

SELECTION CRITERIA, AFRICA AQUATICS ZONE IV CHAMPIONSHIPS,**GABORONE, BOTSWANA 2 – 5 September 2026****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 South African Citizens in possession of a South African passport valid until **MARCH 2027** and have chosen South Africa as their Sport Nationality.
- 1.3. Athletes (under 18 years) must be in possession of an unabridged birth certificate.
- 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 **AFRICA AQUATICS ZONE IV CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026**.
- 1.5. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the **AFRICA AQUATICS ZONE IV CHAMPIONSHIPS, Gaborone, Botswana 2 – 5 September 2026**
- 1.6. To be eligible for selection a swimmer must have participated at:
 - 1.6.1. 2026 S A Youth National Championships
 - 1.6.2. 2026 S A Junior National Age Group Championships
 - 1.6.3. 2026 S A Level 3 or Level 2 Age Group Championships
- 1.7. Selection will be done in accordance with the athlete's work ethic, physical readiness and suitability in regard to team dynamics and compatibility.
- 1.8. All athletes must be available for relay selection.
- 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.



2. Age Group

2.1. Age Groups:

2.1.1. Age of the swimmer will be as at the first day of the competition.

2.1.2. Swimmers (Male and Female):

2.1.2.1. 13-14

2.1.2.2. 15-16

2.1.2.3. 17 and over

3. Individual Events

Two athletes per event will be selected

4. Funding

This will be a self-funded competition for participants.