



**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 PARALYMPIC GAMES
7 – 18 SEPTEMBER 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 International Paralympic Committee's constitution 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;
- 1.8 Have competed at the NF's National Championships in 2014 and/or 2015, unless exempted from participation by the NF due to medical reasons.

2. ADDITIONAL IF ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible to participate in the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games, all athletes must meet the following requirements by 1 May 2016:

- 2.1 Have played in at least one international event sanctioned by the International Wheelchair Rugby Federation (IWRF) between 1 January 2014 and 1 May 2016 not including the 2014 IWRF World Championships.
- 2.2 Be internationally classified with a 'Confirmed' or 'Review' sport class status.

3. SPORT SPECIFIC SELECTION CRITERIA

Over and above the General Eligibility Criteria, SASCOC and the South African Rugby Union (SARU) agree on the following sport-specific selection criteria for selection of athletes:

- 3.1 SASCOC will consider selection of the men's and women's teams if they attain direct qualification through the Asia/Oceania Zonal Championships.



4. REPLACEMENTS

- 4.1 In an event that any selected athlete is to be replaced due to a medical condition, or any other reason accepted in writing by SASCOC, the relevant Rules and Regulations of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) as well as that of SASCOC, and the Rio Paralympic Games Organising Committee shall be applicable. Any replacement athlete shall form part of the original long list of athletes submitted by the National Federation to SASCOC.
5. No bipartite invitation places or wild cards will be accepted for consideration of selection into the final team. It is specifically recorded that in the event of any reallocation or wild card places, being allocated or offered to SASCOC, such reallocation or wild card will not be taken up by SASCOC.
6. It is specifically recorded that irrespective of the provisions referred to above, the final approval and confirmation of participation as a member of Team South Africa shall vest with SASCOC.


President: SARU

Date: 2 JULY 2015


President: SASCOC

Date: 06 July 2015