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# 第一屆亞洲中學生男子七人欖球錦標賽 1<sup>st</sup> Asian Schools Boys Rugby Sevens Championship 2013

## Selection and Formation of Hong Kong Schools Rugby Sevens Team

The Hong Kong Schools Sports Federation, entrusted by the Asian School Sports Federation and supported by the Hong Kong Rugby Football Union will host the "1st Asian Schools Boys Rugby Sevens Championship 2013" in Hong Kong.

The tournament is for boys open grade. Please see below for exact details of player eligibility:

- Players must be under 18 years of age on January 1, 2013 (born in 1995 or after).
- Players must be bona fide students of a member secondary school of the HKSSF.
- Players must have been resident in Hong Kong for three years and hold a valid Hong Kong Identity Document.

For the tournament, the HKSSF intend to enter a composite team that is made up of the strongest players from within the Hong Kong rugby community (including both those that are taking part in the HKSSF Schools Rugby Competition and HKRFU Colts Rugby Leagues – this will include players who may not be competing in the school competitions due to the schools unable to field team). Therefore, member schools that did not compete in the school competitions are still required to nominate your potential player to HKSSF by submitting the nomination form.

The HKSSF and HKRFU will follow the below procedure to identify, select and train the HK Schools Sevens Team.

#### Stage 1. – Player Nominations and HKRFU Watching System (October 2012 – January 2013)

The HKSSF will send out a players nomination letter to all secondary schools, which coaches/teachers will be required to nominate the players who they believe possess the potential to be selected in the HK School Sevens Team. Nomination entry will need to be submitted to HKSSF by no later than **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October by 1400**.

All nominations received will passed onto the HKRFU, who will then send out watchers (who will be the elite performance coaches) to watch all nominated players in the regular HKSSF division 1 and 2 leagues that take place between October 2012 – January 2013.

Also, in terms of equal opportunity for all qualify players in Hong Kong, players without nominations from schools would also be considered for the watchers which mean that all players from the HKSSF division 1 and 2 leagues, and as well as the rugby community in Hong Kong will have a chance to be selected by the watchers.

The HKRFU will similarly nominate potential players into the stage 2, from the union's talent identification programs.

#### Stage 2. – Selection and Trial (late February – early March 2013)

Those players selected from the nominated group will be further asked to take part in 2 trials and selection sessions. During these sessions the players will be tested in individual skills, small unit work teamwork, and general game understanding.

### Stage 3 - Core Team Training (April - July 2013)

From April onwards, a core team of 12 players will be selected as the first choice representatives for HK Schools Sevens Team to train from April – July.

Another group of 6-10 players will also be selected as the training squad to back up the core team of players, who will also be required to train during the April and July period.

The coaching of the HK Schools Sevens Team, will be handled by the HKRFU, who will provide a coaching team to manage the team. The coaching team will be made up of the below positions, a head coach, an assistance coach, a team managers, and a team physiotherapist.

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