



Selection Criteria
33rd Southeast Asian (SEA) Games
9 to 20 December 2025
Traditional Boat



Correct as at 30 October 2024

1. Nomination Criteria

- 1.1 SDBA plans to nominate athletes for the Games based on qualifying standards established at least 13 months prior. These is open to all athletes, provided they meet these standards during SDBA-sanctioned championships, in agreement with SNOC/SSI.
- 1.2 SDBA will state clearly in the nominations via SportSync at least 6 months before the Games, the justification for the athletes to be selected.
- 1.3 Athletes must be Singapore Citizens, and should not be holding dual citizenship if they are above 22 years old, at the time of nomination.
- 1.4 Athletes must have undergone training:
 - a. **at least six (6) months** with the National Team (herein referred to as "Nteam"), either as a premier team member and/or developmental/youth/age group team member.
 - b. achieved **at least 90% attendance** leading up to The Selection.

2. Selection Criteria

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

- 2.1 Athletes should have represented the team that currently achieved at least 3rd placing among the South East Asian Countries.
- 2.2 Athletes/Teams who miss the qualifying standard marginally but show potential to equal or surpass it in time for the Games.
- 2.3 All achievements submitted for consideration should have taken place at SDBA designated championships as per following:
 - 2024 ICF Dragon Boat World Championship (Philippines)
 - 2025 Macau International Dragon Boat Race (Macao)
 - 2025 17th IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships (Germany)
 - 2025 The World Games ChengDu (ChengDu)
- 2.4 All achievements should be achieved from 31 October 2024 up to 5 September 2025, which is 2 weeks before the 19 September Entry by Name deadline, as the nominations have to be submitted to the SNOC Appeals Committee for approval before the deadline.
- 2.5 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."

2.6 The nominated athlete has been briefed and understood the requirements and guidelines implemented by SDBA for any representation under Singapore Dragon Boat. All nominated athletes shall be guided by the following documents:

- 2.6.1 [National Athlete Selection Policy](#)
- 2.6.2 [National Athlete Sport Agreement](#)
- 2.6.3 [National Athlete Code of Conduct & Ethics](#)
- 2.6.4 [National Athlete Disciplinary System](#)
- 2.6.5 [Safe Sport policy](#)

3. Other Considerations

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

- 3.1 Attitude and behavior towards coaches, teammates, fellow athletes, officials, and sports administrators, ***whether in relation to sporting matters or otherwise.***
- 3.2 General conduct **and character** which may affect the reputation, image, values or best interests of the athlete or the sport.
- 3.3 **Past disciplinary record;**
- 3.4 Current skill level and fitness; **and character**
- 3.5 Level of commitment and attendance.
- 3.6 Potential for future development:
- 3.7 Ability to demonstrate team spirit and work well with teammates and officials; and
- 3.8 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 give consideration to 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:

- 4.1 Injury or illness.
- 4.2 Equipment failure.
- 4.3 Travel delays.
- 4.4 Bereavement; and
- 4.5 Such other circumstances as the selectors may consider to be relevant.

5. Selection and Appeals

- 5.1 The SDBA Selection Committee for nominations of athletes to the SNOC Selection Committee shall be conducted by the High-Performance Committee (hereinafter referred to as “HPE”), comprising of:
 - a. SDBA Vice-President for High Performance (VP-HPE)
 - b. High Performance Manager (HPM)
 - c. Head Coach
 - d. Assistant Coaches
- 5.2 The SNOC Selection Committee will meet to discuss the nominations from SDBA and has the sole and final discretion to select athletes to represent Singapore at the SEAG.
- 5.3 SDBA can submit appeals to the SNOC Appeals Committee for athletes that were not selected by the Selection Committee. In these appeals, SDBA must present new

information that meets the selection criteria, which was not previously submitted to the Selection Committee.

5.4 An athlete who wishes to appeal to SDBA against non-selection by the SNOC Selection Committee,

5.4.1 shall be required to inform, in writing, the HPM, Skye Teo at skyeteo@sdba.org.sg, within 7 days of the announcement of the selection decision.

5.4.2 will need to submit a refundable appeal deposit of S\$200 to the Singapore Dragon Boat Association within 24 hours of the submission of appeal, failing which the appeal will be null and void. The deposit will be refunded upon successful appeal

5.5 The appeal will then be reviewed by the SDBA Appeals Committee, comprising of the:

- a. President
- b. Secretary General
- c. SVP for Performance Maximisation
- d. VP for Talent Development
- e. General Manager/Executive Director

5.6 If the appeal is determined to be without merit or frivolous, the appeal deposit will be forfeited.

5.7 SDBA Appeals Committee reserves the discretion to accept and/or reject any Appeal but will justify the decision in writing.

6. Timeline**

July 2025	SNOC Selection Committee Meeting
Aug 2025	SDBA Appeals Committee Meeting
19 September 2025	Sports Entry by Name Deadline

**subject to timeline set by the SNOC and the Organizing Committee confirmation of the Accreditation deadline

7. Enquiries

Any enquiries may be directed to HPM Skye Teo at skyeteo@sdba.org.sg or ED Desmond Koh at desmondkoh@sdba.org.sg.