

SELECTION CRITERIA, 16TH FINA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015**KAZAN RUSSIA, July 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 16th FINA World Championships 2015.
- 1.4. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the 16th FINA World Championships 2015, Kazan, Russia in July 2015.
- 1.5. Participation at :
 - 1.5.1. SA National Age Groups in 2014
 - 1.5.2. SSA National Synchronised Swimming Championships 2015 (Official South African 16th FINA World Championships 2015 Synchronised Swimming Trials) in Durban from 15 to 19 April 2015.
- 1.6. All athletes must be available for training camps for the 16th FINA World Championships 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. Athletes must be a member of the squad selected at the SA National Age Groups in 2014.
 - 2.1.1. Those who were unable to attend who have previously met criteria for the senior team will be considered provided a written reason with motivation for their absence is approved by the SSA.
 - 2.1.2. They will then be assessed at SA Nationals 2015.



- 2.1.3. Attendance at SA Nationals 2015 is compulsory in to be eligible for National Senior Team Selection.
- 2.2. Have achieved a minimum average score of 6.0 for technical elements at SA National Age Groups 2014.
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3. Funding

- 3.1. This will be a partially subsidized tour.

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 (9 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 any 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

