



**AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE SOUTH AFRICAN SPORTS  
CONFEDERATION AND OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (SASCOC)**

**AND**

**SOUTH AFRICAN RUGBY UNION (SARU)  
ON THE SELECTION OF ATHLETES FOR THE**

**RIO 2016 OLYMPIC GAMES**

**5 – 21 AUGUST 2016**

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## 1. ELIGIBILITY OF ATHLETES

For an athlete to be eligible for selection to any Games delivered by the South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee (SASCOC), the athlete shall satisfy the under-mentioned General Eligibility Criteria:

- 1.1 Be a South African Citizen with a valid Republic of South Africa (RSA) passport (with a six months minimum expiry as at the conclusion of the Games);
- 1.2 Been resident in South Africa for the last two years, prior to selection, unless the athlete has been granted written exemption by the National Federation to be resident elsewhere;
- 1.3 Be a member in good standing with both SASCOC and the National Federation;
- 1.4 Not be under any investigation or suspension for any offence of whatsoever nature prior to, during qualification, as well as the subsequent selection Games period;
- 1.5 Not have competed for any country other than RSA within a period of three years prior to being considered for selection for any multi-coded event to be delivered by SASCOC;
- 1.6 Adhere to and comply with all the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force;
- 1.7 Adhere to and comply with all of SASCOC's Rules, Regulations, Constitution and Directives, as well as that of the respective National Federation and any other Rules or Regulations as stipulated by a Games Authority or respective International Federation

## 2. ADDITIONAL IF ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 All athletes must comply with the provisions of the World Rugby Elite Rugby Age Guidelines

## 3. SPORT SPECIFIC SELECTION CRITERIA

Over and above the General Eligibility Criteria, SASCOC and SARU agree on the following sport specific selection criteria for selection of athletes:

SASCOC will consider selection of athletes if qualification is attained:

### Men

- 3.1 Directly through the 2014/15 World Rugby Men's Sevens World Series;
- 3.2 Continental Qualification will not be considered.

### Women

- 3.3 Directly through the 2014/15 World Rugby Women's Sevens World Series;
- 3.4 Continental Qualification will not be considered.

Deadline for qualification - **6 June 2016**

## 4. REPLACEMENTS

- 4.1 In an event that any selected athletes are to be replaced due to a medical condition, the IOC/Rio 2016 Late Athlete Replacement Policy shall be applicable. Any replacement athlete shall form part of the original notification list of athletes submitted by the National Federation to SASCOC.




**5. TRIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION PLACES**


5.1 It is specifically recorded that as SASCOC does not qualify for any tripartite invitation, none will be available.

**6. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES**

6.1 It is specifically recorded that in the event of any reallocation or wild card places, being allocated or offered to South Africa, such reallocation or wild card will not be taken up by SASCOC.

7. It is specifically recorded that irrespective of the provisions referred to above final confirmation of participation for Team South Africa shall vest with SASCOC

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President: SARU  
Date: 5 MAY 2015

  
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President: SASCOC  
Date: 07/07/2015