

**SA Senior National Aquatic Championships 2014 - Water Polo****1. GENERAL EVENT INFORMATION**

- 1.1. The 2014 Swimming South Africa National Senior National Aquatic Championships -Water Polo will be held at the Kings Park Aquatic Complex, Durban from 08:30 on 27<sup>th</sup> March to 17:00 of 30<sup>th</sup> March 2014.
- 1.2. These Championships will serve as trials for the selection of the Men and Women's Teams to compete in the FINA World Water Polo League in the Africa/Asia/Oceania qualification round, and the FINA World Men's Youth Water Polo Championships (18 & U) from 04 – 10 August 2014 in Istanbul, Turkey and the FINA World Women's Youth Water Polo Championships (18 & U) from 25 – 31 August 2013 in Spain.
- 1.3. Players, coaches and managers that wish to be included in the teams to be selected for the various championships must participate at the National Championships for the full duration of the event.

**2. ENTRY PROCEDURES**

- 2.1. All SSA Affiliates, who have Water Polo players, Coaches, Managers and Technical Officials registered with SSA are invited to compete at the event.
  - 2.1.1. Unregistered members will not be allowed to participate in the championships.
  - 2.1.2. Teams violating this rule will be ejected from the tournament.
- 2.2. Men's Section, teams will be accepted in the A section, and the combined section for B and 18 and under players (born in 1996 and later); the structure of the Women's Section will be A Section and a combined section for B and under 18 players.
- 2.3. Note that the number of teams entered and confirmed to participate, will dictate the structure of this tournament.
- 2.4. All teams that wish to compete in this tournament must complete the Intention to Compete Form as attached and send details via their Affiliate to Swimming South Africa by the 30 November 2013 together with proof of deposit of entry fee per team.
- 2.5. All costs for the team's participation and accommodation will be the responsibility of the affiliate.
- 2.6. A Registration Fee for the Tournament is R 4000.00 / team entered.
- 2.7. The closing date with payment into SSA account is **30 November 2013**

Bank:	ABSA BANK
Acc. number:	1003790807
Branch:	160 Jan Smuts
Code:	508005
- 2.8. Payment and proof of payment must be sent to SSA through the affiliate.
- 2.9. A copy of proof of payment must be brought to SA National Championships by the relevant Team Manager.
- 2.10. The deadline for the final named entries for teams, including athletes, coaches, managers and referees is 01 March 2014. These entries must be signed off by the Provincial President.

**3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

- 3.1 Only technical officials registered with SSA will be eligible to officiate.



- 3.2 Each team must supply one referee not affiliated to any team at the expense of the affiliate and be available for the duration of the event.
  - 3.2.1 Affiliates that do not supply a suitable referee per team at the start of the tournament, will be liable to pay a R5 000.00 fine and not progress to the knock out stages.
- 3.3 Technical Officials must be correctly attired, White trousers, white shoes and tournament shirt.
- 3.4 The referees meeting will be held at the venue on Thursday 27 March 2014 – 07h30

#### 4. COMPETITION RULES

- 4.1. FINA rules apply
- 4.2. Players, coaches, managers and officials must be capitated to SSA through their affiliate.
- 4.3. Players, coaches, managers and officials cannot switch between affiliates. They must represent the affiliate they are registered to and can only be registered to one affiliate.
- 4.4. The managers meeting will be held at the venue on Thursday 27 March 2014 – 07h00
- 4.5. A maximum of 13 players may be named per team
- 4.6. Each team will have Minimum 1 coach and 1 manager. These persons are to be allocated to that team only.
- 4.7. Teams first on team fixture will wear white caps and start to the left of the official table.
- 4.8. Teams must provide their own caps. Ladies must wear the same under cap colour as the water polo cap.
- 4.9. Players must wear the same swimsuit. Failure to comply will be the exemption of the player in that game.
- 4.10. Team officials are to be dressed in the same shirt and wearing closed shoes. Failure to comply will be the exemption of the official in that game.
- 4.11. The transformation policy for the event is:
  - 4.11.1. 1 Black player and 1 black official per team entered.
  - 4.11.2. Table officials to time and monitor playing time of the black player.
  - 4.11.3. Each black player per team must play a minimum of 8 minutes per match.
  - 4.11.4. The table official must inform the managers of the respective teams of the time remaining at the start of the 4th quarter.
  - 4.11.5. Should coaches fail to play their black players for the allotted time, then the game will be forfeited and the coach will appear before the disciplinary committee.
  - 4.11.6. Teams that arrive without a black official or teams that do not have a black official on the team bench during a game, will forfeit their game(s) and may not proceed to the knock out stages of the tournament.
  - 4.11.7. SSA reserves the right to take additional action against the offending Affiliate.

#### 5 DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

- 5.1 A Disciplinary committee will be constituted by the members of the Water Polo Technical Committee present at the Tournament and the Tournament Technical Delegate



- 5.2 Misconduct sentence – exclusion from that game and if necessary a hearing will be held
- 5.3 Brutality – exclusion from that game and a two game suspension with a disciplinary hearing
- 5.4 Official misdemeanors are as per FINA Rules

