# ADDENDUM TO SINGAPORE TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION SELECTION POLICY FOR ASIAN YOUTH GAMES 20 to 28 DECEMBER 2022, SHANTOU, CHINA

Due to the safe management measures in June 2021, STTA was not able to conduct an open selection trial. In view of the postponement of Asian Youth Games to 20 to 28 December 2022, STTA will conduct an open selection trial by **30 June 2022** to select two players per gender for the AYG Squad. **Fully vaccinated** Players born between **1 January 2004 to 31 December 2007** from the following will be invited to the selection trial:

- I. Eligible Players from Youth Training Squad (YTS).
- II. Eligible Players from School-within- School programme (SWS).
- III. Eligible Players who have achieved Top 2 placing (per gender) in the under-12 singles category and Top 4 placing (per gender) in the under-15 singles category in the below-mentioned STTA co-organised tournaments that are held in 2019, namely:
  - (a) SAFRA-STTA Table Tennis Championships
  - (b) Dr. Ng Eng Hen STTA Table Tennis Championships
  - (c) Dr. Lee Bee Wah Cup STTA Table Tennis Championships.

Details and format of selection trial will be dependent on the number of entries for the selection trial.

### 2 AYG SQUAD

- 2.1 4 Boys and 4 girls that were selected in July 2021 will remain in the AYG Squad. With the addition of the 2 boys and 2 girls from the open selection trial, there will be a total of 6 boys and 6 girls in the AYG Squad.
- 2.2 Selected players for AYG squad who are not in YTS, SWS or IS, have to join YTS for training till the selection trial for the final nomination. These players have to train at least 4 sessions per week. For those players who are selected to go for Asian Youth Games, they will continue training till the date of departure for Asian Youth Games. Training fees will be waived.

## 3 SELECTION CRITERIA

#### 3.1 Team Event (Based on 4 players per team)

One month before the deadline for nomination, player (s) (per gender) in the AYG Squad who are within the Top 150 placing based on the latest ITTF Under-19 World Ranking will be nominated for the Team event.

The remaining players in the AYG squad will go through a round of selection trial to determine the remaining slots for the team event.

## 3.2 Singles Event (Based on 2 players for singles event)

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Two players (per gender) with the highest ITTF U-19 World Ranking before the deadline for nomination will be nominated for the Singles event.

## 3.3 Mixed Doubles (based on 2 pairs)

After selection of players for team event, the selection committee will select two mixed doubles pair from the pool of the players. For the doubles pairing, the selection committee will consider compatibility of playing styles, e.g chopper with chopper, right-handed player with a left-handed player.

#### 4 SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process is as follows:

- a. The selection policy and addendum will be published at <a href="www.stta.org.sg">www.stta.org.sg</a>.
- b. One month before the deadline for nomination, STTA will conduct a selection trial to select the players for team event.
- c. After the selection trial, Selection Committee will nominate the players for the team event, singles and mixed doubles event based on the above criteria.
- d. Final approval and selection of players for the AYG resides with the SNOC.

### 5 DESELECTION

A player selected for the AYG 2021 may be deselected at any point if the player:

- unable to perform to the required standard due to illness or injury (after receiving medical advice from SSMC@SSI).
- Demonstrates a lack of commitment to training requirements and/or tournament preparations according to assessment by the Coaches in-charge and Technical Director; or
- Is unable to fulfil the minimum attendance requirements as required (as stated in para 2.2 above) before the submission of STTA's final selection to SNOC; or
- Any other reason not stated above, but where deselection is deemed appropriate and approved by the STTA High Performance Sub-committee.

High Performance Committee
Singapore Table Tennis Association

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