

SELECTION CRITERIA – 2017 SEA GAMES, KUALA LUMPUR



Competition	29th South-East Asian Games, Kuala Lumpur 2017 19 to 31 August 2017 (WATER POLO)
Qualifying Period	01 July 2016 onwards
Initial Release Date	30 June 2016

1. The Event	1.1 Major Games identified by Singapore Swimming Association (Example: Asian Games, SEA Games)
2. Eligibility	<p>2.1 To be considered for selection, a water polo athlete must meet all of the following eligibility criteria and maintain through the Championships:</p> <p>2.1.1 Be a Singapore citizen, eligible to represent Singapore.</p> <p>2.1.2 Have a signed current SSA Athlete Agreement.</p> <p>2.1.3 Able to commit to a regular training</p> <p>2.1.4 Able to commit to a regular strength and conditioning and fitness program</p> <p>2.1.5 Able to travel to international competition or training trips in the months following selection and leading to the identified major games.</p> <p>2.1.6 Athletes must start attending the selection squad training from 01 July 2016 to be consider for the selection.</p> <p>2.1.7 Not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the athlete’s body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping, or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in ADS’s, WADA or FINA’s Anti-Doping By-law.</p>
3. Team Commitments	<p>3.1 All water polo athlete and officials must:</p> <p>3.1.1. Comply with the provisions of the SSA and SNOC Athletes Agreement at all times.</p> <p>3.1.2. Conform to SSA requirements regarding team participation. This includes, but may not be limited to, providing an acceptable training plan, attendance at a pre-event camp and wearing team uniform as required.</p> <p>3.1.3. Make themselves available for all team activities designated by SSA.</p> <p>3.1.4. Not act in such a manner as to bring the athlete or SSA into</p>

	public disrepute.
4. Final Nomination and Selection	<p>4.1 At the conclusion, the Selection Panel will consider the performance of the athletes and whether their potential standard is suitable for participation at the SEA Games.</p> <p>4.2 The Selection Panel¹ will take into consideration from the following criteria which accumulate to 100% (Refer to annex A for assessment rubric)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Position-specific performance (25%) b. Fitness (25%) c. Attendance (20%) d. Injury risk/status (5%) e. Versatility (5%) f. Coaches' and managers' inputs (15%) g. Input from Sports Science (5%) <p>4.3 These criterions, would be announced to the team, and selection should be made at a fixed time before competition so that athletes are aware which could create healthy environment amongst the athletes to want to be at their best to be selected for the team.</p> <p>1 Selection panel will comprise of Assistant Sec Gen, National Team Coach, National Team Assistant Coach (If any), Team Manager (If any), Chairman TWPC (where avail) and SSA representative as Secretariat</p>
5. Reserve Team Members	<p>5.1 In addition to the nominated athletes for each event, the selection panel may select 3 athletes to support the team and act as reserve team members.</p> <p>5.2 In the event that a nominated athlete is unable to attend the SEA Games for whatever reason, WPC reserves the right to nominate the reserve team member at its sole discretion.</p> <p>5.3 Reserve Team Members may be offered positions in overseas training camps and competitions prior to the Major Games.</p>
6. Selection and Team Announcement Procedure	<p>6.1 The National Team and any squad are only official and may only be announced after ratification by the Assistant Secretary General Water polo.</p> <p>6.2 Prior to selection of a National Team, the National Coach may nominate a squad from which he will select the team. National Coach <u>retains the right</u>, in appropriate circumstances, to select players in the National Team, who were not nominated in the Squad.</p> <p>6.3 The following process will be followed. The days mentioned are the</p>

	<p>latest dates on which the steps listed are to be taken, unless otherwise agreed beforehand between the National Coach and the Assistant Secretary General Water polo.</p> <p>6.3.1 Prior to 90 days before the first match day, the National Coach or at his request, the Team Manager, may advise the last 16 players that they are being considered for selection.</p> <p>6.3.2 Prior to 60 days to match day, the National Coach will consult the selection panel and will make his selection decision on the final 13 and 3 reserve.</p> <p>6.3.3 Team Manager will then contact the final 13 selected players and advising them of their selection and team assembly details.</p> <p>6.3.4 National Coach and/or Team Manager will contact players who have not been selected and who were considered to have been close to selection to advise them of their non-selection, and the reasons therefore. Wherever possible the contact should be by telephone or in person.</p> <p>6.3.5 By agreement, between the National Coach and Assistant Secretary General Water Polo, the team will be announced.</p> <p>6.3.6 Any changes to the ratified squad or publicly announced team, due to injury, suspension, withdrawal or other supervening cause, will be immediately notified to the Assistant Secretary General Water polo, prior to any replacement being called up or any announcement thereof.</p> <p>6.3.7 Where there is a preparation camp before a match or competition, a similar procedure will be applied for the selection and naming of players for that camp prior to this procedure applying for the selection of the final team.</p>
<p>7. Unavailability for or withdrawal from selection</p>	<p>7.1 Any player who makes himself unavailable for selection, or, having been selected withdraws from selection for reasons which are not considered by Water Polo Committee to be acceptable (including but not limited to injury, bereavement, important club matches outside FIFA international dates) may be declared by Water Polo Committee to be suspended from consideration for the National Team for a period of its choosing.</p> <p>7.2 In relation to unavailability or withdrawal due to injury, Water Polo Committee shall require a report from the Physiotherapist and/or Physician before making its decision.</p>

	<p>7.3 The application of this provision will be the responsibility of Vice President water polo and shall be outside of the National Coach's responsibility. The National Head Coach shall however be consulted and will support and implement the Water Polo Committee decision.</p>
8. Appeals Procedure	<p>8.1 Any player who is aggrieved at his non-selection may undertake an appeal procedure. That procedure consists of:</p> <p>8.1.1 The player contacting the Vice-President (Water Polo) within 48 hours of the communication to him of his non – selection and notifying of his intention to undertake a grievance procedure.</p> <p>8.1.2 Any public statement by the player, other than that he is undertaking the grievance procedure will immediately terminate the procedure.</p> <p>8.1.3 The Vice-President (Water Polo) may ask the player to outline the basis of his grievance and will seek a report from the National Head Coach, within 24 hours of receiving written notification from the player.</p> <p>8.1.4 If the panel considers the appeal is justified, he may refer the matter to the National Coach for reconsideration</p>
9. Panel for selection and Appeals	<p>9.1 The panel of selection will be chaired by Assistant Secretary-General (Water Polo) and member consist of the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head Coach, • Assistant Coach, • Team Manager and • Chairman of Technical Water Polo Committee. <p>9.2 The panel for appeals process will be chaired by President SSA and members consist of the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice-President (Water Polo) • Representative of Advisory Committee
Notes	<p>The Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) is the body which sets the qualifying standards for all sports. They are also the governing body that selects the athletes for the Games, and considers any appeal cases which the NSAs may submit.</p> <p>Prepared by Wilson Ang (Assistant Sec Gen) In consultation with Lee Sai Meng, Eugene Teo, SSA Secretariat In accordance to SEA Games selection guidelines endorsed by SNOC</p>
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