## A) Flag parade with participants

The flags to be carried will be picked up by carriers of the participating country. Taiwan will receive the neutral Olympic flag.

The sign with the country name (spelling in the language of the host country)

is borne by the organizers of the venue (planning: organizing committee)

The country delegations go in alphabetical order (language of the organizer). The host forms the end.

After completion of the parade, the flag bearers will line up near the stage.

## B) Opening Ceremony

- 1. The opening ceremony begins with a cultural program, Part I
- 2. The IVV President, the representatives of the host city and the President of the Organizing Committee will go to the stage.
- 3. The representatives of the host city and the President of the Organizing Committee will make a speech.
- 4. The IVV President makes a speech ending with the words: "I hereby declare the ..st/nd/rd/th IVV Olympiad in ... (name of the host city) open."
- 5. While the national anthem sounds, the national flag of the host country is carried into the hall and hoisted.
- 6. While a fanfare sounds, the IVV Olympiad flag is carried into the hall and hoisted.
- 7. The Olympic flame will then be lit.
- 8. A cultural program, part II, ends the opening ceremony.

## C) Closing Ceremony

- 1. A closing ceremony shall take place after the end of the Volkssport events. The sign bearers with the country names and the flag bearers (both can be provided by the host) go in alphabetical order to the place of the closing ceremony, the host as last, and stand near the stage.
- 2. The participants will follow in random order.
- 3. The IVV Presidium, the representatives of the host city and the Organizing Committee will come on stage.
- 4. The representatives of the host city and the President of the Organizing Committee will make a speech.
- 5. The IVV President gives the closing speech of the IVV Olympiad, which he concludes with the words:
  - "I hereby declare the ... IVV Olympiad over. I call on the participants from all over the world to gather in 2 years in ... to celebrate the ...IVV Olympiad with us there.
- 6. The representative of the next host city invites all walkers to the next IVV Olympiad and introduces the country and the host city.
- 7. To the sound of a fanfare the Olympiad flag is slowly lowered and handed over to the representatives of the host city of the next IVV Olympiad.
- 8. The closing ceremony will end with a cultural program.