

SELECTION CRITERIA POLICY FOR 3RD ASIAN YOUTH PARA GAMES 10 – 14 DECEMBER 2017

1. Nomination

- a. Singapore Disability Sports Council (SDSC) to nominate athletes to represent Singapore at the 3rd Asian Youth Para Games 2017 according to SNPC's selection criteria as mentioned below. The final selection of athletes remains at the discretion of SNPC.
- b. In its nominations, SDSC should state clearly in the forms the justification for the athletes to be selected. (Annex B outlines the required information and justifications needed)
- c. Athlete's eligibility:
 - Must be a Singapore citizen
 - Compliance with the sport specific classification rules
 - Meets the sport and age requirement at Annex A
 - Must be in good standing with SNPC and SDSC

2. Selection Criteria

- a. Top two (2) placed athletes/ teams based on time/score/mark/rank at SDSC's identified national games (Eg. Singapore National Para Games, Haw Par National Youth Para Athletics/Swimming, National Para Athletics/Swimming Championships), national trials or competitions for the sport will be eligible for selection.
- b. For a sport(s) where there is no specially organised local youth competition, the top two (2) highest placed youth athletes at SDSC's identified national games, national trials or competitions for the sport will be taken into consideration.
- c. The selection of athletes will also be based on the availability of the events and the number of slots available in each event. Sports are encouraged to have a reserve list of athletes (when applicable) in the event that selected athletes have to pull out after nomination. Athletes on reserve list must also meet the nomination criteria.
- d. All achievements results submitted for consideration must take place at SDSC's identified championships and trials. SDSC may submit the achievements from overseas championships and national meets if the athlete is studying or working

overseas. However, these have to be properly accredited and sanctioned to be accepted.

- e. All results should be achieved within 15 months period before SNPC final selection meeting.

3. Additional Considerations

In addition to the above selection criteria, the following will be taken into consideration in an athlete:

- a. Attitude and behaviour;
- b. Current skill level and fitness;
- c. Level of commitment and attendance;
- d. Potential for future development;
- e. Ability to demonstrate team spirit and work well with team mates

4. Appeal Process

- a. Results from the selection will be published on SNPC's website on 29 August 2017. Appeal against non-selection by SNPC must be made in writing to SNPC within **72 hours** of the announcement, of the athletes being selected for Asian Youth Para Games 2017.
- b. The ground for any appeal is that:
 - The athlete's omission was a result of a failure by SNPC to properly apply the selection criteria set out in this policy
 - The athlete's omission was as a result of a failure by SNPC to adhere to the requirement guidelines set out in this policy
 - Fresh and compelling evidence and/or data which had not been submitted in the initial nomination. This appeal must be made in writing, accompanied by a deposit of S\$100.00 by cheque, payable to "Singapore National Paralympic Council". If the appeal is successful, the deposit will be refunded in full.
- c. SNPC Appeals Committee will consider and deliberate the appeal and, if deemed justifiable, will hear the appeal by the athlete concerned.
- d. SNPC will, in writing, inform all parties about the decision taken to either uphold or reject the appeal. The decision will be final and no further appeal or correspondence will be entertained.

Annex A

The minimum age to participate in the Games will be 13 years old on 31 December of the year of the Games. The Maximum age to participate in the Games will be 21 years old on 31 December of the year of the Games. Note that an age limit may vary depending on the sport/event established by relevant International Federations through sport-specific athlete eligibility standards.

Sport	Federation	Age Categories	Gender	Min Age	Max Age	
Archery	AR	World Archery	Male and Female	Under 18	15	17
				Under 21	18	20
Athletics	AT	World Para Athletics	Male and Female	Youth (U18)	14	17
				Junior (U20)	18	19
Badminton	BA	Badminton World Federation	Under 22	Male and Female	13	21
Boccia	BO	Boccia International Sports Federation (BISFed)	Junior	Mixed	15	21
10-pin Bowling	TB	International Blind Sports Association (IBSA)	Junior	Male and Female	13	21
Chess	CH	International Blind Sports Association (IBSA)	Male and Female	Under 18	14	17
				Under 20	18	20
Goalball	GB	International Blind Sports Association (IBSA)	Under 19	Male and Female	15	19
Powerlifting	PO	World Para Powerlifting	Junior	Male and Female	14	20
Swimming	SW	World Para Swimming	Junior	Male	12	16
			Senior	Male	17	18
			Junior	Female	12	15
			Senior	Female	16	18
Table Tennis	TT	International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF)	Under 21	Male and Female	12	23

Annex B

All nominations must include the following additional information

Detail profile of athlete:

1. When did s/he start training for competition?
2. How the frequency and duration of training undergo?
3. Any national classification done?
4. What is the personal philosophy toward his or her sporting journey? (written by athletes)
5. Coach's report on his current performance and outcome of his or her future development at least for the next 2 years.
6. Is he or she training on his/her own expenses or under council development programme?
7. Performance results of athletes being nominated should also include the number of competing countries or athletes for e.g. Athlete XYZ came in 5th out of 10 athletes or Team A came in 1st out of 6 countries.