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Hong Kong International Baseball Open 2025

Event Outline

- 1) **Organizer** The Baseball Association of Hong Kong, China (BAHKC)
- 2) **Subvented by**
 - ♦ Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau Arts and Sport Development Fund (ASDF)
 - ♦ Leisure and Culture Services Department (LCSD)
- 3) **Tournament Date** 11-14 December 2025
- 4) **Meeting & Ceremonies**
 - ♦ Date of Arrival 10 December 2025; check-in time 14:00 and after
 - ♦ Technical Meeting 10 December 2025, 19:00
 - ♦ Opening Ceremony 12 December 2025, 15:00 at Sai Tso Wan Recreation Ground
 - ♦ Closing Ceremony 14 December 2025, after the champion game
 - ♦ Date of Departure 15 December 2025, check-out before 12:00

* Please note that **early check-in** or **late check-out** will be charged if the room is occupied.
- 5) **Competition Venues** Sai Tso Wan Recreation Ground Baseball Field
(No. 90 Sin Fat Road, Lam Tin, Kowloon)
- 6) **Game Format** Two groups play a round robin, same position in the group play for the final ranking
- 7) **Players Eligibility**
 - ♦ Players must be aged 16 or above (born in 2009 or before)
 - ♦ For the national team, all players in the game must be nationals of the country, territory or region of the National Federation that is entering them; a valid and current passport for each player will be verified by the Technical Commission in the Technical Meeting.
- 8) **Team Delegation** 24 players, 2 coaches, 1 Team Manager, 1 Delegation Leader
- 9) **Tournament Package** **HK\$3,748 (US\$475) per person**; fee including:
 - ♦ 5 nights of **hotel** accommodation (check-in: 10 December 2025; check-out: 15 December 2025), twin sharing room for players and coaches; single room for one Delegation Leader and one Team Manager without additional cost
 - ♦ 3 meals: room includes daily breakfast. Lunch box at the field and set dinner;
 - ♦ Bottled water during games on the field;
 - ♦ Airport pick-up: one round-trip between the Hong Kong International Airport and the official hotel for each team;
 - ♦ Local transport: between the competition venues and the official hotel;

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- ♦ Team interpreter;
- ♦ Request for single room occupancy: additional HK\$987 (US\$125) per person.

Notes:

- ♦ Please note that all overseas teams should take care of their flight tickets to and from Hong Kong;
- ♦ Laundry to be arranged at own costs.

10) Extra Delegates

HK\$ 650 (US\$83) per person per night (based on twin=sharing occupancy) including breakfast; lunch and dinner to be arranged at own costs.

11) WBSC Sanction

After receiving the participation confirmation, BAHKC will apply for sanction from the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) to recognize this event as an international event.

BAHKC will send the respective national federation a Request Form for Hosting WBSC-Sanctioned Event and seek a senior member to confirm whether the team is a national team or a club team (Any individual team not formed to represent a National Team, e.g. youth organization team, high school team, professional team, etc.) that typically participates in local/domestic or overseas competitions or leagues and may have players from different countries of origin.

WBSC will review and ensure proper protocol be followed based upon the WBSC instructions, the official sanctioning of WBSC would be given to organizers of events with the implications on the Baseball World Rankings. Only those games that strictly involve WBSC Member's "National Teams" can have rankings implications.

12) Misrepresentation and fraud:

Where a team is not the National Team acting under the authority of the National Federation and/or respective National Olympic Committee - and/or where a competition has not been duly sanctioned by the WBSC – the uniform colours and style of such team competing in an international competition must not be the same as or similar to any National Team uniforms of the WBSC Member. The National Flag of the country of that National Federation must not appear on the uniform and such team should not be promoted/positioned as a team representing a country or nation on any media outlets (broadcasting, website, social media, print publications, etc.).

Sources: <https://www.wbcs.org/en/documents/search?type=&keyword=sanction>

13) Playing Rules & Equipment

a) Official Baseball Rules

All games will be played under the event year of the Official Baseball Rules

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b) Official Game Ball:

Brett BR200

c) Designated Hitter

The designated hitter shall be accepted.

d) Bat

Wooden bat only (please refer to WBSC Approved Wood Bats List)

- ♦ Baseball Bat List

<https://static.wbcs.org/uploads/federations/0/cms/documents/f1cb9b91-133f-85a9-403b-c84416ba1039.pdf>

e) Protective Equipment

Double ear-flap helmet is mandatory for the hitter, base-runners and it is also recommended that base coaches wear the skull cap.

Note: the skull cap for coaches is not required, only recommended

f) Run difference Rule

- ♦ If a team is losing by 15 or more runs after having batted at least in five (5) innings, and 10 or more runs after having batted at least in seven (7) innings, the game is ended at that point.
- ♦ All games will consist of 9 innings. Three (3) completed innings shall constitute a regulation game.
- ♦ Due to the tight game schedule, 140 minutes shall be set for not starting a new inning.

14) Awards

Team Awards

- ♦ Champion team name will be engraved on the Defender Cup
- ♦ Top 3 teams will be awarded a trophy and medals
- ♦ Merit Award to the 4th place and after

Individual Awards

- ♦ Best Coach: Head Coach of Champion Team
- ♦ Best Defensive Player
- ♦ Leading Hitter
- ♦ Most Home Runs
- ♦ Most Runs Batted In (RBI)
- ♦ Most Runs Scored
- ♦ Most Stolen Bases
- ♦ Best Pitcher
- ♦ Most Valuable Player

15) Insurance

Each participating team should insure for their trip with extended coverage to baseball training and join the competition.

16) Accommodation

To be announced

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17) Timeline

Descriptions	Deadline
Participation Reply Form	15 Aug 2025
Tournament Package Fee	15 Sep 2025
Submission of Roster, Photo and Rooming List	15 Sep 2025
Apply Sanction from WBSC (if applicable)	1 Oct 2025

- ∞ All fees are nonrefundable and nontransferable.
- ∞ Please make the payment by bank wire transfer (T/T) or pay online via BAHKC eShop.
- ∞ Remitter is required to pay all transaction fees (bank charges) including local and overseas charges.
- ∞ If any discrepancies between the required fee to pay and the received net amount, the team is required to pay the balance upon arrival to our tournament staff

Our Bank Account Information:

Account name: The Baseball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited
Bank name: Hang Seng Bank Limited
Bank address: 83 Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong
SWIFT: HASEHKHH
Account number: 364-000919-668

Please send us your transaction slip for our reference.

- 18) **Enquiry:** The Baseball Association of Hong Kong, China
Email: office@hkbaseball.org
- BAHKC Website:** www.hkbaseball.org
- Event website:** <https://hkibo.hkbaseball.org/>
- Event Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/hkibo.fans/>