Singapore Judo Federation

SJF Athletes' Commission Policy

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SJF ATHLETES' COMMISSION

INTRODUCTION

The Singapore Judo Federation (the "SJF") has resolved to establish an Athletes' Commission (the "AC") to promote open communication between national athletes and the SJF.

The object of the AC is to be the representative body for current Singapore national Judo athletes in matters relating to their overall welfare, which includes matters pertaining to training, competitions, selections and athlete-life matters.

The AC will be elected by Singapore national Judo athletes who have represented Singapore in international Judo competitions within the past twenty-four (24) months, and shall comprise not more than 5 members, including the Chairperson of the AC.

Subject to his/her meeting the eligibility criteria to be appointed as a Board Member set out in the SJF Constitution, the Chairperson of the AC will be accorded a seat on the SJF Board as a Board Member.

This document spells out the rules and processes governing the establishment of the SC, as well as the eligibility criteria for individuals who wish to run for the AC and individuals who wish to vote in AC elections.

This policy shall be in effect from 4 September 2025 and replaces the previous policy which was in effect from 19 September 2022.

1. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR MEMBERS OF THE SJF AC

1.1 The AC shall comprise no more than five (5) elected members, who are either past or present Singapore National Judo Athletes, including the Chairperson who must be a current or former Singapore National Judo Athlete.

1.2 For the purposes of this Policy, a Singapore National Judo Athlete is an individual who has represented Singapore at the national level, through selection by either the Singapore Judo Federation (the "SJF"), or the Singapore National Olympic Committee (the "SNOC"), in an international Judo competition, including but not limited to the Olympic Games, the Asian Games, the South-East Asian Games and other international competitions at the regional/continental level.

2. VOTING ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Singapore National Judo Athletes who have represented Singapore at the national level, through selection by either the SJF or the SNOC, in international Judo competitions within the past twenty-four (24) months shall be eligible to vote. One athlete is entitled to one vote in respect of each candidate that the athlete supports, i.e. one vote for each of up to five candidates. For the avoidance of doubt, each athlete cannot cast more than one vote for each candidate.

2.2 Athletes who are eligible to vote will be provided with a voting slip/form, which may be in physical or electronic form.

3. NOMINATION AND VOTING PROCESS

3.1 A Nomination Period of at least one week and a Voting Date shall be declared by the SJF.

3.2 Eligible individuals who wish to run for the AC shall submit their applications to the SJF during the Nomination Period.

3.3 The names of eligible individuals who have submitted applications to run for the AC shall be published on the SJF website at the end of the Nomination Period.

3.4 Eligible voters shall have until the Voting Date to submit their votes.

3.5 The conduct of voting and subsequent counting of votes will be undertaken by a scrutineer appointed by the SJF. Such scrutineer shall not be an individual running for the AC.

3.6 Individuals will be ranked by vote count. Any tie in votes that affects the outcome of the election shall be decided by a subsequent round(s) of voting. If the tie involves more than two (2) candidates, the candidate(s) with the lowest number of votes shall be eliminated after each round. If a tie persists after two (2) successive rounds of voting involving the same candidates, the SJF shall decide to either exercise a casting vote or draw lots to resolve the tie.

3.7 The result of the AC election shall be announced within two (2) Singapore business days after the Voting Date.

3.8 Individual voting data shall be kept secret, and shall be disposed of six months after the Voting Date.

4. TERM OF OFFICE

4.1 The terms of office of the AC members and their term limits shall follow those of the SJF Board.

4.2 The AC shall elect a Chairperson of the AC among themselves. Subject to his/her meeting the eligibility criteria to be appointed as a Board Member set out in Article 21 of the SJF Constitution, the Chairman of the AC shall be appointed as a SJF Board Member with voting rights and shall represent the AC in the SJF Board meetings until the expiry of his/her term as Chairman of the AC.

4.3 Should the Chairperson of the AC vacate his/her position during his/her term, a replacement Chairperson for the remaining term of office is to be appointed by the AC.

4.4 The AC may at any time appoint a suitable person to fill a position vacated by an AC member for the remaining term of office for the vacated position.

6. OTHER MATTERS

6.1 Any feedback, requests for clarifications, or queries can be directed to the Secretary General at secgen@sjf.sg.