



SINGAPORE TAEKWONDO FEDERATION

NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SQUAD 2024 SELECTION POLICY

This policy is made by the Singapore Taekwondo Federation (STF) Board under Article 32 of the STF Constitution. This policy is subject to and is to be interpreted in accordance with the STF Constitution.



OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Singapore Taekwondo Federation (STF) National Development Squad (NDS) Selection Policy is to provide fair and transparent guidelines for entry into the NDS.

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Candidates must be members of clubs affiliated to the STF and citizens of the Republic of Singapore. Candidates must be 13 years old and above based on calendar year, i.e., born on or before 2011. They should not hold dual citizenship if they are 21 years old and above.
2. Candidates attending the selection should have obtained the approvals from their club's coaches.
3. Selection into the NDS shall be based on the following components:
 - 3.1 Competition-style Sparring/Poomsae;
 - 3.2 Technical skills; and
 - 3.3 Physical fitness.
 - 3.4 These components will be assessed by a panel of assessors who are determined by STF.
4. The following "qualities" of the candidates shall be considered:
 - 4.1 Attitude and behaviour towards coaches, teammates, fellow athletes, officials and sports administrators, whether in relation to sporting matters or otherwise;
 - 4.2 General conduct and character which may affect the reputation, image, values or best interests of the athlete or the sport;
 - 4.3 Past disciplinary record;
 - 4.4 Potential for future development; and
 - 4.5 Ability to demonstrate team spirit and work well with teammates and officials.
 - 4.6 Club's coach(es) will be responsible for submitting an assessment of their candidate to participate in the selection.



NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

1. Athletes admitted into NDS must be prepared to commit to a minimum of 80% of the training attendance based on the training programme planned by the High Performance Committee (HPC).
2. Athletes admitted into NDS are to remain in his/her club that has supported their application for the Selection and are not to switch clubs unless approval has been obtained.
3. Athletes admitted into NDS shall have the opportunities to represent Singapore at Major Games.

RESULTS

The official selection results will be published on the STF website.

APPEALS

1. Candidates shall submit an appeal for review on a case-by-case basis within TWO (2) days of the official announcement of the selection results. The appeal is to be emailed to stkdf@mail.com.
2. The appellant shall be required to pay a bond fee of SGD 200.00 (subjected to GST), which will be forfeited if the appeal is found to be unmeritorious or frivolous. Otherwise, the bond will be refunded to the appellant.
3. The STF Appeal Committee headed by an independent Board Member will review the case(s).
4. The result of the appeal shall be made known through the STF website.



5. A re-selection shall be conducted by the assessors if the selection process was not adhered to.

OTHER MATTERS

The HPC and Selection Committee reserves the right to modify, amend or alter the above-mentioned selection criteria or waive compliance therewith, at its sole discretion, with the approval from STF Board, if such steps are deemed to be in the interest of Singapore and the STF.

Any clarifications regarding the STF NDS 2024 Selection Policy, please email enquiries to stkdf@mail.com.
