

Some important chopstick rules:

- hold your chopsticks towards the blunt end, not in the middle or the front third
- when using your chopsticks and when finished eating, lay them down in front of you with the tip to left
- do not stick chopsticks into your food, especially not into rice;
 chopsticks are stuck into rice only at funerals
- do not pass food with your chopsticks directly to somebody else's chopsticks
- do not move plates/bowls around with chopsticks; use hands
- do not point with your chopsticks to something or somebody
- do not spear food with your chopsticks
- do not move your chopsticks around in the air too much, nor play with them
- to separate a piece of food into two pieces, apply controlled pressure on the chopsticks while moving them apart

