



Selection Policy:

Competition	2026 Nyon FISU World University Triathlon Championships
Qualifying Window:	7 August 2025 to 2 May 2026

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1. Introduction

1.1 The FISU World University Triathlon Championships 2026 will take place in Nyon, Switzerland, from 8 to 9 August 2026.

1.2 There will be a total of 3 events:

Date & Time	Event	TAS Quota	Distance
8 August 2026 (Saturday), 10:30	Women Individual	Up to 3 Women	Swim – 750m Bike – 20 km Run – 5 km
8 August 2026 (Sunday), 13:45	Men Individual	Up to 3 Men	Swim – 750m Bike – 20 km Run – 5 km
9 August 2026 (Sunday), 11:00	Mixed Relay	1 Team: (Each Team consists of 2 Men and 2 Women)	(distances per leg) Swim – 250m to 300m Bike – 5km to 8km Run – 1.5km to 2km

1.3 Program:

<u>6 August 2026 (Thursday)</u> Arrivals / Accreditation / Informal training
<u>7 August 2026 (Friday)</u> Accreditation Course Familiarization / Race Briefing / Opening Ceremony
<u>8 August 2026 (Saturday)</u> Individual Race: Women & Men Award Ceremony
<u>9 August 2026 (Sunday)</u> Mixed Relay Race Award Ceremony / Closing Ceremony / Closing Party
<u>10 August 2026 (Monday)</u> Departures

- 1.4 This policy set out the process and criteria for selection of athletes to represent Singapore at the 2026 Nyon FISU World University Triathlon Championships.
- 1.5 This event is a FULLY self-funded event with estimated costs indicated in Appendix B. TAS will provide at least 50% subsidies to qualified athletes, in accordance to our TAS Funding Model. This provision is subject to athletes starting the race, and performing to the standards as expected of them.
- 1.6 Within TAS's resources, TAS will send at least 1 Team Official to lead the Team.
- 1.7 This policy may be amended at any time if Triathlon Singapore (TAS) is of the opinion that such an amendment is necessary. TAS will publish this policy (and any amendments) on TAS website at (www.triathlonsingapore.org).

2. Eligibility

- 2.1 To be considered for selection, an athlete must meet all of the following eligibility:
- a) Singapore Citizen
 - b) Between the ages of 18 to 25 (as of 31 December 2026)
 - c) Students who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma in 2026, or former students who have obtained their academic degree or diploma in the year 2025, at a university or similar institute whose status is recognised by the appropriate national academic authority of their country
 - d) Expressions of Interest must be submitted to TAS no later than 1 May 2026.
- 2.2 TAS Criteria:
- a) Current registered member of TAS, and in good standing.
 - b) Qualify for TAS High Performance programme (HPP).
 - c) Draft Legal Endorsed
 - d) Valid Pre-Participation Examination
 - e) Have competed in at least 2 two selection events (refer to point 4.1), within the qualifying window. Exemption may be granted due to extenuating circumstances (refer to point 5.3)

3. Selection panel

- 3.1 The selection panel will consist of the following:
- a) High Performance Manager TAS (Chair) – Eugene Ong
 - b) TAS Board Representative – Paul Rachmadi
 - c) TAS High Performance Committee Representative – James Middleditch
 - d) Technical Official Representative – Jeff Lim
 - e) Independent Member – TBC

(Note: Selected personnel need to have a good understanding and insight into high-performance sports, and preferably knowledge of Triathlon and its related multisport)

- 3.2 The selection panel shall decide on the athletes to be selected in accordance to the process as set out in this policy.
- 3.3 The Singapore University Sports Council (SUSC) is the governing body which selects the athletes for FISU, and considers any appeal cases which TAS may submit. Final decision for participation at FISU will be at the sole discretion of SUSC.

4. Process

4.1 Selection events:

- a) Any races organized or sanctioned by TAS
- b) Any races sanctioned by World Triathlon or their affiliated National Federations.
- c) Any time trials conducted by TAS, or sanctioned by the appropriate governing body.
- d) Official times must be submitted to TAS: eugene.ong@triathlonsingapore.org

4.2 Qualifying Criteria:

Qualifying Criteria	Men	Women
Sprint (750m Swim / 20km Bike / 5km Run)		
A Cut – HPP D Squad qualifying Time	A – 1:05:55	A – 1:12:36
B Cut – HPP NAG Squad qualifying Time	B - 1:09:13	B - 1:16:14
	Target Times: Swim 500m – 7:08 Run 2.5km – 10:19	Target Times: Swim 500m – 7:32 Run 2.5km – 12:18

4.3 Considerations:

- a) Automatic Qualification: Eligible athletes who had achieved the A Cut qualifying criteria set out in point 4.2 at any selection events within the qualifying window, automatically qualifies to be nominated.
- b) Discretionary Qualification: Should there still be available slots, eligible athletes who had achieved B Cut qualifying criteria set out in point 4.2 at any selection events within the qualifying window, will have their names submitted for nomination. (Note: All nominations submitted will still be subject to acceptance at SUSC's discretion)
- c) If more athletes meet the qualifying criteria than there are available quota slots, the following tie-breaking criteria will be used:
 - 1) Number of times an athlete has met the qualifying criteria
 - 2) Fastest race time

5. Athletes' Obligations

5.1 Athletes are required to:

- i. Comply with TAS and SUSC rules, regulations and policies at all times
- ii. Comply with all anti-doping regulations as defined in ADS and WADA's Anti-Doping By-law, including the administering or usage of any prohibited substance. Athletes who require Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) have the duty to obtain one at least three months before the commencement of competition.
- iii. Selected athletes must maintain a level of fitness and performance consistent with the requirements of being a national representative.
- iv. Upon qualification, athletes must continue to show commitment towards preparing for WUTC 2026, including their training plan and progress report.

5.2 A breach in the above may result in an athlete being withdrawn from nomination/selection, remove from the Team and/or face disciplinary actions.

5.3 Exemption may be granted due to extenuating circumstances such as:

- Injury or illness
- Equipment Failure
- Travel delays
- Bereavement
- Such other circumstances as TAS may consider to be relevant.

TAS Appeal Process

Right of Appeal - An athlete who fails to be selected may appeal against the decision. The appeal shall be conducted as a process to inquire if the decision made had properly adhere to the process and criteria set out in the selection policy, and not as a re-selection process

Appeal Panel – The appeal panel shall consist of the following:

- (i) A Representative from TAS Board, with no known conflict of interest.
- (ii) An invited official from another organization, independent from TAS.
- (iii) An invited official from another NSA

Notice of Appeal – Within 24 hours after TAS announce the selected athletes for the Games, an athlete who wishes to appeal must put forth in writing to: eugene.ong@triathlonsingapore.org

Any appeals received after 24 hours will not be entertained.

The appeal must be accompanied by:

- A summary of all arguments and documentations that the athlete wishes to be considered in support of the appeal, and also evidences that will be relied upon in support of those arguments for the appeal.
- An appeal bond of SGD\$500. (via bank transfer to TAS's UEN S92SS0052C). Failure to receive payment will result in the appeal being null and void.

Hearing of the Appeal – The appellant will be advised on a date for the hearing as soon as necessary.

- The hearing will be conducted with as little formality and technicality.
- The hearing must observe the principles of natural justice.
- The parties to an appeal may be represented at a hearing but not by a barrister, solicitor or a legally trained person.

Results of hearing – The appeal panel may decide on the following:

- I. That there are irregularities in the selection process, and makes recommendation to the TAS Board for a decision.
- II. That an unfair selection decision had been made by the selection panel, failing to abide by the required selection guidelines and/or selection criteria, and makes recommendation to the TAS Board for a decision
- III. That there is no basis to the appeal and the decision of the selection panel be upheld

The final decision of the hearing will be made by the TAS Board, on the recommendation of the appeal panel, and announced no later than 24 hours after the hearing.

Regardless of the decision, the appeal panel may also stipulate that all or part of the appeal bond be refunded to the appellant.

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Appendix A: Timeline

7 February 2026	General Entry – Intention of participation
1 May 2026	Deadline - Intent to Participate by athletes
7 May 2026	Quantitative Entry – Number of Male/female athletes
7 July 2026	Individual Entry – Nominal and Travel information

Appendix B: Estimated Cost

Airfare	SQ – estimate SGD \$2,400 (1 x 30kg) Swiss – estimate SGD \$1,800 (2 x 23kg)
Insurance	SGD \$100
Participation	EUR 80 per night per person (6 to 10 August 2026) This fee includes Airport Transfers, Accommodation, Meals and local transportation provided by the LOC.
Team Kit + Race Suit	SGD \$500
Others: Excess Baggage Fee	SGD \$400