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即時發佈

### 港協暨奧委會向轄下體育總會發出播放國歌和升掛區旗的指引

經與香港特別行政區政府（特區政府）商討後，中國香港體育協會暨奧林匹克委員會（港協暨奧委會）今天（2022年11月22日）向轄下所有體育總會發放《香港運動員及隊伍參與國際體育賽事期間處理播放國歌和升掛區旗的指引》（《指引》），以確保國歌和區旗獲得應有尊重，港協暨奧委會提醒各體育總會須嚴格遵守相關規定。

港協暨奧委會日前與文化體育及旅遊局舉行會議，就亞洲七人欖球系列賽主辦機構播放中國國歌出錯事件，向特區政府當局提出切實可行的建議，避免類似情況再次發生；會後，港協暨奧委會隨即制訂相關《指引》，為所有運動員、隊伍及體育總會管理層和工作人員提供清晰指示。《指引》規定：

- (1) 所有體育總會須熟悉載於特區政府總部禮賓處網頁（<https://www.protocol.gov.hk/tc/flags.html>）有關使用國歌和區旗的條例／指引，並確保國歌和區旗在完全符合這些條例／指引下使用；
- (2) 港協暨奧委會將向各體育總會提供附有正確國歌和區旗的工具包，由體育總會指派的領隊帶備出席國際賽事，交予主辦機構使用；及
- (3) 運動員及隊伍參與國際體育賽事期間，如發現播放國歌或升掛區旗出錯，須以「T」字手勢向主辦機構示意反對，要求暫停活動並立即更正。

此外，港協暨奧委會將於2022年11月24日為轄下體育總會舉行簡報會，向體育總會的委員及工作人員說明《指引》的相關內容和措施，日後港協暨奧委會將每年舉行至少一次同類簡報會，提醒各體育總會成員相關事宜的重要性。

相關《指引》即日起生效，全文已上載至港協暨奧委會網頁：[https://www.hkolympic.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Guidelines-on-Handling-National-Anthem-and-Regional-Flag-2022\\_chi-1.pdf](https://www.hkolympic.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Guidelines-on-Handling-National-Anthem-and-Regional-Flag-2022_chi-1.pdf)。

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For Immediate Release

## **SF&OC Issued Guidelines on Playing of National Anthem and Raising of Regional Flag to Member NSAs**

After discussion with the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government, the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China (SF&OC) issued today (22 November 2022) Guidelines on Handling the Playing of the National Anthem and Raising of the Regional Flag for Hong Kong Athletes and Teams Engaging in International Sports Events (Guidelines) to all National Sports Associations (NSAs) under SF&OC. The Guidelines is to ensure that proper respect is afforded to our National Anthem and Regional Flag. SF&OC reminded all NSAs to strictly abide by the relevant instructions.

A meeting was held between SF&OC and the Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau earlier concerning the incident in which a wrong song was played as our National Anthem in the Asian Rugby Sevens Series. SF&OC put forward practical suggestions to the HKSAR Government on avoiding similar incidents from happening again. SF&OC immediately formulated the Guidelines after the meeting to provide clear instructions for all athletes, teams, NSAs' management and personnel. The Guidelines stipulate that—

- (1) All NSAs should familiarise themselves with the Ordinances/guidelines concerning the use of the National Anthem and Regional Flag provided at the website of The Protocol Division Government Secretariat of HKSAR Government (<https://www.protocol.gov.hk/en/flags.html>), and ensure that the use of the National Anthem and Regional Flag are in full compliance with these Ordinances/guidelines.
- (2) SF&OC will provide toolkits containing the correct National Anthem and Regional Flags for NSAs. The team leader assigned by the relevant NSA is responsible for bringing along the toolkit and passing it to the event organiser; and
- (3) In case an error is found in the playing of the National Anthem or raising of the Regional Flag during their participation in international sports events, athletes and teams should use their hands to display the sign of “T” for expressing objection to the error made and call for a halt to the proceedings for immediate correction.



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Meanwhile, a briefing session by SF&OC on the Guidelines will be held on 24 November 2022 for the office bearers and staff of NSAs to attend. Such briefing session will be held at least once a year by SF&OC to ensure that all members of NSAs are to be reminded of the importance of this subject.

The above Guidelines will take effect immediately. The full version of the Guidelines is available at: [https://www.hkolympic.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Guidelines-on-Handling-National-Anthem-and-Regional-Flag-2022\\_eng.pdf](https://www.hkolympic.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Guidelines-on-Handling-National-Anthem-and-Regional-Flag-2022_eng.pdf)

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