

# **BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE**

## **SELECTION POLICY**

**20<sup>th</sup> Asian Games 2026**

**19 September – 4 October, 2026**

**Aichi-Nagoya, Japan**

### **1. Purpose**

The document sets out the framework for the selection of athletes to represent Singapore in the sport of 3x3 basketball in the 20<sup>th</sup> Asian Games (herein referred to as Asian Games). This would ensure transparency, consistency, objectivity, fairness and clarity.

### **2. SNOC Selection Criteria**

Subject to the other considerations listed at paragraph 3 below, the following criteria shall be applied in the selection process:

- Athletes who have currently achieved at least 6th placing e.g., time/distance/score/mark of the 2022 Asian Games. For team sports, they should currently be ranked 6th among the Asian Games countries.
- Athletes/Teams who miss the qualifying standard marginally but show potential to equal or surpass it in time for the Games.
- All achievements submitted for consideration should have taken place at international competitions sanctioned by the International and/or Regional controlling bodies, but NSAs may submit the achievements from overseas championships and meets of athletes studying in overseas tertiary institutions. However, these have to be properly accredited and sanctioned to be accepted.
- All achievements should be achieved from 1 May 2025 up to 31 July 2026, or before the Organising Committee's Entry-By-Name deadline 30 June 2026, whichever is earlier, as the nominations must be submitted to the SNOC Appeals Committee for approval before the deadline. NSAs may follow the

SNOC selection/appeal window period (1 May 2025 – 15 June 2026), on the condition that including these results (if achieved before their NSA selection policy publication date) does not affect other athletes' nomination or non-nomination status.

- Pursuant to the Olympic Charter (By laws to Rules 27 and 28, paragraph 2.1), “Selection shall be based not only on the sports performance of an athlete, but also on his ability to serve as an example to the sporting youth of his country.”

### 3. Other Considerations

In addition to the above selection criteria, the following “qualities” of the athletes will be taken into consideration:

- Attitude and behavior towards coaches, teammates, fellow athletes, officials and sports administrators, ***whether in relation to sporting matters or otherwise.***
- General conduct ***and character*** which may affect the reputation, image, values or best interests of the athlete or the sport.
- **Past disciplinary record;**
- Current skill level and fitness;
- Level of commitment and attendance.
- Potential for future development:
- Ability to demonstrate team spirit and work well with teammates and officials; and
- Such other non-performance related qualities as the selectors may consider to be relevant.

#### 4. Extenuating Circumstances

In consideration of the performance and “qualities” of athletes, the selectors may at their discretion consider extenuating circumstances. For this purpose, “extenuating circumstances” mean an inability of the athlete to compete in and/or attend event, training camps or other required attendances arising from:

- Injury or illness.
- Equipment failure.
- Travel delays.
- Bereavement; and
- Such other circumstances as the selectors may consider relevant.

#### 5. Selection and Appeals

- The SNOC Selection Committee will meet in June 2026 (subject to the Organising Committee's confirmation of the Accreditation deadline) to discuss the nominations from NSAs and select athletes/teams for the Games.
- NSAs can submit appeals to the SNOC Appeals Committee for athletes/teams who are not selected at the Selection Committee and/or athletes/teams who are already in the 'Long List'. **The SNOC Appeals Committee will not deliberate the decisions made by the SNOC Selection Committee.** In the appeals, NSAs must provide new information that meets the selection criteria, information which had not been previously submitted to the SNOC Selection Committee.

#### 6. Size of Team

4 male athletes and 4 female athletes will be selected from the National Team Training Squad to represent Singapore in 3x3 basketball for the Asian Games.

#### 7. Athletes' Eligibility

All shortlisted athletes must be Singapore citizens, and should not be holding dual citizenship if they are above 22 years old at the time of nomination. For the avoidance of doubt, athlete must possess a valid Singapore passport at the time of selection.

The U23 events require players to be under the age of 23. A player is eligible to participate in the 3x3 Basketball competition of the 20th Asian Games if he/she:

- Registered in FIBA's play.fiba3x3.com with a confirmed account;
- Holds the legal nationality of the NOC he/she represent;
- Born between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2007;
- A player must turn minimum 19 years of age in the year when the competition will be held (Book 6 IR).

Only athletes who comply with the OCA Constitution and Rules and its Bye- law are entitled to compete in the 3x3 Basketball competition.

## **8. Selection Criteria**

Each athlete will be considered against all the following criteria during the selection trials:

- Demonstrated ability or potential to compete successfully at national and international level
  - Athletic ability (e.g. speed, height, strength, agility)
  - Technical Skills
  - Tactical Understanding
  - Mental Strength
- Overall physical conditioning of the athlete
- Desire and dedication to become a national athlete
- Display a sense of team ethic
- Show respect to team management and coaches at all times
- Demonstrate desire to help promote basketball activities in Singapore
- Commitment to work hard at improving mental aspect of basketball

- Good attendance at all training and team functions
- Ability to play team orientated 5-on-5 or 3x3 competitive basketball
- Receptiveness to coaching
- Ability to accept given roles and responsibility within the team
- Commitment to off-season skill development and improvement
- Good overall image and attitude
- Ability to be a role model and ambassador of the sport

Please refer to Annex A

## **9. Selection Process**

The National Team training squad will be formed through:

- National Team training squad trials OR/AND
- Invitation by BAS coaching staff

The National Team training squad will be formed in May 2026.

The athlete's potential to meet the selection criteria is assessed by the National Team coaches through:

- Observation and evaluation of the athlete's performance at club and school competitions (BAS organized tournaments, Singapore University Games (SUniG), Institute-Varsity-Polytechnic (IVP) etc)
- National Team training
- National Team selection trials
- Promotion from National Youth Team / development programs

Athletes in the National Team training squad will be assessed regularly on a bi-monthly basis by their respective coaches and team managers on their training progress, competition performances, discipline and attendance.

## **10. Selection into Asian Games Representative Team**

Selection trials will be conducted, in June 2025, for both the men's and women's teams before finalizing the initial list of Asian Games representative team to be submitted to SNOC. 4 male athletes and 4 female athletes will be selected to represent Singapore in 3x3 basketball.

The athlete must agree to abide by the following conditions if selected to represent Singapore:

- Attend all the centralized training sessions, unless prior permission from BAS has been obtained
- Display good conduct and discipline during training and competition
- Show good progress and good performance during the period of centralized training
- Adhere to anti-doping rules
- Adhere to Athlete's Code of Conduct

The above conditions are to ensure the athletes remain committed in securing a place in the final team.

## **11. Asian Games High Performance Working Group (HPWG)**

The Asian Games High Performance Working Group (Selection Committee) will be chaired by CEO of BAS, and consists of the following members to plan, monitor and evaluate the programmes leading up to the Asian Games:

- Selection & Development Sub-Committee
- Head Coaches
- Head High Performance & Pathway

The terms of reference for the HPWG are to:

- Review the selection criteria
- Select athletes for the National Team training squad
- Select athletes for the Asian Games representative team
- Evaluate the performance of the players

- To be able to present details and explain decisions on selections of teams whenever the situation arises.

The Asian Games HPWG can be contacted at [bas\\_sd@bas.org.sg](mailto:bas_sd@bas.org.sg).

## **12. Communication with Athletes**

Players selected for both the initial and final lists of the Asian Games representative team will receive official notification via a formal letter issued by BAS.

## **13. Appeal Rights & Process**

Appeals against the decision on selection or non-selection shall be lodged within 3 days of the announcement of the team selected for the Asian Games to the chairman of the Asian Games Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee shall consist of:

- Vice President of BAS
- Secretary General of BAS
- Programme Director, National Basketball Programme

The sole ground for any appeal is that the selection policy was not properly followed. An appeal must be made in writing with appropriate and sufficient documentation and must be accompanied by a deposit of SGD 300.00, payable to “Basketball Association of Singapore”. If the appeal is not sustained, the deposit will be forfeited.

The Appeal Committee shall conduct an investigation and convene a meeting to hear the appeal within 7 days of the receipt of the appeal.

The Appeal Committee will make the final decision to allow or dismiss the appeal. BAS shall notify the athlete concerned on the decision in writing to allow or dismiss an appeal. The decision of the Appeal Committee shall be final.

The Appeal Committee can be contacted through BAS secretariat at +65 67438425 (office telephone) or email to [neville\\_cheong@bas.org.sg](mailto:neville_cheong@bas.org.sg).

## **14. De-Selection**

An athlete selected for the National Team training squad or Asian Games representative team may be deselected if the athlete:

- Is unable to perform to the required standard due to illness or injury, as certified by a medical doctor
- Does not meet training requirements and/or tournament preparations in the opinion of the responsible national coaches
- Breaches or fails to fulfil a requirement of the anti-doping policies of BAS, the International Basketball Federation (FIBA) or other approved agencies, if applicable.
- Failure to adhere to the BAS / HPSI code of conduct and terms of agreement
- Failure to adhere to SNOC Team Membership Agreement

When an athlete has been de-selected from the team, BAS may fill the vacant position with the athlete best able to fill the role for the team by position, as determined by the selection process described earlier.

For athlete replacements after Entry By Name - Replacement athletes must have been nominated from the long list and selected by SNOC for the respective event. Athlete replacement after the Entry By Name deadline is also subject to the approval of the Games Organising Committee in accordance with their late athlete replacement policy.

## **15. Conflict-of-Interest**

This section outlines the standards and procedures for disclosing and managing conflicts of interest to ensure the integrity, impartiality, and fairness of the selection process. It aims to protect the credibility of the panel and maintain public confidence in the decision-making process.

This policy applies to all members of the HPWG, Appeal Committee and any individuals involved in the decision-making or advisory capacity for the selection process.

- All panel members must promptly disclose any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest. Disclosures should include sufficient detail to facilitate an informed decision on the appropriate course of action
- Where appropriate, the conflicted member may be required to recuse themselves from discussions, evaluations, and decisions related to the affected applicant(s)
- The conflicted member may be excluded from the entire selection process to maintain its integrity

All disclosures of conflict of interest will be treated with strict confidentiality to maintain the confidentiality of all information related to applicants, deliberations, and decisions.

Failure to disclose a conflict of interest may result in removal from the entire selection process

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## **Annex A - Assessment Rubrics Selection Criteria / Requirement / Weightage**

### **1. Tactical Understanding (25%):**

- a) Ability to play team orientated competitive basketball
- b) Ability to execute coaches' instructions
- c) Ability to understand and execute team plays
- d) Ability to read and adapt game situations
- e) Receptiveness to coaching

### **2. Athletic Ability (35%):**

- a) Technical Skills - Basketball fundamentals
- b) Physical and physiological attributes (Positional)
- c) Mental strength - execution under pressure

### **3. Attendance (10%):**

- a) With prior approved exemptions

### **4. Injury Risk/Status (5%):**

- a) Determined via past injury history and isokinetic testing results

### **5. Versatility (8%):**

- a) Ability to play multiple positions
- b) Ability to adapt

### **6. Input from Coaches and High- Performance Managers (12%):**

- a) Assessment of athlete's attitude, contribution to team dynamics, and potential for future growth

### **7. Sport Science Data (5%):**

- a) Game statistics
- b) Performance data

**Total: 100%**

This assessment rubric ensures that athletes are evaluated thoroughly across various dimensions to optimize team selection for upcoming competitions.