



Selection Policy for Singapore University Taekwondo Team ASEAN University Games 2026

1. Summary of Important Information

Date of Competition:	To be confirmed (between 10 and 19 December 2026)
Date of Travel:	To be confirmed
Eligibility:	1) Singapore Citizen (Singapore Passport Holder) 2) Age between 18 and 27 years old on 31 Dec 2026 (DOB between 1 Jan 1999 to 31 Dec 2008, both dates inclusive) 3) Active student in 2026 or former student with degree conferred in 2025
Games' Website:	http://www.aug2026.my
Estimated per athlete costs:	SGD2,200 - 3,000 excluding any subsidies that may be provided by your institution

2. General Information

- 2.1. The ASEAN University Games 2026 (AUG 2026) will be held in Malaysia from 10 to 19 December 2026.
- 2.2. The Singapore University Sports Council (SUSC) is planning to send a Taekwondo Team to compete in AUG 2026, subject to athletes' qualification.
- 2.3. The travelling dates for the Taekwondo Team are to be confirmed (pending competition schedule to be released).
- 2.4. On behalf of SUSC, Singapore University of Technology and Design will be managing this team.
- 2.5. Athletes who are interested in standing for selection must submit the registration form to yuxin_chen@sutd.edu.sg through their institution staff advisor by 8 May 2026.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1. Only the following may participate as athletes in AUG 2026:
 - 3.1.1. Students who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at the university or similar institute, the status of which is recognised by the appropriate national/regional academic authority of their country/region;

3.1.2. Former students of the institutions mentioned in 3.1.1 who have obtained their academic degree or diploma in the calendar year preceding the event.

3.2. All athletes must satisfy the following conditions:

3.2.1. Be a national/citizen of the country/region they represent.

3.2.2. Be at least 18 and no older than 27 years of age on the 31 December of the year of the event (i.e., born between 1 Jan 1999 to 31 Dec 2008).

3.3. All eligible athletes must agree to bear the full cost of preparation and participation. Any subsidy and funding will be between the athlete and his/her respective institutions.

4. Events

The Taekwondo Team will be taking part in the following events *(do note that there will be a limited number of entries that each participating country can send per event):*

Events	Maximum Number by events / category		Maximum Number of Athletes (by gender)	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
Poomsae (Individual)	2	2	14	14
Poomsae Pair	4 (2 pairs)	4 (2 pairs)		
Poomsae Team	3 (1 Team)	3 (1 Team)		
Kyorugi	7	6		

Men	Women	Mixed
Poomsae Individual	Poomsae Individual	
Poomsae Team	Poomsae Team	Poomsae Pair
Kyorugi U54	Kyorugi U46	
Kyorugi U58	Kyorugi U49	
Kyorugi U63	Kyorugi U53	
Kyorugi U68	Kyorugi U57	
Kyorugi U74	Kyorugi U67	
Kyorugi U80	Kyorugi U73	
Kyorugi U87		

4.1. Each delegation is authorised to enter:

A maximum of 14 men competitors and 14 women competitors. A maximum of 1 entry per event except for Poomsae Individual and Poomsae Pair where we may send 2 entries.

** Clauses 4 and 4.1 are based on AUG 2024. The list of events and the maximum delegation permitted are subject to confirmation by the AUG 2026 Organising Committee.*

5. Selection of Athletes

- 5.1. Selection and participation are open only to current and incoming students of SUSC member universities – NTU, NUS, SIM, SIT, SMU, SUSS, SUTD, in compliance with the eligibility criteria outlined in Clause 3. All interested students are required to approach their respective institutions and submit the registration form for the selection trials through their institutions by the stipulated deadline.
- 5.2. The criteria for athletes who wish to register interest and participate in the selection trials of the AUG Taekwondo Team are as follows:
 - 5.2.1. Minimum 1st Dan Black Belt (recognized by the Singapore Taekwondo Federation).
 - 5.2.2. Not undergoing any disciplinary proceedings or serving any suspension by Singapore Taekwondo Federation (STF) or World Taekwondo (WT).
 - 5.2.3. For Kyorugi, due to risks involved, athletes must be:
 - 5.2.3.1. Current National athletes; and/or
 - 5.2.3.2. Ex-national athletes who were part of the National Team in 2024 or later; and/or
 - 5.2.3.3. Have taken part in international competitions representing Singapore from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026; and/or
 - 5.2.3.4. Have national level results from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026, meeting either of the following criteria:
 - Medalist in their respective category; or
 - Top two placings if there are fewer than eight competitors in their respective category.
 - 5.2.3.5. Athletes who do not meet at least one of the criteria set out in Clauses 5.2.3.1 to 5.2.3.4 may be considered for participation in the selection process only upon strong recommendation by their respective institutions, subject to the institution's endorsement.
 - 5.2.4. Athletes who placed First in the NTU Taekwondo Open Championship 2026 in their respective category (met criteria in Clauses 5.2.1 to 5.2.2), will be invited to participate in the selection trials, subject to the institution's endorsement.

5.3. Selection details

The selection criteria are based on the standards of the selection criteria for international tournaments as per STF.

5.3.1. Poomsae

The criteria for the events are as follows:

Taegeuk 6, 7, 8 Jang
Koryo
Keumgang
Taebaek
Pyongwon
Sipjin

5.3.2. Kyorugi

Athletes must be within weight category for their respective weight categories to qualify for selections.

5.4. The panel of selectors will consist of the appointed coach and at least 2 senior technical members of the STF who are also qualified international referees.

5.5. There is no limit to the number of athletes each institute can field for the selection trials, but all athletes must be supported by their institutions.

5.6. Athletes selected for National Team overseas competitions or training that coincide with the selection trial dates will be exempted from attending the trials. Submission of the registration form will qualify them automatically.

5.7. The selection trials will be held on 21 May 2026 at SUTD campus.

5.8. The selection results for the AUG Taekwondo Team will be announced by June 2026, and training will commence thereafter.

5.9. SUSC, with the recommendation of appointed coach for the AUG Taekwondo Team, will have the final decision, and no appeals will be entertained.

6. Athletes' Obligations

6.1. Selected athletes must fully comply with SUSC, STF, AUG, and WT rules, regulations and policies.

6.2. Selected athletes must fully comply with all anti-doping regulations. Athletes who require Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) have the duty to obtain one at least three months before the commencement of competition.

6.3. Selected athletes must maintain a level of fitness and performance consistent with the requirements of being a national representative.

6.4. Upon qualification, athletes must continue to show commitment towards preparing for AUG 2026, including all organised training sessions. Failure to do so may result in being dropped from the team.

7. Cost and Funding

7.1. The participation cost per athlete is estimated to be between \$2,200 and \$3,000 and will be subjected to changes. The cost includes accreditation fee, participation fee, travel expenses, insurance, attire, coaching, and others.

7.2. Selected athletes and/or the athletes' institution shall bear full cost of participating in AUG 2026, as well as the preparations leading up to it.

7.3. Athletes should check with their respective institutions with regards to subsidies, without which, the selected athlete is required to bear the full cost.