



NATIONAL GOLD SQUAD and GOLD SQUAD CANDIDATE (VERSION 23 – JULY 2024)

1. SCOPE

To establish a GOLD Squad for both Recurve and Compound Archers irrespective of gender or creed and will draw on candidates from the following divisions:

- Senior
- Junior; and
- Cadet.

The intention is to identify athletes in each division who have the potential to become medal winners.

2. OVERVIEW

The object of the squad is to formalise the training of athletes (with the emphasis on the word “athletes”) in the finer skills of competing at a PODIUM level of competition and producing medal winners at World Championships, Commonwealth Games, World Games and the Olympic Games .

The GOLD squad is primarily aimed at the younger athletes whose goals and aspirations tend to be more clear cut and their lives less complicated, but there is no reason why older archers cannot be part of this too, providing they are willing and able to fulfil all of the requirements of squad membership.

In addition to the development of archery skills, programmes will also be put in place in the areas of Sports Psychology, Strength and Conditioning and Sports Nutrition.

3. OBJECTIVES

1. To achieve top 10 placings in the men’s and women recurve and compound sections on the SANAA average listing by the end of 2024 / 2025
2. To raise the level of competition in South Africa to be comparable to the level of the developed world.
3. To attend the World Cup and other World Archery International events where applicable (both senior, junior and para) in 2025 and for all these participants to place within the top 10 in the division in which they are competing at the World Cup.
4. To send a full, prepared and qualified team to an international event during 2025 for Senior, Junior and Paraplegic.
5. For all our participants to place within the top 25 in the division in which they are competing at the above events.
6. To send a full recurve team to the Africa Games as and when they occur
7. Thus to start the preparation towards gaining 3 men’s and 3 women’s placings to attend the Olympics in 2028 in the able bodied disciplines and at least two placings for para Olympics as well as to secure at least one placing in the Youth Olympics in 2026.
8. To grow University sports to ensure that we are able to select archers who meet the criteria of USSA and are medal potential.
9. To continue to produce world ranking archers.

4. SQUAD SELECTION

Selection will be by the Squad Director/s OR National Coach and other SANAA accredited coaches who will be responsible for the setting and review of any selection criteria. The selection committee will make the recommendation to the SANAA executive. Bearing in mind that a max of THREE (3) competitors will ever go to a World Championship international event, as per the SANAA

Constitution.

In the event where a "selected" team member is unable to attend an international event, the SANAA Executive has the authority to include the next athlete in chronological order on the average score listing - provided that athlete has met the criteria for the Gold Squad.

At conception there were 5 members in each division (or less where numbers dictate).

Squad selection will only be announced annually at the S A Nationals and will be based on the previous season’s performances and / or the presence of exceptional potential.

With effect from 1 April 2013 the squad will consist of the following members:

All Junior and recurve divisions: (Junior divisions include cadet and juniors)	a combined total of fourteen members irrespective of whether they are Gold / Candidate
Women Compound division:	a total of eight members irrespective of whether they are Gold / Candidate



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Men's Compound Division:	a total of sixteen members irrespective of whether they are Gold / Candidate
Men's Compound Open Division:	a total of four members irrespective of whether they are Gold / Candidate
Women Compound Open Division:	a total of two members irrespective of whether they are Gold / Candidate
USSA athlete:	a total of six members irrespective of whether they are Gold / Candidate but with the added criteria that they are students at USSA affiliated institutions, are between the ages of 18 and 25 as at 31/12/2019, are a student at a USSA recognized institution and have an appropriate 2019 student card (or 2018 student card for those athletes who finished their studies in 2018 and are graduating in 2019)

5. SQUAD MEMBERS

Due to the current level of competence of our athletes, there will be 2 categories of members

5.1 SANAA National GOLD Squad Athlete:

These are athletes who have attained the SANAA average score criteria - and ranked accordingly. No 1440 scores will be considered due the minimal amount of 1440 events being held. Average 720 Scores applicable with effect from 30th July 2024 are:

OUTDOOR EVENTS:	720	ELIMINATION	
Recurve men	635	} Must have participated in at least	
Recurve women	605	} 2 elimination matches in the 6 month	
Compound Men:	697	} period – in line with the calendar	
Compound Women:	680	} should only the seeding round be	
Recurve U21 & U18 Men	600	} shot at a tournament where there is	
Recurve U21 & U18 Women:	585	} an elimination format – the seeding	
Compound U21 Men:	690	} scores will not count toward the	
Compound U21 Women:	665	} averages	
Compound U18 Men	675		
Compound U18 Women	665		
W1	610		
Compound Men – Open	665		
Compound Open –Women	650		
Barebow	600		
Recurve Men Open	590		
USSA Events – Compound Men	692		
USSA Events – Compound Women	670		
USSA Events – Recurve Men	620		
USSA Events – Recurve Women	590		
Africa / Continental Games – Recurve Men	630	**	



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Africa / Continental Games – Recurve Women	600	**	
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** This score only needs to have been shot once within the qualifying period or as determined by WAAf
All the above scores will be reviewed and increased annually in July or as required.

5.2 SANAA National CANDIDATE Squad Athlete:

These are athletes who have attained the SANAA average score criteria - and ranked accordingly. Scores applicable with effect from 5th September 2022 are:

OUTDOOR EVENTS:	720	ELIMINATION
Recurve Men	615	} Must have participated in at least
Recurve Women	585	} 2 elimination matches in the 6 month
Compound Men:	680	} 2 elimination matches in the 6 month
Compound Women:	665	} period – in line with the calendar
U21 Recurve Women:	565	} should only the seeding round be
U21 Recurve Men	585	} shot at a tournament where there is
U21 Compound Women:	645	an elimination format – the seeding
U21 Compound Men	670	} score will not count toward the
U18 Recurve Women	565	average
U18 Recurve Men	580	
U18 Compound Women	640	
U18 Compound Men	655	
W1 Men	590	
Recurve Men Open	575	
Compound Men Open	660	
Barebow	580	

All the above scores will be reviewed and increased annually in July or as required.

OLYMPIC GAMES SELECTION:

- The archer who secures the slot will not necessarily be the archer who attends the event.
- This is dependant on at what stage of the acquisition of the slot occurs. Should it be at the final event it could well be the same archer who will attend the Olympics.
- SASCOC has the final decision on who will participate in the event, however SANAA’s motivation is taken into consideration by them.
- No wild card entries are available for us for the Olympics.
- **NO ARCHER WILL BE CONSIDERED IF THEY HAVE NOT MEET THE MQS REQUIREMENTS.**
- The MQS as set by World Archery must have been obtained during the period as advised by them.
- The MQS scores for 2024 were:

Recurve men	640	
Recurve women	610	
W1 Men	590	
Compound Men Open	650	

These score are set by World Archery and advised in the year prior to the Olympics.

Should there be more than 1 archer who has met the requirements with regard to MQS and South Africa has secured a slot – trials will be held as per the team selection criteria listed below.

Eligibility for selection is also dependent on the following criteria:

- Submitted a minimum of 4 scores in the relevant 6 months period
- Have obtained or exceeded the required average score (see above) for the respective category.
- Are a member in good standing of the SANAA
- Are a South African citizen
- Have no sanction of any kind against them
- Are eligible to compete for South Africa according to World Archery Rules
- Participated in the National Championships in the year of selection



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APPEALS PROCEEDURE:

Refer to the appeals section of the CODE OF CONDUCT + DISCIPLINARY POLICY DOCUMENT

6. TO REMAIN AND BE ELIGIBLE FOR SQUAD INCLUSION

- Archers will have to compete in 2 of the 4 nominated Assessment tournaments / or as specified by the Squad Director / SANAA Exec. The S A National Championships being mandatory.
- Have attained the above average scores – average scores are calculated on a rolling 6 month period with the top 4 scores submitted from sanctioned shoots during the period being the average score calculation.
- **With effect from 31 July 2024 these scores will be calculated as follows:**
Archers are able to claim the 2 top scores from a tournament provided that the archer shoots the entire tournament – i.e. both days
- Have participated in elimination matches at tournaments where the competition format includes this.
- Or in the eyes of the GOLD Squad Director, National Coach and SANAA accredited coaches to have shown exceptional potential over the previous / existing season.
(This is not an option for any archer failing to make the selection scores and is subject to approval by the SANAA Exec)
- Exceptional performance shall be defined as a visible and continued improvement in the score with a quarterly review.
- All archers scores and performance will be monitored and reviewed on a quarterly basis by the SANAA Exec and all athletes will be advised within 7 days in writing of any amendments.
- A quarter is defined as a single three month period of each calendar year. For the purpose of this document, quarters will commence on 1st January, 1st April, 1st July and 1st October each year.
- Where an athlete's average score has declined over a period of 2 quarters (and there is no reasonable explanation for this – e.g. injury, out of the country etc), this will result in the athlete being ineligible to claim any incentives for that period, Where the decline continues for a further consecutive quarter this will result in the archer's automatic omission from the squad.
- Any archer omitted from the squad is eligible to re-qualify providing the average score is attained and there is a slot available – provided their omission was not as a result of disciplinary action.

7. SQUAD MEMBERS WILL AGREE TO

- Attend all nominated training sessions, seminars and workshops
- Nominate their personal coach
- Declare all sponsorship received outside of this project and supply a copy of their sponsorship contract to the SANAA Exec / Squad Director
- Implement and maintain a full training and detailed log. (as per example supplied) and submit this form to the Squad Director by the 7th of the following month.
- Failure to submit the "monthly training" form timeously will result a penalty of R200 per late form being applied and deducted from any financial grant given – be it equipment or travel costs **AND** could result in exclusion from the squad.
- Timeously complete and submit the "Athletes whereabouts" forms to the Squad Director.
- Failure to complete and submit the "Athletes whereabouts" form timeously will result in the automatic exclusion from the squad.
- Undertake to complete, all nominated training schedules, fitness regimes and nutritional guides as directed from time to time by the programme.
- Contract to all rules pertaining to conduct, dress and behaviour. Any behavior by a squad member that is deemed to be unacceptable by the Squad Director, may result in the membership of the squad member being withdrawn for a period commensurate to the behavior which period shall be determined by the SANAA Executive which may also exclude them from Protea selection.
- **Have completed the Safeguarding Awareness online Course and the Adel (antidoping) Course.**
- Have a personal coach who is willing to work with the National Coach and GOLD Squad Instructors.
- Must shoot and submit at least one 720 score to the Squad Director and the National Coach per month.
- Submit tournament and league score sheets to the National Coaches for assessment within 7 days of the event
- Any changes to form and / or equipment may only be done in consultation with the National and accredited respective personal coach
- Sign any relevant documentation relating to "sponsored" equipment which will remain the asset of the SANAA for the duration of its useful life as per the NLDTF / benefactor's Contract



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- Must safeguard any equipment issued and must be able to account for it at all times
- May not dispose of any sponsored equipment without the written consent of the SANAA / Squad Director
- Where it is evident that neither the athlete nor their coach have the skills / knowledge to maintain their equipment at tournament level readiness that the archer and / or coach will work with a suitably accredited technical person as appointed by the Squad Director / National Coach.
- May only utilise the asset in keeping with the objectives of this project
- Agree to abide by the SANAA C&R
- To keep the SANAA informed of any changes including but not limited to sponsorship, residence, coach etc.

8. TRAINING

- Training will be undertaken by the relevant Squad Coaches. Said coaches must be SANAA accredited and work in conjunction with the National Coach.
- Additional instruction to be provided by approved specialists pertaining to the various fields of sports training under the direction of the Squad Director where permission is not necessarily withheld.
- Squad Coaches will report to the Squad Director whose job it will be to maintain continuity in coaching and training regimes.
- Personal training regimes will be set for each athlete based on the official assessment report.
- Squad training will take place regionally on a fortnightly basis or as otherwise advised.
- The complete squad will meet at least three times a year for a training camp. (The number of camps is dependent on financing) Attendance will be compulsory.
- Before a world championships the team will get together for a training camp prior to the event.
- The athletes will attend seminars, workshops or training sessions as arranged with specialist instructors.

FUNDING FOR ATHLETES (IF FUNDING IS AVAILABLE)

(Will be apportioned in line with any terms and conditions applied by our benefactor/s and will only be paid for assessment tournaments as specified - **funding permitting**)

In the event that a team member is withdrawn from the team through no fault of SANAA – i.e. adverse drug test and SANAA has already made payments with regard to this team members participation, that team member will liable for 100% of the cost to SANAA after any refunds have been obtained. Should the refunds take more than 60 days to be refunded, the team member will be invoiced for the amount due and these refunds will be passed on to them in due course.

AIR TRAVEL

GOLD SQUAD	economy class tickets to be paid for
CANDIDATE SQUAD	economy class tickets to be paid for

LAND TRAVEL

GOLD SQUAD	to be paid for at a rate of R4.84 / kilometer but not to exceed the cost of an economy class airticket – cost of tolls will be covered and E-Tolls where applicable will be refunded at the E-Tag rate – to be pre-arranged with squad director
CANDIDATE SQUAD	to be paid for at a rate of R4.84 / kilometer but not to exceed the cost of an economy class airticket – cost of toll will be covered and E-Tolls where applicable will be refunded at the E-Tag rate – to be pre-arranged with squad director

ACCOMMODATION

GOLD SQUAD	athletes to be housed in local archers homes / SANAA approved accommodation
CANDIDATE SQUAD	athletes to be housed in local archers homes / SANAA approved accommodation

ENTRY FEES

GOLD SQUAD	to be paid for – finances permitting
CANDIDATE SQUAD	to be paid for – finances permitting



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INTERNATIONAL TRIPS - GOLD SQUAD MEMBERS- finances permitting

COMPOUND MEN	National ranking average of 709 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 705 > 708 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 701 > 704 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 697 > 700 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
COMPOUND WOMEN	National ranking average of 692 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 688 > 691 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 684 > 687 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 680 > 683 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
4TH TEAM MEMBER OF ANY DISCIPLINE	This will be the archer that is included in the team as a SANAA decision. Archer will still have to meet a minimum qualification average score as agreed. SANAA will pay 20% of their costs – remaining 80% will be for their own account
RECURVE MEN	National ranking average of 647 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 643 > 646 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 639 > 642 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 635 > 638 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
RECURVE WOMEN	National ranking average of 617 = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 613 > 616 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 609 > 612 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 605 > 608 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
CMP MEN (U21)	National ranking average of 700 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 698 > 699 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 694 > 697 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 690 > 693 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
CMP WOMEN (U21)	National ranking average of 677 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 673 > 676 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 669 > 672 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 665 > 668 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
CMP CADET MEN (U18)	National ranking average of 687 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 683 > 686 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 679 > 682 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 675 > 678 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
CMP CADET WOMEN (U18)	National ranking average of 677 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 673 > 676 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 669 > 672 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 665 > 668 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
RECURVE MEN (U21 & U18)	National ranking average of 612+ = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 608 > 611 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 604 > 607 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 600 > 603 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
RECURVE WOMEN (U21 & U18)	National ranking average of 597 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 593 > 596 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 589 > 592 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 585 > 588 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
COMPOUND W1	National ranking average of 622 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 618 > 621 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 614 > 617 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 610 > 613 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
COMPOUND MEN OPEN	National ranking average of 680 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 676 > 679 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 674 > 677 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 670 > 673 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual
BAREBOW	National ranking average of 612 + = 80% SANAA + 20% Individual National ranking average of 608 > 611 = 70% SANAA + 30% individual National ranking average of 604 > 607 = 60% SANAA + 40% individual National ranking average of 600 > 603 = 50% SANAA + 50% individual

SPORTS EQUIPMENT

GOLD / CANDIDATE SQUAD	requests for equipment will be assessed on proven needs and dependant on available funding
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10. NATIONAL COACH AND SQUAD COACHES

- The National Coach will be responsible for the development of the athletes and the squad coaches
- Squad Coaches must be SANAA accredited, and coach by consensus for like minded direction.
- Squad Coaches will report to the Squad Director whose job it will be to maintain continuity in coaching and training regimes.
- Personal training regimes will be set for each athlete by the National Coach together with any applicable personal coach.
- Fortnightly Squad training will be supervised by the various Squad Coaches in the provinces.
- The complete squad will meet at least three times a year for a training camp. Attendance will be compulsory for Squad Coaches.
- Squad coaches will be financed on a rotational basis to attend various assessment tournaments
- Coaches for international events – will also be done on a rotational basis / as per the SANAA Constitution. National Coach (if appointed) and/or ONE other SANAA accredited coach, to attend. In the event of an additional coach being included, that coach must assist the Team Manager and must perform Assistant Team Manager duties where required

11. FUNDING FOR ACCREDITED COACHES: (dependant on funding being available)

(Will be apportioned in line with any terms and conditions applied by our benefactor)

DESCRIPTION	NATIONAL COACH	ACCREDITED SQUAD COACHES
Air travel	economy class tickets to be paid for	economy class tickets to be paid for – will attend events on a rotational basis
Land travel	to be paid for at a rate of R4.84 / kilometer but not to exceed the cost of an economy class airticket – cost of tolls will be covered and E-Tolls where applicable will be refunded at the E-Tag rate – to be pre-arranged with squad director	to be paid for at a rate of R4.84 / kilometer but not to exceed the cost of an economy class airticket – cost of tolls will be covered and E-Tolls where applicable will be refunded at the E-Tag rate – to be pre-arranged with squad director
Accommodation	coaches to be housed in local archers homes / SANAA approved accommodation	coaches to be housed in local archers homes / SANAA approved accommodation
Entry fees	where applicable will be paid for	where applicable will be paid for – will attend events on a rotational basis
International trips	all expenses to be paid for – funding permitting	all expenses to be paid for – will attend events on a rotational basis

Any coach travelling with an international team **MUST**

1. Have completed the Safeguarding Awareness online Course and the Adel (antidoping) Course.
2. Have completed the necessary security checks as laid down by SASCO – Criminal, Child Protection, Sex Offenders

12. FUNDING FOR TEAM MANAGER + ASSISTANT TEAM MANAGER

(Will be apportioned in line with any terms and conditions applied by our benefactor)

DESCRIPTION	TEAM MANAGER	ASSISTANT TEAM MANAGER
Entry fees	where applicable will be paid for	where applicable will be paid for – will attend events on an “in need basis”
International trips	all expenses to be paid for	all expenses to be paid for – will attend events on an “in need basis”

Any official travelling with an international team **MUST**

3. Have completed the Safeguarding Awareness online Course and the Adel (antidoping) Course.
4. Have completed the necessary security checks as laid down by SASCO – Criminal, Child Protection, Sex Offenders



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13. **BASIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

- 13.1 All travel arrangements will be done via the SANAA Office / Squad Director.
- 13.2 No expenses will be paid without an expenses claim form being completed and all relevant vouchers being submitted.
- 13.3 Failure to abide by the terms and conditions of this policy may result in the athlete being removed from the programme.
- 13.4 No equipment will be supplied without a properly motivated application being received and the relevant undertakings being signed by the athlete.
- 13.5 The SANAA reserves the right to:
 - Withdraw / withhold payments to any athlete in the event of their failure to comply with any of the obligations of the Squad member;
 - To exclude any member of the squad in the event of their failure to comply with any of the obligations of the Squad Member;
 - Cancel any agreement between the athlete and the SANAA and to recover any monies paid for assets, sports equipment and /or sports kit granted to the athlete.

14. **SPONSORED / LOANED EQUIPMENT:**

- 14.1 The Squad Manager has the discretion in terms of the purchasing of equipment up to the sum of R10,000-00 (ten thousand rand) for a single purchase.
- 14.2 Any amounts above this are to be signed by the full Executive.
- 14.3 Where there is more than one supplier of the equipment, 3 (three) written quotes are to be obtained when purchasing equipment etc and a full motivation as to why the chosen suppliers was selected.

15. **INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION – CANDIDATE SQUAD ATHLETES:**

- 15.1 Candidate Squad members may be included in teams going to “Development Tournaments” overseas – i.e. **NO** candidate squad member will be included in a team going to a World Championship.
- 15.2 Such inclusion will be considered where there has been a substantial improvement by a candidate squad member over the past 12 (twelve) months, but where the Gold squad average score has not yet been achieved.
- 15.3 The Squad Manager together with the National Coach and Team Manager will have the authority to include such a Candidate Squad member into the team.
- 15.4 This does not necessarily indicate that such a trip will be funded by anyone other than the athlete themselves.
- 15.5 Inclusion of such a Candidate Squad members is also conditional of “space” in the team.
- 15.6 Where there has been an improvement in the required average score by a candidate member that brings the athlete to:
 - Within 5 (Five) average points of the required Gold Squad Qualification, the archers will be funded with a maximum amount of 60% of the costs to attend the chosen event should finances permit it. The balance is for their own account.

16. **COMPOSITION OF THE PROTEA TEAM:**

The Gold Squad manager recommends the composition of the Protea team to the Executive.

Where a junior has met all the requirements of the senior team and where the distances and all other criteria are identical to the senior team, that athlete can be considered for inclusion in the team, providing that the member also meets the criteria of Annexure IV – Protea Colours Article 1 paragraph 2 of the constitution.

17. **MEDIA / PRESS:**

Members of any team may only discuss their own performance with any member of the media and must agree to abide by the SASCOC ruling with regard to the press. (insert extracts from the SASCOC document). Any photographs released to the media relating to the well being or welfare of the team must be cleared by the Team Management prior to submission.



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18. JUNIOR PROTEA TEAMS / JUNIORS INCLUDED IN SENIOR TEAMS:

Where a minor is part of a team, it is a condition of inclusion in the team that the parent(s) / legal guardians sign a letter of consent appointing the team manager as the responsible person for their child. (see attached Annexure)

19. SPOUSES / NON TEAM MEMBERS ACCOMPANYING A TEAM:

Spouses etc may accompany the team provided:

- They are self funded
- No accreditation will be applied for
- They will not be permitted on the field of play
- They will not be permitted to interfere with the team arrangements in any way
- May necessitate in the rescheduling of rooming configuration and ultimately result in them not being able to share a room with their spouse.
- Planning, diary and schedule of team meetings take precedent over what arrangements the accompanying spouse may have made.

SELECTION PROCESS:

1. PROTEA COLOURS SELECTION (With effect from 14th April 2015.)

Details of the intended international tournaments and selection tournaments will be published by the SANAA in good time for archers to meet the qualification criteria. Teams will be selected no more than 3 months prior to the tournament for which selection is taking place.

Eligibility is open to those archers who have:

5. Submitted a minimum of 4 scores in the relevant 6 months period
6. Have obtained or exceeded the required average score (see below) for the respective category.
7. Are a member in good standing of the SANAA
8. Are a South African citizen
9. Have no sanction of any kind against them
10. Have completed the Safeguarding Awareness online Course and the Adel (antidoping) Course.
11. Have completed the necessary security checks as laid down by SASCOG – Criminal, Child Protection, Sex Offenders
12. Are eligible to compete for South Africa according to World Archery Rules
13. Participated in the National Championships in the year of selection
14. In respect of USSA Events –athletes must be between the ages of 18 and 25 as at the date specified by USSA, must be a student at a USSA recognized institution and have an appropriate year student card (or one year earlier student card for those athletes who finished their studies and are graduating in in the following year).
15. In respect of team selection for Africa / Continental Games where there are more than 3 archers who have qualified in any category the archer(s) with the highest average score over the past 6 month period will be selected. Selection for this event is also subject to approval by SASCOG.

In extraordinary circumstances where the athlete is unable to attend the National Championships, which in normal circumstances would automatically exclude him / her for selection, they can apply in writing to the SANAA Secretary with the necessary proof and evidence stating in full the reason for non attendance. This request for exemption from this requirement must be done prior to the start of the National Championships.

The SANAA secretary will constitute a jury of at least 3 members in good standing of at least 5 years membership of SANAA and non executive members. This jury would decide on the matter. They have the right to waiver this requirement of participating in the nationals. This Jury's decision is final.

TEAM TRIALS:

Team trials will be held at a future date after the cut off date as set by the Squad Manager – will be held at a neutral venue and will be held timeously to coincide with deadlines for protea colour applications and / or deadlines set by the organisers of the event for which the team is being selected.

A maximum number of 8 archers in any one category will be invited to a selection tournament. (This number could change in the future and will be determined by the SANAA Executive in conjunction with the Squad Manager and / or National coach). Invitees will be required to register to participate in this selection tournament.



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The average scores used to seed the archers will be those from the same format as the tournament for which the team is being selected – i.e. If the round to be shot at the event is a 720 (Olympic Round), then the average score that will be applied will be the 720 one. Qualifying scores will not be less than the 32nd place score at the most recent World Championships or as determined by the SANAAA Executive in conjunction with the Squad Manager and / or the National Coach. For the time being (2015) the minimum average scores will be as per those for the GOLD SQUAD shown above. (See Page 2 of this document)

The criteria for obtaining this average will be the same as those for inclusion in the Squad.

The venue for the selection tournament will be determined by the SANAAA Executive together with the Squad Manager and / or National Coach and will be shot over either 1 or 2 days. The selection tournament will be held as a stand-alone event – i.e. it will not form part of any other tournament unless otherwise advised

Only archers who register for these trials will be permitted to participate in the trials and only those archers who participate in the trials will be eligible for the team selection. If an archer declines to participate in the trials the next archer on the ranking list will be invited to participate, provided he/she meets the stipulated criteria.

Points will be awarded to each archer based on their current average as at the end of the 720 at the Nationals or as at the last tournament prior to selection.

Compound Men

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
697 - 700	0.5
701 - 704	1
705 - 708	2
709 +	3

Compound Women

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
680 - 683	0.5
684 - 687	1
688 - 691	2
692 +	3

Recurve Men

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
635 > 638	0.5
639 - 642	1
643 - 646	2
647 +	3

Recurve Women

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
605 - 608	0.5
609 - 612	1
613 - 616	2
617 +	3

Recurve Men U21

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
600 > 603	0.5
604 - 607	1
608 - 611	2
612 +	3

Recurve Men U18

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
600 > 603	0.5
604 - 607	1
608 - 611	2
612 +	3

Recurve Women U21

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
585 - 588	0.5
589 - 592	1
593 - 596	2
597+	3

Recurve Women U18

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
585 - 588	0.5
589 - 592	1
593 - 596	2
597+	3

Compound Men U21

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
690 - 693	0.5
694 - 697	1
698 - 699	2
700+	3

Compound Women U21

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
665 - 668	0.5
669 - 672	1
673 - 676	2
677 +	3

Compound Women U18

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
665 - 668	0.5
669 - 672	1
673 - 676	2
677 +	3

Compound Men U18

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
675 - 678	0.5
679 - 682	1
683 - 686	2
687 +	3

Compound Men Open

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
670 - 673	0.5
674 - 677	1
676 - 679	2
680 +	3

W1 Men

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
610 - 613	0.5
614 - 617	1
618 - 621	2
622 +	3

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Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
600 > 603	0.5
604 - 607	1
608 - 611	2
612 +	3

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Compound Men

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
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Compound Women

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
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Recurve Men

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
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685 - 688	0.5
689 - 693	1
694 - 697	2
698+	3

670 - 674	0.5
675- 678	1
679 - 683	2
684 +	3

625 > 628	0.5
629 - 633	1
634- 637	2
638 +	3

Recurve Women

Nat Rank Ave	Rank points
600 - 604	0.5
605 - 608	1
609 - 612	2
613 +	3

So if you are a male compound archer and your average score is between 697 – 700 you will start with 0.5 points, 701 – 704 you will start with 1 point and so on –archers will follow the chart applicable to their divisions..

The selection tournament will consist of a double round robin matches event. **Matches will consist of 12 arrows. (two ends – 6 arrows ends accumulative score – for both recurve and compound)**

- There will be no extra time or make-up arrows allowed or equipment failures during the Round Robin Matches and the WA rules used for medal matches will be applied.
- No match can result in a draw - ties during the matches will be broken by a one arrow shoot out.
- Archers are responsible for ensuring their scores are correct. If a scoring mistake is discovered after bonus points are awarded, the score may not be considered in accordance with established WA Scoring Procedures.

The round robin competitions will be shot as per chart below. Points will be awarded as follows:

Win = 1 point, Loss = 0 points.

	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7
Archer	5 vs 6	3vs 4	7 vs 8	7 vs 5	1 vs 3	3 vs 6	8 vs 2
Archer	3 vs 8	1 vs 7	6 vs 2	6 vs 1	4 vs 2	4 vs 5	7 vs 3
Archer	4 vs 7	8 vs 6	4 vs 1	2 vs 3	5 vs 8	2 vs 7	1 vs 5
Archer	2 vs 1	2 vs 5	5 vs 3	8 vs 4	6 vs 7	8 vs 1	6 vs 4

All these matches are repeated one more

In addition bonus points will be awarded for high scores and minus points will be applied for low scores:

Recurve Men	113 + higher	108 – 112	103 – 107	98 – 102	Less than 98
Recurve Women	110 + higher	105 - 109	99 – 104	84 – 98	Less than 94
Compound Men	117 + higher	114– 116	110 - 113	108 - 109	Less than 108
Compound Women	116 + higher	112 - 115	109 - 111	105 – 108	Less than 105
Compound Jnr + Cadets Men	115 + higher	108 – 114	102 – 107	99 – 101	Less than 98
Compound Jnr + Cadets Women	114 + higher	108 – 113	102 – 107	98 – 101	Less than 98
Recurve Jnr + Cadet Men	112 + higher	107 – 111	102 – 106	101 - 97	Less than 97
Recurve Jnr + Cadet Women	108 + higher	104 – 107	98 – 103	92 – 97	Less than 97
Compound Men Open	113 + higher	108 – 112	103 – 107	98 – 102	Less than 98
POINTS	Plus 1.0	Plus 0.5	Zero	Minus0.5	Minus 1.0

Example: A compound archer wins his first round robin match; he will then score 1 point.

If in that match his score is 117 or higher, he will get an additional 1 point. If in that match his score is between 114– 116, he will get an additional 0.5. At the end of the Round Robin elimination matches the points earned will be tallied and the participants will be awarded points as follows:

1 st	8 points	2 nd	7 points
3 rd	6 points	4 th	5 points
5 th	4 points	6 th	3 points
7 th	2 points	8 th	1 point

The total points from the two Round Robin events will be tallied and the three / four archers with the highest scores will be the proposed team. (Keeping in mind that only **three** will be selected for a World Championship Event, and in certain instances **four** arches may be selected for World Cup Tournaments). These names will be submitted to the Colours Board for the awarding of Protea Colours. By example;



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Archer A. ROUND ONE

Match Number	Opponent's Name	Opponent's Score	Your 12 Arrow Score	Win = 1 Point Loss = 0 Points	Bonus Point +1 > -1
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
TOTAL					

Archer A. ROUND TWO

Match Number	Opponent's Name	Opponent's Score	Your 12 Arrow Score	Win = 1 Point Loss = 0 Points	Bonus Point +1 > -1
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
TOTAL					

GRAND TOTAL		
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Breaking ties:

- In the event of a tie in the Grand total Points for the 3rd or 4th position, the tie will be broken by shooting five ends, three arrow ends, cumulative score.
- In the event of a tie for all other positions, the tie will be broken by using the final ranking from the averages schedule.
- If a tie still exists, the tie will be broken with a single arrow shoot-off, in accordance with WA Rules

Withdrawal from the ROUND ROBIN event:

Should an archer withdraw from the Round Robin event, the opponent will be awarded points for a win. They will also be allowed to shoot and score the match as points are applied for high scores or deducted for low scores.

3 or fewer candidates:

Where there are 3 or fewer candidates in any one category and in order for the archer to qualify for the team, the following rules will be applied:

- No selection tournament will take place
- In addition to the archer having to meet the qualification criteria with regard to the average score in the 720 rounds, the requirement of having shot elimination scores in the previous 6 month period will be taken into account.
- SANAA reserves the right to not make a selection of either an individual / team.

Four archers may (at the discretion of the SANA) be selected for the World Cup only – all other events will have a team of three in any one category. The Gold Squad Manager has the right to recommend the inclusion of an athlete into the team provided that it is not prejudicial to the composition of the team. In the event that a team of 3 is selected for a World Cup event, the Gold Squad Manager may recommend a 4th member provided that that athlete has met the qualification criteria in his / her category.

The Team selection by the SANAA Executive is final.

In the event that South Africa is not sending a team, an individual may apply in writing for SANAA sanctioning to participate in the event provided that the individual meets the criteria as laid down for team selection and is self-funded. It is also a requirement that the deadlines as set by the organisers of the event are met.



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The SANAA reserves the right to make changes to this document, which in its discretion are necessary to ensure selection of the best teams / individuals to participate in international events. Any changes will be communicated to all SANAA Members by being published on the website.

I have read the rules with regard to selection and by my signature indicate that I understand and accept the rules.

Full name:

Signature

Date