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Peace and Friendship Cup



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1st SPOCCS ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

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Introduction:

With the blessing of Almighty God and in line with the promotion of peace, friendship, and solidarity among Asian nations, the First Asian Spoqcs Championship, under the title "Peace and Friendship Cup of Nations", will be hosted by the Islamic Republic of Iran on June 14-15, 2025 (Khordad 24-25, 1404) in Rasht, Guilan Province. This championship, in addition to showcasing the abilities of top athletes across Asia in various Spoqcs disciplines, provides a platform for strengthening unity, mutual respect, and friendship among nations. Spoqcs, rooted in ancient history and culture, emphasizes sportsmanship, ethics, and cooperation, making this tournament a valuable opportunity to promote these values across the continent. The executive regulations of this championship have been drafted to establish a structured and standardized framework for organizing the event in the best possible manner. These regulations cover all rules, conditions for participation, competition guidelines, refereeing regulations, organizational planning, and other necessary requirements. Since the rules of Spoqcs are very simple and easy to learn, even countries with no prior experience in this sport can participate after attending a one-hour online orientation class, which will be provided free of charge by the Technical Committee of the Asian Spoqcs Confederation. Therefore, there is no need for concern, as the Organizing Committee is fully committed to supporting all teams for a successful competition experience. Furthermore, before the start of the championship, a special seminar will be held for all participants to enhance their understanding of the rules and competition formats while fostering a spirit of interaction and friendship among athletes and teams.



1 Title

1. **Event Title:** 1st ASIAN SPOQCS CHAMPIONSHIP
2. **Date:** 13-15 June 2025
3. **Registration deadline:** 14 April 2025
4. **Venue:** Guilan province, Rasht city, Iran
5. **Google Map:** <https://g.co/kgs/u1LyywP>

2 Organizing Committee

- ✓ Asia Spoqcs Confederation "ASC"
- ✓ Iran Spoqcs Association (ISA) Hosted country



3 Events

1. **ASC General Assembly** (13 June 2025)
2. **International Workshop** "Referee, Coaching and Athletes" (13 June 2025)
3. **Single-Discipline Competitions** "Tak Akinake & Jof Akinake" (14-15 June 2025)
4. **Grand champion:** At the end of the competition, a final match will be held among the first-place winners of all age categories in both Single Akinake and Double Akinake. As a result, one athlete will be crowned Grand Champion of Single Akinake, and another will be crowned Grand Champion of Double Akinake.
 - Rules and Method of Competition are in additional documents.

4 Rules and Regulation

1. Age Category of Competitions

All Spoqcs competitions, regardless of the discipline, are categorized based on age groups, with no classification based on weight or height. The official age classifications for Spoqcs competitions are as follows:

NO	Category	Age (Male and Female)	Number of participants allowed per country		
			Female	Male	Total
۱	Junior (Javanan)	15~17 Years old Born in 2008 to 2010	1	1	2
۲	Advanced Youth U21 (Omid)	18~20 Years old Born in 2005 to 2007	1	1	2
۳	Seniors (Bozorgsalan)	+21 Years old Born in 1985 to 2004	1	1	2

○ Age Category will be counted by year of competition (2025).

2. Teams' information

- ✓ According to Table 3.2, each team may send a maximum of 6 athletes (3 Female and 3 Male) to the competition.
- ✓ Each team may also send 2 referees (1 Female and 1 Male) and 2 coaches (1 Female and 1 Male) to the competition.

Note:

The orientation sessions for refereeing and coaching will be held online before the teams' departure and in person one day before the competition by the Asian Spoqcs Confederation. The date for the online course will be announced to the team leaders after team registration.



3. Competition Rule

- ✓ The competition is under rules and regulation of Spoqcs International Federation (SIF)
- ✓ This edition of the competition will be held in the sports categories of single Akinake and double Akinake. The general rules book is attached.

4. Competition Equipment:

All competition equipment, including sports weapons (sponge swords), helmets, and sportswear, will be provided to all participating teams by the competition organizing committee. Team leaders must specify the athletes' sizes on the relevant form during registration. (All will be free).

5 Liabilities and Insurance

As the Spoqcs competition is completely safe and secure, the organizing committee will make every effort to ensure the safety and well-being of all individuals involved in the Asian competition. It is hereby announced that from June 13 to 15, all individuals involved in the competition will be covered by insurance. Participants are required to arrange their travel insurance before entering Iran. It should be noted that the organizing committee will not be responsible for the participants' travel insurance

6 Registration & Fee

1. Registration open: 25 March 2025 - 14 April 2025

Honorable team managers, for registration, you are required to complete the attached forms and submit them, along with the required documents (Passport copy, Passport photo), via the specified communication channels to the organizing committee no later than April 14, 2025.

2. Participants Fee:

The registration fee for each participant is \$100 and includes: **(paid in cash upon registration)**

- ✓ Participation in the training workshop and certification
- ✓ Competition entry fee
- ✓ 3-day, 3-night accommodation
- ✓ Three daily meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) on June 13, 14, and 15

3. Referee Class Fee:

The registration fee for referee class is \$100 and includes: **(paid in cash upon registration)**

- ✓ Participation in the referee training seminar
- ✓ Referee certificate
- ✓ 3-day, 3-night accommodation
- ✓ Three daily meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) on June 13, 14, and 15



7 Contact

Team managers must complete the participant application form and submit it to the Asian Spoqcs Confederation / Organizing Committee via the designated communication channels no later than April 14, 2025.

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8 Award and Trophies



1. Individual Awards:

Individual Awards for the top three athletes in each category (Single Akinake and Double Akinake) in both men's and women's divisions will be as follows:

- ✓ 1st Place: Gold medal, championship certificate, sports prize
- ✓ 2nd Place: Silver medal, championship certificate, sports prize
- ✓ 3rd Place: Bronze medal, championship certificate, sports prize



2. Individual Grand Champion Awards:

The Grand Champion or Best of the Best in each discipline (Single Akinake and Double Akinake) will be awarded:

- ✓ Gold Medal
- ✓ Championship Belt
- ✓ Championship Certificate
- ✓ Cash Prize

At the conclusion of the tournament, a final competition will be held among the 1st place winners from all age categories in both Single Akinake and Double Akinake. Ultimately, one athlete will be crowned as the Grand Champion of this tournament.

3. Team / Country Awards:

The first, second and third place teams (countries) in the tournament, in both the men's and women's divisions, will receive:

- ✓ Championship Cup
- ✓ Championship Certificate
- ✓ Champion Belt
- ✓ Sports Awards

Team ranking criteria will be based on the total number of medals earned in both disciplines (Single Akinake and Double Akinake) as follows:

Gold Medal: 100 points, Silver Medal: 50 points, Bronze Medal: 20 points. Team rankings will be calculated separately for men's and women's divisions.





9 Schedule

Date	Time	Detail	Place
12 June	10.00 - 17.00	Arrival Welcoming the teams at the IKA airport	Tehran, Iran
13 June	10.00-12.30	ASC General Assembly All participates with official uniform	Rasht city Grand Hotel
	13.00-14.00	Lunch time	
	14.00-16.00	Registration AD Card pickup Health Checking for all participant	
	16.00-17.30	Athletes Workshop	
	18:00-19:30	Referee Seminar	
	19:30-20:30	Coach Metting	
	19.00 -21.00	Opening ceremony / Dinner	
14 June	9.00 - 13.00	Women's Competition	Championship Venue
	13:00-14:00	Lunch time	
	15:00-19:00	Continue the competition	
15 June	9.00 - 18.00	Men's Competition	Championship Venue
	13:00-14:00	Lunch time	
	15:00-19:00	Continue the competition	
Award Medal Ceremony will be done each day.			
15 June	20.00 -10.00	Closing ceremony / Dinner	
16 June	From morning	Departure to Airport	
<p>A sightseeing tour of Rasht's attractions has been arranged for all tournament participants.</p> <p>Teams with flight schedules before June 12 must inform the organizing committee at least 20 days prior to their departure to Iran.</p> <p>All teams may return to their home countries after the second day of competition on June 15, if necessary.</p>			





10 Visa Regulations

1. Visa Requirements:

All participants, coaches, referees, and accompanying staff must obtain a valid visa before entering Iran. Check whether your country is eligible for visa on arrival or requires a pre-issued visa.

2. Visa Application Process

Participating teams must complete the visa application form and submit it along with the required documents to the organizing committee. Required documents include:

- ✓ A copy of the passport (valid for at least six months)
- ✓ A passport-size photo
- ✓ A completed visa application form
- ✓ Round-trip flight tickets (if required)

3. Visa Application Deadline:

All teams must submit the required visa documents no later than 14 April 2025 to the organizing committee. Late applications may not be processed, and the responsibility lies with the applicant team.

4. Visa Issuance Process

- ✓ After reviewing the documents, the organizing committee will obtain a visa approval code from the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and send it to the teams.
- ✓ Applicants can use this code to receive their visa from the Iranian embassy or consulate in their country.
- ✓ For some nationalities, a visa on arrival may be available at Iran's international airports, which must be arranged in advance.

5. Team Responsibilities

- ✓ Obtaining the visa is the responsibility of each team, and the organizing committee only facilitates the issuance of the visa approval code.
- ✓ Teams must ensure that their passport and other required documents are valid.
- ✓ In case of any visa issuance issues, teams must immediately contact the organizing committee.

Important Recommendation:

Teams are strongly advised to start the visa application process as early as possible to avoid potential issues.





11 Technical Rule of Akinake

The 1st Asian Spoqcs Championship will be held in Single Akinake and Double Akinake categories, in accordance with ranking table 4.1 of this regulation. The technical details of the competition are provided in this document. For comprehensive information and a detailed understanding of Spoqcs, its equipment, sports disciplines, and competition rules, please refer to the attached file.



Tak Akinake (Single Soward)

Joft Akinake (Double Sowards)

1. Valid Scoring Areas and Points in Single-Event (Tak Akinake, Joft Akinake)

In all Spoqcs competitions, striking the opponent is only allowed using the hilt section (soft and safe sponge-covered part of the weapon). Depending on the target area, the following points are awarded:

- ✓ Head Strike – 2 points (only hits to the helmet-protected area are valid).
- ✓ Torso Strike – 1 point (includes all front torso areas, sides, and arms except for the neck).
- ✓ Hand Strike – 1 point (includes all parts of the hands and shoulders).
- ✓ Leg Strike – 1 point (includes the inner and outer shin and outer thigh).

Note: In the electronic scoring system, correctly landed strikes on electronic gear are automatically recorded and awarded points. Therefore, the valid scoring areas in the electronic system may be slightly more restricted compared to the traditional system.

- ✓ If both competitors land a strike at the same time, priority is given to the athlete who:
 - Executes a superior technique, such as scoring a 2-point head strike or landing two consecutive strikes on the opponent.
 - Takes the initiative, meaning the athlete who launched the attack first.

If the referees determine that the strikes were perfectly simultaneous and neither competitor had a technical or speed advantage, no points may be awarded, or the decision will be made by the majority vote of the referees.

Notes:

- ✓ Unintentional Mistakes: A warning is given first; if repeated, a negative point will be applied.
- ✓ Effect of Warnings: Warnings are only effective if there is a tie in points.
- ✓ Falling Down: Falling is allowed in single and dual Akinake competitions.





2. Violations and Warnings (Negative Points):

1. Attacking outside the allowed time: Striking before the "Start" command or after the "Stop" command results in a negative point.
2. Weapon contact with the ground: Deliberate or accidental contact of the weapon with the ground is prohibited and results in a negative point.
3. Defending with an unarmed hand: Using the unarmed hand for defense is forbidden and results in both loss of points and a negative point.
4. Exiting the competition area: Stepping out with one-foot results in a negative point; stepping out with both feet leads to an automatic penalty.
5. Disrupting the competition: Any behavior that causes a stoppage of the match will result in a negative point.

3. Violations Leading to Disqualification of an Athlete:

1. Violence and Unauthorized Strikes: Deliberate attacks to the head, neck, spine, or groin, excessive force and uncontrolled strikes, continuing the attack after the referee's "stop" command.
2. Disrespect and Unsportsmanlike Conduct: Insulting, swearing, or making inappropriate gestures toward the referee, opponent, or spectators, initiating physical altercations during or after the competition.
3. Cheating and Technical Violations: Deliberate exit from the competition area to avoid the fight, using unauthorized equipment, or manipulating the result of the match.
4. Violation of Medical and Doping Rules: Use of performance-enhancing and banned substances, competing with severe illness or injury that jeopardizes safety.

4. Spoqcs Competition Referee Method

In Spoqcs competitions, the refereeing is done in two methods: traditional and electronic. In both methods, 4 referees (the center referee and 3 side referees) are responsible for judging the match. Additionally, there is a head referee for each field, who supervises the performance of the referees and corrects any possible mistakes.

Note: In the traditional refereeing method, 4 side referees are used for more accuracy, and in this case, the decision will be based on the agreement of 3 out of 4 side referees.

Role and Duties of the Center Referee:

1. Starting and stopping the match
2. Issuing warnings, deducting points, and disqualifying athletes in case of violations
3. Announcing the winner of the match after the fight time is over

Role and Duties of Side Referees:

- ✓ Their main responsibility is to score valid strikes and executed techniques.
- ✓ Scoring in the traditional method is done with flags, and in the electronic method, it is done with headsets (electronic system).
- ✓ A point is registered when at least 2 out of the 3 side referees confirm it.

Role and Duties of the Head Referee:

- ✓ Supervising the performance of referees on the competition field
- ✓ Stopping the game in case of an error and correcting referee mistakes

Refereeing Execution Method:

- ✓ In traditional refereeing, side referees use flags to register points. A point is counted when 2 out of 3 side referees confirm the strike, and if there are 4 side referees, 3 votes in favor from the 4 referees will be accepted.
- ✓ In electronic refereeing, side referees use electronic headsets to register points. The system automatically registers the point only when the side referees confirm the strike. A point is registered if at least 2 out of 3 side referees agree. Spoqcs refereeing is a combination of accuracy, fairness, and speed in point registration. The use of both traditional and electronic methods helps referees judge the competitions transparently, fairly, and accurately.



12 Unspecified Matters in the Regulation

1. Authority of the Organizing Committee:

The Organizing Committee has the right to make decisions on any matters not explicitly mentioned in the regulations, based on the general principles and spirit of the competition rules.

2. Clarification and Interpretation of Regulations:

Any disputes regarding the interpretation of these regulations will be reviewed and resolved by the Technical and Refereeing Committee.

3. Emergency Situations and Force Majeure:

In case of unforeseen circumstances such as natural disasters, security concerns, or logistical issues, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to modify the schedule, venue, or competition conditions.

4. Procedure for Filing Complaints:

If teams, coaches, or athletes have complaints regarding the competition process or refereeing, they must submit them following the designated procedure set by the Organizing Committee.

5. Ethical and Behavioral Standards:

Any unsportsmanlike behavior, violations of ethical principles, or actions that may damage the reputation of the competition will be reviewed, and disciplinary measures may be taken if necessary.

6. Possible Changes in the Competition Schedule:

If needed, any changes in the competition schedule will be made with prior notice and approval from the Organizing Committee.



13 Attached Documents

The attached documents to the competition regulations include the following:

1. Team application form:

The Team Registration Form must be completed and submitted along with the required documents no later than April 14, 2025, through the communication channels specified in this regulation to the Organizing Committee.

The passport copies and personal photos of all participants from each country, including athletes, coaches, and referees, must be attached to the registration form.

2. Bulletin introducing the sport of spoqcs, educational syllabus, and rules and regulations

3. 1st Asian Championship poster

The competition organizing committee is committed to delivering a well-structured, fair, and professional event. It remains available 24/7 to address participants' inquiries and suggestions, ensuring the highest standards in technical and organizational aspects of the competition. Moreover, we aim to provide an unforgettable experience where participants not only engage in thrilling Spoqcs matches but also cherish the renowned hospitality of the Iranian people, especially in Gilan Province and the city of Rasht.

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