

# **JUNIOR NATIONAL SQUAD SELECTION**

## **CRITERIA - 2023**

### **1. National U19 Squad**

Entry to the SA National U19 championships as well as 3 of the 4 remaining U19 Open tournaments is mandatory.

Dedication as expressed in maintaining minimum fitness levels as prescribed by the National Head Coach is mandatory.

Any athlete wishing to be considered must compete in four of the five tournaments below:

- a) Player edibility
  - 1. U19 SA Championships is mandatory
  - 2. Three of the four remaining U19 Open Tournaments held annually is mandatory.

### **2. Emerging U19 Squad**

Entry to the SA National U19 championships as well as 3 of the 4 remaining U19 Open tournaments is mandatory.

Dedication as expressed in maintaining minimum fitness levels as prescribed by the National Head Coach is not mandatory but desirable.

Any athlete wishing to be considered must compete in four of the five tournaments below:

- a) Player edibility
  - 1. U19 SA Championships is mandatory
  - 2. Three of the four remaining U19 Open Tournaments held annually is mandatory.

### **3. National U17 Squad**

Entry to the SA National U17 championships as well as 3 of the 4 remaining U17 Open tournaments is mandatory.

Dedication as expressed in maintaining minimum fitness levels as prescribed by the National Head Coach is mandatory.

Any athlete wishing to be considered must compete in four of the five tournaments below:

- a) Player edibility
  - 1. U17 SA Championships is mandatory
  - 2. Three of the four remaining U17 Open Tournaments held annually is mandatory.

#### **4. National U15 Squad**

Entry to the SA National U15 championships as well as 2 of the 3 remaining U15 Regional tournaments.

Dedication as expressed in maintaining minimum fitness levels as prescribed by the National Head Coach is mandatory.

Any athlete wishing to be considered must compete in three of the four tournaments below:

- a) Player edibility
  1. U15 SA Championships is mandatory
  2. Two of the three remaining U15 Regional Tournaments held annually is mandatory.

#### **5. National U13 Squads**

Selection will be, but not limited to performance. Consideration will be given to talent and commitment. Dedication as expressed in maintaining minimum fitness levels as prescribed by the National Head Coach is not mandatory but desirable.

The junior selectors will be permitted to take into account results achieved from older age group events as well as results and performances from the junior domestic competitions.

Any athlete wishing to be considered must compete in 3 of the 4 tournaments below:

- a) Player edibility
  1. U13 or U15 National Championships is mandatory
  2. Two U13 or U15 Regional Tournaments

#### **6. National U11 & U9 players selected into u13 National Squads**

Selection will be, but not limited to performance. Consideration will be given to talent and commitment.

The junior selectors will be permitted to take into account results achieved from older age group events as well as results and performances from the junior domestic competitions.

- a) Player edibility
  3. U9, U11 or U13 National Championships is mandatory.

“The selectors remain committed to transformation and will apply judgment and discretion when considering squads and national team selection.”

