

Bank of China (Hong Kong) 53rd Festival of Sport - Netball Tournament
Sunday 16th May 2010
Shun Lee Tsuen Sports Centre

Notes to Teams

1. All participating teams should report to the duty desk at Shun Lee Tsuen Sports Centre Main Arena at the following times according to their competing sections:

Men's Open Section: 9:50 am

Ladies' Open Section: 1:00 pm

Late arrivals will not be entertained.

2. All teams should bring their own set of bibs. The HKNA will provide bibs only when necessary.

3. **Each player could only play for ONE team.** If found, corresponding players and teams will be disqualified.

4. Teams must enter the court within 30 seconds when signaled by Tournament Officials and/or Umpires of their games to start or re-start at intervals. If a team fails to take the court (with at least 5 players on court) after that 30 seconds, the Umpire shall give a 1 minute warning to corresponding team. If the offending team fails to take the court by the end of the 1 minute, the game shall be awarded to the non-offending team, and the score will be 8 – 0.

5. Competition System:

Men's Section:

Round Robin* games will be played to decide the winners.

Ladies' Open Section:

Teams are divided into pools and **Round Robin*** games will be played in each pool. Teams will then be ranked according to the points they have in the games. Teams ranked 1st – 4th in each pool will then undergo a **Single Elimination play off**** to decide the winners.

***Round Robin:**

Teams will play against each other in their pool. Points will be awarded as follows: Win: 2 pts, Draw: 1 pt, Loss: 0 pt. Teams will then be ranked according to the points they have after Round Robin matches have been played. In case there is a draw of points of two or more teams, the followings will be calculated to decide the winner, in the order of :

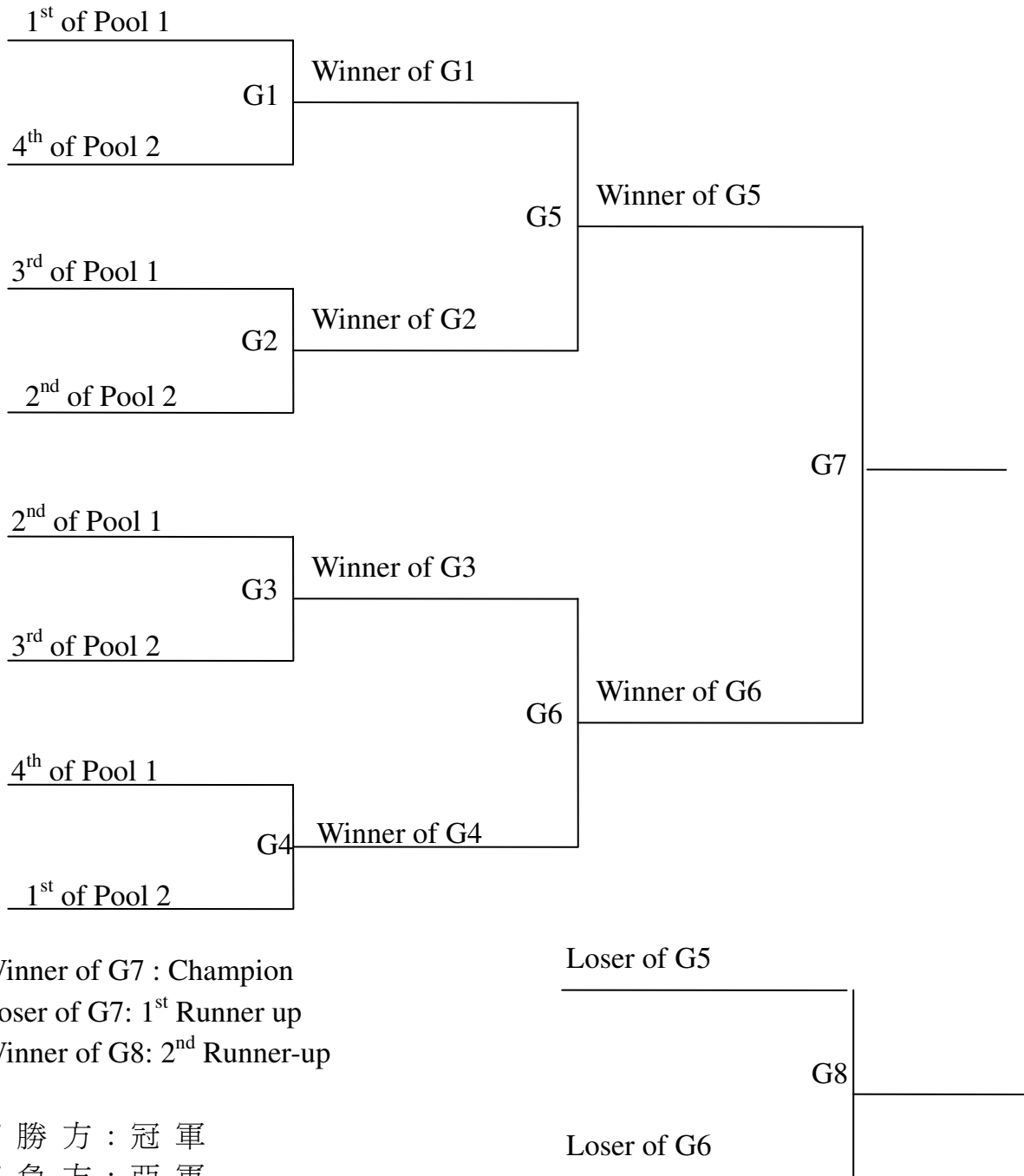
1. Goal Average, i.e. "Goals For" divided by "Goals Against"
2. if teams have identical "Goal Average", then "Goal Difference" will be used, i.e. the difference between "Goals For" and "Goals Against"
3. In the event of a further tie, the team who has the highest "Goals For" will be declared winner.

****Single Elimination Play off :**

After Round Robin games, Teams will enter into the play off according to their rankings. Details please refer to the diagram on the next page.

*****In the event of a tie in the play offs or finals, umpires will stop the game, and the game will be re-started by a centre pass – it will be taken by the team entitled to the next centre pass. Play will go on until the first goal is scored thereafter, and the team who scored this goal will be the winner.**

****Single Elimination Play off Diagram:**



Winner of G7 : Champion
 Loser of G7: 1st Runner up
 Winner of G8: 2nd Runner-up

G7 勝方 : 冠軍
 G7 負方 : 亞軍
 G8 勝方 : 季軍

6. Timing of games:

Men's Open Section:

All games will be of 8 minutes each way for two halves, half time interval is 2minutes.

Ladies' Open Section:

All games will be of 7 minutes each way for two halves, straight change (no interval) at half time.

7. Changes or Substitutions could only be made during injuries or illness, or at half time.

8. Stoppages for injury or illness could be up to a maximum of 2 minutes, but this will not be added to the end of the game.

9. Players should not be bringing their valuables to the venue. Players will be checked by umpires before the game for jewellery such as earrings, necklaces, bracelets etc., and watches. Fingernails should be cut short and smooth and they should be done well before the tournament. Players not abiding these rules are not allowed on the court.

10. There will be two courts playing at the same time so make sure you stop on hearing the CORRECT whistle. If there are any clarification about the rules, this should be done after the game and by the captain of the team with corresponding umpire.

11. Certificates of Particiaption (to all teams) and medals(1st, 2nd and 3rd placings) presentation will take place immediately after the last game of each section.

12. All IFNA(2007) netball rules apply to this tournament, unless otherwise stated. If there are any dispute, HKNA personnel has authorization to make final decision.

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