



**SOUTH AFRICAN SPORT AWARDS, 2022**

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- B. SOUTH AFRICAN SPORTS CONFEDERATION AND OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (“SASCOC”);**
- C. THE SOUTH AFRICAN BROADCAST CORPORATION (“SABC”);**
- D. SUPERSPORT**
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## 1. PREAMBLE

Department of Sport, Arts and Culture (DSAC) together with the South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee (SASCOC) embarked on the creation of the South African Sport Awards brand, in a bid to reward South African Sport stars for their efforts in keeping the passion of sport alive in the hearts of millions of South Africans through their efforts in local and international sport competitions.

The South African Sport Awards (SASA) has been created to recognise and honour individuals and teams who have excelled both on and off the field from **01 September 2021 to 31 August 2022**. The SABC and SuperSport are both the broadcast partners of the Sport Awards. The National Lotteries Commission is the funding partner of the Sport Awards since 2011.

## 2. AWARDS CATEGORIES

2.1 The Awards carry a total of **Nineteen (19) categories** including the Minister of Sport and Recreation Award categories. The categories recognise: individuals; males; females; people with a disability; national and international participants; national federations; recreation bodies, schools, indigenous games, sport legends, media and community sport builders. All the categories will be recognised for the period **01 September 2021 to 31 August 2022**. The following are the SA Sport Awards Categories;

- a) Sport Administrator of the Year
- b) Sportman of the Year
- c) Sportman of the Year with a Disability
- d) Sportswoman of the Year
- e) Sportswoman of the Year with a Disability
- f) Team of the Year
- g) Newcomer of the Year
- h) Coach of the Year
- i) Volunteer of the Year
- j) Indigenous Games Team of the Year
- k) National Federation of the Year
- l) Recreation Body of the Year



- m) Photographer and Videographer of the Year
- n) Journalist of the Year
- o) Sport Star of the Year
- p) People's Choice Sport Star of the Year
- q) School Team of the Year
- r) Developing School Team of the Year
- s) Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture Awards
  - i. Excellence Award
  - ii. Steve Tshwete Lifetime Achiever Award

### 3. DETAILS OF EACH CATEGORY

#### 3.1. **Sport Administrator of the Year**

- 3.1.1 An Administrator of a Sports Confederation, National Federation, Provincial Federation, League Club, or a duly recognised Sport Body may be nominated and considered for an award. The nominee will be an individual who has during the Awards qualifying period, contributed immensely in sport administration demonstrating and displaying the following skills, amongst others;
- a) leadership;
  - b) passion; and
  - c) Willingness and dedication on the operations and development of sport.
  - d) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.
- 3.1.2 In addition, there must be demonstrable evidence for the period under review;
- a) of the positive impact of the contribution that this Administrator has made in sport;
  - b) the focus of his / her work should extend beyond the urban sphere
  - c) Evidence of the work that the nominated individual has accomplished must be submitted with the signed nomination form.
- 3.1.3 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Sport Administrator of the Year must be nominated by:
- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
  - b) National Federations;
  - c) Provincial Federations.
- 3.1.4 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations



received.

- 3.1.5 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.2 Sportsman of the Year**

- 3.2.1 A Sportsman of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award who has during the Awards qualifying period;
- a) produced a world-class performance on a National, Continental and Global arena;
  - b) or set world record(s);
  - c) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
  - d) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.
- 3.2.2 In addition, any other awards received by the nominated candidate during the Awards qualifying period may also be taken into account.
- 3.2.3 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Sportman of the Year must be nominated by the:
- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
  - b) National Federations;
  - c) Provincial Federations.
  - d) League, Clubs or Unions
- 3.2.4 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations
- 3.2.5 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.3 Sportsman of the Year with a Disability**

- 3.3.1 A Sportsman of the Year with a Disability may be nominated and considered for an award who has during the Awards qualifying period;
- a) produced a world-class performance on a National, Continental and Global arena;
  - b) or set world record(s);
  - c) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
  - d) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.
- 3.3.2 In addition, any other awards received by the nominated candidate during the Awards



qualifying period may also be taken into account.

**3.3.3 Nomination Process:** Candidates for Sportman of the Year with a Disability must be nominated by the:

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) National Federations;
- c) Provincial Federations.
- d) League, Clubs or Unions

3.3.4 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received;

3.3.5 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

#### **3.4 Sportswoman of the Year**

3.4.1 A Sportswoman of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award who has during the Awards qualifying period;

- a) produced a world-class performance on a National, Continental and Global arena;
- b) or set world record(s);
- c) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
- d) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.

3.4.2 In addition any other awards received by the nominated candidate may also be taken into account.

**3.4.3 Nomination Process:** Candidates for Sportswoman of the Year must be nominated by;

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) National Federations;
- c) Provincial Federations.
- d) League, Clubs or Unions

3.4.4 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received;

3.4.5 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.



### **3.5 Sportswoman of the Year with a Disability**

- 3.5.1 A Sportswoman of the Year with a Disability may be nominated and considered for an award who has during the Awards qualifying period;
- a) produced a world-class performance on a National, Continental and Global arena;
  - b) or set world record(s);
  - c) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
  - d) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.
- 3.5.2 In addition any other awards received by the nominated candidate may also be taken into account.
- 3.5.3 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Sportswoman of the Year with a Disability must be nominated by;
- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
  - b) National Federations;
  - c) Provincial Federations.
  - d) League, Clubs or Unions
- 3.5.4 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received;
- 3.5.5 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.6 Team of the Year**

- 3.6.1 A team participating at an international level at an event or competition officially recognised by the Continental or International Federation.
- 3.6.2 This category is open in terms of gender and disability. Any Team may be nominated irrespective of gender or disability.
- 3.6.3 This category is for a Team that has during Awards qualifying period;
- a) consistently produced extraordinary performance as Sport Team;
  - b) conquered against all odds;
  - c) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
  - d) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.



e) Demonstrated essential values of teamwork and excellence.

3.6.4 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Team of the Year must be nominated by the;

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) National Federations;
- c) Provincial Federations.
- d) League, Clubs or Unions

3.6.5 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received.

3.6.6 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.7 Newcomer of the Year**

3.7.1 A Newcomer of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award who has during the Awards qualifying period-

- a) broken into the international sport scene for the first time;
- b) produced performances of the highest standard; and
- c) demonstrated the potential of being a world class/record holder
- d) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
- e) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.

3.7.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Newcomer of the Year must be nominated by the:

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) National Federations;
- c) Provincial Federations.
- d) League, Clubs or Unions

3.7.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received

3.7.4 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.8 Coach of the Year**





- 3.8.1 A Coach of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award who has during the Awards qualifying period;
- a) plied their trade in the Republic of South Africa either with a team or individual athlete;
  - b) produced world-class results internationally or sets the benchmark regarding results locally; and
  - c) demonstrated that the team or individual/s coached by them are disciplined and practise fair play and
  - d) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
  - e) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.
- 3.8.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Coach of the Year must be nominated by the -
- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
  - b) National Federations;
  - c) Provincial Federations.
  - d) League, Clubs or Unions
- 3.8.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received
- 3.8.4 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.9 Volunteer of the Year**

- 3.9.1 A Volunteer of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award who has during the Awards qualifying period;
- a) been recognised for their inputs on a voluntary basis into sport in the Republic of South Africa;
  - b) dedicated time and effort to sport on a continuous basis during the Awards qualifying period;
  - c) demonstrated that their actions had a visible impact in sport to such an extent and level that it separates them from other candidates;
  - d) Assisted in building the Case for Sport.
- 3.9.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Volunteer of the Year must be nominated by the;



- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) National Federations;
- c) Provincial Federations.
- d) League, Clubs or Unions

3.9.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received

3.9.4 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.10 Indigenous Games Team of the Year**

3.10.1 An Indigenous Games Team of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award during the Awards qualifying period-

- a) been participating in any of the indigenous codes that took part at the National or Inter-Provincial Indigenous Games Festival during the Awards qualifying period;
- b) displayed to be entertaining and demonstrated discipline; and
- c) participated in as a team that has –
- d) practiced fair play and team work (if applicable); and
- e) Won its category relative to other indigenous code teams.

3.10.2 **Nomination Process:** Nominees for Indigenous Games Team of the Year must be nominated by the;

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture and Indigenous Games Associations / Structures
- b) Nominating institutions may submit a maximum of three nominations

3.10.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received

3.10.4 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.11 Recreation Body of the Year**

3.11.1 The Recreation Body of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award as a body whom during the Awards qualifying period;

- a) Conducted or introduced active recreational activities in communities that do not have



active recreation programmes.

- b) Advocated for active recreation, its benefits, and its contribution to improvement of wellness.
- c) Utilised active recreation for bringing people together who would not necessarily participate in active recreation activities.

3.11.2 Recreation can be of passive or active recreation nature; however, this award considers the active recreation bodies.

3.11.3 Passive recreation activities encompass diverse experiences with the following characteristics:

- a) Undertaken in leisure time,
- b) Not rule bound,
- c) Overlaps with other areas of Arts and Culture, Education
- d) Undertaken purely for the fun and enjoyment, e.g. knotting, sewing, bird watching, listening to music and watching movies, playing computer games.

3.11.4 Active Recreation is a physical activity with the following characteristics:

- a) Rules are somewhat flexible
- b) May compete against nature
- c) Activity undertaken for the purpose of fitness and fun
- d) Activities have physical or mental benefits
- e) It can be a stepping stone to formal sport participation
- f) Examples of activities: aerobics, aqua-aerobics, walking, jogging, skipping, hiking, hopscotch, swimming, working out in the gym, recreational sport activities etc.

3.11.5 **Nomination process:** Recreation Body of the Year must be nominated by

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) National Recreation Bodies
- c) Sport for Social Change Network

3.11.6 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received

3.11.7 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlisted 3 finalists



### **3.12 National Federation of the Year**

3.12.1 National Federation of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award that -

- a) is recognized as a National Federation in terms of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended) and is currently a member of SASCOC in good standing;
- b) has demonstrated high levels of competitiveness with its teams or athletes winning at the international competitions
- c) has made demonstrable progress in terms of transformation of national teams or athletes racial demographics (composition)
- d) has made demonstrable progress in terms of promotion of Women Sport
- e) has made demonstrable progress in terms of management of Safeguarding in sport
- f) has made demonstrable progress in terms of promotion of athletes with disabilities
- g) has made demonstrable progress in terms of promotion of sport in rural and peri-urban areas
- h) has made demonstrable progress in terms of promotion of sport in under-privileged urban areas such the townships and informal settlements
- i) has demonstrable programmes in terms of the promotion of school sport
- j) has undertaken all its constitutional and governance requirements such as convening of Annual General Meeting and presentation of Annual Report within the period as prescribed in the constitution
- k) has presented the Audited Financial Statement with at least an unqualified Audit
- l) Has submitted to accounting documents such as Reports and Audited Financial Statements to the SASCOC and the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture

3.12.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Federation of the Year must be nominated by the;

- a) Department of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- c) South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee
- d) Provincial Sport Confederations.
- e) Schools Sport Structures;
- f) Any member of the Federation

3.12.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received



3.12.4 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.13 Sport Photographer and Videographer of the Year**

3.13.1 A Photographer and Videographer of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award that has during the Awards qualifying period;

- a) unique, extraordinary, creative and technically astute photographs or videos capturing or telling stories of sport persons or sport
- b) photographs or videos that highlights and profiles the athletes, sport persons and sport in a unique manner
- c) photographs or videos in a competition capturing defining moment revealing unique features of sport persons such as emotions, gracefulness, power, strength

3.13.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Photographer and Videographer of the Year may be nominated by the;

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) National and Provincial Federations;
- c) League, Clubs or Unions
- d) Media Companies;
- e) Peers within the sector

3.13.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received

3.13.4 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.14. Sport Journalist of the Year**

3.14.1 A Journalist of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award that has during the Awards qualifying period;

- a) reported consistently on both development and elite sport efforts and challenges experienced;
- b) profiled up-and-coming athletes during the Awards qualifying period;
- c) promoted South African Sport through journalistic work
- d) reported on success stories that are achieved despite the odds; and



e) assisted to bring inspiration and hope where there is none.

3.14.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for Journalist of the Year must be nominated by the –

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture (Provincial winner in this category as nominated by respective Provinces)
- b) National and Provincial Federations;
- c) League, Clubs or Unions
- d) Media Companies;
- e) Peers within the sector

3.14.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received

3.14.4 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.15 Sport Star of the Year**

3.15.1 A Sport Star of the Year is an Athlete that has been nominated and voted for by Sport Journalists that are appointed from media houses to serve in the Sport Journalist Voting Panel.

3.15.2 **Criteria for Nominating and Selecting the Sport Star of the Year;**

- a) the athlete or player would have produced or made a significant contribution to a world-class performance on a Continental and Global arena;
- b) or set world record(s);
- c) exhibited exceptional commitment to winning;
- d) exhibited exceptional level of talent;
- e) commands exceptional levels of appeal and prominence in the public;
- f) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
- g) conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.
- h) The athlete or player must have excelled in their respective sporting code or discipline during the Awards qualifying period;
- i) the Athlete / Player must be South African citizen;
- j) competed during the Awards qualifying period; and



- k) the athlete or player can be male or female or an athlete or player with a disability.

### **3.16 People's Choice Sport Star of the Year**

3.16.1 A People's Choice Sport Star of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award that has;

- a) been voted for by the millions of sport mad South Africans who vote for the sport person who they believe has excelled the most in their respective sporting code or discipline during the Awards qualifying period;
- b) South African citizenship;
- c) competed in the Republic of South Africa during the Awards qualifying period; and
- d) has been South Africa's most popular athlete during the Awards qualifying period.

3.16.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for the People's Choice Sport Star of the Year must be nominated by the Awards Voting Panel.

3.16.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 5 finalists from the nominations received

3.16.4 The public must subsequently decide on the eventual winner via an SMS voting line and online.

3.16.5 After the votes of the public have been counted, the Awards Voting Panel must announce the winner indicative of the majority vote of the public.

### **3.17 School Team of the Year**

3.17.1 School Team of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award that has during the Awards qualifying period -

- a) School Sport team (irrespective of gender or disability);
- b) produced exceptional performances by winning at national and or international levels
- c) have been consistent in terms for performance as a team;
- d) Consistently demonstrated essential values of teamwork and excellence.

3.17.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for School Team of the Year must be nominated by the;

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) Provincial Departments of Basic Education
- c) National Federations;



- d) Provincial Federations.
- e) League, Clubs or Unions
- f) Schools Sport Code Structure at Provincial level.
- g) School Governing Body

3.17.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received

3.17.4 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.18 The Developing School Team of the Year**

3.18.1 A Developing School Team of the Year may be nominated and considered for an award that has during the Awards qualifying period;

- a) come from the rural or historically disadvantaged areas;
- b) produced extraordinary and consistent performance as a team;
- c) managed to conquer against all odds with limited resources; and
- d) Demonstrated essential values of teamwork, resilience, courage and excellency.

3.18.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for the Developing School Team of the Year must be nominated by the;

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture
- b) Provincial Departments of Basic Education
- c) National Federations;
- d) Provincial Federations.
- e) League, Clubs or Unions
- f) Schools Sport Code Structure at Provincial level.
- g) School Governing Body

3.18.3 The Awards Voting Panel must decide on a shortlist of 3 finalists from the nominations received

3.18.4 The Awards Voting Panel must subsequently decide on the eventual winner from the shortlist of 3 finalists.

### **3.19 Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture Award of Excellence**

3.19.1 Minister's Excellence Award is awarded at the discretion of the Minister of Sport, Arts





and Culture

3.19.2 To be considered for this category are individuals or teams who have during the Awards qualifying period;

- a) risen against the odds;
- b) achieved excellence and resilience at the highest possible level during the Awards qualifying period.
- c) produced a world-class performance on a National, Continental and Global arena;
- d) or set world record(s);
- e) displayed acceptable levels of discipline and conformed to the code of conduct of the Federation;
- f) Conformed and complied with all applicable ethical codes.

3.19.3 The Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture may be advised by the Adjudication Panel, the Director-General of Department of Sport, Arts and Culture, the SASCOC President or the CEO.

3.19.4 However, the final decision rests with the Minister

3.19.5 The Minister may decide not to honour any person in this category.

### **3.20 Steve Tshwete Lifetime Achievement Award**

3.20.1 To be considered for the Steve Tshwete Lifetime Achievement the nominee must;

- a) over a period of 20 to 30 years or longer have dedicated life to make a difference in South African Sport and Recreation
- b) been involved in any facet of sport or recreation, either as –
  - I. an athlete;
  - II. an administrator;
  - III. a technical official
  - IV. an Academic within the sport and recreation
  - V. a manager; or.
  - VI. a coach.

3.20.2 **Nomination Process:** Candidates for the Steve Tshwete Lifetime Achievement Award must be nominated in writing by

- a) Provincial Departments of Sport, Arts and Culture



- b) The South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee
- c) National Federations;
- d) Provincial Federations.
- e) League, Clubs or Unions
- f) The Sport Awards Voting Panel

3.20.3 The Panel shall present the shortlisted nominees from which a maximum of five recipients for Minister's consideration.

3.20.4 The final decision on the recipients for this category rests with the Minister of the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture.

#### **4. THE SPORT AWARDS VOTING PANEL**

##### **4.1 The Sport Awards Voting Panel –**

- a) has been set up to allow for maximum participation of all stakeholders involved in sport in the Republic of South Africa;
- b) members of the panel are selected from Sport personalities who range from Sport Administrators from National Federations, Sport Journalists, Sport Commentators, Sport Legends, Sport Writers and Academics who are in the field of Sport and Recreation;
- c) must shortlist nominees, vote for the semi-finals and eventual winners of the different categories except for the People's Choice Sport Star of the Year, as it is publicly voted as well as the Sport Star of the Year who is nominated and voted by the Sport Journalist Voting Panel as contemplated in this rulebook;
- d) May nominate deserving candidates who have performed with excellence but have not been nominated by the respective nominating bodies and
- e) Must submit the recommendations to the President of SASCOC for ratification.
- f) Must submit the recommendations to the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture for approval.

#### **5. NOMINATION PROCESS**

5.1 Nominations for the awards are unlimited in number. Sport organisations may, therefore, nominate as many athletes as they wish for any of the respective award categories in the period **01 September 2021 to 31 August 2022.**



## 6. GENERIC CRITERIA FOR NOMINEES:

6.1 A Nominee must;

- a) be a South African Citizen. Must be in possession of a valid South African Passport. Athletes with a residence permit are not eligible.
- b) if a Federation must be recognised in terms of the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended) in good standing with the SASCOC.
- c) if an individual or club must be a member of a recognised National Federation.
- d) If a school must be recognised and registered with the Department of Basic Education

## 7. NOMINATING BODY:

7.1 The attached Awards Nomination Form must be completed for each nominee by nominating body.

7.2 Nominations for the awards must be submitted to SASCOC at [nominations@sascoc.co.za](mailto:nominations@sascoc.co.za) on **Friday, 17 February 2023 at or before 18h00.**

7.3 No nominations will be accepted if they have been submitted through employees of the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture, South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee, South African Broadcast Corporation, SuperSport, National Lotteries Commission or any other partner of the Sport Awards.

7.4 All nominating organisations must submit a motivation letter with the letter head of the nominating body with a signature for the candidate / candidates they are nominating.

7.5 No nominations will be accepted after the closing date.

7.6 All nominations must be submitted in the prescribed form with the supporting formal letter with a signature and organisation stamp.

7.7 All nomination forms that are not accompanied by official motivation letter, stamp and signature will be disqualified.

7.8 Should nominating bodies or nominated candidates have any queries with regards to the nomination process and requirements, please contact;

- a) Name: Ms Patience Shikwambana
- b) Email: [patiences@sascoc.co.za](mailto:patiences@sascoc.co.za)
- c) Tel: 011 483 3788



## **8. VOTING PROCEDURE**

8.1 There shall be 2 (two) rounds of voting – the first round will determine the 3 (three) or 5 (five) finalists in each award category and the second round will determine the final winner for each award.

8.2 The Public will vote for the winner of the People's Choice **Sport Star of the Year Award**

8.3 The firm of auditors appointed by the Department shall verify;

- a) all the nominations submitted; and
- b) the results of the two rounds of voting.

8.4 Voting shall take place as follows:

8.4.1 **STEP 1** – Nominations for the award categories;

- a) **Submission of nominations by Friday, 17 February 2023 at 18h00**
- b) Verification of nominees by the auditors.
- c) Adjudication of the nominees for the first and second round of voting.

8.4.2 **STEP 2** – The members of the Awards Voting Panel must –

- a) **Determine the 3 or 5 finalists in each relevant category by 24-26 February 2022**
- b) vote for their winner in each category; and
- c) Send these votes to the auditors directly.

8.4.3 Subject to the results having been verified by auditors, the names of the finalists shall be announced to the media and the public.

## **9. NOMINATION AND AWARDS DISPUTES**

9.1 A decision taken to facilitate any action or process required; nominate candidates to be considered for any awards; shortlist the said candidates; and make an award in terms of this rulebook relative to the Parties; and the Sport Awards Event; any nominated athletes and bodies; and the winners decided upon to receive such awards shall be final and binding, subject to;

- a) any aggrieved party exhausting the dispute resolution procedure set out in this Rule Book



- b) a final resolution pertaining to the dispute has been made by the arbitrator

## **10. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

- 10.1 The Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture will appoint an Adjudication Committee whose responsibility will be Administration of appeals and any disputes that emanate from the Nomination process and the Sport Awards event.
- 10.2 Except in respect of those provisions of this rulebook which provide for their own remedy, any dispute arising out of or in connection with the Sport Awards event or the subject matter of this rulebook, shall be finally resolved in accordance with the rules of, and by an Adjudication Committee comprising 5 members appointed by the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture in writing.
- 10.3 Any person, athlete, body, team or federation that is not satisfied with a decision taken for or against him, her or it under this rulebook or otherwise may, within 24 hours after the decision had been taken, lodge a written grievance with the Adjudication Committee.
- 10.4 The grievance must be submitted with a written statement to the Chairperson of the Adjudication Committee setting out the grounds upon which the grievance is based.
- 10.5 Until any grievance has been decided by the Adjudication Committee, the decision must be regarded to have been validly made or given.
- 10.6 The Adjudication Committee must promptly within 24 hours after receiving a grievance;
  - a) decide and dispose of a grievance lodged before it and in any case must ensure that the object of lodging the grievance is not defeated by the Adjudication Committee's delay in reaching its decision; and
  - b) advise the aggrieved party and the parties of its ruling in the above regard in writing which must include the reasons for its decision
- 10.7 Provided that nothing contained herein shall be construed to debar the Adjudication Committee from requesting;



- a) any additional information from the aggrieved party or any other party or person for that matter; and
- b) the aggrieved party or any other party or person for that matter to appear before it as it deems fit.

10.8 The provisions of this paragraph-

- a) constitute an irrevocable consent by the parties and the aggrieved party to any proceedings in terms hereof and no party shall be entitled to withdraw from or to claim that any such proceedings are not bound by such provisions; and
- b) is severable from the rest of this rulebook and shall remain in effect despite the termination of all invalidity for any reason of this rulebook.

10.9 It is agreed between the Parties and the aggrieved party that there shall be no right of appeal and the aggrieved party and the parties;

- a) expressly consent to a ruling on the said dispute to be made by the Adjudication Committee in terms of its rules **as a matter of urgency**; and
- b) Irrevocably authorizes the other to apply, on behalf of all parties to such dispute, in writing, to the secretariat of the Adjudication Committee in terms of its rules for any such ruling to be made **on an urgent basis**.

## **11. DISQUALIFICATION OF NOMINEES AND WINNERS AND REVOKING OF NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS OF IDENTIFIED WINNERS**

11.1 A **nomination for an award** at the Sport Awards event as contemplated in this rulebook, may be disqualified by the Awards Voting Panel as a nomination of a particular category of award; or compelled by the Awards Voting Panel to withdraw his, her or its nomination of an athlete, team or federation, if the nominee has;

- a) been found guilty of a criminal offence;
- b) acted in contravention with the Preventing and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004



(Act 12 of 2004);

c) contravened any provisions of the following Acts:

- i. The South African Boxing Act, 2001;
- ii. The South African Institute for Drug-free Sport Act, 1997;
- iii. The National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998;
- iv. The Safety at Sport and Recreational Events Act, 2010 (**"SASREA"**);

d) contravened any provisions of SASCOC Constitution;

e) contravened any code of conduct relative to his, her or its sport;

f) intentionally misrepresented him, her or itself in writing, orally or otherwise in order to be declared the winner of the award;

g) made a false statement in writing or orally;

h) been involved in any activity or any other related matter in sport that had brought sport into disrepute;

i) not fully conformed to all the criteria relative to any of the awards as contemplated in this rulebook;

j) failed to conform with any other requirements as stipulated in this rulebook which include not completing the nomination form as contemplated in par. 7 on page 21 duly, accurately and properly; or

k) directly or indirectly or through their spouse, partner or business associates, any financial interest in the Sport Awards event.

11.2 An athlete, team or federation that has been **declared a winner** by the Awards Voting Panel in any of the categories and given an **award** by the Awards Voting Panel at the Sport Awards event may be disqualified by the Awards Voting Panel as the winner of category of award; and compelled by the Awards Voting Panel to;

a) hand back the award; and

b) reimburse DSAC with the full pecuniary amount awarded to athlete, team or federation at the Sport Awards event,

11.3 A decision taken by the by the Awards Voting Panel shall be subject to compliance with the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, 2000 (Act No. 3 of 2000) which, amongst others, means that;



- a) an administrative action (e g disqualification of nominee, winner or award, etc.) taken by the Awards Voting Panel which adversely affects the rights of the athlete, team or federation, must be **lawful, reasonable and procedurally fair;**
  - b) **before** an administrative action is taken by the Awards Voting Panel in the above regard, the athlete, team or federation must be offered an opportunity to submit his, her or its written representations relative to the decision considered by the Awards Voting Panel; and
  - c) **After** an administrative action has been taken by the Awards Voting Panel, **subject to the above,** the athlete, team or federation must be given written reasons by the Awards Voting Panel for taking such a decision.
- 11.4 Notwithstanding any nomination received; winner identified; or ruling being made by the Adjudication Committee in terms of the processes described in this rulebook, the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture may, if deemed fit, overrule such nomination, decision or ruling being made in respect of a nominee, winner or dispute respectively.





## 12. GLOSSARY

- 12.1 **“Athlete”** means any Sport person or player who is participating in any form of sport;
- 12.2 **“Adjudication Committee”** means the committee established to consider all disputes and grievances duly lodged in relation to the nomination and voting for the Awards
- 12.3 **“Awards qualifying period”** means the period as from **01 September 2021 to 31 August 2022**;
- 12.4 **“Awards Voting Panel”** means the Panel established to consider nominations, shortlist and vote on the nominations for the South African Sport Awards
- 12.5 **“National Federation” or “Federation”** means a Federation which is a Sport body or organization that conforms to the definition of a **“national federation”** from a Sport perspective as contemplated in the National Sport and Recreation Act, 1998 (Act. No. 110 of 1998 as amended);
- 12.6 **“Parties”** means DSAC, SASCOC, SABC, NLC and SuperSport;
- 12.7 **“SABC”** means the South African Broadcasting Cooperation;
- 12.8 **“SASCOC”** means the South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee;
- 12.9 **“NLC”** means the National Lotteries Commission
- 12.10 **“SASREA”** means the Safety at Sport and Recreational Events Act, 2010 (Act No. 2 of 2010);
- 12.11 **“DSAC”** means the national, Department of Sport, Arts and Culture.
- 12.12 **“SuperSport”** means the South African based Sport Broadcast Partner
- 12.13 **“Panel of Journalist”** means Sport Journalist appointed from different media houses



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