



## AWARDING OF COLOURS

Provincial colours and ancillary attire will only be awarded to **members** representing Mpumalanga Province at a national competition/championship or selected as a member of the Mpumalanga Inter Provincial Team. Colours will only be awarded to **members** who have participated and **not** **members** who have qualified for the aforementioned events.

### 1. Eligibility

- 1.1 Athletes will only be considered to be eligible for selection for an Inter-Provincial team should they:-
  - a) be registered with Mpumalanga Swimming and all fees related to such registration are fully paid up;
  - b) be in good standing with the province and are not facing any disciplinary charges.
- 1.2 Selection for the first Inter-Provincial event of the season will be based on the database times from 1 January (of the current calendar year) or should times be available since 1 April (of the current calendar year), the latest times will be used for selection. For subsequent Inter-Provincial events, the latest times recorded on the database will be used.
- 1.3 Selection to an Inter-Provincial team does not, in itself, qualify an athlete for Provincial Colours. The awarding of Provincial Colours will also be based on the times standards recorded during the season as stipulated below.

### 2. Half-Colours

- 2.1 Provincial Half-Colours will be awarded to those competitors who:
  - a) participated at an Inter Provincial Gala or selected for a provincial team and therefore represented the province.
  - b) Achieved the qualifying time in the 3km open water event and participated at the SA National Open Water Championships.
  - c) Represented Mpumalanga at SA Masters Swimming Championships.
- 2.2 Half-Colours include a provincial tracksuit, with Navy Blue the dominant colour scheme. The official logo on the tracksuit and any other attire will be the **"Puma Head"**.
- 2.3 Competitors may order Half-Colours through the Provincial Secretary or PRO & Marketing Chairperson.



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## 3. Full Colours

- 3.1 Full Colours will be awarded to those competitors who:
- Have qualified **and** participated at Youth Nationals and therefore achieved the Qualifying Time Standards of SSA for representation at Youth Nationals;
  - Have qualified **and** participated at SSA Junior Nationals Championships;
  - Have been selected for provincial participation and represented the province for three (3) years; provided the competitor has achieved the SSA Level 3 qualifying time standards during each of the specific years of representation and participated at SSA Levels; provided that a Level 3 time may be achieved at SSA Level 2;
  - Achieved a podium position (medalist) at SA Masters Swimming Championships ;
  - Achieved the qualifying time in the 5km and/or 10km open water event and participated at the SA National Open Water Championships in the 5km and/or 10km event.

*Participation and not selection shall be used as criteria.*

- 3.2 Full Colours include a provincial tracksuit, with Red the dominant colour scheme of the tracksuit top. The official logo on the tracksuit will be the "Puma Head".

### 3.3 Technical Officials:

Full Colours will be awarded to technical poolside & open water officials who:

- Successfully completed the technical officials training course and annual refreshers course;
- Have registered and acted as qualified technical officials annually for at least five (5) years/seasons under the jurisdiction of MPS; and
- Are members in good standing with MPS

## 4. Honours

- 4.1 Honours Colours will be awarded to those competitors who:
- Have qualified **and** participated at SA Senior Nationals, including the "Elite Youth" category at SA Senior Nationals due to age restrictions;
  - Selected as a member of any SSA National Team and represented SSA internationally;
  - Achieved a podium position (medalist) in any open water event at the SA National Open Water Championships;
  - Selected as a member of any SSA National Open Water Team and represented SSA internationally.
  - Participated at World Masters Swimming Championships.



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**4.2 Technical Officials:**

Honours Colours will be awarded to technical poolside/open water officials who have been selected by SSA, CANA or World Aquatics to officiate at any international competition under the jurisdiction of CANA, World Aquatics or the IOC, which may include CANA Zone events, Continental events, World Championships events, World Cup events, Commonwealth events or Olympic Games. Officiating at similar Multi-Disability events as mentioned above.

4.3 This is the highest colours honour a competitor or technical official can achieve from the Province.

4.4 Honours Colours include a blazer badge and provincial tracksuit, with White the dominant colour scheme of the tracksuit top. The official logo on the tracksuit will be the "Puma Head".

4.5 Mpumalanga Province Swimming will order and supply the tracksuit and any ancillary team attire associated with Honours Colours.