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**SWIMMING CRITERIA FOR 21<sup>st</sup> WORLD AQUATICS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024**  
**DOHA, QATAR 2 – 18 FEBRUARY 2024**

**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 valid South African passport and have chosen South Africa as their Sport Nationality.
- 1.3. Swimmers (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 21<sup>st</sup> WORLD AQUATICS CHAMPIONSHIPS DOHA, QATAR 2 – 18 FEBRUARY 2024
- 1.5. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the **21<sup>st</sup> WORLD AQUATICS CHAMPIONSHIPS IN DOHA, QATAR FROM 2 – 18 FEBRUARY 2024**
- 1.6. All athletes must be available for the full duration of any **Pre 21<sup>st</sup> World Aquatics Championships Camps**, which may be scheduled (exact dates and venues to be confirmed once logistical arrangements have been finalized).
- 1.7. To be eligible for selection a swimmer must participate at the:
  - 1.7.1. Official SSA Swimming Trials for the 21<sup>st</sup> World Aquatics Championships 2024, that will be held from 14-18 December 2023 at a venue TBC.
  - 1.7.2. SA National Aquatic Championships 2023,
- 1.8. Exception to 1.71 will be swimmers:
  - 1.8.1. who have achieved the 21<sup>st</sup> World Aquatics “A” qualifying times. If not present at the trials,

- 1.8.2. any “A” time achieved in an event by any swimmer present at the trials, will supersede the previously achieved “A” time.
- 1.9. Athletes who have attained the World Aquatics ‘A’ Qualification Time Standard in Olympic events, at the Official South African 21<sup>st</sup> World Aquatics World Championships 2023 Swimming Trials, will be considered for selection.
- 1.10. Selection will be done in accordance with the athlete’s work ethic, physical readiness and suitability in regard to team dynamics and compatibility.
- 1.11. All athletes must be available for relay selection.
- 1.12. Team selection will be in accordance with the SSA Transformation Policy in relation to demographic and gender equity where applicable.
- 1.13. The SSA Executive Committee reserves the right to amend these criteria and circulate such amended criteria. The final team selection is subject to approval by the SSA Executive Committee.

### **21<sup>st</sup> World Aquatics Championships 2024 Trials – TBC– 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

#### **2. Individual Events**

- 2.1. At the Trial Event, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed finalists, who achieve an “A” qualifying time in an Olympic event will automatically be selected.
- 2.2. Should one or both of the first two placed finalists not achieve an “A” qualifying time, athletes with the fastest “A” times in the heats of that event will be considered for selection, provided that they swim in the final of that event.
- 2.3. If there are no “A” Qualifiers in an Olympic event, present at the trials, or exempted as per point 1.8, the first swimmer in the final achieving a “WA B” Qualifying Time Standard, may be considered for selection, to satisfy transformation and gender objectives.
- 2.4. If no athletes achieve the qualifying criteria at the Trial Event, athletes who have fulfilled the World Aquatics Qualifying criteria and are ranked in the World Aquatics GMS may be selected according to their World Aquatics points ranking.

### **3. Relays**

#### 3.1. Freestyle Relays

- 3.1.1. Any swimmer achieving “A” or “B” qualifying times in the 100m and 200m freestyle finals at the trials will be considered for selection.

#### 3.2. Medley Relays

- 3.2.1. All athletes achieving “A” qualifying times in the 100m freestyle, 100m backstroke, 100m breaststroke and 100m butterfly events, in the finals of these events at the trials, will be considered for selection.
- 3.2.2. Athletes achieving “World Aquatics B Qualifying Time” Standards in the finals in the 100m freestyle, 100m backstroke, 100m breaststroke and 100m butterfly events, where there is no “A” qualifier, may also be considered for selection.

### **4. Funding**

- 4.1. This will be a partially self-funded tour. Team Members will be funded according to their level of performance.

#### **QUALIFYING TIME STANDARDS**

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**QUALIFYING TIME STANDARDS****2024 WORLD AQUATICS CHAMPS “A” & “B” Times**

	Men's Standard		Women's Standard	
<b>B – 1 entry</b>	<b>A – 2 Entries</b>		<b>A – 2 Entries</b>	<b>B – 1 entry</b>
22.89	22.12	<b>50 m Freestyle</b>	25.04	25.92
50.21	48.51	<b>100 m Freestyle</b>	54.25	56.15
1:50.81	1:47.06	<b>200 m Freestyle</b>	1:58.66	2:02.81
3:56.14	3:48.15	<b>400 m Freestyle</b>	4:10.57	4:19.34
8:09.67	7:53.11	<b>800 m Freestyle</b>	8:37.90	8:56.03
15:36.30	15:04.64	<b>1500 m Freestyle</b>	16:29.57	17:04.20
26.04	25.16	<b>50 m Backstroke</b>	28.22	29.21
55.92	54.03	<b>100 m Backstroke</b>	1:00.59	1:02.71
2:02.20	1:58.07	<b>200 m Backstroke</b>	2:11.08	2:15.67
28.29	27.33	<b>50 m Breaststroke</b>	31.02	32.11
1:01.84	59.75	<b>100 m Breaststroke</b>	1:07.35	1:09.71
2:14.88	2:10.32	<b>200 m Breaststroke</b>	2:25.91	2:31.02
24.35	23.53	<b>50 m Butterfly</b>	26.32	27.24
53.78	51.96	<b>100 m Butterfly</b>	58.33	1:00.37
2:00.79	1:56.71	<b>200 m Butterfly</b>	2:09.21	2:13.73
2:03.71	1:59.53	<b>200 m Ind. Medley</b>	2:12.98	2:17.63
4:26.49	4:17.48	<b>400 m Ind. Medley</b>	4:43.06	4:52.97