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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	Time	Meeting	Place
	Aug 16	09:00	Managers' Meeting	TBD
İ	Aug 16	10:00	Match Officials Meeting	TBD

3. Events & Quotas

3.1 EVENTS

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	Total
Men	6 teams	0	72 athletes
Women	5 teams	1	72 athletes
Total	11	1	144



3.3 NOC QUOTA

	Maximum Quota Per NOC	
Men	1 team of 12 players	
Women	1 team of 12 players	
Total	2 teams of 12 players	

4. Qualification System

4.1 ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 1996 and 31 December 1997.

4.2 QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

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

☐ Athletes

⋈ NOCs

The IRB has six Regional Associations as follows:

Asia	ARFU
Africa	CAR
Europe	FIRA-AER
North America and the Caribbean	NACRA
South America	CONSUR
Oceania	FORU

The qualification process for both the men's and women's YOG tournaments will be based on senior Rugby Sevens competition rankings. The final ranking of the IRB Rugby World Cup Sevens (RWC 7s) taking place in Moscow from 28 to 30 June 2013 will determine the qualification places as follows:



1. Men's Qualification Process

Quota	Region	Allocation of qualification places	
1	Asia	Top ranked ARFU team at men's RWC 7s 2013	
1	Africa	Top ranked CAR team at men's RWC 7s 2013	
2	Americas	Top ranked CONSUR team and Top ranked NACRA team at men's RWC 7s 2013	
1	Europe	Top ranked FIRA–AER team at men's RWC 7s 2013	
1	Oceania	Top ranked FORU team at men's RWC 7s 2013	

2. Women'Qualification Process

Quota	Region	Allocation of qualification places
1	Asia	Top ranked ARFU team at women's RWC 7s 2013. Should China be the top ranked ARFU team at the women's RWC 7s 2013, the next best ranked ARFU team will qualify.
1	Africa	Top ranked CAR team at women's RWC 7s 2013
1	Americas	Top ranked team at women's RWC 7s 2013 among CONSUR and NACRA teams
1	Europe	Top ranked FIRA–AER team at women's RWC 7s 2013
1	Oceania	Top ranked FORU team at women's RWC 7s 2013

4.3 HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATION

The Host Country, China, will have automatic qualification to the women's tournament only.

5. Qualification Timeline

Date	Milestone	
March 2013	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by YOG Tripartite Commission	
1 April 2013 - 8 June 2014	YOG 2014 qualification period	
30 April 2013	Deadline for Host Country to confirm in writing to the IRB and NYOGOC the use of its place	



Date	Milestone	
28 – 30 June 2013	Rugby World Cup Sevens (Moscow, RUS)	
31 July 2013	Deadline for NOCs to confirm the use of their qualification places obtained through RWC 7s 2013	
8 July 2014	Entries deadline by name for all sports	
16 - 28 August 2014	2nd summer Youth Olympic Games - Nanjing 2014	

6. Competition Format

The Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympic Games Rugby Sevens Competition will comprise one competition for Men and one competition for Women. There will be 144 players, 72 Men and 72 Women playing round robin matches in the Pool Rounds and Knock-Out Matches. Each match will be played in two halves of seven minutes each with a two-minute break apart from the Medal Matches which will be played in two halves of ten minutes each with a two-minute break.

The Rugby Sevens Competition will be held from Sunday 17 August to Wednesday 20 August. All matches will be played in the Nanjing Youth Olympic Sports Park.

The maximum number of players who may compete in the Rugby competition is 144 as agreed by the International Rugby Board (IRB) and the IOC.

6.1 POOL ROUNDS

Six Men Teams and Six Women Teams are seeded into one pool each. Each team in each pool will play in a round robin basis. The top 4 teams in each play after all matches have been played will proceed to semi-finals in the Knock-Out Competition with the 5th & 6th placed team in each pool playing for position.

6.2 KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION

The top 4 team from pool will proceed to semi-final matches with the



winners of each match proceeding to the Gold/Silver Medal Match and the losers to the Bronze Medal Match. The 5th/6th placed team in each pool will play for final positions.

7. Competition Rules & Procedures

The Rugby Sevens Competitions at the Youth Olympic Games will be held in accordance with the IRB Bye-Laws & Regulations Related to the Game, the IRB's Laws of the Game with Sevens Variations, and the Olympic Charter, which are in force at the time of the 2014 Youth Olympic Games.

Pursuant to the Olympic Charter, the IRB assumes the responsibility for the technical control and direction of its sport at the Youth Olympic Games.

7.1 TIE-BREAK RULES

If there is a tie during Pool Round matches, the appropriate points will apply to both teams.

If there is a tie in any of the Knock-Out Matches, teams will continue to play after a two-minute break in five minute halves with a one minute break until a score is made. The first team to score will be declared the winner.

7.2 CODE OF CONDUCT

The IRB code of conduct as itemized in the IRB's Disciplinary Regulations will be enforced during the Youth Olympic Games Rugby Competition.

7.3 APPEALS

In Rugby Sevens, appeals regarding results are not possible. The Match Referee is the sole judge of the results.



8. Equipment & Clothing

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

9. 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.

10. Competition Venue

Name	Distance to YOV	Driving Time	Seats Capacity
Youth Olympic Sports Park Rugby Field (SPR)	14km	20min	2,000



11. Event Schedule

Rugby				
Tentative Event Schedule By Event				
Day 1	Sunday (August 17)			
	Start: 9:00 am	End:12:0	0 am	
	No.1 Girls	9:00-9:30	W1 v W6	
	No.2 Girls	9:30-10:00	W2 v W5	
	No.3 Girls	10:00-10:30	W3 v W4	
	No.4 Boys	10:30-11:00	M1 v M6	
	No.5 Boys	11:00-11:30	M2 v M5	
	No.6 Boys	11:30–12:00	M3 v M4	
	Start: 4:00 pm	End:7:00) pm	
	No.7 Girls	16:00-16:30	W1 v W5	
	No.8 Girls	16:30-17:00	W2 v W4	
	No.9 Girls	17:00–17:30	W3 v W6	
	No.10 Boys	17:30–18:00	M1 v M5	
	No.11 Boys	18:00–18:30		
	No.12 Boys	18:30–19:00	M3 v M6	
Day 2		Monda	ay (August 18)	
	Start: 9:00 am	End:12:0	0 am	
	No.13 Girls	9:00-9:30	W1 v W4	
	No.14 Girls	9:30–10:00	W2 v W3	
	No.15 Girls	10:00–10:30		
	' ' ' '	10:30–11:00		
	No.17 Boys	11:00–11:30	M2 v M3	
	No.18 Boys	11:30–12:00	M5 v M6	
	Start: 4:00 pm	End:7:00	•	
	No.19 Girls	16:00–16:30	W2 v W6	
	No.20 Girls	16:30–17:00	W4 v W5	
	No.21 Girls	17:00–17:30	W1 v W3	
	' ' '	17:30–18:00	M2 v M6	
	No.23 Boys	18:00–18:30	M4 v M5	
	No.24 Boys	18:30–19:00	M1 v M3	



Day 3	Tuesday (August 19)				
	Start: 9:00 am End:12:00 am				
	No.25 Girls	9:00-9:30	W4 v W6		
	No.26 Girls	9:30-10:00	W3 v W5		
	No.27 Girls	10:00-10:30	W1 v W2		
	No.28 Boys	10:30-11:00	M4 v M6		
	No.29 Boys	11:00-11:30	M3 v M5		
	No.30 Boys	11:30-12:00	M1 v M2		
	Start: 3:30 pm End:7:00 pm				
	No.31 Girls	15:30-16:00	5th v 6th		
	No.32 Boys	16:00-16:30	5th v 6th		
	Break	16:30-17:00			
	No.33 Girls	17:00-17:30	W1st v W4th		
	No.34 Girls	17:30-18:00	W2nd v W3rd		
	No.35 Boys	18:00-18:30	M1st v M4th		
	No.36 Boys	18:30-19:00	M2nd v M3rd		
Day 4	Wednesday (August 20)				
	Start: 9:00 am	n End:11:00 am			
	No.37 Girls	9:00-9:30	Loser 33 v Loser 34		
	No.38 Boys	9:30-10:00	Loser 35 v Loser 36		
	No.39 Girls	10:00-10:30	Winner 33 v Winner 34		
	No.40 Boys	10:30-11:00	Winner 35 v Winner 36		

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

12. Training Information

12.1 TRAINING VENUE

Name	Distance to YOV	Driving Time	Seats Capacity
Youth Olympic Sports Park Rugby Field (SPR)	14km	20min	2,000

12.2 TRAINING POLICIES

Training facilities will be provided for all athletes from the opening of the Youth Olympic Village (YOV) (12 August 2014) to the end of YOG



(27 August 2014).

All training before the games time will be assigned under the supervision of the practice court supervisor. All training during the games—time will be assigned under the supervision of the IRB Referee.

The booking service for practice courts is located at Event Information Center (EIC) in YOV and SID in the venue.

13. Medals

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

14. 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.



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