

**SWIMMING CRITERIA FOR 15<sup>TH</sup> FINA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013****BARCELONA, 19 JULY - 04 AUGUST 2013****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 valid South African passport and have chosen South Africa as their Sport Nationality.
- 1.3. 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 15th FINA World Championships 2013.
- 1.4. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the Barcelona 15<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2013 from 19 July 2013 – 04 August 2013.
- 1.5. To be eligible for selection a swimmer must participate at the SSA National Swimming Championships (Official South African 15<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2013 Swimming Trials) that will take place in Port Elizabeth from 10 to 17 April 2013.
- 1.6. Only athletes who have attained the FINA 'A' Qualification Time Standard at the Official South African 15<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2013 Swimming Trials, will be considered for selection.
- 1.7. All athletes must be available for relay selection.
- 1.8. All athletes must be available for the full duration of the pre 15<sup>th</sup> FINA World Championships 2013 camp, which is tentatively scheduled for mid July 2012 (exact dates and venues to be confirmed once logistical arrangements have been finalized).
- 1.9. Team selection will be in accordance with the SSA Transformation Policy in relation to demographic and gender equity where applicable.
- 1.10. The SSA Executive Committee reserves the right to amend these criteria and circulate such amended criteria.
- 1.11. The final team selection is subject to approval by the SSA Executive Committee.

**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 2013 will be considered for selection, only if they achieve an "A" Qualification Time Standard in that event.



- 2.2. Should one or both of the first two placed finalists not achieve an "A" Qualification Time Standard , then athletes 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. Swimmers achieving FINA "A" Qualification Time Standards and showing performance progression improvement from Heats to Semis to Finals may be considered for selection.
- 2.4. No "FINA B" Qualification Time Standard 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" Qualification Time Standards in the 100m freestyle final at the trials will be considered for selection.
- 3.1.2. Athletes achieving "FINA B" Qualification Time Standards 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" Qualification Time Standards 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 B" Qualification Time Standard Standards 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.



3.4. SSA will make an application to FINA to participate should any of the above mentioned relay team's times be sufficiently fast enough to warrant participation at the 15th FINA World Championships 2013.

#### 4. Funding

4.1. This will be a partially subsidized tour. Team members will be funded according to their level of performance.

#### **QUALIFICATION TIME STANDARD**

Men's Standard		Women's Standard
00.22,33	<b>50 m Freestyle</b>	00.25,34
00.48,93	<b>100 m Freestyle</b>	00.54,86
01.48,42	<b>200 m Freestyle</b>	01.58,74
3.49,55	<b>400 m Freestyle</b>	4.09,81
7.59,06	<b>800 m Freestyle</b>	8.34,33
15.14,38	<b>1500 m Freestyle</b>	16.26,36
0.54,43	<b>100 m Backstroke</b>	1.01,39
1.58,48	<b>200 m Backstroke</b>	2.11,09
1.00,86	<b>100 m Breaststroke</b>	1.08,63
2.12,78	<b>200 m Breaststroke</b>	2.27,88
0.52,57	<b>100 m Butterfly</b>	0.58,89
1.57,03	<b>200 m Butterfly</b>	2.09,38
1.59,99	<b>200 m Ind. Medley</b>	2.14,97
4.18,99	<b>400 m Ind. Medley</b>	4.44,53