



SINGAPORE
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SINGAPORE ICE SKATING ASSOCIATION SELECTION POLICY

9th ASIAN WINTER GAMES 2025

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The objective of the Singapore Ice Skating Association (SISA) Asian Winter Games Selection Policy is to ensure the best possible athletes are selected to represent Singapore for the Asian Winter Games 2025 to be held in Harbin, China from 07 Feb 2025 to 14 Feb 2025.

- 1.2 Ice Skating events and number of athletes per event at Asian Winter Games 2025 is subject to the guidelines in the Technical Handbooks, which have not been published yet. The Selection Policy will be updated when the Technical Handbook is available.

- 1.3 The SISA Board may appoint, at its discretion, a panel comprising of up to five (5) but no less than three (3) from outside the sport and from SISA (SISA Selection Panel) whose task will be to consider athletes to be nominated to Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) to represent Singapore in the Asian Winter Games 2025 as according to this policy.

1.4 The following definitions apply throughout this policy:

SNOC Asian Winter Games Minimum Performance Standard	The Minimum Technical Scores for Short Program and Free Skating (Figure Skating) and race times (Short Track Speed Skating)
Qualification period	Between December 2022 up to the Entry by Name deadline (TBC), likely 2-3 months before the Games (to be confirmed by OCA/SNOC). This is subject to the guidelines in the Technical Handbooks, which have not been published yet. This will be updated when the Technical Handbook is available.
SISA Nominated Qualifying Event	SISA Nominated Qualifying Events as published by SISA.
ISU International Event	An event listed on the ISU Event Calendar and as defined in ISU Rule 107.3
International Squad (Figure Skating)	Members of the Figure Skating International Squad
National Squad (Short Track Speed Skating)	Members of the Short Track National Squad
Minimum Technical Element Scores	The minimum technical element scores for the Short Program and Free Skating as published by SISA
Race Times	Timing achieved from 500m / 1000m / 1500m
SISA Selection Panel	A panel, appointed by SISA Board, comprising of up to five (5) but no less than three (3) persons who have the necessary sporting experience and background, are technically proficient and competent to make decisions relating to athlete selection.
Appeals Committee	The SISA Board will form an independent appeals committee responsible to deliberate appeals/ protests lodged by athletes.

2.0 QUALIFICATION

2.1 Eligibility

To be eligible to participate at the Asian Winter Games 2025, athletes must:

- (a) be a citizen of the Republic of Singapore (in accordance with ISU Communication 1420); and must not be holding dual citizenship if they are above 22 years old; and
- (b) be a current member of SISA; and
- (c) meet the age eligibility requirements by the IF - reached at least the age of 17 from 1 July 2024; and
- (d) meet the SNOC Asian Winter Games minimum performance standards prescribed by the Qualification System i.e. in terms of Minimum Technical Scores (for Figure Skating) and Race Times (for Short Track Speed Skating) which is equivalent or surpassed the sixth (6th) placing result from the previous Asian Winter Games; and
- (e) achieve or surpassed the SNOC Asian Winter Games minimum performance standards during the Qualification period; and
- (f) signed and complied with SISA's Athlete Agreement; and
- (g) abided by the Statement of Anti-Doping of Singapore.

3.0 NOMINATION BY SISA

3.1 The nomination by Singapore Ice Skating Association (SISA) of athletes for selection to Asian Winter Games 2025 will be in accordance with the following process:

(a) **Figure Skating**

(i) Based on Section 1.2, SISA will nominate athletes who have:

(a) met the eligibility requirements of Section 2.1(a)-(g); and

(b) fulfil his/her training attendance as a Squad member; and

(c) achieved any of the SNOC Asian Winter Games Minimum Performance Standard [(as highlighted in Section 2.1(d)(e))] in the Junior and/or Senior category at an ISU International Event or SISA Nominated Qualifying event/s:

		<u>SHORT TES</u>	<u>FREE TES</u>
SENIOR or JUNIOR CATEGORY	Women	26.24	51.27
	Men	42.39	80.43

; and

(ii) obtained the highest Technical Element Score (Short and Free) achieved at any two 2023/2024 ISU International Events in the Junior/Senior category.

(iii) In the event of a tie after applying clause 3.1(a)(ii), then the Athlete with the highest Total Score in any of the events listed in clause 3.1(a)(ii) above will be nominated to the SNOC in that event.

(b) Short Track Speed Skating

- (i) Based on Section 1.2, SISA will nominate athletes who have:
- a. met the eligibility requirements of Section 2.1(a)-(g); and
 - b. Fulfil his/her training attendance as a Squad member; and
 - c. achieved any of the SNOC Asian Winter Games Minimum Performance Standard [(as highlighted in Section 2.1(d)(e))] either at an ISU International Event or SISA Nominated Qualifying event/s:

Category	500m	1000m	1500m
Women	<44.998	<1:40.049	<2:30.956
Men	<41.675	<1:28.390	<2:23.837

; and

- d. obtained the fastest 500m/1000m/1500m race time at any ISU International Event during the qualification period.
- (ii) The fastest 500m/1000m/1500m race time will be used to determine the nominations. Athlete/s will be nominated for all individual distance events.
- (iii) An athlete who qualifies for and is nominated into the individual events in the Asian Winter Games Team must agree to participate in all individual distances and the relay event.
- (iv) The fastest combined cumulative time of the three distances (500m, 1000m, 1500m) will be used by the SISA Selection Panel to determine any additional athlete nominations, in alignment with allowed athlete quota numbers, for the relay teams.

3.2 Reserves Policy

- (a) To ensure that SISA is able to fulfill the quota allocation at Asian Winter Games 2025, where possible, a reserve list of 2-3 athletes each for Figure Skating and Short Track Speed Skating, in accordance with Section 3.1(a) or (b), will be lodged with the SISA Selection Panel, SISA EXCO and the SNOC.
- (b) Should any nominated athlete be unable to compete at the Asian Winter Games by reason of injury, illness or unforeseen reasons, then the SISA Selection Panel may nominate a replacement Athlete for nomination to the SNOC from the reserve list.

4.0 REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETES AFTER NOMINATION BY SISA TO THE SNOC

4.1 Should any nominated athlete be unable to compete in the Asian Winter Games 2025 for any reason then SISA may identify a replacement Athlete for nomination to the SNOC in accordance with clause 3 of this Nomination Criteria.

4.2 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; the athlete will be selected based on:
 - i. Next best ranked Singaporean. This skater must fulfil the criteria stated in clause 2 & 3.
 - ii. Should the next best ranked Singaporean not fulfil the criteria under clause 2& 3, the next ranked skater shall be nominated.

5.0 SELECTION BY SNOC

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 1 November 2024. Nominations made after this deadline (or within such further deadline as the SNOC may allow) will be invalid.

5.3 The SNOC deadline for the making of nominations by SISA applies irrespective of any deadline prescribed under the Qualification System or by the Organising Committee for the Asian Winter Games 2025.

6.0 AMENDMENT TO NOMINATION CRITERIA

6.1 This Nomination Criteria may be amended by SISA with the prior written approval of the SNOC. Any amendments have to be approved by the SNOC (with reference to para. 7.5) before circulation via email to all members and posted on the SISA website.

7.0 APPEAL PROCEDURE

7.1 An Appeals Committee will be available to look into disputes relating to the nomination or non-nomination of an athlete.

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 Asian Winter Games 2025, accompanied by a cheque of S\$100.00, payable to Singapore Ice Skating Association:

Appeals Committee
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 The decision of the Appeals Committee with regard to the nomination of athletes by SISA to SNOC is final.

7.5 Where there is a conflict or dispute in respect of this Selection Policy for selection of athletes by SNOC to represent Singapore in the Asian Winter Games 2015, 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. The decision of SNOC's Appeals Committee's in this regard is final.

8.0 MEMBERS OF THE SISA ATHLETE SELECTION AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

8.1 Selection Committee

Dr Helen Chai	SISA Advisor, Assistant Dean and Director, BBA Programme, NUS Business School
Mrs Lisa Jelinek	SISA Advisor
Dr Ho Mun Wai	Former Programme Chair, Diploma in Sport Coaching, Republic Polytechnic. Former, Chief, Knowledge Management and Corporate Policies, SSC

8.2 Appeals Committee

Mr Ganesh S Ramanathan	Vice President, Para Bowl Singapore and Advocate and Solicitor, Karuppan Chettiars and Partners
Mr Melvyn Fones	Executive Director, Singapore Bowling
Mr Winston Wong	Notary Public, Commissioner for Oaths. Director, Flint & Battery LLC SISA's Executive Ombudsman