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To make a contribution towards Nation Building and Healing of our land, South Africa, and the Transformation of our Society, through the Development of Athletics, from Grassroots to the highest levels of Excellence To From Date Subject ASA Members

**ASA Office** 

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ASA branded medals for all age and gender groups at ASA National Championships

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## **ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION**

Dear ASA Members

# Circular 71 of ASA 2017 (07/04) – ASA BRANDED MEDALS FOR ALL AGE AND GENDER GROUPS AT ASA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

During an ASA Board Meeting held on 16 June 2017 and endorsed in an ASA Annual General Meeting held on 17 June 2017 it was decided that at all ASA National Championships events, in all events as listed on the programme, the athletes finishing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, should receive an ASA branded medal according to their positions. The standard practice is to issue gold, silver and bronze medals for the first 3 finishers in chronological order.

To avoid doubt, the medal must look the same for all age and gender categories as listed on the relevant ASA Championships Programme.

As a point of clarity regarding the ruling above, ASA Members must please note that IAAF Rule 20, and elaborated on in ASA Domestic Rule 24 is relevant. The ASA Domestic Rule 24 is also an elaboration on the ASA Constitution Clause 3.2.7.3 and 3.2.7.4.

To be specific, any athlete who wants to participate in an ASA National Championships event, the athlete must be:

- 1. A Member of a club registered to an ASA Province
- 2. In possession of an ASA <u>Permanent</u> License obtained from a club registered to an ASA Province. To avoid doubt, an athlete is not allowed to participate in an ASA National Championships with a temporary license, or not licensed at all.

As a further point of clarity, the practice to date was to issue ASA branded medals only in age groups catered for in an IAAF World Championships event.

The above ruling was taken to embrace capacity building (development) in athletics.

ASA trust that the above ruling will stimulate the growth of membership in athletics clubs in the entry level age groups, and ensure the long term sustainability of athletics clubs in South Africa.

Athletics greetings

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