



National Swimming Squads 2017

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1. BACKGROUND

In accordance with the principles of Long Term Participant Development (LTPD), as well as the stringent requirements for selection of athletes and teams to major events under the Jurisdiction of SASCOC, we have aligned our strategies with the LTPD Model and SASCOC's strategic thrusts in this regard. Critical to this alignment process is to focus on support and development of swimming talent for the 2018 Commonwealth Games and 2020 Olympics.

To achieve this, SSA has developed a squad system with the objective to increase our pool of talent for the future, with various levels of support, dependant on available resources.

Note that while some athletes may receive support largely based on their world ranking, others might not receive the same extent of support. This means that some of the squad activities might be fully funded, partially subsidized or self-funded.

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1. To identify athletes that will deliver medal winning performances at senior international competitions and at the 2020 Olympic Games;
- 2.2. To facilitate support services to identified South African based athletes;
- 2.3. To ensure exposure to international participation to increase the pool of elite level athletes, with a view to enhancing performances; and
- 2.4. To ensure the future makeup of our teams is representative of the demographics of the country.

3. KEY INDICATORS

- 3.1. The number of semi-finals and finals achieved at major international competitions (Olympic Games and World Championships);
- 3.2. The number of swimmers appearing in the World rankings.

4. SSA NATIONAL SWIMMING SQUADS

- 4.1. Elite Senior Squad
- 4.2. Senior Squad
- 4.3. Elite Youth Squad
- 4.4. Youth Squad
- 4.5. Elite Junior Squad
- 4.6. Junior Squad

5. SELECTION CRITERIA FOR SQUADS:

- 5.1. Selection will be based on Olympic events only, and squads will be selected on SSA Rankings as at 30h April of each year; and
- 5.2. To be eligible for selection to squads, swimmers must participate at any of the SSA National LC Championships in that year.

6. ELITE SENIOR SQUAD

6.1. Selection criteria:

- 6.1.1. Any swimmer who has achieved the FINA "A" Qualification Time Standard in Olympic events, at the SA National Aquatic Championships.

6.2. Focus Areas

- 6.2.1. Training Camps
- 6.2.2. Athlete Support Services
- 6.2.3. 2017 World Long Course Championships
- 6.2.4. 2018 Commonwealth Games
- 6.2.5. 2018 Africa Games
- 6.2.6. 2019 FINA World Championships
- 6.2.7. 2020 Olympic Games
- 6.2.8. 2021 FINA World Championships
- 6.2.9. 2022 Commonwealth Games

7. SENIOR SQUAD

7.1. Selection criteria:

- 7.1.1. The first and second placed swimmer in the final of an Olympic individual event at the SA National Aquatic Championships;
- 7.1.2. Any swimmer who has achieved the FINA "B" Qualification Time Standard in an Olympic event in a final at the SA National Aquatic Championships;
- 7.1.3. Relay team members: the third and fourth placed swimmer in the final of the 100 and 200 freestyle events at the SA National Aquatic Championship; and
- 7.1.4. Any black swimmer who has achieved an "A" final in an Olympic event at SA National Aquatic Championships.

7.2. Focus Areas

- 7.2.1. Local and international training Camps; and
- 7.2.2. International competition experience and exposure e.g. African Senior Championships, World Short Course Championships, World Long Course Championships and Commonwealth Games.

8. Elite Youth Squad – Year of birth: 1999 - 2001

8.1. Selection criteria:

- 8.1.1. FINA Points System: 800 points or more in and Olympic event;
- 8.1.2. Females and males born in 1999, 2000 and 2001; and
- 8.1.3. Discretionary inclusion by High Performance Department.

8.2. Focus Areas

- 8.2.1. Local and international Training Camps;
- 8.2.2. Sports Science Support Services; and
- 8.2.3. Identified Senior and Junior International Competitions which could include
- 8.2.4. Youth Olympic Games, World Short Course Championships, Junior and Senior Africa Championships, Commonwealth Youth and FINA World Youth Championships.

9. Youth Squad

9.1. Selection criteria:

- 9.1.1. Year of birth: 1999 - 2001
- 9.1.2. FINA Points System: 700 or more points but less than 800 points in an Olympic Event
- 9.1.3. Females and males born in 1999, 2000 and 2001;
- 9.1.4. Discretionary inclusion by High Performance Department; and
- 9.1.5. Any black swimmer who has achieved an “A” final in an Olympic event at SA National Aquatic Championships or SA National Junior Age Group Championships.

9.2. Focus Areas

- 9.2.1. Local and international Training Camps;

- 9.2.2. Sports Science Support Services; and
- 9.2.3. Identified Senior and Junior International Competitions which could include
- 9.2.4. Youth Olympic Games, World Short Course Championships, Junior and Senior Africa Championships, Commonwealth Youth and FINA World Youth Championships.

10. Elite Junior Squad

10.1. Selection Criteria:

- 10.1.1. Year of birth: 2002 – 2004
- 10.1.2. FINA Points System: 700 or more points in an Olympic Event
- 10.1.3. Females and males born in 2002, 2003 and 2004;
- 10.1.4. Discretionary inclusion by High Performance Department; and
- 10.1.5. Any black swimmer who has achieved a top ranking within a specified age criteria; and
- 10.1.6. Ranking as at 30 April will be taken into account on condition that the swimmer participated at the SA National Aquatic Championships or SA National Junior Age Group Championships.

10.2. Focus Areas

- 10.2.1. National or Regional Local Camps;
- 10.2.2. Junior Continental Competition;
- 10.2.3. Eligible for selection for senior continental competition;
- 10.2.4. Junior Africa Champs, Region 5, Zone 4, Zone 3; and
- 10.2.5. Education related to national expectations, federation strategic imperatives and possible athlete pathway.

11. Junior Squad

11.1. Selection criteria:

- 11.1.1. Three categories based on year of birth: 2002/ 2003/ 2004
- 11.1.2. FINA Points System, the following points in an Olympic Event:

YOB	FEMALE	MALE
2004	≥600 but >700	≥550 but >700
2003	≥630 but >700	≥570 but >700
2002	≥650 but >700	≥600 but >700

- 11.1.3. Females and males born in 2002, 2003 and 2004;
- 11.1.4. Discretionary inclusion by High Performance Department;
- 11.1.5. Any black swimmer who has achieved a top ranking within a specified age criteria; and
- 11.1.6. Ranking as at 30 April will be taken into account on condition that the swimmer participated at the SA National Aquatic Championships or SA National Junior Age Group Championships.

11.2. Focus areas

- 11.2.1. National or Regional Local Camps;
- 11.2.2. Junior Continental Competition;
- 11.2.3. Junior Africa Champs, Region 5, Zone 4, Zone 3; and
- 11.2.4. Life Skills and Education related to national and federation expectations.

12. Squad Members

12.1. Senior Elite Squad

Female	Tatjana	Schoenmaker	AG	1997
Male	Myles	Brown	KZN	1992
Male	Douglas	Erasmus	AG	1990
Male	Chad	Le Clos	WC	1992
Male	Brent	Szurdoki	AG	1996
Male	Brad	Tandy	KZN	1991
Male	Cameron	Vd Burgh	WC	1988
Male	Zane	Waddel	FS	1998

12.2. Senior Squad

Female	Emma	Chelius	WC	1996
Female	Erin	Gallagher	KZN	1998
Female	Hannah	McLean-Leonard	KZN	1998
Female	Samantha	Randle	AG	1998
Male	Alard	Basson	EC	1996
Male	Alaric	Basson	EC	1996
Male	Martin	Binedell	KZN	1995
Male	Andrew	Brown	AG	1998
Male	Ryan	Coetzee	AG	1995
Male	Johannisen	Edward	EC	1995
Male	Neil	Fair	AG	1997
Male	Jv Rensburg	Jacques	AG	1995
Male	Clayton	Jimmie	KZN	1995
Male	Armand	Maritz	AG	1996
Male	Matthew	Meyer	KZN	1998
Male	Daniel	Swanepoel	WC	1998
Male	Ayrton	Sweeney	KZN	1993
Male	Jacques	Van Wyk	AG	1992

12.3. Elite Youth Squad

Female	Mariella	Venter	AG	2000
Female	Kate	Beavon	AG	2000
Male	Jarryd	Baxter	AG	1999
Male	Bryce	Skea	AG	1999

12.4. Youth Squad

Female	Jessica	Beukes	EC	2001
Female	Lesley	Blignaut	EC	2000
Female	Carmen	Botha	AG	1999
Female	Tahlia	Botha	WC	2000
Female	Kaylene	Corbett	EC	1999
Female	Lize-Mari	De Beer	AG	2000
Female	Khwezi	Duma	KZN	2001
Female	Gabi	Grobler	AG	1999
Female	Erin	Hartzenberg	WC	2001
Female	Hannah	Kiely	WC	2000
Female	Robyn	Kinghorn	KZN	1999
Female	Abi	Meder	WC	2000
Female	Christin	Mundell	AG	2001
Female	Kiara	Noades	WC	2001
Female	Charlise	Oberholzer	KZN	1999
Female	Jenna	Pearse	AG	2000
Female	Gabriella	Pedro	NW	2000
Female	Jordan-Jemma	Rolfe	AG	2001
Female	Jade	Simons	EC	2001
Female	Kirsten	Straszacker	WC	2000
Female	Nathania	Van Niekerk	AG	1999
Female	Michee	Van Rooyen	AG	2000
Female	Inge	Weidemann	WC	2000
Male	Matthew	Bosch	AG	2001
Male	Calvin	Coetzee	KZN	2000
Male	Tiago	Cordeiro	KZN	2000
Male	Luke	Erwee	KZN	2000
Male	Taahir	Essof	AG	2000
Male	Alessio	Ferreri	AG	1999
Male	Rance	Gower-Winter	KZN	1999
Male	Rais	Hassim	AG	2000
Male	Michael	Houlie	WC	2000
Male	Ma'az	Khota	NW	2001
Male	Lucian	Matthysen	KZN	1999
Male	Michael	McGlynn	KZN	2000
Male	Chad	Michau	KZN	2000
Male	Gawie	Nortje	FS	2001
Male	Jack	Oliver	WC	2000
Male	Yuvish	Premlall	AG	2001
Male	Hendrik	Ramaala	AG	2000
Male	Duncan	Rudolph	AG	1999
Male	Ngcobo	Sabusiswa	AG	2000
Male	Juvahn	Singh	KZN	2001
Male	Anandt	Van Rensburg	AG	1999
Male	Nic	Vd Merwe	AG	1999

12.5. Elite Junior Squad

Female	Hanim	Abrahams	WC	2002
Female	Paige	Brombacher	KZN	2002
Female	Duné	Coetzee	AG	2002
Female	Suné	Liebenberg	AG	2003
Female	Rebecca	Meder	WC	2002
Female	Gina	Miller	AG	2001
Female	Georgia	Nel	WC	2002
Female	Olivia	Nel	WC	2002
Female	Lara	Van Niekerk	AG	2003
Male	Ruan	Breytenbach	AG	2002
Male	Luan	Grobbelaar	WC	2002
Male	Dylan	Wright	WC	2002

12.6. Junior Squad

Female	Abigail	Calitz	WC	2002
Female	Lindi	Cillie	WC	2002
Female	Kirsten	De Goede	KZN	2002
Female	Talia	Fos	AG	2002
Female	Kerryn	Herbst	AG	2002
Female	Nuria	Ribeiro	WC	2002
Female	Tailyn	Seyffert	FS	2002
Female	Megan	Tully	KZN	2002
Female	Georgia	Van Voorst	KZN	2002
Female	Stephani	Viljoen	AG	2002
Female	Jana	Botha	WC	2003
Female	Aimee	Canny	WC	2003
Female	Joey	Carollisen	WC	2003
Female	Kelly	Crous	KZN	2003
Female	Kirsten	De Goede	AG	2003
Female	Trinity	Hearne	WC	2003
Female	Tori	Olivier	KZN	2003
Female	Melanie	Cooke	KZN	2004
Female	Brooklyn	Croxon	KZN	2004
Female	Grace	Hudson	AG	2004
Female	Hannah	Robertson	AG	2004
Female	Veronique	Rossouw	AG	2004
Male	Biddulph	Cullen	EC	2002
Male	Spieker	Ethan	AG	2002
Male	Riekert	Ethan	AG	2002
Male	Smith	Gavin	WC	2002
Male	Louw	Henre	AG	2002
Male	Botha	Malcolm	NW	2002
Male	Sibusiso	Maseko	KZN	2002
Male	Muller	Richardt	WC	2002
Male	Lebone	Taukobong	AG	2002
Male	Woodhead	Thomas	AG	2002
Male	Du Preez	Ethan	WC	2003

Male	Brijlal	Ian	KZN	2003
Male	Ndebele	Kobe	AG	2003
Male	Randle	Matthew	AG	2003
Male	Taylor	Matthew	AG	2003
Male	Landman	Zander	AG	2003
Male	Stagman	Jono	AG	2004
Male	Holtzhausen	Luca	KZN	2004
Male	Ryan	Zasas	AG	2004