

**SELECTION CRITERIA, SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING MEDITERRANEAN CUP 2015****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 the Mediterranean Cup 2015.
- 1.4. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the Synchronised Swimming Mediterranean Cup 2015.
- 1.5. Athletes must participate at :
  - 1.5.1. SA National Age Groups in 2014 and SA Nationals in 2015
  - 1.5.2. Camps at the TSSC's discretion
- 1.6. All athletes must be available for training camps for the Mediterranean Cup 2015, as determined by the appointed coach (exact dates and venues to be confirmed once logistical arrangements have been finalized).
- 1.7. Team selection will be in accordance with the SSA Transformation Policy in relation to demographic and gender equity where applicable.
- 1.8. The SSA Executive Committee reserves the right to amend these criteria and circulate such amended criteria.
- 1.9. The final team selection is subject to approval by the SSA Executive Committee.

**2. Criteria**

- 2.1. The Age Group for the team is athletes born 2000, 2001 and 2002
- 2.2. Have participated in the 13-15 figure competition at SA National Age Groups 2014
- 2.3. Have achieved an average figure score of 5.0 in the 13-15 figure competition at SA National Age Groups 2014.

**3. Funding**

- 3.1. This will be a self-funded tour, including travel to the competitions, as well as all the training camps and assistance with management costs.



- 3.2. All financial obligations must be concluded before departure

#### **4. Conditions of Selection**

- 4.1. Pass fitness/flexibility tests at training camps as approved by SSA.
- 4.2. Athletes may be cut from the group if the monthly fitness test results are not satisfactory, and after training camps if progress or attitude is not up to standard. This is at the discretion of SSA after submission of the coach.
- 4.3. In order to participate at international team events (12 athletes minimum) SSA reserves the right to include additional athletes who may not achieve the above criteria but show potential and would benefit from being fast tracked.
- 4.4. Athletes must be available to attend training camps at times specified by the SSA appointed coach.
- 4.5. Each team member must attend all training camps as required by coach and technical committee.
- 4.6. The coach and management, in consultation with the selectors, will make the final selection of athletes to compete with due consideration of the following:
- 4.6.1. Synchronised Swimming ability
  - 4.6.2. Compatibility with other athletes and coaches
  - 4.6.3. Work Ethic
  - 4.6.4. Physical competitive readiness and physical suitability

