

## **SWIMMING CRITERIA FOR OLYMPIC GAMES 2024**

### **PARIS, FRANCE 27 JULY – 4 AUGUST 2024**

These criteria must be read in conjunction with the published SASCOC Policy and General Selection Criteria and Aquatics Selection Criteria.

#### **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 South African passport valid until **MARCH 2025** 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 SASCOC and SSA Athlete / Official Agreement for the Paris Olympic Games 2024.
- 1.5. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the **PARIS OLYMPIC GAMES 2024, PARIS, FRANCE 27 JULY – 04 AUGUST 2024**, as stipulated by SASCOC.
- 1.6. All athletes must be available for the full duration of the **Pre-Olympic Training Camp** which is tentatively scheduled for mid-July 2024 (exact dates and venues to be confirmed once logistical arrangements have been finalized).

- 1.7. To be eligible for final selection a swimmer must have participated at the:
  - 1.7.1. SA National Swimming Championships (official South African Olympic Games Swimming Trials), that will be held from 8 - 13 April 2024 at a venue TBC.
  - 1.7.2. Compete in the Finals of the Event that they will be considered for
- 1.8. Athletes will only be considered for selection if they attained the 2024 “A” Olympic Qualifying Times (OQT / “A” Times). Refer Schedule “A” for OQT’s
- 1.9. If selected, all qualifying athletes must be available for relay participation.
- 1.10. The SSA Executive Committee AND SASCOC reserves the right to amend these criteria and circulate such amended criteria.
- 1.11. The final team selection is subject to approval by the SASCOC Executive Committee. SASCOC will announce the final team – date to be confirmed.

## **2. Individual Events**

- 2.1. The first and second placed athletes in the final of an Olympic individual event at the South African National Championships 2024 (Olympic Games Swimming Trials) will be considered for selection, only if they achieve an “A” qualifying time in that event.
- 2.2. Should one or both of the first two placed finalists not achieve an “A” qualifying time, then an athlete or athletes with the fastest “A” times in either a heat or a semi-final of that event will be considered provided they swim in the final of that event.
- 2.3. If, at the end of the Olympic Games Swimming Trials, there are not two (2) athletes with “A” Olympic Qualifying Times for a specific Olympic event, athletes who have achieved an “A” Olympic Qualifying Time at any World Aquatic

- approved event between 1 March 2023 and 24 June 2024 will be considered for selection.
- 2.3.1. These times will only be considered if the athlete was a finalist for that event at the Olympic Games Swimming Trials. (2024 S A National Aquatic Championships)
- 2.3.2. Should any athlete swim a faster "A" Olympic Qualifying Time at an approved World Aquatics event (other than the Olympic Trials), it will not take precedence over any "A" Olympic Qualifying Time swimmers from the 2024 Olympic Games Swimming Trials
- 2.3.3. If there are two (2) athletes with "A" Olympic Qualifying Times for a specific Olympic event at the 2024 Olympic Games Swimming Trials, those events will be "closed" for further consideration of the selection of athletes
- 2.4. An athlete who has achieved an Olympic Selection Time (OST / "B" time) and invited by World Aquatics/IOC to participate (as is described in schedule "B"), will be considered for selection.
- 2.5. Only times achieved between 1 March 2023 and 24 June 2024 will be considered by World Aquatics

### **3. Relays**

- 3.1. Subject to qualification at Doha World Championships.
- 3.2. Swimmers achieving the fastest times, relative to the qualified relay, will be considered for selection.

### **4. Funding**

This is a SASCOC funded SA Olympic Team



**SCHEDULE A - QUALIFYING "A" TIME STANDARDS FOR SELECTION FOR 2024 OLYMPIC GAMES**

		Women	Men
50m	Freestyle	24.70	21.96
100m	Freestyle	53.61	48.34
200m	Freestyle	1:57.26	1:46.26
400m	Freestyle	4:07.90	3:46.78
800m	Freestyle	8:26.71	7:51.65
1500m	Freestyle	16:09.09	15:00.99
100m	Backstroke	59.99	53.74
200m	Backstroke	2:10.39	1:57.50
100m	Breaststroke	1:06.79	59.49
200m	Breaststroke	2:23.91	2:09.68
100m	Butterfly	57.92	51.67
200m	Butterfly	2:08.43	1:55.78
200m	IM	2:11.47	1:57.94
400m	IM	4:38.53	4:12.50

**SCHEDULE B - OLYMPIC SELECTION TIME (OST / "B" TIME)**

1. Following the end of the qualification period and in the event that the quota of 878 athletes is not reached, World Aquatics will assess the number of athletes



having achieved the OQT / "A" Time, the number of Relay-Only Athletes and the number of Universality Places.

2. World Aquatics will then invite athletes who have achieved an OST / "B" time, until the total quota of 878 athletes is reached. OST places will be distributed by event, according to the position on the World Aquatic Ranking of 24th June 2024.
3. Athletes invited through OST / "B" Time are only allowed to compete in the events for which they received the quota place.

#### SCHEDULE A - QUALIFYING "B" TIME STANDARDS FOR SELECTION FOR 2024 OLYMPIC GAMES

		Women	Men
50m	Freestyle	24.82	22.07
100m	Freestyle	53.88	48.58
200m	Freestyle	1:57.85	1:46.79
400m	Freestyle	4:09.14	3:47.91
800m	Freestyle	8:29.24	7:54.01
1500m	Freestyle	16:13.94	15:05.49
100m	Backstroke	1:00.29	54.01
200m	Backstroke	2:11.04	1:58.09
100m	Breaststroke	1:07.12	59.79
200m	Breaststroke	2:24.63	2:10.33
100m	Butterfly	58.21	51.93
200m	Butterfly	2:09.07	1:56.36
200m	IM	2:12.13	1:58.53
400m	IM	4:39.92	4:13.76