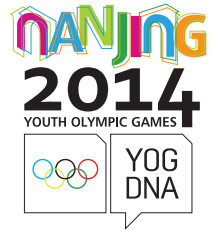


Sport Explanatory Brochure

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About the Sport Explanatory Brochures

The Sport Explanatory Brochures you are reading offer an introduction to each sport at the 2nd Summer Youth Olympic Games, Nanjing 2014, as well as providing information on some other key issues that may be of interest and importance to all participating teams.

Each Brochure is divided into several topics:

Sport-specific information on subjects such as the competition format and schedule, training and qualification system.

Key contacts.

All information contained in this Explanatory Brochure was correct at the time of compilation. However, please note that certain details may change between our compilation and the Games. NOCs are advised to check the official website of the 2nd Summer Youth Olympic Games, Nanjing 2014 for updates.

Wish you a pleasant stay in Nanjing!

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2. Key Dates & Activities

Date	Activities	Note
May/June 2014	Draw ceremony*	TBD
July 8	Entries by name deadline	
August 12	Opening of the Athletes' Village	
August 16	Opening Ceremony	
August 15	Arrival of IHF Officials (7 pax)	TBD
August 19	Arrival of IHF Officials (21 pax)	TBD
10:00am of August 19	Technical Meeting	JNG
August 20	The First Day of Handball Competition	JNG
August 25	The Last Day of Handball Competition	JNG

*The draw will be carried out after the IHF YOG qualification period



3. Events & Quotas

3.1 EVENTS (2)

Men's Events (1)	Women's Events (1)
6–team tournament for men	6–team tournament for women

3.2 QUOTAS

Category	Qualification Places	Host country Places	Universality Places	Total
Men	5 or 6 teams of 14 players	1 team* of 14 players	N/A	84
Women	5 or 6 teams of 14 players		N/A	84
Total	11 teams	1 team*	N/A	168

* The host country shall automatically qualify only one men's team or one women's team.

3.3 NOC QUOTA

	Maximum Quota Per NOC*
Men	1 team of 14 players
Women	1 team of 14 players
Total	2 teams

* According to the Nanjing 2014 YOG qualification systems principles, "participation in team sports shall be limited to one men's and one women's team per NOC across team sports (football, handball, hockey and rugby)."

4. Competition Format

4.1 Youth Olympic Competition Format

The Nanjing Youth Olympic Games Handball competition consists of Men's and Women's events. Both events have the same format and rules. In the preliminary round six teams are divided into two groups

of three teams. Each team plays every other team in the group (single round robin). To determine the final standings after the end of the preliminary round teams will play the finals and placement matches. The two teams ranked first and second in each group play in the semifinals, while the teams ranked third in each group play for 5th/6th place (two legs). The semifinal winners play in the gold medal match and the losers play in the bronze medal match.

4.2 Differences between the IHF Youth World Championships and the Youth Olympic Games

The number of participating teams in the IHF Youth World Championships is 24. The World Championship tournament consists of the preliminary round and the eightfinals, quarterfinals, semifinals, placement and finals matches.

4.3 Changes since the Singapore 2010 Youth Olympic Games

A rest day (after the preliminary round) has been added to the competition schedule. Rule changes: 15 minutes halftime break and three time-outs for each team. The age category was also modified from 16 to 18 instead of 17/18 in Singapore.

5. Competition Rules & Procedures

5.1 Age categories

Only athletes aged from 16 to 18 on 31 December in the year of the competition (that is, for the 2014 Games born between 1 January 1996 and 31 December 1998) may compete.

5.2 Classification and Tie Break Rules

5.2.1 Preliminary round:

The preliminary round is played in groups. The matches will be



evaluated as follows:

- Each match won = two points
- Each match drawn = one point for each team
- Each match lost = no points

Teams are ranked according to the total number of points gained.

During the preliminary round, the teams will be ranked according to the following criteria:

- Total number of points gained
- Goal difference in all matches
- Greater number of goals scored in all matches

If still tied, all tied teams will share the same rank.

If two or more teams have gained the same number of points after the group matches have been completed, classification is decided as follows:

- Results in points between the teams concerned
- Goal differences in the matches between the teams concerned
- Greater number of goals scored in the matches between the teams concerned.

If the teams are still equal, a decision is made between those teams with equal number of points as follows:

- Goal difference in all matches
- Greater number of goals scored in all matches

If the teams are still tied, a draw will decide. The IHF representative on site will execute the draw, if possible in the presence of the “responsible team officials” .

5.2.2 Two placement matches 5–6:

The matches will be evaluated as follows:

- Each match won = two points
- Each match drawn = one point for each team
- Each match lost = no points

If, after completion of the two matches, both teams had gained the same number of points and goals, the ranking of the two teams

will be decided directly with a 7 meter shoot-out competition (five players from each team take alternate shots. If the result is still tied the competition will continue with one player from each team taking alternate shots until one team wins).

5.2.3 Semifinal, bronze medal and gold medal matches:

After completion of the preliminary round, the semifinal, bronze medal and gold medal matches will be played in a knock-out system.

In case of a draw at the end of the regular playing time, after a break of five minutes there will be extra time (two periods of five minutes (2 x 5 minutes), changing sides halfway through with a one minute break).

Should the match still not be decided after this extra time period, after a break of five minutes there will be a second extra time (two periods of five minutes (2 x 5 minutes), changing sides halfway through with a one minute break).

Should the match still not be decided after the second extra time period, it will be decided with a 7 meter shoot-out competition (five players from each team take alternate shots. If the result is still tied the competition will continue with one player from each team taking alternate shots until one team wins).

5.3 Match Description

- Each team consists of 14 players. The team must use a goalkeeper at all times. No more than seven players (six court players and one goalkeeper) may be present on the court at any time. The remaining players are substitutes.
- Substitutes may repeatedly enter the match at any time without notifying officials as long as the players they are replacing have already left the court
- The court dimensions must be 40 meters in length by 20 meters in width
- The court players must not enter the goal area (6 meters in front of



the goal)

- The goalkeeper is entitled to act as a court player
- The playing time is two halves of 30 minutes with a 15 minute break in-between
- Two referees lead the match
- Teams attempt to gain the highest number of goals to win the match
- Teams may ask for up to three time-outs during a match

5.3.1 The Attacker in possession of the ball:

- Is entitled to bounce the ball as often as he likes. If he catches the ball he is allowed to take a maximum of three steps with it. Then he must pass or shoot.
- Has to jump at the goal area line (6 meter line), is allowed to fly above the goal area but must not enter it with the ball in his hands.

5.3.2 The Defender:

- Is allowed to make body contact in a man-on-man situation
- Must not hit
- Must not hold or restrain
- Must not strike or pull back the opponent's throwing arm
- Must not spoil a clear chance of scoring by illegal means. This always leads to a 7 meter penalty throw.

5.4 Punishments / Disqualification Rules

The players and team officials are punished during a match according to the rules of the game and IHF regulations. A player, a team official or a team may be disqualified from the tournament due to a breach of sport ethics, rules or by violating anti-doping regulations.

5.5 Appeals

The teams can submit appeals on decisions of the disciplinary

commission to the jury of appeal.

6. Qualification System

6.1 ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

● To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 1996 and 31 December 1998.

● National team players shall meet the following conditions:

a) Citizenship of the country/region concerned

b) They shall not have played in any national team of another country in the three years preceding their first appearance in the national team in an official match. Official matches are considered to be: the qualifying matches for a continental championship, matches in a continental championship, qualifying matches for IHF World Championships and Olympic Games, and matches in IHF Championships and Olympic Games

● A player who holds more than one nationality and who complies with the above conditions is eligible to officially represent one of those countries if:

a) he/she was born in the territory of the federation concerned or,

b) his/her biological mother or biological father were born in the territory of the federation concerned or,

c) he/she has lived in the territory of the federation concerned for more than 24 months in any period of their life.

6.2 QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

For each qualifying event, the quota places obtained for the Youth Olympic Games will be allocated to:

Athletes

NOCs

To participate in the Youth Olympic Games, teams must meet the



following conditions:

A. be part of the top 40 in the IHF senior world ranking of 1 January 2014

or

B. finish at the respective qualification event before a team which is ranked in the top 20 in the IHF senior world ranking in force on the first day of the respective event

Each continent can have a maximum of two NOCs per gender participating in the Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing. An exception shall be made in the event that not enough teams meet conditions A or B.

Youth Continental Qualifications

The IHF organize continental qualification events during the official YOG 2014 qualification period (between 1 April 2013 and 8 June 2014). The highest ranked team at each of the youth continental qualification events, provided it meets condition A or B, shall qualify for the YOG handball tournament.

Women's Youth Continental Qualification events:

- Women's Youth European Championships in Poland (15 – 25 August 2013)
- AHF Youth Olympic Games Qualification in Nanjing, China (16 – 24 August 2013)
- African Continental Championships in Oyo, Congo (1–8 September 2013)
- Pan–American Continental Championships– Place to be defined (4–13 April 2014)

Men's Youth Continental Qualification events:

- European Youth Olympic Festival in Utrecht, Netherlands (14 – 19 July 2013)
- AHF Youth Olympic Games Qualification in Nanjing, China (16 – 24 August 2013)
- African Continental Championships in Nairobi, Kenya (1–9 March

2014)

● Pan–American Continental Championships in Buenos Aires, Argentina (March 30–April 7, 2014)

Should the highest ranked team at each of the five youth continental qualification events not meet either condition (A or B), the place will be allocated to the next best ranked team not yet qualified in the same continental qualification event, provided that this team meets condition A or B.

Should a continent have no team meeting either condition A or B, the qualification place of this continent will be allocated to the continent with the IHF 2012/2013 youth world champion of the respective gender, and will be allocated to the best ranked NOC not yet qualified at the respective continental qualification event, provided that there are no more than two teams already qualified from that continent. Should the maximum quota of two NOCs for that continent already be reached, the qualification place will be allocated to the best ranked team of the IHF Youth World Championship 2012/2013 of the respective gender, from a continent that has not reached the maximum quota of two NOCs, and provided that this team meets condition A or B.

6.3 HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION

China, as host country, has the right to directly qualify one men’s or one women’s handball team for the YOG. Any unused host country places (either men or women) shall be reallocated in accordance with the criteria set out below.

7. Qualification Timeline

DATE	MILESTONE
March 2013	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission
1 April 2013 – 8 June 2014	YOG 2014 qualification period



DATE	MILESTONE
16 – 24 August 2013	Men's and Women's Asia Continental Qualification event: AHF Youth Olympic Games Qualification (Nanjing, CHN)
15 – 25 August 2013	Women's European Continental Qualification Event: Women's Youth European Championship (city TBC, POL)
14 – 19 July 2013	Men's European Continental Qualification Event: European Youth Olympic Festival (Utrecht, NED)
1 – 8 September 2013	Women's African Continental Qualification Event: African Women's Junior Handball Championship (Oyo, CGO)
1 – 9 March 2014	Men's African Continental Qualification Event: African Men's Junior Handball Championship (Nairobi, KEN)
30 March– 7 April 2014	Men's Pan–American Continental Championship (Buenos Aires, ARG)
4–13 April 2014	Women's Pan–American Continental Championship (locations TBC)
8 July 2014	Entries by name deadline for all sports
16 – 28 August 2014	2nd Summer Youth Olympic Games – Nanjing 2014

8. Competition Venue

Name	Distance to YOY	Driving Time	Seats Capacity
Jiangning Sports Centre Gymnasium (JNG)	29km	45min	2,000

9. Event Schedule

Day 4	Wednesday August 20		
Session HB01	Start:14:00	End: 17:45	
14:00–15:45	Girls' Preliminaries – match 01		A3 vs. A1
16:00–17:45	Girls' Preliminaries – match 02		B3 vs. B1
Session HB02	Start:18:00	End: 21:45	
18:00–19:45	Boys' Preliminaries – match 03		A3 vs. A1
20:00–21:45	Boys' Preliminaries – match 04		B3 vs. B1

Day 5	Thursday August 21			
	Session HB03	Start:14:00	End: 17:45	
	14:00–15:45	Girls' Preliminaries – match 05		A2 vs. A3
	16:00–17:45	Girls' Preliminaries – match 06		B2 vs. B3
	Session HB04	Start:18:00	End: 21:45	
	18:00–19:45	Boys' Preliminaries – match 07		A2 vs. A3
	20:00–21:45	Boys' Preliminaries – match 08		B2 vs. B3
Day 6	Friday August 22			
	Session HB05	Start:14:00	End: 17:45	
	14:00–15:45	Girls' Preliminaries – match 09		A1 vs. A2
	16:00–17:45	Girls' Preliminaries – match 10		B1 vs. B2
	Session HB06	Start:18:00	End: 21:45	
	18:00–19:45	Boys' Preliminaries – match 11		A1 vs. A2
	20:00–21:45	Boys' Preliminaries – match 12		B1 vs. B2
Day 7	Saturday August 23			
	REST DAY			
Day 8	Sunday August 24			
	Session HB07	Start:09:00	End: 12:45	
	09:00–10:45	Girls' Placement Match 5–6 1st Leg – match 13		3A vs. 3B
	11:00–12:45	Boys' Placement Match 5–6 1st Leg – match 14		3A vs. 3B
	Session HB08	Start:13:00	End: 17:45	
	13:00–15:15	Girls' Semifinals – match 15		2A vs. 1B
	15:30–17:45	Girls' Semifinals – match 16		1A vs. 2B
	Session HB09	Start:18:00	End: 22:45	
	18:00–20:15	Boys' Semifinals – match 17		1A vs. 2B
	20:30–22:45	Boys' Semifinals – match 18		2A vs. 1B
Day 9	Monday August 25			
	Session HB10	Start:09:00	End: 12:45	



Day 9	Monday August 25		
	09:00–10:45	Girls' Placement Match 5–6 2nd Leg – match 19	3B vs. 3A
	11:00–12:45	Boys' Placement Match 5–6 2nd Leg – match 20	3B vs. 3A
	Session HB11	Start:13:00	End: 17:45
	13:00–15:15	Girls' Bronze Medal Match – match 21	L15 vs. L16
	15:30–17:45	Boys' Bronze Medal Match – match 22	L17 vs. L18
	Session HB12	Start:18:00	End: 22:45
	18:00–20:15	Girls' Gold Medal Match – match 23	W15 vs. W16
	20:30–22:45	Boys' Gold Medal Match – match 24	W17 vs. W18

Note: During semifinal and finals, the throw off time would be postponed in event the earlier match ended later than scheduled.

The Victory Ceremony both for boys' and girls' will start 15 min after the last match of the day.

* The event schedule is subject to change in accordance with the final entries.

10. Training Information

10.1 Training /Warm-up Venue

Name	Distance to YOY	Driving Time	Total
Jiangning Sports Centre Training Venue (JNT)	29km	45min	2*

*Training will be arranged in the competition court and the training/warm-up court. The training/warm-up court is wooden floor.

10.2 TRAINING SCHEDULE

10.2.1 Pre-Competition

Number of courts: 2 courts including competition court

Date: 13 – 15, 17 – 19 Aug 2014

Time: 09:00 – 21:00

Length of Session: 1 hour 50 minutes (the familiarization training on the competition court will be conducted on August 18th and 19th with length of Session of 50 minutes)



In view of the Opening Ceremony, there will be no training session on 16 August 2014.

10.2.2 Competition

Number of courts: 2 courts including competition court

Date: 20 – 22 Aug 2014*

Time: 09:00 – 12:00

Length of Session: Non-competition teams: 1 hour 20 minutes

*In consideration of the distance between the YOY and the handball training venues, in principle, the morning training for competition teams will not be arranged during the competition days.

Date: 23 Aug 2014 – REST DAY

Time: 9:00 – 18:00

Length of Session: 1 hour 20 minutes

*In consideration of the distance between the YOY and the handball training venues, in principle, the teams playing the Placement matches 5/6 will have first two training sessions in the competition and training hall, the teams playing in the semifinals will have possibility to train in the following training sessions respecting the playing schedule of the 24th of August. Morning training for competition teams will not be arranged during the competition days.

10.3 TRAINING POLICIES

10.3.1 Pre-Competition Training (13 – 15, 17 – 19 August 2014)

Pre-Competition Training will be conducted on 13 – 15, 17 – 19 August 2014 at the Jiangning Sports Centre Training/warm-up Hall and Jiangning Sports Centre Gymnasium. There is no training on 16 August in view of the Opening Ceremony.

Training sessions will be allocated by the Competition Management on a rotational basis.

Each session will be of maximum 1 hour 50 minutes duration. The



familiarization training on the competition court will be conducted on August 18th and 19th with length of Session of 50 minutes. Each NOC will be allocated to 1 training session per day.

Training schedule will be available to each participating NOC at the Sport Information Desk (SID).

10.3.2 Training during Competition (20 – 25 August 2014)

Training sessions will be allocated by the Competition Management. Training schedule during the competition period will be allocated with reference to each team's competition schedule.

Those teams which are competing on the day will be allocated to a warm-up session of 45 minutes before their competition in the training hall.

Non-competing teams on the day will be allocated to a training session of 1 hour 20 minutes.

Training schedule will be available to each participating NOC at the SID.

10.3.3 Confirmation, Change of Training Sessions

NOCs must confirm their training sessions by 17:00 one day before their allocated session at the SID. If NOCs did not confirm their sessions, the training session will be made available to other NOCs.

NOCs that wish to change sessions are required to notify the SID by 17:00 one day before the session. NOCs are to note that all requests will be subjected to availability. No addition training session is allowed.

11. Medals

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

12. Victory Ceremonies

Victory Ceremonies will be held in accordance with the requirements

of the YOG Event Manual of the IOC.

The Victory Ceremonies will be held following the completion of each event final on the Field of Play (FOP). Medallists will be invited onto a podium to receive the medals and the mascots in the sequence of the bronze, silver, and gold medallists. At the Ceremony, the anthem of the NOC of the gold medallist will be played; and meanwhile the flags of the NOC of the medallists will be raised. The Olympic flag and anthem will be used for the mixed NOC team events.

13. Equipment & Clothing

Equipment used or clothing worn by athletes and other participants at the Youth Olympic Games Handball competition must comply with the IHF Constitution and Technical Rules and with the Bye-Law to Rule 50 of the Olympic Charter.

14. Doping Control

The Nanjing 2014 Anti-doping team will plan and implement the YOG Doping Control Programme in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Code, IOC Anti-Doping Rules and other related international standards.

The Doping Control Programme will specify the anti-doping activities to be conducted during the Games-time, including notification procedures, sample collection, storage and transport to the laboratory of China Anti-Doping Agency accredited by WADA.

The Programme is aimed at maintaining the dignity of the Olympic Movement and protecting athletes' fundamental right to participate in clean sports, so as to promote the health, justice and equality of athletes in sports events.

The test biological specimens, including urine and blood samples, will be collected from selected athletes from the date of YOV official



opening to the date of the Closing Ceremony of Nanjing 2014 (12 August to 28 August 2014). All samples will be sent to the laboratory of China Anti-Doping Agency for analysis.



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