

SOUTH AFRICAN ORIENTEERING FEDERATION

SEASON SELECTION POLICY 2011



DEVELOPMENT - GROWTH - EXCELLENCE

1 OVERVIEW

The policy aims to support the international development of:

- i) Athletes who show the most likelihood of meeting SAOF's performance targets in the current season, and
- ii) Athletes who show strong indications of potential to do so in future seasons.

2 GENERAL

All teams will be selected and entered by the South African Orienteering Federation. Entry fees will be paid. All competitions and camps are subject to receiving funding.

Some selections may be made on a self-funding basis.

In all cases the criteria for selection will follow the general selection policy (i.e. the primary areas for consideration will be international performance record, demonstrated potential for high performance, and current form).

For each individual competition or camp, the main races to be used as an indicator of current form are listed below.

In addition, where any other criteria are being treated as particularly important for a particular competition or camp, this information is given below.

3 ATHLETE AVAILABILITY

All National Squad athletes will be assumed to be available for all competitions and camps unless they have indicated in writing otherwise.

All other athletes will only be assumed to be available for selection if they have indicated their availability in writing.

All written communication about availability should be sent to SAOF Selection Committee chairperson, Michele Botha:

selection_committee@orienteering.co.za

4 COMPETITIONS AND TRAINING CAMPS

Further competitions and training camp selections may be added at shorter notice.

4.1 World Championships, France (10-20 August 2011)

Up to 3 men and 3 women will be selected.

The main indicators of current form will be the 2011 Western Cape Championships (middle and long) and 2011 South African Sprint Championships over the weekend 9th – 10th April 2011. Results from the 2010 South African Championships (middle, long and relay: 24th – 26th September 2010) and onwards will be considered, but have less bearing.

Form during the selection period may be used to select any athlete for any discipline.

Athletes will be required to perform 3000m tests on a track on three occasions during the season (15th February, 18th April and 13th June 2011)

Some athletes may be pre-selected. If so, such pre-selection may be subject to demonstrating fitness levels.

Final confirmation of all selections will take place by the 21st of April 2011.

4.2 Junior World Championships, Poland (2-9 July 2010)

Up to 4 men and 6 women will be selected.

The main indicators of current form will be the 2011 Western Cape Championships (middle and long) and 2011 South African Sprint Championships over the weekend 9th – 10th April 2011. Results from the 2010 South African Championships (middle, long and relay: 24th – 26th September 2010) and onwards will be considered, but have less bearing.

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4.3 European Youth Championships, Czech Republic (23-26 June 2011)

Up to 3 men and 3 women may be selected.

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APPENDIX: CONTACT INFORMATION

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