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From: Chief Executive Officer

To: Affiliate Presidents
Affiliate Secretaries

Cc: SSA Executive Committee
TC Convenors

RE: CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF THE SWIMMING SOUTH AFRICA SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING JUNIOR (13-15) TEAM TO COMPETE AT THE COMEN CUP (or another suitable competition) IN 2010

The Age Group for the team is athletes born in 1995, 1996 or 1997.

The team will consist of a maximum of 10 girls. The team may enter the following events: Solo, Duet, Team, Combination team

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

1. A team will be selected at the SA National Age Groups in 2009. This will consist of a minimum of 9 members, plus 2 non-travelling reserves provided standards are met. In the event of any team members' withdrawal, the non-travelling reserves will be added to the team.
2. Athletes wishing to be eligible for selection must meet the following requirements:
 - a) Participate in the 13-15 figure competition at SA National Age Groups 2009 and achieve average figure score of 6.3
 - b) Compete in 13-15 age group at SA Intermediate Nationals 2010 and achieve average figure score of 6.5
 - c) Pass fitness/flexibility tests as set out by the technical committee at training camps
3. Athletes may be cut from the squad if the fitness test results are not satisfactory, and after training camps, if progress or attitude is not up to standard at the discretion of the technical committee.
4. The transformation policy of SSA will be taken into account during team selection.
5. In order to participate at international team events (9 athletes minimum) the technical committee reserves the right to amend criteria to include additional athletes who may not achieve the above criteria but show potential and would benefit from being fast tracked.
6. Athletes must be available to attend training camps at times specified by the SSA appointed coach and to travel overseas in 2010.
7. Athletes must realize that the trip will be self-funded and must meet their financial commitment.

- 8 Athletes must possess a valid South African passport and have chosen South Africa as their Sport Nationality.
- 9 Each team member must attend all training camps as required by coach and technical committee.
- 11 The selectors will also consider the following in the selection of athletes:
 - Compatibility with other athletes and coaches
 - Work Ethic
 - Physical competitive readiness and physical suitability
- 12 The SSA executive will have final approval over the team selected.

Yours sincerely



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Chief Executive