



Singapore Canoe Federation

31st SEA Games 2021

(Hanoi, Vietnam)

and

2021 Canoe Sprint Asian Olympic
Qualifier (Pattaya, Thailand)

Selection Policy

(Canoe Sprint)

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1. INTRODUCTION

The role of the National Canoe Sprint Team Selection Committee (“NCSPS Committee”) of the Singapore Canoe Federation (“SCF”) is to provide a framework for the development of sprint and identify National Canoe Sprint Athletes and provide an effective and harmonious environment for success as an elite team.

The NCSPS Committee consists of:

- Chairman of the Canoe Sprint Coaching Committee
- National Canoe Sprint Coach/es
- Not fewer than two members appointed by the Executive Committee of the SCF, to ensure that the NCSPS Committee is always comprised of an uneven number of members.

The members of the NCSPS Committee shall be elected annually, and are eligible for re-election upon approval by the Executive Committee.

The number of members in the NCSPS Committee may vary and will be determined by the Executive Committee.

All decisions of the NCSPS Committee will be made by vote, with each member of the NCSPS Committee having one (1) vote.

2. SELECTION ELIGIBILITY

2.1 All athletes wishing to be considered for selection as National Canoe Sprint Athletes must meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. be a Singapore Citizen (Permanent Residents will be based on a case-to-case basis);
- b. hold the Kayaking Proficiency Personal Skills One Star Award (Recreational) under the National Kayaking Accreditation Scheme; and
- c. must have competed at stipulated competitions and achieved the minimum standards stated over a given period.

2.2 Non-National Athletes who wish to be considered for selection must complete and sign the National Canoe Sprint Squad Selection Application form (Appendix A of the Athlete Handbook), and return it to the NCSPS Committee before the stipulated closing date. Application forms will be sent to all affiliated clubs and can be downloaded from the SCF’s website at URL: <http://www.scf.org.sg>.

2.3 Athletes selected for SEA Games must be Singapore Citizens, and should not be holding dual citizenship if they are above 21 years old.

3. SELECTION TIMELINE

S/N	Date	Description	Location/Remarks
1	29 to 31 January 2021	SEA Games Training Squad & Canoe Sprint Asian Olympic Qualifier Selection	Singapore/ SCF National Time Trial 2021
2	26 to 28 February 2021	Canoe Sprint Asian Olympic Qualifier – Events Selection	Singapore/ Only athletes selected in S/N 1 are eligible for this selection
3	11 to 14 March 2021	Canoe Sprint Asian Olympic Qualifier 2021	Thailand/ Athlete who wins a medal OR Olympic Quota Place will gain direct entry to SEA Games for the event
4	6 to 8 August 2021	SEA Games Selection – Final Entry List	Singapore/ Only athletes selected in S/N 1 are eligible for this selection

**Each selection results will be announced within 3 days upon completion of the race.*

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

S/N	EVENT	CRITERIA
1	SEA Games Training Squad & Canoe Sprint Asian Olympic Qualifier Selection	<p>Athletes will be selected based on K1/C1 200m, 500m and 1000m results.</p> <p>Minimum criteria to get into the SEA Games Training Squad is to finish not more than 2sec/100m behind the winner of any event.</p> <p>*Number of athletes to be confirmed – pending SEA Games and Asian Olympic Qualifier events</p>
2	Canoe Sprint Asian Olympic Qualifier – Events Selection	<p>Pending Competition's Bulletin for the list of race events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Timing criteria to be advised - Number of athletes to be advised

		Athletes can be selected to a team boat event if they are not more than 1sec/100m behind the winner of the K1/C1 for 200m or 500m or 1000m events.
3	Canoe Sprint Asian Olympic Qualifier 2021	Athlete who wins a medal OR Olympic Quota Place will gain direct entry to SEA Games for the event
4	SEA Games Selection – Final Entry List	*Pending SEA Games events

5. SEA GAMES NOMINATION TIMELINE AND CRITERIA

Description	Deadline	Remarks
Submission of Accreditation (Long List)	11 June 2021	Athletes selected in s/n 3.1 to ensure their passports have at least 6 months validity
Submission of Nomination Forms -	13 August 2021	Nominated athlete is subjected to SNOC approval based on achievements/ results that demonstrate medal potential at SEA Games
SNOC will inform SCF on the athletes selected by its Selection Committee.	17 September 2021	SCF to submit new competition results (if any) and appeal for Athletes who do not meet the criteria in August 2021
Entry by Name Submission	24 September 2021	Final entry by name list for SEA Games 2021

**Subject to changes according to Singapore National Olympic Council "SNOC" schedule*

6. APPEALS

6.1 Athletes are required to submit the appeal within 3 days after the announcement of the respective selection results.

- There is an error in the results of any of the selection races.
- There is an error in the selection and/or nomination of an athlete based on the selection criteria.

6.2 An appeal tribunal will be established by the NCSPS once an appeal has been made. The appeal tribunal will consist of at least 3 Executive Committee Members, who are not involved in the selection process/NCSPS.

- 6.3 The appeals will not be a re-selection process but rather a process to inquire whether the decision reached by the selectors was properly made and according to the selection process and criteria laid out in this policy.
- 6.4 If the selection process is found by the appeals tribunal to be incorrect, recommendations will be submitted to the SCF Executive Committee for a decision.
- 6.5 A bond of SGD 100 must be lodged at the time of filing an appeal. Should the appeal be found to be unmeritorious or frivolous the bond will be forfeited.
- 6.6 Where athlete A's appeal poses a risk to athlete B of being excluded from the final selection, athlete B will be given an opportunity to be heard at the appeal.
- 6.7 Legal representation will be warranted in cases where legal issues are involved and the athlete's best chance of articulating the appeal depends on it.
- 6.8 Unresolved disputes internally by the Singapore Canoe Federation's NCSPS will be referred to independent arbitration with specialists from the Court of Arbitration in Sport.

7. OVERRIDING/OTHER FACTORS

7.1 National Service

- a. Athletes unable to compete at the above-mentioned selection race on the stipulated date will need to submit the application and appeal form to the NCSPS Committee before the closing date.
- b. The SCF will apply on the behalf of the athlete for 'Leave of Absence' from the related authority if selected athletes are still serving Full-Time National Service.

7.2 Extenuating Circumstances

- a. The NCSPS Committee may at its sole discretion, give special consideration to extenuating factors and may allow a second opportunity to athletes. Athletes may be granted a second opportunity under the following circumstances:
 - illness or injury,
 - bereavement, or other extenuating circumstances
- b. The NCSPS Committee will make decisions on a case-by-case basis

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