

**GOLD COAST 2018 COMMONWEALTH GAMES  
4 – 15 APRIL 2018  
SELECTION CRITERIA POLICY**

**PARA TRACK CYCLING**

**1. Nomination**

Singapore Disability Sports Council (SDSC) to nominate athletes to represent Singapore at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018), according to qualification criteria set by the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF). The final selection of athletes remains at the discretion of Singapore National Paralympic Council (SNPC), Commonwealth Games Association (CGA), Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) and Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI).

In their nominations, SDSC should state clearly in the forms the justification for the athletes to be selected.

**2. Overview**

The core characteristics of the Para Track Cycling Allocation System focus on two (2) key methods of qualification;

- a. **UCI World Ranking Database**
- b. **Universality**  
CGF/UCI Invitation with universality as the key driver

**3. Medal Events**

<b>Men's Medal Events (2)</b>	<b>Women's Medal Events (2)</b>
Blind and visually impaired	Blind and visually impaired

**4. Athlete Allocation System**

a. **Athlete Allocation by Gender**

<b>Men</b>	<b>Women</b>
6	6

b. **Maximum Number of Athletes by CGA**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>Max. by CGA</b>
Men	2*
Women	2*

\* Subject to UCI Commonwealth Ranking Qualification Pathway entitlements.

Each eligible athlete is entitled to one (1) pilot.

**c. Universality Allocation**

Gender	Min. per event
Men	1
Women	1

**5. Qualification Framework**

Max. Number of Available Slots per Event	Method of Qualification		Type of Slot Allocation
5 per gender	UCI World Ranking	The top five (5) ranked CGAs with athletes in the Top 15 shall earn a slot.*	To CGA
1 per gender	Universality	Universality slots may be issued to athletes' of widely and regularly practicing CGAs not already qualified through the UCI World Ranking. If the Home nation hasn't otherwise qualified they will be awarded the invitation slot. If they have already qualified the slot will be allocated back to the invitation pool with universality being the key driver.	To CGA for eligible Events by Athlete by Name

\*In the event that the 2017 UCI Para-cycling Track World Championships are not held, the UCI will determine the top (5) CGAs to earn a slot based on the discretionary factors listed below.

**6. Qualification Pathway**

**a. UCI World Ranking Database**

If 2017 UCI Para-cycling Track World Championships are held, the UCI World Ranking database will be used to allocate slots per Medal Event in accordance with the following process:

- i. Results achieved as at 31 October 2017 will be recognised. UCI sanctioned events are outlined via the UCI website <http://www.uci.ch/para-cycling/>
- ii. For the avoidance of doubt, the UCI World Ranking database will be used to extract results from only prescribed Medal Events;

- iii. World Rankings will be Commonwealth Games adjusted to recognise a maximum of one (1) athlete per CGA nation per Medal Event in the first instance (subject to CGA entitlements below);
- iv. The top five (5) ranked CGA nations with athletes in the Top 15 on the UCI World Ranking Database will be eligible to earn one athlete slot for their CGA.
- v. In the event of a tie between two or more athletes for the final qualification slot, the slot will be allocated to the CGA who has obtained the highest placing at the 2017 UCI Para-cycling Track World Championships.
- vi. Where five (5) CGAs are not represented in the Top 15 on the UCI World Ranking Database, the CGA/s with the highest ranked second athlete on the UCI World Ranking Database within the Top 15 will be eligible to earn a second athlete slot up to the maximum athletes per Medal Event.

Where no 2017 UCI Para-cycling Track World Championships are held, UCI and CGF at their sole and absolute discretion will determine the top five (5) CGAs to earn a qualification slot as at 31 October 2017 based on factors including, but not limited to:

- vii. Widely and regularly practising national athletes not otherwise qualified;
- viii. International, regional and national competition results including strength of competition and
- ix. consistency of performance;
- x. Opportunity to participate in international and regional competition;
- xi. Demonstrated availability of athletes to participate in the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth
- xii. Games competition; and
- xiii. Any other factor(s) considered relevant by UCI and CGF.

**b. Universality**

In recognition of widely and regularly competing Para-Track athletes whose CGAs have not otherwise earned a slot-allocation, one Universality position (one per event) may be issued.

Universality slots may be issued in circumstances where:

- i. The Home Nation has not otherwise qualified; or –
- ii. Less than three (3) CGF regions are represented at the end of the qualification period. Best endeavours will be made to have three (3) regions represented in each Medal Event; or–
- iii. The Bipartite Commission determine that an athlete has sufficiently demonstrated a previous level of performance commensurate to participation at the Commonwealth Games but has not otherwise attained a slot-allocation via the methods outlined within the Athlete Allocation System.

All applications for Universality slot-allocation must be submitted by the CGA within the required timeframe. Athletes to be considered by the Bipartite Commission shall have demonstrated best endeavours to compete in at least one (1) UCI sanctioned event within the qualification period. These slots are non-transferable and in the event the CGA does not confirm acceptance by the required deadline, the slot will be redistributed via the reallocation policy.

## 7. Athlete Eligibility

To be eligible for endorsement by a CGA, an athlete must;

- i. Be internationally classified with:
  - o 'Confirmed' sport class status; or
  - o 'Review' sport class status with a fixed review date of 2019+;
- ii. Not be currently under disqualification or suspension by the CGF, or their respective Affiliated CGA or UCI or under the World Anti-Doping Code;
- iii. Have complied with all applicable rules and regulations of the CGF, UCI and the World Anti-Doping Code as may be modified and applied by the Federation to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed. In the case of any inconsistency, CGF rules and regulations will prevail;
- iv. Have met the CGF's eligibility standards in accordance with the CGF Constitution;
- v. Have complied with the minimum age regulations as stipulated by the UCI; and
- vi. Each blind or visually impaired athlete is allowed a maximum of one Pilot for any para cycling event.

To be eligible for endorsement by a CGA, a Pilot must satisfy applicable CGF, UCI and IPC eligibility standards. For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of any inconsistency the CGF standards will prevail.

## 8. Appeals Process

- a. Results from the selection will be published on SNPC's website on 24 October 2017 (or such other date as may be stated on SNPC's website). Appeal against non-selection by SNPC must be made in writing to SNPC within **72 hours** of the date of announcement, of the athletes being selected for **GOLD COAST 2018 COMMONWEALTH GAMES**.
- 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.
  - 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 by 31 October 2017 (or such other date as may be stated on SNPC's website). The decision will be final and no further appeal or correspondence will be entertained.