



Team Selection Process for SAMPR (South African Miniature Pylon Racing Association) to compete at the FAI F3D World Championships 2021 and beyond

1. Team Selection for the SAMPR national team will take place over four rounds of competition.

- a. Notifications of team selection events will be published three months in advance, across SAMPR & SAMAA social media platforms. (Three months prior to the event)
- b. The team selection process will only be valid for Q40/F3T classes, and valid members of SAMPR & SAMAA, who participate in the team selection events.
- c. The current rules for the Q40/F3T class will be used for qualification. (SAMPR constitution and rule book)
- d. The international F3D course will be flown with the exception that the race completion will be at pylon three, which is to suit the current timing system.
- e. The four rounds for the current cycle of team selection will consist of the one national event (held in the following year after the previous world championship), and the 3 league events (generally the September/November and January Races after the nationals and prior to the next world championships .)
- f. The team selection process takes place within the first period of the two-year cycle in which the FAI World Championships is held. (This will assist the team with preparations prior to the world championships.) *Example, the FAI world championships take place every two years, 2019, 2021, 2023. The first team selection events for the 2021 World Championships will be held at the 2020 SAMAA Combined Power Nationals, the second will take place in the September Races, the third in the November Races, and the final team selection event will be held in January races.*
- g. The team selection process is to be completed by no later than end of January 2021 or the year in which the World Championships is held.
- h. Team Ratification to be submitted to SAMAA by no later than end of February 2021 (or the year in which the FAI world championships is held)



2. The Team will consist of three senior pilots, one team manager, and one junior pilot.

- a. The top three ranked pilots from the team selection events will form the Senior team.
- b. The Team manager will have to apply by means of application and be vetted and selected by the national team that is selected in that year/cycle.
- c. The fourth ranked pilot will be the first reserve or alternate pilot.
- d. The fifth ranked pilot will be the second and final reserve or alternate pilot. No senior pilots ranked lower than fifth will be eligible for the national team.
- e. Junior pilot is the top ranked junior pilot who conform to the selection criteria. (See section 3)
- f. Members of the team must also conform to the team selection criteria set out in section 3 of this document.

3. Team Selection Criteria

- a. Scoring - The aggregate score of the best three race meetings out of the four qualifying events for each pilot will count towards determining the SA F3D Team Pilots.
- b. The Top three Ranked Pilots in the Q40/F3T class calculated over the four team selection events.
- c. Pilots must have flown an average time below 80 seconds, calculated across all the valid rounds at team selection events. (not counting the throw away rounds)
- d. Pilots Must have completed three of the four team selection events to be eligible for team selection.
- e. Points will be allocated to the first 10 Places as per the below table.

Placing at team selection event	Points allocated
1 st	15 Championship Points
2 nd	12 Championship Points
3 rd	9 Championship Points
4 th	7 Championship Points
5 th	6 Championship Points
6 th	5 Championship Points
7 th	4 Championship Points
8 th	3 Championship Points
9 th	2 Championship Points
10 th	1 Championship Points

