



THE SA CHAMPIONSHIP INDIVIDUAL TEAMS/PAS DE DEUX/SQUADS SELECTION CRITERIA 2025

SELECTION CONVENORS: GAUTENG VAULTING COUNCIL

The Gauteng Provincial Council accepts that all Vaulters residing in Gauteng – will be selected on merit based on the criteria provided below. Final Selection results will be collated and reviewed by the Gauteng Vaulting Council with final selection communicated by the Gauteng Vaulting Council President.

1. THE SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

The Gauteng Provincial Council will select the individual teams/squad/pas de deux from final scores of all the selection shows within the stipulated period listed further down in this document. *The main objective is to select a winning team.*

Individual Teams

- The **top 3** results from each vaulter will be the final SELECTION results and the top 4 vaulters plus the reserve vaulter will be notified in writing and must confirm acceptance of selection within 5 days of notification via email.
- If any of these 5 athletes are not available, the panel will move down the list in order of results. If one of the 4 team members is not available for selection, the reserve (5th vaulter) will move up to the 4th position of the team.
- The selection will continue in this format until the final team of 4 members plus reserve (5th vaulter) is confirmed and finalized for each team.
- It is at the discretion of the council to choose an athlete who may not have competed in 3 shows if these athletes are able to make up the min number of 4 individual vaulters plus 5th Vaulter (The reserve) in any team due to selected athletes not being available to accept selection who did compete in the 3 required shows.
- To be eligible for selection of the individual team, participation in **3** selection shows is required, the vaulter may compete in any graded show in any province offering vaulting and these results will be considered for the selection.





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Squad/Pas de Deux

• Squad and Pas de deux athletes must compete in a **minimum of 2 shows** over the Selection Period.

PROVINCIAL COLOURS 2025

The Gauteng Provincial Colours are considered for athletes competing at the **highest grade** possible and those athletes that have fulfilled the discipline qualifying criteria. The submission for Provincial Colours is presented to the Gauteng Equestrian Federation and endorsed by the Gauteng Sports Confederation.

For grades lower than the highest grade, selected athletes will be awarded VASA/SAEF Colours for their provincial selection.

It is noted that, to be awarded Provincial Colours for the Canter Pas de deux Championship, the same two athletes must compete together in a minimum of 2 shows and achieve a final score of 6.5 during the year in which they apply for these colours.

SELECTION PERIOD 2025

The selection period will run from the 1st Selection show after the SA Champs of 2024 until the final Gauteng selection show in July (Gauteng Provincial Champs) of 2025.





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2. <u>CHEF D' EQUIPE</u>

- They should be knowledgeable in their discipline and this position should be considered as an accolade.
- Have a sound knowledge of all the Rules and Regulations for the relevant competitions.
- To compile a written report to VASA and the Discipline chairman within 30 days after the championship.
- To act as an ambassador for their Province and Discipline.
- To be familiar with the vaulters and horses of the squad and teams.
- Must be present and assist with the GAUTENG team awards presentation.
- Assist with the coordination of provincial clothing for the selected athletes, officials and other individuals who will be part of the GAUTENG team of vaulters, attending the SA Championships.
- To arrange the Provincial flag and ensure it is given to the SHB for parades and display at the venue, and to ensure that it is returned to the Provincial vaulting council together with any other squad equipment.
- Assist in coordinating any entertainment or dinners prior to the SA Championships that the GAUTENG Vaulting Council may put together.
- Will be responsible for the well-being of the selected vaulters, and to act as a mentor and maintain team spirit and morale.





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3. <u>EXPENSES</u>

All expenses will be for the personal account of the selected vaulters/parents, which will include transport, accommodation, stabling and all expenses of the groom, unless sponsorship has been obtained by the GAUTENG Vaulting Council, which will be confirmed by the council.

All clothing chosen by the GAUTENG Vaulting Council to be worn at the SA Championships will be for the expense of the vaulter/parents, unless sponsorship has been obtained by the Council.

4. TEAM APPAREL

Any clothing (Including Gauteng Team Unitards) worn by any members of the GAUTENG teams of individual vaulters or individual selected team members/pas de deux/squad at the SA Championships will be as prescribed by the GAUTENG Provincial Council and may only be worn at the SA Championships of each year.

These unitards may not be worn at any shows after the National Championships

5. <u>SUBSTITUTIONS</u>

The Substitution of horses, lungers and vaulters will be as per the **Current VASA Rules** in conjunction with the SAEF General Regulations





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6. PRIZE GIVING AND TEAM PARADES

- All selected athletes, including reserves and the Chef de Equip are obliged to take part in all parades and prize giving. If the athlete or lunger is not able to attend, permission to be absent MUST be obtained from the Show Director.
- Special approval should be obtained from the Ground jury/Show Director if a horse needs to be substituted for a parade.
- Grooms of winning squads/teams/pas de deux only, are usually required in the arena for prize giving and should be suitably attired as per **the Current VASA rules**.
- Parade and Prize giving protocols are provided by each individual show organizer and must be adhered to.
- All athletes must dress in their Provincial apparel for prize giving and parades.