

NATIONAL STANDING COACHES COMMITTEE

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A NOTICE TO ALL BOWLERS IN THE DISTRICT

NEW TALENT IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM OPENS NEW DOORS FOR ALL BOWLERS.

The T-ID Program is applicable at Club and District Level. ALL coaches will be instrumental in establishing the T-ID Program at grass roots level, because it is only by identifying players of high ability in each club and in each district that the National Academy will be able to identify and recognize players with skills and the ability to reach National Team Selection.

The New T-ID Program has been sent to all District Secretaries. District Coaches Standing Committee to collect the new program from their District Secretaries. The Area Coach with the help of your Standing Committee to train all coaches within Their Districts on the new Skills Program. Copies of the New T-ID program should be given to all coaches. Should an area coach not be available the DSCC must appoint someone to manage the process.

The District Coaches Standing Committee have an important roll to play by collecting all the players assessment results. The Area Coach will work hand in hand with the DCSC recording the results on the Results Schedule provided by the NSCC. The top ten men and ladies in the districts results will then be forwarded to BSA each month. These scores will be added to a Central Database and accessed by the National Academy for evaluation.

The DCSC will also give a monthly record of the results to their Selectors. It is imperative that all district selectors be actively involved in the T-ID program.

The National Academy will use this Data to identify players for consideration for the different National Squads where players will be invited to National Camps, so that their skills and their abilities can be monitored.

The New Performance Pathway will include Junior Elite, Elite and even Senior players as the program develops.

The new levels will include both Male and Female Squads. They are as follows:- There will be 20 District Academies - A National Academy, <25 Camp (16), Open Camp (16) Silver (8), Green (8) Ruby (8) Gold (8).

Final selection of players to the National Team will be in the hands of the National Academy, whose decision will be based on facts, and once a players record is added to their T-ID and Camp results, the best possible team to represent South Africa will be able to be selected.

All players wishing to gain entry into the National Squads must submit a least two (2) 20/20 assessments and at least one (1) complete set of T-ID results per month to their DSCC.

Players must have a registered coach in attendance on the day of your assessment. The assessment sheet must be signed by both the player and the coach. Only coaches that have done their Refresher and are registered on BSA Database are to assist in the T-ID Program.

As Theuns Fraser our National Selector explained. How can a selector select a player without doing assessments. Players assessments will play a big roll on selection rather than players records because assessments of a player is what you are worth – what you can do – what is your contribution going to be in a team, not what my mates going to do and carry me because if I haven't got the skills I cannot do it in a game situation.

District Academies - All Districts to run their own District Academy. The academy will be headed by your Area Coach. The Academy will have 20 men and 20 ladies and will include U25, Open and Senior players. For all other players, the T-ID represents a vehicle for recognition which begins at Club Level.

District Academies are encouraged to keep in line with the National Academy Training Camps. The High Performance – These training camps will be held over the following dates:-

19-21 February, 2010 and 9-11 July, 2010

It is suggested that Districts consider holding their District T-ID Camps over these same dates in order that Elite Players don't miss District Competitions.

The only way that the New T-ID Program will work is if we have full support from our District Executive, Zone Council, Coaches and Players. This is a new concept and its up to us to make it work.

If there are any questions or queries regarding the new T-ID Program please do not hesitate to get in touch with me as I am more than willing to assist.

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