



SINGAPORE ICE SKATING ASSOCIATION

2022 WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES FIGURE SKATING SELECTION POLICY

(completed on 1 April 2021)

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The objective of the Singapore Ice Skating Association (SISA) 2022 Selection Policy is to ensure the best possible figure skating athletes are selected to represent Singapore for the 2022 Winter Olympic Games to be held in Beijing, China from 4 to 20 February 2022.
- 1.2. The SISA EXCO may appoint, at its discretion, an Olympic Winter Games panel of up to five (5) individuals, of which at least 60% are individuals that are not currently in the following group or holding the position of:
- SISA EXCO
 - SISA Figure Skating Committee or sub-committee
 - SISA Figure Skating Director
 - NROC Figure Skating Coach

and whose task will be to consider athletes to be nominated to Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) to represent Singapore in the 2022 Winter Olympic Games as according to this policy.

- 1.3. The following definitions apply throughout this policy:

SISA	Singapore Ice Skating Association of Singapore
SNOC	Singapore National Olympic Committee
ISU	International Skating Union
SISA Selection Panel	A panel, appointed by SISA Executive Committee, comprising of up to five (5) but no less than three (3) who have the necessary sporting experience and background, are technically proficient and competent to make decisions relating to athlete selection.
ISU International Event	An event listed on the ISU Figure Skating Event Calendar and as defined in ISU Rule 107.4
TES	Technical Element Score
Appeals Committee	The SISA Executive Committee (EXCO) will form an independent appeals committee responsible to deliberate fair queries and appeals/ protests lodged by athletes
ISU Olympic Qualifying Competitions	ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 Nebelhorn Trophy 2021 on September 22-25, 2021 in Oberstdorf, Germany.

2. Nomination of Athletes

For the purposes of nomination to the SNOC of Figure Skating Athletes for selection to the 2022 Singapore Olympic Winter Team, SISA will:

- 2.1. only nominate Athletes who satisfy the requirements of ISU Rule 400 and meet ISU Minimum Technical Scores for 2022 Olympic Winter Games in the Short Program and Free Skating as determined and to be published by ISU at the beginning of the Olympic season 2021/2022.
- 2.2. nominate Athletes according to the following process:
 - a. if Singapore qualifies a quota place at the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competitions, SISA will nominate the Athlete no later than 15 Oct 2021 (or when the final ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition is completed, whichever is later – if this is due to a postponement by the ISU).
 - i. nominate athlete/s who earned the quota place for Singapore at the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competitions for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games.
- 2.3. only nominate Athletes who are, or are recognized by the SNOC as Eligible:
 - a. citizen of the Republic of Singapore (according to ISU Rule 109 and ISU Communication 2030);
 - b. be a current member of SISA in good standing.
- 2.4. only nominate those Athletes that have met the requirements described in the Selection Criteria to the best of SISA's knowledge;
- 2.5. not nominate more Athletes (including reserves) than the maximum number permitted under the Qualification System;
- 2.6. not nominate Athletes who have breached the SNOC Anti-Doping By-Law unless the Athlete has already been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed.

3. Selection to compete at the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competitions

- 3.1. The Athlete must comply to the requirements as announced by the ISU for the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competitions.
- 3.2. SISA will nominate the Athlete by 15 July 2021 or 21 days prior to the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition entry by number deadline. Whichever is later.
- 3.3. Qualifying Window: 24 months* preceding 15 July 2021.
- 3.4. Should there be more athletes than the given quota spots, athletes will be ranked by the highest total TES score (Short + Free, which can be from different competitions) achieved during the qualification window at an ISU Senior International Event.
- 3.5. Where the Athlete identified under clause 3.1 – 3.4 above is unable to compete at the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition by reason of illness or injury, the next ranked Athlete will be selected to compete in the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition.

** In view of the exceptional circumstances due to covid-19, the qualification window has been extended to 24 months before 15 July 2021.*

4. Replacement of Athletes after Nomination by SISA to the SNOC

- 4.1. Should any nominated athlete be unable to compete in the 2022 Olympic Winter Games by reason of injury or illness then SISA may identify a replacement Athlete for nomination to the SNOC in accordance with clause 2 of this Nomination Criteria.
- 4.2. The selection of the replacement Athlete will be prioritised as follows:
 - a. Athlete who obtained the second or subsequent highest total TES score at the ISU Olympic Qualifying Competitions.
- 4.3. If SISA determine that an athlete who has been nominated to and selected by the SNOC should be replaced by a replacement athlete then:
 - a. SISA will recommend to the SNOC that the athlete is to be replaced; and
 - b. should the SNOC (or during the period of the 2022 Olympic Winter Games, the Chef de Mission of the 2022 Singapore Winter Olympic Team) determine that the selected athlete should be replaced; then
 - i. SISA may nominate a replacement athlete for selection by the SNOC (in accordance with this Nomination Criteria); and
 - ii. the SNOC (or during the period of the 2022 Olympic Winter Games, the Chef de Mission of the 2022 Singaporean Winter Olympic Team) may in its absolute discretion select that nominated replacement athlete. In exercising its discretion, the SNOC will be subject to any conditions that apply in relation to entry for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games.

5. Making of Nominations

- 5.1. The SNOC has the sole and absolute discretion:
- a. to determine whether an Athlete has met the requirements of selection;
 - b. to determine whether or not it should select the maximum number of Athletes permitted by the Qualification System, notwithstanding the number of Athletes who may have met the requirements of selection and/or the Qualification System.
- 5.2. Nominations by SISA must be received by the SNOC by **5pm 15 Oct 2021** (or when the final ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition is completed, whichever is later – if this is due to a postponement by the ISU). Nominations made after this deadline (or within such further deadline as the SNOC may allow) will be invalid unless made pursuant to a direction or award in respect of an appeal against non-nomination to the SISA Appeals Tribunal or the Court of Arbitration for Sport pursuant to the SNOC's Olympic Team Selection Policy and which appeal had been commenced prior to the deadline for receipt of nominations by the SNOC.
- 5.3. The **5pm 15 Oct 2021** deadline for the making of nominations by SISA (or when the final ISU Olympic Qualifying Competition is completed, whichever is later – if this is due to a postponement by the ISU) applies irrespective of any deadline prescribed under the Qualification System or by the Organising Committee for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games.

6. Amendments to Nomination Criteria

This Nomination Criteria may be amended by SISA with the prior written approval of the SNOC. Any amended Nomination Criteria will be distributed by SISA via email to all members and posted on the SISA website.

7. Appeal Procedure

- 7.1. An Appeals Committee will be available to look into disputes relating to the nomination or non-nomination of an athlete. The members of the Appeals Committee will be published by SISA.
- 7.2. Athletes must state in writing their intention to appeal a selection decision within 48 hours of SISA's announcement of Athlete Nominations for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games, accompanied by a cheque of S\$300.00, payable to Singapore Ice Skating Association:
- President, Singapore Ice Skating Association
3 Stadium Drive
#01-33, Singapore 397630
administration@sisa.org.sg
If the appeal is upheld, the deposit will be refunded.
- 7.3. The grounds on which an appeal can be made to SISA are based on:
- a. the relevant policy has not been properly followed and/or implemented; and/or
 - b. the decision was affected by actual bias.
- 7.4. Where there is a conflict or dispute in respect of this Selection Policy for nomination of athletes to represent Singapore in the 2022 Olympic Winter Games, SNOC Appeals Committee reserves the sole right to interpret this document and to use its discretion in the resolution of the matter in conflict or dispute.

8. Qualification Timeline

Refer to <https://www.isu.org/figure-skating/events/olympic-winter-games/fsk-beijing-2022> for latest version.

Period	Date	Milestone
Qualification Individual Events	22 – 28 March 2021	ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 – Stockholm (Sweden)
Inform	By 11 April 2021	First list of NOCs having earned quotas from the ISU World Figure Skating Championships
Confirm	1 September 2021	NOCs qualified through the ISU World Figure Skating Championships 2021 to confirm use of allocated quota places to ISU
Qualification Individual Events	TBD* by 15 July 2021	OWG Qualifying Competition 2021 (TBD*)
Inform	Published after OWG Qualifying Competition 2021 Autumn 2021 (TBD*)	Final list of all NOCs having earned quotas from the ISU World Figure Skating Championships and OWG Qualification Competition
Accreditation deadline	TBD*	Beijing 2022 Accreditation deadline
Confirm	30 October 2021	NOCs qualified through the OWG Qualifying Competition 2021 to confirm use of allocated quota places to ISU
Reallocation Individual Events	From 31 October 2021 to 21 December 2021	ISU to inform relevant NOCs regarding reallocation of quota places that will have to be confirmed by the NOC within 24 hours. Lack of a NOC response to the ISU within this deadline will be considered as a refusal of the offered quota place.
Qualification Team Event	9-12 December 2021 (TBD*)	ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final and subsequent ISU information regarding the qualified Teams for the Olympic Figure Skating Team Event
Confirm	Within 24h of information	NOCs qualified for the Team Event to confirm use of allocated quota place to ISU

Period	Date	Milestone
Reallocation Team Event	13-21 December 2021	ISU to inform relevant NOCs regarding reallocation of Team quota places that will have to be confirmed by the NOC within 24 hours. Lack of an NOC response to the ISU within this deadline will be considered as a refusal of the offered Team quota place
Delegation Registration Meetings	TBD*	Beijing 2022 Delegation Registration Meetings
Sport Entries deadline	24 January 2022	Beijing 2022 Sport Entries deadline
Games Time	4 – 20 February 2022	Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022

Note: Qualifying Competitions has been determined as per ISU Communication No 2380 - <https://www.isu.org/inside-isu/isu-communications/communications/25564-2380-decisions-of-the-council-march-2-2021/file>