their accommodations during the arrival and departure period of the Games. Provision of group bus services for arriving or departing athletes and team officials. The group bus services require advance reservation.

### *Dedicated Bus Services for Team Events ( for team events )*

Provision of dedicated group bus services for athletes' teams participating in team events for training and competition. These group bus services require reservation and confirmation.

### *Transport Services for Competitions ( for non-team events )*

Provision of shuttle bus services for athletes and team officials participating in non-team events between their accommodations and the applicable competition venues as per the competition schedule.

### Transport Services for Training ( for non-team events )

Provision of shuttle bus services for athletes and team officials participating in non-team events between their accommodations and the training venues as per the training schedule. These services will stop at 1:00pm on the day of the Opening Ceremony. Athletes who wish to continue to train until later on that day may use an NOC Dedicated Vehicle for their trips to and from the training venues.

### Transport Services for Spectating

Provision of shuttle bus services for athletes and team officials as spectators between the Athletes' Village and all competition venues as per the competition schedule. Athletes and team officials as spectators of an event or events of their own sports are permitted to use the competition bus service to the applicable venue. However, priority will be given to competing athletes and their team officials.

### Transport Services for Luggage

The luggage belonging to athletes and team officials should, in principle, be carried by the bus they take. If that is impossible, due to insufficient storage space, a separate vehicle will be provided to transport these items to their destinations.

### Transport Services between Villages

Provision of shuttle bus services between the Athletes' Sub-villages and the Athletes' Village while the Athletes' Sub-villages are open.



## Accommodation

During the Games time, over 10,000 athletes and team officials will be accommodated in the Athletes' Village which boasts 49 apartment buildings consisting of 3,598 apartments. The Athletes' Village will be officially opened on November 5, 2010 and closed on November 30, 2010. It is divided into the Public Area, the International Area and the Residential Area. Separate accreditation is required for entering the three areas.

## Media

### Mixed Zones

Mixed zones will be set up in the competition venues to facilitate interactions between athletes and the media. As per the requirements of the OCA, athletes must pass through the mixed zones after finishing their competitions, but are not obligated to take the media's questions. Each journalist should complete his or her interview within one minute.

AFs and the competition management teams will provide necessary assistance to ensure that athletes can pass through the mixed zone smoothly.

### Press Conference

Generally, a press conference will be organized immediately after each final for the medalists (and coaches/other athletes, if necessary) to meet with the media. The media operation team will usher the participants into the press room. The press

conference will be interpreted in English and Chinese.

## **Medical Services**

All competition and non-competition venues will include athlete medical stations, where professional medical staff as well as ambulances will stand by. The centers provide first-aid service during the period when the competition/training venues are open.

The Asian Games Town will have a polyclinic, providing treatment and consultation across the departments of internal medicine and surgery, including ophthalmology, stomatology, physical treatment, massage, X-rays, pharmacy, etc. It also has an emergency room open 24 hours a day, with ambulances stand-by. Any patients who need further diagnosis and treatment will be transferred to designated hospitals of the Games.

Free medical services will be provided to members of the Asian Games Family during the Games time.



## Weather Information in November

City	Guangzhou	Foshan	Dongguan	Shanwei
Prevailing Wind	N	NNW	NE	NE
Mean Wind Speed (m/s)	1.8	1.9	1.8	3
Maximum Wind Speed (m/s)	13.7	10	8.3	18
Highest Gust (m/s)	22.8	17.3	13.3	26.2
Mean Temperature ( °C )	19.8	19.8	20.1	20.7
Mean Maximum Temperature ( °C )	33.4	32.9	33.6	33.2
Mean Minimum Temperature ( °C )	4.9	4.2	4.5	5.8
Mean Sea Surface Temperature ( °C )				22.3
Daily Mean Relative Humidity ( % )	65.8	68.3	67.6	69
Mean Monthly Rainfall ( mm )	34.8	35.2	32.7	28.3
Maximum Monthly Rainfall ( mm )	144.7	159.8	123.7	487
Maximum 24–Hour Rainfall ( mm )	116.3	78.5	99	273.5
Mean Number of Days with Rain ( days )	5.4	5.3	5.1	3.9

City	Guangzhou	Foshan	Dongguan	Shanwei
Mean Number of Days with Fog ( days )	0.2	1	0.1	0
Mean Number of Days with Thunderstorm ( days )	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Mean Daily Sunshine ( hours/days )	5.7	5.6	6.3	6.1

( Data based on 2006 to 2008 )



## Competition Technical Information

### Rugby

#### Competition Date and Venue

The Rugby competition of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games will be held from November 21 to 23, 2010 in University Town Main Stadium.

#### Competition Management

Technical Delegate

Beth Coalter (GBR)

Tournament Operations Manager, International Rugby Board (IRB)

Competition Manager

Liu Rongyao

#### Competition Events

The Rugby Sevens competition of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games will consist of two events: Men's and Women's.

#### Competition Schedule

Day 9	November 21 (Sunday)			
	Session RU 01	Start: 14:30	End: 18:30	University Town Main Stadium
	14:30	Men's Group A (A1 vs A4) (Match 1)		
	14:50	Men's Group B (B1 vs B4) (Match 2)		
	15:10	Women's Group A (A1 vs A5) (Match 3)		
	15:30	Women's Group B (B1 vs B5) (Match 4)		

	15:50	Men's Group C ( C1 vs C4 ) ( Match 5 )		
	16:10	Men's Group D ( D1 vs D4 ) ( Match 6 )		
	16:30	Women's Group A ( A2 vs A4 ) ( Match 7 )		
	16:50	Women's Group B ( B2 vs B4 ) ( Match 8 )		
	17:10	Men's Group A ( A2 vs A3 ) ( Match 9 )		
	17:30	Men's Group B ( B2 vs B3 ) ( Match 10 )		
	17:50	Women's Group A ( A3 vs A5 ) ( Match 11 )		
	18:10	Women's Group B ( B3 vs B5 ) ( Match 12 )		
<b>Day 10</b>	<b>November 22 ( Monday )</b>			
	<b>Session RU 02</b>	<b>Start : 08:00</b>	<b>End : 18:40</b>	<b>University Town Main Stadium</b>
	08:00	Men's Group C ( C2 vs C3 ) ( Match 13 )		
	08:20	Men's Group D ( D2 vs D3 ) ( Match 14 )		
	08:40	Women's Group A ( A1 vs A4 ) ( Match 15 )		
	09:00	Women's Group B ( B1 vs B4 ) ( Match 16 )		
	09:20	Men's Group A ( A1 vs A3 ) ( Match 17 )		
	09:40	Men's Group B ( B1 vs B3 ) ( Match 18 )		
	10:00	Women's Group A ( A2 vs A3 ) ( Match 19 )		
	10:20	Women's Group B ( B2 vs B3 ) ( Match 20 )		
	10:40	Men's Group C ( C1 vs C3 ) ( Match 21 )		
	11:00	Men's Group D ( D1 vs D3 ) ( Match 22 )		
	11:20	Women's Group A ( A4 vs A5 ) ( Match 23 )		
	11:40	Women's Group B ( B4 vs B5 ) ( Match 24 )		
	12:00	Men's Group A ( A2 vs A4 ) ( Match 25 )		
	12:20	Men's Group B ( B2 vs B4 ) ( Match 26 )		
	12:40	Women's Group A ( A1 vs A3 ) ( Match 27 )		
	13:00	Women's Group B ( B1 vs B3 ) ( Match 28 )		
	13:20	Men's Group C ( C2 vs C4 ) ( Match 29 )		



	13:40	Men's Group D ( D2 vs D4 ) ( Match 30 )
	14:00	Women's Group A ( A2 vs A5 ) ( Match 31 )
	14:20	Women's Group B ( B2 vs B5 ) ( Match 32 )
	14:40	Men's Group A ( A3 vs A4 ) ( Match 33 )
	15:00	Men's Group B ( B3 vs B4 ) ( Match 34 )
	15:20	Women's Group A ( A3 vs A4 ) ( Match 35 )
	15:40	Women's Group B ( B3 vs B4 ) ( Match 36 )
	16:00	Men's Group C ( C3 vs C4 ) ( Match 37 )
	16:20	Men's Group D ( D3 vs D4 ) ( Match 38 )
	16:40	Women's Group A ( A1 vs A2 ) ( Match 39 )
	17:00	Women's Group B ( B1 vs B2 ) ( Match 40 )
	17:20	Men's Group A ( A1 vs A2 ) ( Match 41 )
	17:40	Men's Group B ( B1 vs B2 ) ( Match 42 )
	18:00	Men's Group C ( C1 vs C2 ) ( Match 43 )
	18:20	Men's Group D ( D1 vs D2 ) ( Match 44 )
<b>Day 11</b>	<b>November 23 ( Tuesday )</b>	
	<b>Session RU 03</b>	<b>Start : 08:20      End : 18:40</b>
		<b>University Town Main Stadium</b>
	08:20	Men's ( Group A 3 <sup>rd</sup> vs Group D 4 <sup>th</sup> ) ( 9 – 16 positions , Match 45 )
	08:40	Men's ( Group B 3 <sup>rd</sup> vs Group C 4 <sup>th</sup> ) ( 9 – 16 positions , Match 46 )
	09:00	Men's ( Group C 3 <sup>rd</sup> vs Group B 4 <sup>th</sup> ) ( 9 – 16 positions , Match 47 )
	09:20	Men's ( Group D 3 <sup>rd</sup> vs Group A 4 <sup>th</sup> ) ( 9 – 16 positions , Match 48 )
	09:40	Women's ( Group A 1 <sup>st</sup> vs Group B 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) ( Semi-Final , Match 49 )
	10:00	Women's ( Group A 2 <sup>nd</sup> vs Group B 1 <sup>st</sup> ) ( Semi-Final , Match 50 )
	10:20	Men's ( Group A 1 <sup>st</sup> vs Group D 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) ( 1 – 8 positions , Match 51 )

	10:40	Men's ( Group B 1 <sup>st</sup> vs Group C 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) ( 1 – 8 positions, Match 52 )
	11:00	Men's ( Group C 1 <sup>st</sup> vs Group B 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) ( 1 – 8 positions, Match 53 )
	11:20	Men's ( Group D 1 <sup>st</sup> vs Group A 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) ( 1 – 8 positions, Match 54 )
	11:40	Women's ( Group A 5 <sup>th</sup> vs Group B 5 <sup>th</sup> ) ( 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> positions, match 55 )
	12:00	Women's ( Group A 4 <sup>th</sup> vs Group B 4 <sup>th</sup> ) ( 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> positions, Match 56 )
	12:20	Men's ( Loser of Match 45 vs Loser of Match 47 ) ( 13 – 16 positions, Match 57 )
	12:40	Men's ( Loser of Match 46 vs Loser of Match 48 ) ( 13 – 16 positions, Match 58 )
	13:00	Men's ( Winner of Match 45 vs Winner of Match 47 ) ( 9 – 12 positions, Match 59 )
	13:20	Men's ( Winner of Match 46 vs Winner of Match 48 ) ( 9 – 12 positions, Match 60 )
	13:40	Women's ( Group A 3 <sup>rd</sup> vs Group B 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) ( 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> positions, Match 61 )
	14:00	Men's ( Winner of Match 51 vs Winner of Match 53 ) ( Semi-Final, Match 62 )
	14:20	Men's ( Winner of Match 52 vs Winner of Match 54 ) ( Semi-Final, Match 63 )
	14:40	Men's ( Loser of Match 51 vs Loser of Match 53 ) ( 5 – 8 positions, Match 64 )
	15:00	Men's ( Loser of Match 52 vs Loser of Match 54 ) ( 5 – 8 positions, Match 65 )
	15:20	Men's ( Loser of Match 57 vs Loser of Match 58 ) ( 15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> positions, Match 66 )
	15:40	Men's ( Winner of Match 55 vs Winner of Match 56 ) ( 13 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup> positions, Match 67 )
	16:00	Men's ( Loser of Match 59 vs Loser of Match 60 ) ( 11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> positions, Match 68 )
	16:20	Men's ( Winner of Match 59 vs Winner of Match 60 ) ( 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> positions, Match 69 )
	16:40	Men's ( Loser of Match 64 vs Loser of Match 65 ) ( 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> positions, Match 70 )
	17:00	Men's ( Winner of Match 64 vs Winner of Match 65 ) ( 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> positions, Match 71 )



	17:20	Women's (Loser of match 49 vs Loser of match 50) (Bronze Medal Match, Match 72)
	17:40	Men's (Loser of Match 62 vs Loser of Match 63) (Bronze Medal Match, Match 73)
	18:00	Women's Gold Medal Match (Match 74)
	18:20	Men's Gold Medal Match (Match 75)

Note: The Competition Schedule is developed on the basis of 16 men's teams and 10 women's teams, and it is subject to change in accordance with the final entries and what is appropriate for match play and broadcast.

## Competition Venue

University Town Main Stadium

## Competition Rules

The Rugby competition of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games will be held in accordance with the latest Laws of the Game promulgated and published by International Rugby Board (IRB).

In case of any disagreement in the interpretation of the regulations and rules, the English version shall prevail. Any unforeseen cases not covered by the regulations and rules shall be handled as follows:

- General issues: Resolved in accordance with the OCA Constitution and Rules.
- Technical issues: Resolved in accordance with the spirit of the IRB regulations.

## Competition Format

### Competition System

Men's teams will be divided into four groups: Group A, Group B,

Group C and Group D, and each group consists of four teams, of whom A1, B1, C1 and D1 are seeds teams. Women's teams are divided into two groups: Group A and Group B, of whom A1, A2, B1 and B2 are seeds teams. The IRB/Asian Rugby Football Union (ARFU) Ranking system will be utilized for the teams in the groups.

The competition will have two phases: Group Matches and Knock-Out Matches. The group matches will be conducted on a round robin basis.

In men's competition, the teams classified first in each group and the teams classified second in each group will play cross-matches. The winners of the cross-matches will be in the semi-finals; the winners of semi-finals will meet in the gold medal match, and the losers will meet in the bronze medal match. The teams ranked the third and fourth in each group will play cross-matches in the way the same as the top eight teams to determine 9<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> positions.

The women's knock-out matches will be conducted according to the ranking of teams in each group. The top two teams ranked in each group will meet in the semi finals (1<sup>st</sup> vs 2<sup>nd</sup> in opposing groups). The winner of each semi final will "play off" for the gold medal match, and the losers of the semi finals will meet in the bronze medal match. Positions of 5<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> are determined by a single match with the corresponding placing in the opposing group.



Teams will be grouped by a draw (TBC).

### Awarding of Points and the Tie-break System for Pool Matches

During the group matches, three points shall be awarded for a win, two points for a draw and one point for a loss. The team gets the highest points will rank first.

If two teams have same points at the end of the group matches, then the team which wins the match between the two teams shall rank higher. If the match between the two teams is a draw, then the following process shall be used to determine the positions.

- ( i ) The margin of points scored for and against a team in all group matches shall be considered. The team with the highest positive margin of points shall be ranked higher in the group competition table. If the tie remains unresolved then;
- ( ii ) The margin of tries scored for and against a team in all group matches shall be considered. The team with the highest positive margin of tries shall be ranked higher in the group competition table. If the tie again remains unresolved then;
- ( iii ) The teams concerned shall be ranked by reference to the number of points scored in all group matches. The team with the highest number of points scored in the group matches shall be ranked higher in the group competition table. If the tie still remains unresolved then;

(iv) The teams concerned shall be ranked by reference to the number of tries scored in all group matches. The team that has scored the highest number of tries in the group matches shall be ranked higher in the group competition table. If the tie still remains unresolved then:

(v) The tie will be resolved by the toss of a coin between the Team Managers concerned.

#### Knock-Out Phase

If at the end of play, in the Knock-Out phase, the scores are tied then the following will take place: Extra time will be played until a winner is determined.

Extra time will be in period(s) of five minutes. After each period, the teams will change ends without an interval. In extra time, the “sudden-death” formula will be applied (i.e. the team that scores first will be the winner and the game will end at that point).

There shall be no extra time during the Group Matches stage.

#### Duration of Matches

All matches (excluding the Gold Medal Matches) shall be played seven minutes each half, with an interval of two minutes. The duration of Gold Medal matches is 10 minutes each half, with an interval of two minutes.



## Substitution of Players

No more than three substitutions may be made during a match, including extra time, and all must be made from the remaining substitutes. A player who has left the field, other than for the treatment of a bleeding wound, and who has been replaced, may not play again during the match, but is eligible for subsequent matches if deemed fit.

## Sport Entries

The 1<sup>st</sup> Entry (Entry by Sport) – Deadline: 24:00 of October 31, 2008 (Beijing Time)

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Entry (Entry by Event/Number) – Deadline: 24:00 of July 31, 2010 (Beijing Time)

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Entry (Entry by Name) – Deadline: 24:00 of September 30, 2010 (Beijing Time)

For the detailed entry policies, please refer to *Sport Entries Manual* of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games.

## Technical Meeting

Time and Place: TBD

## Technical Officials

Technical officials with the certificate of IRB shall be appointed or recommended by ARFU and IRB.

The Jury of Appeal shall be appointed by ARFU and approved by IRB.

## Protests and Appeals

All protests and appeals shall be handled according to the relevant regulations and rules of IRB and ARFU.

If there is a disagreement on the results or the decisions of technical officials, protest may be lodged. Protest shall be handed to the Jury of Appeal in writing within 30 minutes after the completion of the match. If the written protest is not received within 30 minutes, it will be deemed that no protest is registered. The decision of the Jury of Appeal is final.

## Equipment and Clothing

Equipment used and clothing worn by players and other relevant participants in the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games Rugby competition must comply with the IRB regulations and rules.

## Doping Control

Doping Control during the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games will be conducted in accordance with OCA Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Asian Games and will follow the standards and procedures under the World Anti-Doping Programme.

## Gender Verification

Gender verification tests shall be carried out in accordance with the OCA Constitution and Rules, except for those players who present a valid certificate of femininity issued by the IOC Medical



Commission or the OCA Medical Committee.

## Victory Ceremony

Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to the teams ranked the top three of each event respectively. There will be 12 medals presented only to the 12 participating athletes for the gold, silver and bronze Medals.

Fifteen minutes before the Victory Ceremony starts, the medalists shall be escorted to the Waiting Area to get ready for the ceremony. Medalists must wear their NOC official uniforms.

## Sport Information

All Sport-specific information for Rugby will be available at the sport information desks. They are located at the competition venue and at the Sport Information Center (SIC) in the Athletes' Village.

## Training Venue

The training will take place in Guangda Stadium.

## Approval of the Technical Handbook

The Technical Handbook for Rugby of the 16<sup>th</sup> Asian Games was approved by the Asian Rugby Football Union on September 21, 2009.

## General Contacts

### International Rugby Board

Chairman: Bernard Lapasset ( FRA )

Secretary General: Mike Miller ( GBR )

Address: Huguenot House 35 – 38 St Stephen’s Green Dublin 2

Tel: +353 1 240 9200

Fax: +353 1 240 9201

E-mail: [irb@irb.com](mailto:irb@irb.com)

### Asian Rugby Football Union

President: Choi Wan-Tae ( KOR )

Secretary General: Ross Mitchell ( GBR )

Address: Room 2001A, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So  
Kon Po, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

Phone: +852 2504 8311

Fax: +852 2576 7237

E-mail: [ARFU@hkrugby.com](mailto:ARFU@hkrugby.com)

Technical Delegate: Beth Coalter

Tel: +353 1 240 9217

Fax: +353 1 240 9201

E-mail: [Beth.Coalter@irb.com](mailto:Beth.Coalter@irb.com), [Jarrad.Gallagher@irb.com](mailto:Jarrad.Gallagher@irb.com)

### Guangzhou Asian Games Organizing Committee

Sports Department

Directors: Guo Jianjun, Tian Xinde



---

Address: Guangzhou Asian Games Sports and Culture Center,  
#299 Tianhe Road, Tianhe District, Guangzhou 510620,  
China

Phone: +86 20 3800 5432

Fax: +86 20 3800 5419

E-mail: [sports@gz2010.cn](mailto:sports@gz2010.cn)

Website: [www.gz2010.cn](http://www.gz2010.cn)

Competition Manager: Liu Rongyao

Phone: +86 13501191512

E-mail: [lryxq@yahoo.com.cn](mailto:lryxq@yahoo.com.cn)

Chinese Olympic Committee

Address: 2 Tiyuguan Road, Chongwen District, Beijing, 100763,  
China

Phone: +86 10 6711 6669

Fax: +86 10 6711 5858

E-mail: [coc@olympic.cn](mailto:coc@olympic.cn)

Website: [www.olympic.cn](http://www.olympic.cn)