



SOEE OPENING CEREMONIES SCRIPT GUIDE

SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMPETITIONS

1. Master of Ceremony (MC): Welcome all guests, spectators, sponsors etc.;
2. Parade of athletes in alphabetic order, local delegations after foreign delegations
3. Entrance of SO flag accompanied by special music, raising flag on the pole;
4. MC: Introducing highest rep. of Special Olympics hosting Program to welcome speech;
5. Welcome speech by SO hosting Program representative;
6. Entertainment;
7. MC: Introduction of Ministry, local Government leader, SOI/SOEE representative;
8. Government/Sport Federation rep. and /or SOI/EE speech;
9. MC: Introduction athlete(s) and official to recite SO oath;
10. Oath recited by the athlete, coach and official/referee;
11. Entertainment;
12. MC announce Torch Run approaching venue (if applies);
13. Entrance Torch Run runners with flame and passing flame to SO athlete(s) (if applies);
14. Flame lit at the cauldron by the athlete (if applies);
15. MC introduce the highest VIP from the local/city authority (City Mayor)
16. Declaration Games/event opening "I declarethe Games to be open";
17. Entertainment;
18. MC thanking all persons gathered at the venue;

In addition

- Opening Ceremonies should not be finished after 22:00h.
- No competitions should be scheduled in the morning on the following day if Opening Ceremonies is finished after 22:00h or last delegation arrives to accommodation after 24:00h.
- Staging before Opening Ceremonies should not take longer than 45 minutes.