

ARTISTIC SWIMMING CRITERIA FOR 2021 OLYMPIC GAMES**TOKYO, JAPAN – 23 July – 8 August 2021**

Please read these criteria in conjunction with the published SASCOC Policy and General Selection Criteria and Aquatics Selection Criteria.

1. Eligibility

- 1.1. Only registered athletes in good standing with SSA will be considered. To be eligible for selection an athlete must participate at the SSA National Artistic Swimming Championships (the official South Africa Olympic Games Trials) that will take place in Durban during **April 2021**.
- 1.2. South Africa has qualified for ONE entry for the Technical Duet **and** the Free Duet.
- 1.3. Selection will be based on the winning duet in these events at SA Senior Nationals, taking into account scores and compatibility of the athletes. Should different duets win technical and free, only one duet will be selected for both events depending on scores achieved and at discretion of selectors. No reserves will be eligible to travel.
- 1.4. The FINA senior technical elements must be swum.
- 1.5. Should a duet wish to try out for Olympics and World Juniors (15 to 19 years) they need to swim 2 duets, with Senior elements for Olympics **and** Junior elements for World Junior selection. They must specify which is their official Nationals event and which is for trials.
- 1.6. Duets may combine across SSA affiliate provinces for trials.
- 1.7. Athletes must be available to travel to and compete at the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games from 23 July – 8 August 2021.
- 1.8. Selected athletes must be in possession of a valid South African passport (expiry date March 2022) and have chosen South Africa as their Sport Nationality.
- 1.9. The final team selection is subject to approval by SASCOC.
- 1.10. All athletes must be available for the full duration of the pre-Olympic Training Camp which is tentatively scheduled for July 2021 (exact dates and venues to be confirmed once logistical arrangements have been finalized).
- 1.11. Athletes must be able to meet any financial costs assigned to them and be prepared to relocate for training camps set by the SSA appointed coach.
- 1.12. The SSA Executive and SASCOC reserve the right to amend these criteria.

