

**VIRTUS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025**  
**20 - 30 AUGUST 2025**  
**NOMINATION POLICY**  
**PARA SWIMMING**

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The Virtus Swimming Championship 2025 will be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from 20 to 30 August 2025. Para Swimming is offered as a sport in the Games.
- 1.2 The provisional list of events offered is pending confirmation by the local organizing committee.
- 1.3 Singapore may enter:
  - i) Individual events – a maximum of three (3) athletes per event
  - ii) Relay events - a maximum of one (1) entry per nation

## **2. OBJECTIVE**

- 2.1 This policy describes the process and criteria set under the Singapore Disability Sports Council (SDSC) to nominate athletes for the representation of Singapore at the Virtus Swimming Championship 2025.
- 2.2 This policy is guided by the principle that only those who have the highest potential or a high potential to represent Singapore well at the Games would be nominated and selected by SDSC.
- 2.3 SDSC will publish the nomination policy on its website (url:[www.sdsc.org.sg](http://www.sdsc.org.sg)), including any updates or changes to the policy. Athletes and coaches will be responsible for ensuring that they are fully aware of and understand the policy and its content, as well as updates and changes, if any, to the policy.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY**

- 3.1 To be eligible for consideration as an athlete representative, the participant must:
  - i. Be a Singapore citizen
  - ii. Comply with the sport-specific classification rules
  - iii. Be in good standing with SDSC
  - iv. Minimum 12 years of age as of 2026 (Calculation: 2026 minus year born)
  - v. Athletes must be listed as “Active” on the Virtus Master List

#### 4. NOMINATION CRITERIA

- 4.1 The nomination criteria is guided by Virtus MQS.
- 4.2 Athletes must match the performance level equivalent to the MQS stated in the Virtus Entry Pack.
- 4.3 Athletes **MUST** qualify with at least one (1) MQS entry, all other entries for the athlete must meet at least the MET for the relevant event.
- 4.4 All results submitted for consideration must take place at properly accredited and SDSC recognised national, regional and international competition. Results from overseas events may be submitted for athletes living, studying or working overseas.
- 4.5 All achievements should be achieved from **1 June 2024 to 1 June 2025**. Athletes/Teams that are nominated based on results outside of the qualification period will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
- 4.6 Other Considerations

In addition to the above selection criteria, the following may 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, injury status and fitness level
- 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.

4.7 Exemptions will only be granted due to extenuating circumstances. On request of SDSC, evidence shall be provided of the extenuating circumstances, prior to the exemption being considered.

- Extenuating circumstances can include but is not limited to: Injury or Illness
- Equipment Failure
- Travel Delays
- Bereavement,
- Such other circumstances as the selectors may consider to be relevant.

## 5 QUALIFYING EVENTS

5.1 The selected qualifying events for Para Swimming are:

Competition	Period
National School Games 2025	14 - 25 April 2025
SDSC National Para Swimming Championship 2025	12 April 2025
WPS Japan 2025	10 - 12 April 2025
55th Singapore National Age Group Swimming Championships 2025	14 - 23 March 2025
44th Singapore Swimming Proficiency Awards (SSPA)	22 - 23 February 2025
WPS Melbourne 2025	14 - 16 February 2025
Haw Par National Youth Para Swimming Championship 2024	28 September 2024

## 6 NOMINATION PROCESS

- 6.1 Athletes/Coaches will submit athlete nominations to SDSC, based on the eligibility and nomination criteria in this policy.
- 6.2 All nominations will be approved by SDSC Pathway Performance Department, after which the approved nominations would be submitted to SDSC's Sports High Performance & Development Committee. The approved nominations will be published on SDSC website (url: [www.sdsc.org.sg](http://www.sdsc.org.sg)).

- 6.3 SDSC, as the national body representing Singapore to Virtus, has the sole and final decision in selecting or not selecting athletes to represent Singapore at the Virtus Swimming Championship.
- 6.4 All nominations must include the detailed profile of the athlete. (Refer to Annex C)

## **7 APPEALS PROCESS**

- 7.1 Appeals against non-nomination by SDSC must be made in writing to SDSC within 48 hours of the announcement of nominees.
- 7.2 An appeal must be made in writing with supporting documentation to 'Singapore Disability Sports Council'.
- 7.3 An appeal would only be considered if the athlete had met the eligibility criteria and MQS for the sport, but was not nominated due to gross oversight by SDSC. SDSC's Sports High Performance & Development Committee will deliberate the appeal and, if deemed justifiable, hear the appeal by the athlete concerned.
- 7.4 SDSC will, in writing, inform the athlete about the decision to either uphold or reject the appeal. The decision will be final and no further correspondence will be entertained.

## **9. CONTACT PERSONS**

To find out more about the MQS or qualifying events, please contact:

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To clarify on other parts of the nomination policy or submit an appeal, please contact:

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## Annex A

### Minimum Qualifying Standards (MQS)

<b>Minimum Qualifying Standards (at least one entry per athlete)</b>				
<b>MALE/OPEN</b>		<b>EVENT</b>	<b>FEMALE</b>	
<b>II2</b>	<b>II1, II3</b>	<b>Freestyle</b>	<b>II1, II3</b>	<b>II2</b>
00:37.00	00:27.00	<b>50m</b>	00:32.10	00:45.00
01:22.00	01:02.00	<b>100m</b>	01:15.00	01:36.00
03:10.00	02:20.00	<b>200m</b>	02:42.00	03:30.00
07:00.00	05:20.00	<b>400m</b>	06:05.00	07:15.00
13:45.00	10:00.00	<b>800m</b>	13:00.00	15:00.00
26:00.00	20:00.00	<b>1500m</b>	25:00.00	30:00.00
		<b>Breaststroke</b>		
00:50.00	00:42.00	<b>50m</b>	00:50.00	00:56.00
01:40.00	01:30.00	<b>100m</b>	01:45.00	02:00.00
03:45.00	03:17.00	<b>200m</b>	03:58.00	04:25.00
		<b>Backstroke</b>		
00:44.00	00:34.00	<b>50m</b>	00:45.00	00:56.00
01:40.00	01:16.00	<b>100m</b>	01:38.00	01:55.00
03:37.00	03:01.00	<b>200m</b>	03:25.00	04:18.00
		<b>Butterfly</b>		
00:38.00	00:31.00	<b>50m</b>	00:40.00	00:58.00
01:30.00	01:10.00	<b>100m</b>	01:25.00	01:48.00
03:30.00	02:41.00	<b>200m</b>	03:35.00	04:15.00
		<b>Individual Medley</b>		
03:25.00	02:38.00	<b>200m</b>	03:10.00	04:10.00
06:50.00	06:00.00	<b>400m</b>	06:50.00	08:15.00

## **Annex B**

SECTION A	<b>Profile</b>			
	<i>To be completed by the athlete</i>			
Insert athlete's passport photo	<b>Sport</b>			
	<b>Name as per passport</b>			
	<b>Gender</b>		<b>Age</b>	
	<b>Type of Impairment</b>			
	<b>Origin of Impairment</b>	Congenital / Acquired		
	<b>Classification</b>		<b>International Body</b>	Where did the classification take place?
	<b>Class Status</b>	New / Review / Confirmed	<b>Year</b>	
	<b>Carding</b>		<b>Year</b>	

<b>Training Information</b>	<b>No. of years in the sport</b>		<b>No. of training years in the sport</b>	
	<b>Attendance (% per month)</b>		<b>Frequency &amp; duration per week</b>	
	<b>Attendance (% past two years)</b>		<b>Training Programme</b>	Is the athlete training on his/her own expenses or under SDSC/NSAs programme?
<b>Performance Information</b>	<b>Current Ranking (Local)</b>		<b>Current Ranking (Regional/World)</b>	

	<b>Current Year's Achievements</b>		<b>Previous Para Games results if applicable</b>	
<b>Athlete's Individual/Team Philosophy</b>	What is the personal philosophy toward the athlete's sporting journey?			
<b>Athlete's Games' Goal/Target</b>				

I certify that the above information is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge.

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Athlete's Name, Signature & Date

<b>SECTION B</b>	<b>Team Manager/SDSC/NSA's Review for Nomination</b> <i>Team Manager/SDSC/NSA to review athlete's submission and provide justification for the nomination</i>
<b>Justification for nomination</b>	Performance results of athletes being nominated should include the number of competing countries or athletes. E.g. Athlete XYZ came in 5 <sup>th</sup> out of 10 athletes or Team A came in 1 <sup>st</sup> out of 6 countries

<b>SECTION C</b>	<b>Coach's Assessment/Evaluation</b>
<b>Coach's evaluation of the athlete</b>	*Athlete's current skill level and fitness
	* Athlete's attitude and behaviour

	*Coach's assessment on athlete's current performance and outcome of his/ her future sports development for the next 2 years
	<b>*Sports result analysis of athlete's potential for future development. For young athletes, there should be an age relative comparison based on their sports class, against a current high-performance athlete, locally or internationally.</b>  <b>E.g. young athlete, age 16, performs XX sec against the current national para athlete, age 20, who is in the same class performs YY sec during this age</b>
	<b>*For developmental and/or debutants at Paralympic Games, justification on how this game is at a suitable level for him/her, over other more conducive games that can be more suitable to start with</b>

**Coach's and Team Manager/SDSC/NSA's undertaking**

I confirm and verify that the information provided above is to the best of my knowledge and understanding.

COACH    TEAM MANAGER/SDSC/NSA

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Name, Signature & Date

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