

INDIA TAEKWONDO

ATHLETE SELECTION POLICY FOR

WUXI 2025 WORLD TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIP

Following the announcement of the Wuxi 2025 World Taekwondo Championship by World Taekwondo, India Taekwondo had convened a Zoom meeting on 4th August 2025 to deliberate and finalize the announcement of Training Camps & Trials, along with the Selection Policy for athletes for the Wuxi 2025 World Taekwondo Championship. In the same meeting, the Selection Committee for the event was formally appointed.

Selection Committee Member:

- 1) Mr Namdev Shirgaonkar (Chairperson - Selection Committee)
- 2) Ms. Veena Arora (Committee Member)
- 3) Mr. Rajat Dixit (Committee Member)
- 4) Ms. Malti Sharma (Committee Member)

1) OBJECTIVE

This Selection Policy, formulated aims to ensure a transparent and merit-based process through which athletes will be selected to represent India in the Senior Category at the forthcoming Wuxi 2025 World Taekwondo Championship.

2) ELIGIBILITY

- Only athletes who are Indian citizens and registered with India Taekwondo with a valid UID will be eligible.
- Athletes must have valid documents (passport, Kukkiwon Black Belt, photograph) submitted within the prescribed timeline.

3) BASIS OF SELECTION

The following athletes will be considered for the final Selection Trial:

- Gold Medalists from the 3rd Senior National Championship 2024-25.
- Gold Medalists from the 1st Federation Cup 2025.
- Gold Medalists from the 2025 Champion of Champions.
- Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medalists from the 4th Senior National Championship 2025.
- Junior Athletes:
 - Those who participated in the Chuncheon 2024 World Taekwondo Junior Championship & 13th Asian Junior Taekwondo Championship (Malaysia), and who become eligible for the Senior Category, will be invited for the Final Selection Trial.

Note:

- *In cases where an athlete's name appears more than once across the above competitions, the next eligible medalist from the Federation Cup will be considered in their place.*
- *Wild card entries will be permitted based on the decision of the Selection Committee.*

4) FINAL SELECTION TRIAL.

- All shortlisted above athletes will be invited to attend the Final Selection Trial.
- **Final Selection Trial** will be Conducted under the Electronic PSS system and video recording to ensure accuracy, fairness, and transparency. The final trial date will be decided by the Selection Committee, subject to venue and equipment availability.
- From the Final Trial, the 1st Place athlete per weight category will be selected to represent India at the Wuxi 2025 World Taekwondo Championship (Senior Team).

5) PRINCIPLES OF FAIR PLAY


- The use of the Electronic PSS System and video recording will guarantee transparency and minimize human error.
- The process will provide equal opportunity to all eligible athletes and ensure that the best athletes are selected.

6) GENERAL GUIDELINES

- selection trials will be conducted in accordance with the standardized rules and regulations of World Taekwondo (WT).
- The selection process will be overseen by an independent Selection Committee constituted by India Taekwondo, with IOA/MYAS/SAI Observers may invite to ensure fairness, transparency, and compliance.
- In case of registration failure, injury, withdrawal, or disciplinary action, the Selection Committee reserves the right to review the situation and nominate the next eligible athlete.
- If any athlete fails to adhere to the prescribed weight guidelines, the Selection Committee reserves the right to replace them with the next eligible athlete from the final selection trial.
- If a selected athlete fails to complete the registration process within the given timeline, the next eligible athlete, as per the selection, will be given the opportunity to participate in the Championship.

7) CONCLUSION

- The Final Selection Trial will be conducted strictly in accordance with the India Taekwondo Selection Policy.
- Trials will be conducted under video recording in a transparent and professional manner, under the supervision of the appointed Selection Committee.
- The final list of athletes will be confirmed only after the completion of the Final Selection Trial, and those athletes will go on to represent India at the Wuxi 2025 World Taekwondo Championship.


Mr. Namdev Shirgaonkar
(Chairperson - Selection Committee)


Ms Veena Arora (Member)


Ms Rajat Dixit (Member)


Ms Malti Sharma (Member)

Important Note: India Taekwondo and the Selection Committee reserved the right to amend or modify the selection policy in the event of any major or unforeseen circumstances.