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From: Chief Executive Officer

To: SSA Affiliate Presidents
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Cc: SSA Executive Committee
Committee Convenors

Re: SWIMMING SELECTION CRITERIA, OLYMPIC GAMES 2012, LONDON

Herewith attached the swimming selection criteria for participation in the London 2012 Olympic Games, from 25 July 2012 – 12 August 2012.

We remain at your disposal for any queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adriaanse".

Shaun Adriaanse
Chief Executive

SWIMMING SQUAD CRITERIA FOR 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES**LONDON, 28 JULY - 04 AUGUST 2012**

These criteria must be read in conjunction with the published SASCOC Policy and General Selection Criteria and Aquatics Selection Criteria.

1. Eligibility

- 1.1. Only athletes registered with and in good standing with SSA will be considered for selection.
- 1.2. To be eligible for selection a swimmer must participate at the SSA National Swimming Championships (Official South African Olympic Games 2012 Swimming Trials) that will take place in Durban from 01 - 06 April 2012.
- 1.3. Only athletes who have attained 'A' Olympic Qualifying Times at two qualification events approved by FINA, one of which is the Official South African Olympic Games 2012 Swimming Trials and one of which must be an international event, will be considered for selection.
- 1.4. All athletes must be available for relay selection.
- 1.5. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the London 2012 Olympic Games from 25 July 2012 – 12 August 2012.
- 1.6. Selected athletes must be in possession of a valid South African passport and have chosen South Africa as their Sport Nationality.
- 1.7. All athletes must be available for the full duration of the pre Olympic Training Camp which is tentatively scheduled for mid July 2012 (exact dates and venues to be confirmed once logistical arrangements have been finalized).
- 1.8. 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 SASCOC Athlete / Official Agreement for 2012 Olympic Games.
- 1.9. The SSA Executive and SASCOC reserve the right to amend these criteria and circulate such amended criteria.
- 1.10. The final team selection is subject to approval by SASCOC.

2. Individual Events

- 2.1. The first and second placed athletes in the final of an Olympic individual event at the South African National Championships 2012 will be considered for selection, only if they achieve an “A” qualifying time in that event.
- 2.2. Should one or both of the first two placed finalists not achieve an “A” qualifying time, then an athlete with the fastest “A” times in either a heat or a semi-final of that event, will be considered for selection, provided that they swim in the final of that event.
- 2.3. No “FINA Invitational” qualifying times will be considered for any Olympic individual event.

3. Relays

3.1. 4 x 100m Men Freestyle Relay

- 3.1.1. All athletes achieving “A” qualifying times in the 100m freestyle final at the trials, will be considered for selection.
- 3.1.2. Athletes achieving “FINA Invitational” qualifying times in the final may also be considered for selection.
- 3.1.3. 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

3.2. 4 x 100m Men Medley Relay

- 3.2.1. All athletes achieving “A” qualifying times in the 100m freestyle, 100m backstroke, 100m breaststroke and 100m butterfly events, in the finals of these events at the trials, will be considered for selection.
- 3.2.2. Athletes achieving “FINA Invitational” qualifying times in the finals in the 100m freestyle, 100m backstroke, 100m breaststroke and 100m butterfly events, may also be considered for selection.
- 3.2.3. Selection of a team for the Medley relay is conditional provided the cumulative time of the individual athletes is faster than 5th place in the final at the 2011 FINA World Championships
- 3.2.4. The final team will only be proposed after intensive training with regard to take-over reaction times and matters relating to team-spirit build up

3.3. The other relays, viz. the men's 4 x 200m freestyle, the women's 4 x 100m free, women's 4 x 200m free and the women's 4 x 100m medley, will only be considered if the best times from the relevant finals added together are faster than the 5th place time in the final at the 2011 FINA World Championships.

SSA will make an application to SASCOC and FINA to participate should any of the above mentioned relay team's times be sufficiently fast enough to warrant participation at the Olympic Games.

The final team will be selected by SASCOC based on the squad submitted by SSA.

QUALIFYING TIME STANDARDS

		Olympic Qualifying Time			FINA/Olympic Selection Time		
		1 or 2 Entries			1 Entry (with invitation)		
		M	S	1/100	M	S	1/100
MEN'S STANDARD	50 Freestyle	00	22	11	00	22	88
	100 Freestyle	00	48	82	00	50	53
	200 Freestyle	01	47	82	01	51	59
	400 Freestyle	03	48	92	03	54	13
	800 Freestyle	00	00	00	00	00	00
	1500 Freestyle	15	11	83	15	43	74
	100 Backstroke	00	54	40	00	56	30
	200 Backstroke	01	58	48	02	02	63
	100 Breaststroke	01	00	79	01	02	92
	200 Breaststroke	02	11	74	02	16	35
	100 Butterfly	00	52	36	00	54	19
	200 Butterfly	01	56	86	02	00	95
	200 I. M.	02	00	17	02	04	38
	400 I. M.	04	16	46	04	25	44
WOMEN'S STANDARD	50 Freestyle	00	25	27	00	26	15
	100 Freestyle	00	54	57	00	56	48
	200 Freestyle	01	58	33	02	02	47
	400 Freestyle	04	09	35	04	18	07
	800 Freestyle	08	33	84	08	51	82
	1500 Freestyle	00	00	00	00	00	00
	100 Backstroke	01	00	82	01	02	95
	200 Backstroke	02	10	84	02	15	42
	100 Breaststroke	01	08	49	01	10	89
	200 Breaststroke	02	26	89	02	32	03
	100 Butterfly	00	58	70	01	00	75
	200 Butterfly	02	08	95	02	13	46
	200 I. M.	02	13	36	02	18	03
	400 I. M.	04	41	75	04	51	75