

## **Policy Document**

Guidelines for the Selection to SNOC of

# **CUESPORTS SINGAPORE TEAM**

for the

# 33rd SEA Games 2025 THAILAND 9 - 20 DECEMBER 2025

This policy comprises four parts being:

Part A The SEA Games, the Cuesports Singapore Selection Panel and the role of the Singapore National Olympic Council

Part B Eligibility criteria, and the nomination and selection process

Part C Registration form

#### **Definitions**

| SG                                      | The 33 <sup>rd</sup> South East Asian Games                                                                                                     |
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| Cuesports Singapore<br>National Ranking | A system that analyzes the results of National competitions to provide ratings for each athlete.                                                |
| Open Entry Event                        | An event where there is no limit on the number of entries or other eligibility requirements that would potentially restrict Singapore entrants. |
| Qualifying event                        | An event used to reduce the number of contesting athletes to compete at nomination events.                                                      |
| Nomination Event                        | A list of events used to form basis of nomination to SNOC to represent Singapore in the 33 <sup>rd</sup> South East Asian Games.                |
| cs                                      | Cuesports Singapore                                                                                                                             |
| Selection Panel                         | The Cuesports Singapore selection panel, approved by the CS Executive Committee.                                                                |
| SNOC                                    | Singapore National Olympic Council                                                                                                              |
| SSI                                     | Singapore Sport Institute                                                                                                                       |
| ADS                                     | Anti-Doping Singapore                                                                                                                           |

| ACBS | Asian Confederation of Billiard Sports       |
|------|----------------------------------------------|
| IBSF | International Billiards & Snooker Federation |
| WST  | World Snooker Tour                           |

#### Part A

#### 1. The Event

- 1.1 The SEA Games will be held from 7 to 19 December 2025 in Thailand.
- 1.2 The following events will be contested in the SG:

| Event |                           | Gender |       |
|-------|---------------------------|--------|-------|
|       | Event                     | Men    | Women |
| 1     | Snooker Singles           | 1      | 1     |
| 2     | Snooker Team              | 1      | 1     |
| 3     | 6 Red Snooker Singles     | 1      | 1     |
| 4     | 6 Red Snooker Team        | 1      | 1     |
| 5     | English Billiards Singles | 1      |       |
| 6     | English Billiards Team    | 1      |       |
| Total |                           | 6      | 4     |

- 1.3 Each South East nation in good standing with the Southeast Asian Games Federation is entitled to enter two (2) athletes per singles event and (3) athletes in the team event (to be confirmed).
- 1.4 Cuesports Singapore intends to nominate athletes to SNOC in all events.
- 1.5 Athletes may be nominated to represent in more than one event.
- 1.6 CS's minimum performance criteria applies to all events as outlined in clause 5.
- 1.7 Athletes are not allowed to participate as player and coach. They can only participate as either player or coach but not both.

#### 2. Selection Panel

2.1 Cuesports Singapore has a selection panel that will consider athletes to be nominated to SNOC to represent Singapore in SG.

Selection Panel consists of the President, 2 Vice Presidents (selection), 1 Board Member or 1 member from the Selections Committee & General Manager.

2.2 The selection panel will consider athletes to be nominated to SNOC for inclusion in the Cuesports Singapore team in accordance with the terms of this selection policy.

#### 3. Role of SNOC

3.1 The SNOC, as the National Olympic Committee of Singapore, has the sole and final decision in selecting or not selecting athletes to represent Singapore at the SG, based on the current Sea Games selection criteria.

#### 4. Appeals & Disputes

- 4.1 Where there is a conflict or dispute in respect of these Guidelines for the nomination of athletes to represent Singapore in the SG, Cuesports Singapore reserves the sole right to interpret this document and to use its discretion in the resolution of matter in conflict or dispute.
- 4.2 Athletes must state in writing, their intention to appeal a selection decision within 3 working days of the announcement via email to athletes of the initial selection decision. Written intentions to appeal must be forwarded to:
  - 1. General Manager at gm@cuesports.org.sg and
  - 2. Cuesports Singapore at cue@cuesports.org.sg

Each appeal must be accompanied with a fee of \$200 made payable to CS. This fee will be refunded only if the appeal is successful.

- 4.3 An Appeals Board is available to look into disputes relating to the selection or non-selection of an athlete.
  - a) The Appeals Board shall consist of a vice-President (appeal) and 2 other members which may include at least one other board member and/or a coach drawn from another discipline other than that of the athlete appealing. Members of the selection and appeal committees must be distinct for role segregation.
  - b) Recent performance and coach's appraisal will be taken into consideration. In the case of the coach being a player, the coach's appraisal will not be taken into consideration.
  - c) All athletes shall not make or refrain from making any announcements to the public or media concerning any matter relating to his or her selection or appeal. Any infringement will result in immediate disqualification from appeal.
- 4.4 The appeals board should not be seen as;
  - a) A second pass selection panel, excusing the initial *selection panel* from undertaking true and diligent procedures.
  - b) An automatic second chance for selection by the *athlete*. Athletes may only appeal on grounds that the selection process was not carried out in accordance with this policy document.

#### 5. General Eligibility

- 5.1 To be eligible for selection each athlete must:
  - a. Be a citizen of the Republic of Singapore {and should not be holding dual citizenship, if they are 22 years old}; (Note: Permanent residents are not considered as citizens.)
  - b. Rank top 3 among SEA countries in an international competition sanctioned by IBSF/WST/World Billiards.
  - c. Reached the quarter-finals of a regional competition sanctioned by ACBS. (demonstrating the potential to achieve top 3 in SEA)
  - d. Qualification window for point b and c: from date of publication till no later than 5 September 2025
  - e. Be able to commit to a SG medallist level training programme that includes a minimum of 20 hours per week. Consideration will be given to athletes with exceptional circumstances, example: National Service.
  - f. Be able to commit to a SG medallist level strength and conditioning / fitness programme which includes a minimum of biweekly session.
  - g. Have submitted the registration form to be considered for the SG to Cuesports Singapore by 31 March 2025.
  - h. 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."
  - i. Have signed the athlete agreement.
  - j. Be in good financial standing with Cuesports Singapore.

#### 6. Nomination Criteria

#### 6.1 Selection Trials and Format:

If there are more eligible athletes than allowed entries, a selection trial will be used as a "tie-breaker."

| Snooker           | There will be <b>2 rounds</b> of selection trials and the round-robin format will be used. |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| English Billiards | There will be <b>1 round</b> of selection trial and the round-robin format will be used.   |

#### 6.1.1 Selection trials to be held in July 2025. (to be confirmed)

6.1.2 Eligible athletes who finish highest in the selection trials will be nominated to SNOC

#### 6.2 Selection Candidates

- 6.2.1 The current National Championships and national ranking tournaments will be the qualifying events for the selection of preliminary selection trial candidates.
- 6.2.2 The national ranking results will be basis of determining qualified athletes for the preliminary selection trial.
- 6.2.3 National coaches may also add in a suitable candidate who may be out of the national ranking criteria but has notable overseas results.

| Snooker           | National top 8 |
|-------------------|----------------|
| English Billiards | National top 4 |

#### 6.3 Other Considerations

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

- Attitude and behaviour towards coaches, teammates, fellow athletes, officials and sports administrators, whether in relation to sporting matters or otherwise.
- General conduct and character which may affect the reputation, image, values or best interests of the athlete or the sport.
- Past disciplinary record;
- Current skill level and fitness; and character
- Level of commitment and attendance.
- Potential for future development:
- Ability to demonstrate team spirit and work well with teammates and officials; and
- Such other non-performance related qualities as the selectors may consider to be relevant.

#### 7. Other Selection Criteria

- 7.1 If the selection panel, in its sole discretion, deems the nomination to be too close to provide an accurate conclusion as to the nomination of an athlete, it will also review the following information to assist in its decision on athletes to be nominated to SNOC.
  - a. Coach evaluations based on the following:
    - i. Current skill level (40%)
    - ii. Training attendance (40%)
    - iii. Disciplinary records (20%)
  - b. Results from another event held at a later date chosen to be another nomination event. E.g. Another round of selections or national/overseas tournament.
- 7.2 Only these athletes who are eligible under clause 5 will be considered for nomination to SNOC.

- 7.3 The selection panel reserves the right to nominate any athlete using performance at any other event if there were no participation at any of the stated nomination event/s. The performance of the athlete must still fulfil SNOC criteria for SG selection.
- 7.4 The decision of the selection panel will be final.

#### 8. Final Selection

- 8.1 If a nominated athlete fails to fulfil the requirements stated in clauses 5 and/or because of injury/illness is unable to represent Singapore at the SG, the selection panel, at its own discretion, reserves the sole right to do the following to replace the nominated athlete with another athlete. Replacement athletes must also fulfil the requirements in clause 5 and 9.
- 8.2 The selection panel reserves the right not to nominate an athlete to represent Singapore in the SG if, in its sole opinion, the athlete concerned cannot meet the selection criteria set by SNOC.
- 8.3 Athletes shall be required to be certified medically fit to compete at the SG by qualified SSI personnel prior to nomination to the SNOC and shall remain medically fit to compete to be eligible to compete in the SG.

#### 9. Athlete Agreement

- 9.1 Each athlete will be required to sign the athlete agreement with Cuesports Singapore, listing their responsibilities and requisite behaviour of the athlete leading up to and including the SG prior to his/her selection being confirm.
- 9.2 Failure to comply with terms of the athlete agreement will result in the removal of the athlete from the SG team.

#### 10. Key Dates (2025)

- 8 March Entry by Sports deadline
- 8 April Entry by Number deadline
- 15 April The Longlist phase begins via Sports Sync
- 15 May Nomination phase begins via Sports Sync
- July Long list and nomination deadline (exact date TBC)
- August Selection committee meeting (date TBC)
- August/September Appeal committee meeting (date TBC)
- 19 September Entry by Name deadline

Note: All dates provided in this timeline are subject to change based on the schedules and requirements set by the Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) and the SEA Games organising committee. Athletes are advised to stay informed of any updates or modifications to these dates."



#### **Registration Form**

## Selection to Represent Singapore 2025 SEA Games

9 to 20 December 2025 Thailand

To be submitted by 31 March 2025

The Cuesports Singapore Selection panel requires that an athlete/team who wishes to be considered for nomination to SNOC for the 2025 SEA Games to register their entry for the respective seeding and/or nomination events.

Athletes who wish to be considered must be eligible for selection under the terms of the Selection Policy Document Clause 5.1

In submitting a Registration Form, the athlete acknowledges and agrees that;

- a) They have read and understood the Selection Policy;
- b) They will abide by the conditions of the Selection Policy;
- c) They will adhere to the required training program if nominated or selected;
- d) They are prepared to sign the athlete agreement.
- e) They will complete and submit attached Personal Particulars Form and necessary
- f) documents.

  I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, intend to be considered for the 2025 SEA Games in the event \_\_\_\_\_\_.

  Athlete's signature (Parent's signature for athlete under 18 years old)

### **Personal Particulars Form**

| Surname:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Salutation: Mr / Mrs / Ms / Dr | (Please circle)        |                                           |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--|
| Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): / Gender:  Nationality at Birth:  Address: Postal Code:  Contact Number: (HP) (H) (O)  Email Address:  NRIC (as in passport): Passport Number:  Passport Date of Issue: Passport Expiry:  *The following items MUST be submitted with this form:  1) Profile picture 2) Photo of passport particulars page (expiry no earlier than 1st July 2026) | Surname:                       | Height (cm):_          | Weight(kg):                               |  |
| Nationality at Birth:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | First Name:                    |                        |                                           |  |
| Address:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):    | //                     | Gender:                                   |  |
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Submitted all required documents: Yes / No