

# 1<sup>ST</sup> SINGAPORE YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES 2010

## EQUESTRIAN – JUMPING

### ATHLETE SELECTION POLICY

#### OBJECTIVE OF SELECTION POLICY

- To select an athlete to deliver the best possible results for Singapore and Asia in the 1st Youth Olympic Games 2010.

The inaugural Youth Olympic Games 2010 (YOG) will be held in Singapore from 14<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2010. The competition will be on “borrowed” horses provided by the hosting Nation.

#### SELECTION PANEL

Equestrian Federation of Singapore (EFS) Selection Sub-Committee will comprise:

- Chairman: Mr Ho Nai Yue, FEI International Jumping Judge
- Member: Ms Monique Heah, FEI International Candidate Jumping Judge & Rider
- Member: National Jumping Coach (To be advised)

#### General

EFS Competition Sub-Committee will act as advisor for the Selection Sub-Committee.

#### SELECTION POLICY

#### BACKGROUND

As host country, Singapore is allocated (1) slot in the Asia continental team. One Athlete by the NOC, who has obtained the Certificate of Capability through the FEI Challenge in the host country or the same Group, will automatically qualify Singapore NOC for the YOG.

Singapore is grouped with other NOC from the Asia Continent. There will be (6) teams from the following continents – Europe, North America, South America, Asia, Australasia and Africa, competing for the continental team medals. Each Continental team is represented by (5) riders, with a maximum of (1) representative per NOC.

For the Individual medal event, there will be total of (30) competing riders.

#### ELIGIBILITY/AVAILABILITY FOR CONSIDERATION

Riders must meet the following:

- Born between 1 January 1992 and 31 December 1993
- He/she must be a Singapore Citizen.
- Registered with EFS

All athletes considered for Selection should meet the eligibility and requirements laid out by EFS. The Selection Sub-Committee reserves the right to select an Athlete who does not meet these criteria in order to meet the aim of the Selection policy.

## SELECTION TIMETABLE

The following dates show the planning time-table for the Selection Process

### DATE MILESTONE

Date	Milestone
May 2009	Initial allocation of Universality places by FEI
March 2009 – May 2010	YOG 2010 IF Qualification period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A 2009/2010</li> <li>- Dates and Venues of approved Challenge selection events to be published</li> </ul>
August 2009	EFS Athlete Selection Policy to be released
End of June 2010	Athlete Selection Result to be published.
June – 14 July 2010	Reallocation of unused NOC Universality places and final reallocation period for unused quota places by FEI
15 July 2010	Entries deadline (by name) for all sports

## CONFIDENTIALITY

It is vitally important for the integrity of the Selection Policy and those involved in its application both as athletes, Selectors or other officials, that there is at all times a high degree of confidentiality relating to information which may have a bearing on selection.

## PROCESS OF SELECTION

During Selection, the following list of factors, which is not exhaustive, will be taken into account;

- Athletes' personal health and fitness
- Athletes' ability to contribute to a positive Team atmosphere
- Athletes' level of equestrian knowledge and experience
- National results and International results
- The Athlete's ability to cope with pressure
- The Athlete's ability to adapt to new horses and produce maximum results from them
- The variety of horses the Athlete has achieved results on
- The Athlete's ability to be a good ambassador for Equestrian sport

- Results at a level equal to or higher than that of YOG 2010 at 1.3m

To be eligible for the YOG, riders must be born between 1 January 1992 and 31 December 1993

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Certificate of Capability to be obtained either through the Junior/Young Rider Continental Championship or the FEI Challenge Category A with a score of not more than eight penalties in the first round of any of the competitions.

- Deadline date for obtaining a Certificate of Capability: May 2010.

The financial circumstances of riders considered for selection will not in any way influence the selection procedure.

The selected Athlete will be announced in June 2010.

The Selection Sub-Committee may or may not announce a reserve athlete.

#### DISCRETION

The Selection Sub-Committee is entitled within this selection procedure to use their discretion to select athletes for the YOG 2010 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 perfectly reasonable and justifiable.

#### CODE OF CONDUCT / TEAM MEMBER AGREEMENT

The athlete selected will need to sign the EFS Athlete's Agreement by 10 July 2010, before they are eligible to compete. Selection is subject to compliance WADA Rules on medication control for humans.

#### SUBSTITUTION

Substitution of an Athlete for a Reserve may occur at any time between the announcement of the selected Athlete and the official declarations at the start of the competition (date to be confirmed). Substitution will only occur in the case of

- An Athlete being unable to travel to the YOG 2010 for personal reasons
- An Athlete being found guilty of misconduct under EFS / FEI Rules between selection and departure. In this case the EFS Selection Sub-Committee will make the decision in consultation with the EFS Management Council.
- An Athlete being considered medically unfit to compete

## CHANGES IN POLICY

The Selection Sub-Committee will have the right to amend or change selection policies where necessary at any time in order to fulfill the objectives of the Selection Policy as long as these changes and amendments are clearly communicated to all parties.

## CANCELLATION / POSTPONEMENT:

In the event of cancellation the relevant parties will be notified straightaway. In the event of postponement a situation might arise where a new Athlete needs to be selected in which case all parties will be notified and normal procedure for selection will be followed.

## PUBLICATION/CIRCULATION

The Selection Policy will be made available from the EFS office.

## APPEALS PROCESS AND PROCEDURES

Athletes have the right to appeal against the decision of the Selection Sub-Committee. Appeals must be made in writing by the athlete within 2-days of the announcements. Appeals accompanied by a deposit of S\$200, must be sent to the EFS Selection Sub-Committee. If the Sub-Committee is not able to satisfy the appellant's concerns the appeal will be forwarded to the EFS Management Council.

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