

SINGAPORE WUSHU DRAGON & LION DANCE FEDERATION
32nd SOUTH-EAST ASIAN GAMES
SELECTION POLICY FOR WUSHU ATHLETES

1. Introduction

• The 2023 South-East Asian Games will be held in Phnom Penh, Cambodia from 5 to 16 May 2023. The Wushu competition will be held between 5 to 16 May 2023.

• Events:

TAOLU (OPTIONAL ROUTINE WITH DIFFICULTIES)	
MALE	FEMALE
Changquan	Changquan
Nanquan	Nanquan
Taijiquan + Taijijian	Taijiquan + Taijijian
Daoshu+Gunshu	Daoshu+Gunshu
Jianshu + Qiangshu	Jianshu + Qiangshu
Nandao + Nangun	Nandao + Nangun
Duilian	Duilian

**Event is subject to change by the organizer*

2. Objectives

To select the best athletes for nomination to the Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) for participation to deliver the best possible results for Singapore in the South-East Asian Games (SG21) held in Hanoi, Vietnam. The final selection for SG23 remains at the discretion of the SNOC.

This policy can be amended at any time with SNOC approval if SWDLDF is of the opinion that such an amendment is necessary. SWDLDF shall not be responsible or liable in any way to any one result of any such amendment.

SWDLDF will publish this policy on SWDLDF website at (www.wuzong.com). Athletes and coaches will be responsible for ensuring that they are fully aware and understand the policy and its content, as well as any changes made to the policy should they occur.

3. Selection Committee

- The selection committee shall consist of:

A)	SWDLDF Vice-Chairman (Wushu)
B)	SWDLDF Secretary General;
C)	Chairman & Members of the Wushu Sub-Committee 2022-2024
D)	Chairman of Wushu Judging Sub-Committee 2022 - 2024
E)	Internationally Certified Judges
F)	National Coaches;
G)	High Performance Executive/Manager

- The Selection Committee shall be responsible for organising and monitoring the selection procedures.
- The Selection Committee will select the final list of athletes to be nominated to the SNOC based on the selection criteria and team structure requirements.
- The Selection committee is entitled within this policy to use their discretion to select athletes for SG23 provided that they can demonstrate that any discretion used was arrived at through a process of integrity where the information used and procedures taken were reasonable and justifiable.
- In the event that no athletes made the selection criteria, SWDLDF reserves the right to the final decision on whether to nominate any athletes to the SNOC.
- The SNOC is the body which selects the athletes for the Games, and considers any appeal cases which the NSAs may submit. Final Decision for participation at SG23 will be at the sole discretion of SNOC.

4. Eligibility and Selection Process

- To be eligible to participate in the selections, athletes

A) Must be a Singapore citizen and should not be holding dual citizenship if they are above 21 years old at the time of nomination, and eligible to represent Singapore in the international sports competitions at the time of nomination.

B) May or may not have been nominated for other international competitions by the SWDLDF.

C) Must possess the knowledge and ability to execute the difficulty movements as required by the rules and regulations set by the International Wushu Federation (IWUF).

D) Must show interest in representing Singapore in SG23.

- A maximum of 100 points will be rated (**Rating Form Annex A.**).
- During selection, athletes are required to perform at least one of the events stated in the **Event table at Page 1.**

- In the event if the top two athletes for each category are of the same event, SWDLDF has the right to drop one of the athletes and select another athlete (highest ranking in another event) of a different event for the competition.

- Based on the criteria below, the point breakdown is:

SN	Selection Criteria	Assessed By	Points
A	Attendance	Coaches & HP	20
B	Level of Commitment, Attitude & Behaviour	Coaches & HP	10
C	Medal Projection & Past Datapoints/Results	HP Committee & Coaches	20
D	Trial Performance	Selection Committee	50

A. Attendance

- Athletes have to meet at least 80% attendance rate to be eligible for the selection trial.

Attendance

Percentage	80% - 85%	86% - 90%	91% - 95%	96% - 100%
Points	1 - 5	6 - 10	11 - 15	16 - 20

B. Level of Commitment, Attitude & Behavior

- Level of Commitment, Attitude and Behaviors will be determined by coaches on athletes' day to day trainings.

Level of Commitment, Attitude & Behaviour During Trainings

Percentage	Poor	Fair	Average	Good	Excellent
Points	1	3	5	8	10

C. Medal Projection & Past Datapoints/Results

- Projected achievements of each athlete in SG23

Medal Projection

Event	Projected	Points
Changquan, Nanquan, Taijiquan	Gold	5
Weapons Event	Gold	4
Changquan, Nanquan, Taijiquan	Silver	4
Weapons Event	Silver	3
Changquan, Nanquan, Taijiquan	Bronze	3
Weapons Event	Bronze	2
Changquan, Nanquan, Taijiquan	Top 6	1
Weapons Event	Top 6	1

- Athletes results in international competition games in year 2022

Past Datapoints/Results

Level of Games/Competition	Achievement	Points
World Combat/Taolu Games or Asian Games	Top 3	13 - 15
SEA Games	Top 3	10 - 12
World/Asian Championships	Top 3	8 - 10
Established International Championships	Top 3	6 - 8
World Combat/Taolu Games or Asian Games	Top 6	6 - 8
SEA Games	Top 6	4 - 6
World/Asian Championships	Top 6	4 - 6
Established International Championships	Top 6	2 - 4
World Combat/Taolu Games or Asian Games	Top 10	2
World/Asian Championships	Top 10	1

D. Trial Performance

- Will only be assess by the selection committee during the selection trial day.

Performance & Style

Position	5th and below	4th	3rd	2nd	1st
Points	3	5	8	10	15

Technical Competencies

Level	Low	Average	High
Points	3	8	15

- Selection for national representation at SG23 is a 2-stage process.

A) Internal Selections (involves selection into the SEA Games Training Squad)

B) Closed Selections (involves selection for the nomination to SNOC)

A. Internal Selections – Selection Criteria for SEA Games 2023 Training Squad

A.1 The internal selections for Taolu is to be held between 1 January 2022 to **15 February 2023**.

A.2 The SEA Games 2023 Training Squad represents the squad of prospective athletes shortlisted for consideration for nomination to the SNOC and will consist of a maximum of 16 Taolu athletes.

A.3 All National wushu athletes are invited for the Internal Selection trial.

A.4 All participating athletes will be required to perform at least one of the events stated in the **Event table at Page 1**.

A.5 After the trial, based on the selection criteria and team structure requirements, athletes will be selected for the SEA Games 2023 Training Squad.

A.6 All athletes participating in the trials will be notified in writing, the result of the selections.

A.7 As a member of the SEA Games 2023 Training Squad, athletes will be required to maintain 90% attendance record of the supervised training from date of selection conducted by the National coaches or be subjected to reassessment of eligibility to remain in the squad or to be released from the SEA Games 2023 Training Squad. – In the case of absence due to injury or illness, the athlete is to produce a medical certificate from a qualified physician to SWDLDF.

- The athlete is to refer any request for release or absence from training to SWDLDF.
- Athletes unable to attend the supervised training sessions must inform to SWDLDF in advance.

B. Closed Selection – Selection Criteria for Athletes to be Nominated to the SNOC for SG23

B.1 The Closed Selections is to be held before **15 February 2023**.

B.2 Athletes who have currently achieved at least 6th placing e.g. time/distance/score/mark in Asian Games and/or top 3 placing in SEA Games within SNOC selection window (13 months before SG23).

B.3 From the SEA Games 2023 Training Squad, athletes fulfilling the minimal attendance and skill requirements will be eligible to participate for the Closed Selections.

B.4 All qualified athletes will be required to perform at least one of the events stated in the **Event table at Page 1**.

B.5 After the trial, based on selection criteria (please refer to Annex A) and team structure requirements, a nomination will then be made to the SNOC, to represent Singapore in SG23.

B.6 The final selection of athletes remains at the discretion of the SNOC.

B.7 Selected athletes will be announced at a date to be confirmed by the SNOC.

5. Code of Conduct

- Upon selection, athletes are to;
 - A) Act in a manner consistent with the spirit of fair play and responsible conduct.
 - B) Acknowledge, respect and adhere to the authority of the SWDLDF.
 - C) Refrain from the use of any performance-limiting drugs, including, but not limited to, tobacco and alcohol.
 - D) Refrain from using any substance on the World Anti-Doping Code, as enforced by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and the Anti-Doping Singapore (ADS).
 - E) Maintain or improve their fitness levels and ensure that competitive performance is maintained at a high standard appropriate for competitions and local and international levels.
 - F) Attend all training camps as required
 - G) Complete sports science tests as required.
 - H) Abide by the policies and rules established by the SWDLDF.
 - I) Abide by the attendance requirement of 90% for SG23 Training Squad and other clauses stated in the SWDLDF Athletes' Handbook.
 - J) Respect others, including coaches, competitors, officials and spectators.
 - K) Respect the property of others.
 - L) Refrain from illegal or inappropriate behaviour that would deter from a positive image of oneself and the SWDLDF.
 - M) Maintain a positive attitude and act in a way that will bring honour to oneself, the staff, the sport of Wushu, the SWDLDF and Singapore.
 - N) Remember that he/she is an ambassador of the SWDLDF and Singapore.
- Failing to do the above will result in a reassessment of eligibility to remain in the team or to be released from the team.
- If athlete(s) has disciplinary problems or exhibits behaviour that may be considered damaging to the image of Team Singapore and the SWDLDF, the High-Performance Committee will decide on the punishment. The athlete(s) may have to take responsibility for the total cost of the event (travel, hospitality and entry fees). There may be further disciplinary actions based on the severity of the incident(s).
- All athletes are not permitted to bring or air personal or performance-related grievances on selection matters to the press/media or on other forms of social media. Athletes should go through the proper channel of appeal if they find that they have been treated unfairly.

- All athletes are responsible to keep all information shared by the SWDLDF in confidence especially with regards to informing the public/media of his/her participation in competitions or games without prior consent from SWDLDF or SNOC.

6. Appeal Process

- Appeal against non-selection must be made in the form of writing with valid and clear reasons for appeal to be submitted to the Chairman of SWDLDF, CEO of SWDLDF, and the secretariat within 24 hours after the selection results are released. Written intentions to appeal must be sent to:

SWDLDF Chairman and CEO of SWDLDF
Singapore Wushu Dragon & Lion Dance Federation
7 Bedok North Street 2, Singapore 469646

- The sole ground of appeal is that the selection process was not properly followed.
- A fee of \$107.00 (inclusive of GST), payable to Singapore Wushu Dragon & Lion Dance Federation, must be made for any appeal. If the appeal is deemed to be frivolous or unmeritorious by the appeals panel, the deposit will be forfeited.
- There will be an appeal panel to investigate the issues of the appeal. Appeal Committee will not include any members from the Selection Committee.
- Appeal Committee will be led by SWDLDF Chairman and/or CEO of SWDLDF.
- The appeal process will NOT be a re-selection process but rather a process to inquire whether the decision was properly made. If the selection process is found to be incorrect, it will be referred to the SWDLDF Management Committee for a decision.
- SWDLDF will, in writing, inform all parties of the Management Committee for a decision to either uphold or reject the appeal. The decision of the Appeal Panel will be final and no further correspondence will be entertained.

7. Disputes

- Where there is conflict or dispute, SWDLDF reserves the right to interpret this document and to use its sole discretion in the resolving of the matter in conflict or dispute.

Annex A

Selection Criteria for 32nd SEA Games, Phnom Penh, Cambodia 5 to 16 May 2023

1. Nomination Criteria

- NSAs seeking to nominate athletes for the Games should establish qualifying standards and criteria, at least 13 months before the Games, which are open to all athletes. These athletes should satisfy these standards in the NSA sanctioned championships and time trials. NSAs are required to submit their NSA Selection Criteria to SNOC/SSI for endorsement before publication.
- NSAs should state clearly in the nomination forms (sent to NSAs about 6 months before the Games) the justification for the athletes to be selected.
- Athletes must be Singapore Citizens, and should not be holding dual citizenship if they are above 21 years old, at the time of nomination.

2. Selection Criteria

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

- 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.
- Athletes/Teams who miss the qualifying standard marginally but show potential to equal or surpass it in time for the Games.
- All achievements submitted for consideration should have taken place at NSA sanctioned championships and trials, but NSAs 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.
- 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).
- 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."

3. Other Considerations

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

- Attitude and behavior 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.

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:

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

5. Selection and Appeals

- The SNOC Selection Committee will meet to discuss the nominations from NSAs and select athletes/teams for the 2023 SEA Games.
- NSAs can submit appeals to the SNOC Appeals Committee for athletes/teams who are not selected at the Selection Committee. In the appeals, NSAs have to provide new information that meets the selection criteria, information which had not been previously submitted to the Selection Committee.