



## **SA Show Jumping Veterans Team ("Selection Policy")**

### **1. Purpose**

This policy outlines the criteria and procedures for the selection of riders to the Veteran Showjumping Team representing South African Showjumping (SASJ) at the Adult Inter-Provincial Team Event. The goal is to ensure a transparent, fair, and consistent selection process based on merit and performance.

### **2. Scope**

This policy applies to all riders who fall into the category as Veteran Riders (from the year in which the rider turns 45 years or older) who wish to be considered for selection for the Veteran Showjumping Team.

### **3. Eligibility Requirements**

To be eligible for selection, riders must:

- Must fulfill the age requirement.
- Be fully paid-up members in good standing with both:
- South African Showjumping (SASJ)
- South African Equestrian Federation (SAEF)

### **4. Performance Criteria**

Selection will be based exclusively on competition performances during the current calendar year. Eligible riders must demonstrate:

- Consistent, competitive results at 1.30m level or higher at registered events.

### **5. Team Composition**

- A team of five riders will be selected, with the fifth rider named as the reserve.
- A maximum of six horses may be selected, allowing for one alternate horse if required.
- Selection will be made on the basis of current form and suitability of horse-and-rider combinations.



- Substitutions may be made due to injury, loss of form, or other justifiable reasons at the discretion of the selectors.

## **6. Selection Process**

- The Veteran Riders Selection Panel will review all eligible riders' performances and results and make final selections.
- The selection committee's decision will be final and binding and not subject to appeal.

## **7. Code of Conduct**

All selected team members must:

- Uphold the highest standards of respect, integrity, and professionalism.
- Conduct themselves in a manner that reflects positively on the team and the sport.
- Adhere strictly to the rules and regulations of SASJ, SAEF, and event organisers.
- Cooperate fully with team officials, selectors, and management, supporting fellow team members.
- Refrain from any behaviour, on or off the field, that could bring the sport into disrepute.

Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action, including removal from the team.

## **8. Anti-Doping Compliance (WADA)**

- All selected riders must comply with the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code as adopted by SASJ and FEI.
- Riders are responsible for ensuring that they and their horses are free from any prohibited substances.
- Violations of anti-doping regulations may result in disqualification, suspension, or other sanctions as per WADA, SASJ, SAEF, and FEI policies.
- Riders are encouraged to consult the FEI Clean Sport guidelines and seek veterinary advice when administering any treatments or supplements.