

**SELECTION CRITERIA, 4<sup>th</sup> FINA WOMEN'S YOUTH WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018**

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**Belgrade, Serbia – 27 August – 2 September 2018**

**1. Eligibility**

- 1.1. Only athletes registered with and in good standing with SSA will be considered for selection.
- 1.2. Only athletes born in the year 2000 or thereafter are eligible for selection.
- 1.3. Selected athletes must be South African Citizens, be in possession of a valid South African passport and have chosen South Africa as their Sport Nationality.
- 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 4th FINA WOMEN'S YOUTH WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018.
- 1.5. To be eligible for selection an athlete must have participated at the SSA National Schools Water Polo Championships 2017.
- 1.6. Note that further to attending the SSA National Schools Water Polo Championships 2017, players must attend the selection camp directly afterwards in Port Elizabeth.
- 1.7. Players must have attended the training camp in January 2018, and also attend all training camps as directed by the Head Coach.
- 1.8. Players must play at the SA National Championships to be held in Stellenbosch from 4 – 8 April 2018 for the Swimming South Africa u18 Squad.
- 1.9. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the 4th FINA WOMEN'S YOUTH WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS in Belgrade, Serbia from 27<sup>th</sup> August – 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018.
- 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.
- 1.12. The final team selection is subject to approval by the SSA Executive Committee.

**2. Funding**

- 2.1. This tour will be self-funded.



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**3. Criteria**

- 3.1. The selected team will be required to attend all the training camps as directed by the Head Coach.
- 3.2. Should a position in the team become available due to the injury or withdrawal of an athlete, after the team announcement, the Water Polo Selection Committee may consider an athlete from the selected team reserves on the basis of their overall performance, commitment and attendance at the training camps.

**3.3. Conditions of Selection**

- 3.3.1. Each team member must attend all training camps and adhere to the training program as directed by the Head Coach.
- 3.3.2. Pass fitness/flexibility tests.
- 3.3.3. Athletes may be cut from the team if the weekly 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 from the coach.

