

**Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games
23 July – 2 August 2026
SDSC NOMINATION POLICY**

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The 2026 Commonwealth Games will be held in Glasgow, United Kingdom, from 23 July to 2 August 2026. The following para sports are offered in the Games:

1. Para Athletics
2. Para Bowls
3. Para Swimming
4. Para Powerlifting
5. Para Track Cycling
6. 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball

2 OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE

2.1 This policy sets out the criteria and process used by the Singapore Disability Sports Council (SDSC) to nominate para athletes to the Singapore National Paralympic Council (SNPC) and the Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) for the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games.

2.2 This policy applies to the following sports, for which SDSC will nominate para athletes: Para Athletics, Para Bowls, Para Swimming, Para Powerlifting, Para Track Cycling and 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball.

2.3 SDSC will publish this nomination policy, including any updates or amendments, on its website (www.sdsc.org.sg). Para athletes, coaches and team officials are responsible for familiarising themselves with the policy and any subsequent changes.

3 ELIGIBILITY

3.1 To be eligible for consideration, a para athlete must:

- i. Be a citizen of Singapore and hold a valid Singapore passport.
- ii. Have signed SDSC's Athlete Agreement for the current year, including any addendums.
- iii. Meet the minimum age requirement as stipulated by the relevant International Federation (IF) or Organiser.

- iv. Possess a “Review” or "Confirmed" sport class status on the IF’s Classification Master List.
- v. Hold a valid IF Athlete Licence for the 2026 season, if applicable.
- vi. Be and remain in good standing with the SDSC, including compliance with the SDSC Code of Conduct and behavior that does not bring the athlete, their sport, or Team Singapore into disrepute. SDSC reserves the right to consider an athlete's full conduct history and to deem an athlete ineligible at its sole discretion.

4 NOMINATION CRITERIA

- 4.1 In accordance with the selection policies of the SNPC and SNOC, athletes and teams who have met, or who demonstrate the potential to meet, the Glasgow 2026 Qualification Standards may be nominated by SDSC.
- 4.2 Subject to meeting the requirement in 4.1, the following performance-related factors may be considered:
 - a. Athlete / Team’s medal potential
 - b. Athlete / Team’s duration in the sport
 - c. Athlete / Team’s rate of improvement
 - d. Athlete / Team’s domestic performance indicators (e.g. results from trials, national championships)
 - e. Athlete / Team’s percentile or position in World Rankings
- 4.3 In addition to the above criteria, the following factors may be considered:
 - Attitude and behavior towards coaches, teammates, fellow athletes, officials and sports administrators
 - Willingness to collaborate with coaches, officials and sport administrators
 - General conduct and character affecting the reputation, values or best interests of the sport or Team Singapore
 - Past disciplinary record
 - Current skill level, injury status, and physical and mental fitness (including relevant medical history)
 - Commitment to training and attendance
 - Potential for future development

- Ability to demonstrate teamwork and team spirit
- Any other non-performance-related qualities deemed relevant by SDSC, SNPC or SNOC

4.4 Athletes and officials seeking nomination must agree to comply with all pre-Games requirements set by SDSC, including but not limited to: participation in mandated activities such as training camps, national training programmes and teambuilding; adherence to approved travel and competition plans; and demonstration of appropriate form and fitness to compete.

4.5 **Long List:** SDSC will submit a long list of prospective athletes and team officials to SNPC and SNOC for advance planning purposes. Inclusion in the long list does not guarantee nomination of selection.

4.6 **Team Nomination and Evaluation:** For events involving team entries, the following shall apply:

- All athletes who are to be considered for nomination as part of a team must be included in the Long List submitted by SDSC.
- Nomination of a team shall be based primarily on overall team performance and collective readiness to compete.
- Individual athlete evaluation shall be conducted as a secondary consideration to assess suitability for inclusion within the nominated team, including role fulfilment, compatibility, and contribution to team performance.

4.7 **Team Replacements:** Where a replacement athlete is required for a team event due to withdrawal, injury, illness, loss of form, or other circumstances:

- Any replacement athlete must be drawn exclusively from the Long List submitted for that event; and
- SDSC shall not nominate any athlete who was not included in the Long List as a replacement, unless otherwise permitted by the Games regulations or directed by SNPC and/or SNOC.

4.8 Coaches will be nominated by SDSC in accordance with this [policy](#).

4.9 Athletes and officials seeking nomination are responsible for complying with all deadlines stipulated by SDSC. Failure to submit required information by the stated deadlines may result in the athlete or official not being considered for nomination.

4.10 Decisions by SDSC not to nominate an athlete, team or official for the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games are final and not subject to appeal.

4.11 SDSC may withdraw or amend a nomination prior to the final selection decision by SNPC and/or SNOC if, in SDSC's assessment:

- the athlete or official demonstrates a material loss of form or performance readiness;
- the athlete or official is unable to demonstrate ongoing fitness, preparedness, or compliance with pre-Games requirements; or
- new information arises that would have materially affected the nomination decision.

Any withdrawal or amendment of nomination will be communicated to SNPC and/or SNOC.

5 MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS

5.1 Athletes and officials must declare to SDSC any condition, illness, or injury that may affect performance, as well as all prescribed medications. They must authorise relevant medical practitioners or therapists consulted within the preceding twelve (12) months, or during Team membership, to disclose such information.

5.2 Athletes and officials agree to undergo all required medical examinations, including:

(a) medical tests and assessments prescribed by SDSC, Sport Singapore, High Performance Sports Institute, Anti-Doping Singapore, SNPC and SNOC;

(b) out-of-competition doping tests prior to and during the Games Period

5.3 Athletes agree to withdraw from the Games if SNPC, SNOC and/or SDSC determines that participation would pose an unacceptable risk of:

(a) Harm, injury, or death to the athlete or others

(b) Aggravation of an existing injury or illness

(c) Infection of other team members or participants

6 SPORT QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

- 6.1 (a) Singapore must qualify for quota slots in each sport in accordance with the Games' Sport Qualification System (see Annex A – Games Allocation System).
- (b) Qualification for a sport or event by an athlete does not guarantee nomination of the athlete by SDSC or selection by SNPC and SNOC.

7 SELECTION

- 7.1 SNPC and SNOC have the final decision in selecting, or not selecting, athletes to represent Singapore at the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games. Appeals for non-selection shall follow SNPC and SNOC's selection policies.

8 DE-SELECTION

8.1 Following selection by SNPC and SNOC, SDSC may request the de-selection of an athlete or official if:

- there are material changes in circumstances affecting eligibility, fitness, form, or readiness to compete;
- The athlete or official sustains an injury, illness, or medical condition that poses an unacceptable risk to participation or performance;
- the athlete or official fails to comply with training, medical, preparation, or conduct requirements; or
- it is subsequently discovered that relevant information was not disclosed during the nomination or selection process.

8.2 SDSC may also withdraw or amend its nomination or request de-selection if changes to the Games programme, event schedule, or qualification structure materially affect the athlete's or official's participation.

SPORTS QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

[PARA ATHLETICS QUALIFICATION SYSTEM](#)

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[3x3 WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL QUALIFICATION SYSTEM](#)