SELECTION CRITERIA, 8th AFRICA AQUATICS ZONE III CHAMPIONSHIPS, KIGALI, RWANDA 23 - 26 NOVEMBER 2023

1. Eligibility

- 1.1. Only athletes registered with and in good standing with SSA will be considered for selection.
- 1.2. Selected athletes must be in possession of a South African passport valid until April 2024 and have chosen South Africa as their Sport Nationality.
- 1.3. Swimmers (under 18 years) must be in possession of an unabridged birth certificate.
- 1.4. Members selected to the team must abide by the SSA Code of Conduct as appended to the SSA Constitution and agree to and sign the SSA Athlete / Official Agreement for the 8th AFRICA AQUATICS ZONE 3 CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023.
- 1.5. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the **8th AFRICA AQUATICS ZONE III CHAMPIONSHIPS, KIGALI, RWANDA 23 26 NOVEMBER 2023**
- 1.6. To be eligible for selection a swimmer must have participated at the:
 - 1.6.1. SA National Junior Age Group Championships 2023
 - 1.6.2. SA Regional Level 3 Championships 2023
 - 1.6.3. SA Regional Level 2 Championships 2023
 - 1.6.4. SSA Ranking list from 1 March 2023 to 31 August 2023
- 1.7. The times achieved by swimmers at the above competitions and rankings may be considered for selection.
- 1.8. Selection will be done in accordance with the athlete's work ethic, physical readiness and suitability in regard to team dynamics and compatibility.
- 1.9. All athletes must be available for relay selection.
- 1.10. Team selection will be in accordance with the SSA Transformation Policy in relation to demographic and gender equity where applicable.
- 1.11. The SSA Executive Committee reserves the right to amend these criteria and circulate such amended criteria.



2. Age Group and Team Size

2.1. Team Size

- 2.1.1. Maximum number of athletes that may be selected: 10 females and 10 males athletes.
- 2.1.2. Maximum Total number of athletes that may be selected is 20.

2.2. Age Groups:

- 2.2.1. Age of the swimmer will be as at the first day of the competition.
- 2.2.2. Swimmers (Male and Female):
 - 2.2.2.1. 12 & Under
 - 2.2.2.2. 13/14
 - 2.2.2.3. 15/16
 - 2.2.2.4. 17 and over

3. Individual Events

- 3.1.1. Athletes who have participated in an Olympic Event at the 2023 S A National and Regional Age Group events have a ranking in the specified age range, may be considered for selection:
- 3.1.2. Swimmers showing performance progression improvement from Heats to Finals may be considered for selection.

4. Relays

- 4.1.1. All Athletes who have participated in the 100m individual events and 200m freestyle individual event will be considered for selection.
- 4.1.2. The final team will only be selected after intensive training with regard to take-over reaction times and matters relating to team-spirit build up
- 4.1.3. A swim off, may be utilized to determine the final team selection.

5. <u>Funding</u>

5.1. This will be a subsidized competition for participants.

