SINGAPORE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

National Representation Selection Policy for Davis Cup and Billie Jean King Cup

NATIONAL REPRESENTATION
Eligibility Criteria

- Only Singapore Citizens are eligible.
- Players must have a good standing with Sport Singapore and the Singapore Tennis Association. The final decision regarding player representation will be made jointly by Sport Singapore and the Singapore Tennis Association.
- Players who compete in Major Games can be considered for senior National Representation in events like the Davis Cup and Billie Jean King Cup, provided their participation in both competitions does not exceed three months after the previous tournament.
- Priority for national representation consideration will be given to athletes awarded the spexPotential scholarship, as well as those currently carded under a spexScheme (e.g. spexCarding).
- The top 4 internationally ranked players will be invited to be a part of the National Training Group based on the Selection Methodology.
- National Coaches can extend invitations to any players they deem valuable to join the core group, including those from the NCAA, National Rankings, and full-time players training in overseas academies.
- The National Coaches and STA Panel will choose the players to present to the Joint Management Committee (JMC) for their information.

FINAL NATIONAL REPRESENTATION

Factors for considerations

National Coaches will utilise the following as factors for consideration:

1) Ambition & Commitment:

- Consideration of their long-term goals match performance, and interactions with teammates and coaches.
- Demonstrating consistency, mental resilience, competitiveness, and ability to perform under pressure.
- Displaying mental resilience and willingness to work collaboratively and support their team's success.
- Having the ability to handle adversity and recover from setbacks.

2) Ranking Achievement: Rankings will be judged based on the following order: ATP/WTA, ITF World Tour Ranking, Regional Ranking, and National Rankings.

3) Past tournament results within a period of 12 months from the start of the application submission date: STA will utilise the Selection Methodology to evaluate this factor.

4) Health & Fitness: Players may have to do fitness tests at the National Coach's discretion, using the ITF Fitness and Conditioning guidelines as a reference.

5) Tournament Activity: STA will utilise the Selection Methodology to evaluate this factor.

6) Attendance and Performance at training camps & training: Monitoring players' match attendance and participation is essential to evaluate their commitment and performance. The National Coach looks at consistency over time and patterns in performance and assesses skill, technique, and overall improvement throughout their career.

7) Players' Attitude / Enthusiasm / Professionalism:

- Possessing a positive attitude, a strong passion for the sport and the drive for improvement
- Having a diligent work ethic and a level of respect for others,
- Having a sense of accountability, a commitment to integrity and upholding a professional demeanour & appearance.

8) An official internal play-off match may be conducted to select the players for National Representation.

9) The National Coaches will have the final say in interpreting the factors for consideration based on the information above.

RANKINGS Points Breakdown

Rankings – Max 35 points

- **The Singles ranking that awards them with the highest points will be utilised.**
- **Doubles ranking points will be awarded as a bonus should you participate in both Singles & Doubles.**

Singles - Max 25 points

ATP / WTA Singles Ranking: 25 points

- The applicant will be awarded 25 points if he/she holds an ATP/WTA singles ranking.

ITF World Tennis Tour Men / Women Singles Ranking: 20 points

- The applicant will be awarded 20 points if he/she holds an ITF World Tennis Tour Men / Women of 1800 in Singles ranking.

ITF Junior Ranking

- **Top 400: 20 points**
- **401 – 500: 15 points**
- **501 – 800: 10 points**
- **800 and above: 5 points**
- The applicant will be awarded points based on his/her ITF Junior ranking.

ATF Rankings

- **Top 100: 10 points**
- **101 – 200: 5 points**

STA Open Singles Ranking

- **Top 5: 15 points**
- **6 – 25: 10 points**
- **26 – 50: 5 points**

STA Advance Singles Ranking

- **Top 3: 11 points**

STA Intermediate Singles Ranking

- **Top 3: 8 points**

- The applicant will be awarded points based on his/her ranking shown on the STA website, including foreigners and permanent residents (PR).

STA Junior Singles Ranking

- **U16 Top 3: 6 points**
- **U14 Top 3: 4 points**
- The applicant will be awarded points based on his/her ranking shown on the STA website, including foreigners and permanent residents (PR).

Doubles - Max 10 points

ATP / WTA Doubles Ranking: 10 points

- The applicant will be awarded 10 points if he/she holds an ATP/WTA doubles ranking.

ITF World Tennis Tour Men / Women Doubles Ranking: 10 points

- The applicant will be awarded 20 points if he/she holds an ITF World Tennis Tour Men / Women of 1800 in Singles ranking.

ITF Junior Ranking

- **Top 400: 8 points**
- **401 – 500: 6 points**
- **501 – 800: 4 points**
- **800 and above: 2 points**
- The applicant must showcase that they have consistently participated in the ITF Junior Doubles event.
- The applicant will be awarded points based on his/her ITF Junior ranking.

STA Open Doubles Ranking

- **Top 5: 6 points**

STA Advance Doubles Ranking

- **Top 3: 4 Points**

STA Intermediate Doubles Ranking

Top 3: 2 Points

- The applicant will be awarded points based on his/her ranking shown on the STA website, including foreigners and permanent residents (PR).

STA Junior Doubles Ranking

- **U16 Top 3: 2 points**
- **U14 Top 3: 1 points**
- The applicant will be awarded points based on his/her ranking shown on the STA website, including foreigners and permanent residents (PR).

SELECTION METHODOLOGY

Points Breakdown

- **Daily Training Environment (DTE) - Max 10 points (*To qualify for DTE points, the primary coach must be NROC registered)**
  - Training volume (training hours on & off court).
  - Refer to slide 6 for guidelines.
  - If an applicant does not meet the requirement for training volume, points will be awarded for the hours they meet.
  - For example, an applicant needs to meet a training volume of 20h per week for their age group, the applicant is currently training 10h per week, and the applicant will be awarded 5 points (50%) of the required training volume.

- **Competition Environment (CE) - Max 35 points**
  - International and National tournaments played in the last 12 months from the Monday prior to the first day of main draw commencement.
  - Refer to slide 6 for guidelines.
  - For example, an applicant needs to meet a tournament requirement of 20 tournaments/year, but currently attaining 10 tournaments/year, the applicant will be awarded 17.5 points (50%) of the required number of tournaments.

- **Rankings - Max 35 points**
  - The rankings used for evaluation will be based on both local and international standings as of the week when the application is submitted.

- **ITF World Tennis Number - Max Points 20 points**
  - World Tennis Number verified with a blue tick.

SELECTION METHODOLOGY

DTE & CE Guidelines based on LTAD

BOYS / MEN		
Age	**Total training hours per week**	**Number of singles tournaments per year**
11 & 12 years old	16	15
13-15 years old	20	15
16-18 years old	28	27
19-23 years old	28	22
24+ years old	24	22

GIRLS / WOMEN		
Age	**Total training hours per week**	**Number of singles tournaments per year**
11 & 12 years old	16	15
13-14 years old	18	15
15-16 years old	28	24
17-21 years old	28	22
22+ years old	24	22