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Southeast Asian Games 2023 Selection Criteria For Karate

1. OBJECTIVE

This document spells out the criteria for athletes to meet in order to be nominated by KUS to the Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) to participate in 32nd SEA Games in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, from 5 to 16 May 2023.

- 1.1 SNOC reserves the final right in deciding the selection of karate athletes representing Singapore for the SEA Games.
- 1.2 To select the best available athletes represent Singapore in karate for the 2023 SEA Games.
- 1.3 To ensure that the selection is fair and transparent.

2. Eligibility Criteria

- 2.1 Athletes must be Singapore Citizen and should not be holding dual citizenship if they are above 21 years old, at the time of nomination.
- 2.2 Only National Training Squad Athletes will be considered for selection.
- 2.3 Athletes must be above 18 years old for Kumite event and above 16 years old for Kata event.

3. National Training Squad Athletes (NTSA)

- 3.1 The National Training Squad Athletes will comprises of :
 - a. The top 4 placing athletes in KUS's National Competition, who accepted the invitation to join the National Training Squad.
 - b. Athletes recommended by the KUS' club. (Notice to be sent out 1 month before selection trial).
 - c. Athletes identified by KUS National Coaching Staff.

- d. Open recruitment for non members. (Notice to be sent out 1 month before selection trial)
- 3.2 NTSA must attend at least 80% of the training from the time inducted into the National Training Squad.
- 3.3 NTSA must accept and sign the KUS Athletes' Agreement.
- 3.4 Only NTSA will be considered for the long list.

4. Selection Criteria

- 4.1 Karate athletes must meet the following SNOC Selection Criteria:
 - a. Athletes who have currently achieved at least 3rd placing e.g., time/distance/score/mark of the 2021 SEA Games. For team sports, they should currently be ranked 3rd among the SEA Games countries.
 - b. Athletes/Teams who miss the qualifying standard marginally but show potential to equal or surpass it in time for the Games.
 - c. All achievements submitted for consideration should have taken place at KUS sanctioned championships and trials, but KUS 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. Please refer to [KUS Athlete Selection Policy For Major Competitions](#) for details.
 - d. All achievements should be achieved from 1 April 2022 up to the Entry by Name deadline, which is likely to be in **March 2023** (subject to local organizing committee's confirmation).
 - e. 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.
- 4.2 In addition, the following qualities of the athletes will also be taken into consideration:
 - a. Attitude and behaviour towards coaches, teammates, fellow athletes, officials and sports administrators, whether in relation to sporting matters or otherwise.
 - b. General conduct and character which may affect the reputation, image, values or best interests of the athlete or the sport.
 - c. Past disciplinary record.
 - d. Current skill level and fitness; and character.

- e. Level of commitment and attendance.
 - f. Potential for future development:
 - g. Ability to demonstrate team spirit and work well with teammates.
 - h. Such other non-performance related qualities as the selectors may consider to be relevant.
 - i. Achievement during the qualifying period.
- 4.3 KUS will nominate the best athletes for each category to represent Singapore.
- 4.4 KUS will conduct 2 selection trials for the purpose of selecting athletes for nomination to SNOC. SEA Game Karate Selection Trial 1 and 2 (Dates to be announced later).
- 4.5 Only NTSA will be considered for selection. Athletes who wish to be nominated must register to join the NTSA (refer to para 3 above).
- 4.6 NTSA must attend the 2 trials unless under extenuating circumstances. The top athlete of the two trials for each category will selected for nomination contingent on said athlete having met SNOC's Selection Criteria.
- 4.7 Points : 1st Placing – 10 points, 2nd placing – 7 points. 3rd placing – 5 points. Total maximum points is 20.
- 4.8 In the event there is a tie in points. Clause 4,1and 4.2 will be considered.
- 4.9 KUS has the right to nominate the second place athlete of a given weight categories to either the next lower or higher weight category if there are no other nomination.

5. Categories

Based on 2021 SEA Games Vietnam, the following event categories are open for nomination:

Male	Female
Individual Kata	Individual Kata
Team Kata	Team Kata
Individual Kumite -55kg	Individual Kumite -50kg
Individual Kumite -60kg	Individual Kumite -55kg
Individual Kumite -67Kg	Individual Kumite -61Kg
Individual Kumite -75Kg	Individual Kumite -68Kg
Individual Kumite -84Kg	Individual Kumite +68Kg
Team Kumite	Team Kumite

Individual event category – 1 per athlete per category

Team Kata (Female)	– 3 + reserve
Team Kata (Male)	– 3 + 1 reserve
Team Kumite (Female)	– 4
Team Kumite (Male)	- 7

6. Selection Committee

The Selection Committee will consist of 3 members to be nominated by the KUS Management Committee. (Names to be announced later).

7. Appeal

- 7.1 Athletes who wish to appeal the results of the Selection Trials have to write to the Secretary General. Appeals have to be supported with a deposit of S\$200.
- 7.2 Athletes will have to provide new information for the appeal beside those already submitted.
- 7.3 Appeals have to be lodged within 48 hours of notification of Selection results.
- 7.4 KUS's Appeals Committee will preside over the appeal matters.
- 7.5 KUS MC will appoint a 3 members Appeal Committee.
- 7.6 The appeals process is not a re-selection. It exists to evaluate whether the decisions by selectors were justified and whether there were any breaches or infringements in the selection process.
- 7.7 Should the KUS Appeals Committee determine that there were errors or lapses in the selection process, a recommendation will be made to the KUS MC to address these issues.
- 7.8 If the KUS Appeals Committee deems the appeal to be frivolous or unwarranted, the deposit will be forfeited.

8. Extenuating Circumstances

- 8.1 Injury exemption from SEA Games Karate Selection Trial 1 will be considered on a case-by-case basis and has to be supported by the Head National Coach. To qualify for an injury exemption, the athlete, parent or coach must notify KUS in writing with the necessary documentation, (eg. Medical Certificate).
- 8.2 Other “extenuating circumstances” that warrants consideration from the KUS Selection Committee includes bereavement, travel delays, overseas obligations and other such circumstances the committee may deem relevant.