



SRI LANKAN SCHOOL – MUSCAT

SCHOOL POLICY ON AWARDING COLOURS AND ORYX

1. Objectives of Awarding Colours

Colours are awarded to:

- 1.1 Motivate students to excel at various sports/ games.
- 1.2 Recognize their achievements in sports/games.
- 1.3 Develop sportsmanship.

2. Definition of Colours - The distinguishing emblem awarded for surpassing standards given for each sport/game.

3. Definition of Coloursmen/women - Sportsmen/women who are awarded Colours by the school and are authorized to wear the Colours insignia.

4. Mode of Awarding Colours

- 4.1 School Colours will be awarded only to sportsmen/women at Over 15 years age levels, who have excelled as per the criteria given below. . A school crest with the inscription 'Senior Colours (Name of Sport/game)' will be awarded to the recipients.
- 4.2 Sportsmen/women at Under 15 age category who have excelled as per the criteria given below will be awarded Junior Colours. . School crest with the inscription 'Junior Colours (Name of Sport/ game)' will be awarded to the recipients.
- 4.3 Sportsmen/women of Under 13 age group will be awarded Colour Bands to be worn on the school uniform.
- 4.4 A student may be awarded Colours more than once for the same sport/game.
- 4.5 On a repeat award, only a certificate will be awarded with the words 'Colours Repeat Award'.
- 4.6 The Colours Crest will be awarded only once for the same game/sport, to the same sportsman/woman.



5. Sports/Games recognized by the school for awarding Colours

- 5.1 Refer Annexure 1, for the list the sports/games recognized by the school.
- 5.2 Inclusion or exclusion of a sport/game will be made only by the Colours Committee subject to ratification of the Board of Directors.

6. Criteria for Awarding Colours

- 6.1 Age group is decided as of 31st December of the previous year.
- 6.2 Colours are awarded only for achievements in sports/games conducted by the school as per Annexure 1.
- 6.3 If the school becomes the Champions in a team game, at an Inter School Tournament consisting of minimum of four schools, all players of the team are eligible for Colours.
- 6.4 Best performer (Eg. Best Batsman, Most Valuable Player) at any Inter School Tournament subject to 6.3, is eligible for Colours.
- 6.5 A sportsman/woman selected for a national team in a sport/game in Annexure 1, with the prior written approval of the Principal, is eligible for Colours. The said events have to be organized by legitimate national bodies.
- 6.6 A student who has breached school discipline or brought disrepute to the school within or after school hours will not be eligible for Colours. It is mandatory to have formally recorded/ documented disciplinary action against the student.
- 6.7 Application or non-application of Clause 6.6 is at the discretion of the school management provided that the decision is justified.

7. Athletics

- 7.1 A Champion Athlete at the Inter House Athletic Meet in the awarding year is eligible for Colours.
- 7.2 Surpassing or equalizing of existing records in any event (including relay events and road race) at the Inter House Athletic Meet is eligible for Colours.
- 7.3 An athlete who sets a new record or equals any existing records at any event (including relay events) or obtains first place in any individual event at an Inter School Athletic Meet consisting of at least 5 schools is eligible for Colours.
- 7.4 An athlete who has participated at Junior/Senior National Championships (eg: Inter-International Schools Athletic Competition(IISAC), Sir John Tarbet Championship, Relay Carnival



organized by the Ministry of Education and the Sri Lanka Schools Athletics Association) with the prior written approval of the Principal and secured a position among the first 8 places (finalists), is eligible for Colours.

8. Basketball

8.1 If the school becomes Runners Up at an Inter School Basketball Tournament, consisting minimum of four schools, The top five players in the ranking order described below are eligible for colours

8.1.1 The score card in Annexure 2 will be used for ranking

8.1.2 The score card maintained by an independent panel consisting of minimum two professionals will be used for ranking.

9. Cricket

The benchmarks under this policy is based on the format of the game being 25 overs for under 16 and 20 overs for under 13 age groups respectively

9.1 Cricket Colours will be awarded on the performance of a player/s at the inter School cricket tournament organized by OCC or any other inter school tournament, where the number of participating schools is five or more.

9.2 In the event of SLSM not becoming champion , the following criteria will apply for selecting players for awarding the colours:

9.3 The criteria for awarding Colours are given under 9.3.1 to 9.3.8 and the bench marks have been set based upon the statistics of OCC from 2010 to 2014.

9.3.1 Batting averages are calculated by dividing the total runs scored by the number of dismissals.

9.3.2 Bowling averages are calculated by dividing the total number of runs given by the number of wickets taken.

9.3.3 A player who has played a minimum of 50% of the matches played by SLSM in Under 16 category, in the season and has maintained a minimum batting average of 35 runs is eligible for senior colours provided that he fulfills 9.3.3.1

9.3.3.1 The aggregate of the player should be not less than $35 \times 50\%$ of number of matches played by SLSM in the season.



9.3.4 A player who has played a minimum of 50% of the matches played by SLSM in Under 13 Category in the season and has maintained a minimum batting average of 30 runs is eligible for Colour Bands provided that he fulfills 9.3.4.1

9.3.4.1 The aggregate of the player should be not less than $30 \times 50\%$ of number of matches played by SLSM.

9.3.5 A player who has bowled in minimum 50% of matches played by SLSM in Under 16 Category during the season and has taken 10 wickets at an average of 20 or less is eligible for Senior Colours provided that he fulfills 9.3.5.1

9.3.5.1 The number of overs bowled should be not less than maximum number of eligible overs per bowler per match $\times 50\%$ of number of matches played by SLSM

9.3.6 A player who has bowled in minimum 50% of matches played by SLSM in Under 13 Category during the season and has taken 8 wickets at an average of 22 or less is eligible for Colour Bands provided that he fulfills 9.3.6.1

9.3.6.1 The number of overs bowled should be not less than maximum number of eligible overs per bowler per match $\times 50\%$ of number of matches played by SLSM

9.3.7 A player who has played in a minimum of 40% of the matches played in the Under 16 Category in the season with a batting average of not less than 30 and aggregate not less than $30 \times 50\%$ of number of matches played by SLSM and either of

- (i) Has taken not less than 8 wickets at an average of 22 or less and bowled not less than maximum number of eligible overs per bowler per match $\times 50\%$ of number of matches played by SLSM OR
- (ii) 15 dismissals by stumping and/or catches as wicket keeper

will be eligible for Senior Colours

9.3.8 A player who has played in a minimum of 40% of the matches played in the Under 13 Category in the season with a batting average of not less than 25 and aggregates not less than $25 \times 50\%$ of number of matches played by SLSM and either of

- (i) Has taken not less than 8 wickets at an average of 22 or less and bowled not less than maximum number of eligible overs per bowler per match $\times 50\%$ of number of matches played by SLSM OR
- (ii) 15 dismissals by stumping and/or catches as wicket keeper

will be eligible for Colour Bands.

10. Table Tennis

- 10.1 A player who has achieved following criteria at the Inter House Table Tennis Tournament in Singles, Doubles or combination is eligible for colours
 - 10.1.1 Achieving 3 championships within four consecutive years including the year of award
 - 10.1.2 Achieving 2 championships and 1 runner up within three consecutive years including the year of award.

11. Badminton

- 11.1 A player who has achieved following criteria at the Inter House Badminton Tournament in Singles, Doubles or combination is eligible for colours
 - 11.1.1 Achieving 3 championships within four consecutive years including the year of award
 - 11.1.2 Achieving 2 championships and 1 runner up within three consecutive years including the year of award.

12. Special Awards

- 12.1 A student who has taken part in a sport/game not included in Annexure 1 organised by a legitimate national/international body, with the prior written approval of the Principal and has achieved the equivalent of Champion will be considered for a special award at the Colours Nite.

13. Oryx Award

- 13.1 The Oryx is the highest sports award offered to a student in the school.
- 13.2 The Oryx is awarded only for performance in sports/games in Annexure 1.
- 13.3 The most outstanding sportsmen/ women of the year will be awarded the 'SLSM Oryx Award'.
- 13.4 The Oryx is offered to a student only once in his/her school career.
- 13.5 The Oryx can be awarded in a particular year to more than one student or none.
- 13.6 The Oryx will be awarded only to senior sportsmen/women - (over 15 years of age).
- 13.7 A sportsman/woman who has participated with prior written approval of the Principal in a sport/game in Annexure 1, at national or international level representing the official National Team of the Sultanate of Oman or his/her motherland will be eligible for the Oryx.

- 13.8 A sportsman/woman who has achieved three Junior/Senior Colours, within three consecutive years including the year of award is eligible for the Oryx Award subject to 13.6.
- 13.9 An athlete who has established three new records in an Over 15 age group at the inter house athletic meet (Including Road Race) in the awarding year, is eligible for the Oryx.
- 13.10 A student who has breached school discipline or brought disrepute to the school within or after school hours is not eligible for the SLSM Oryx Award.
- 13.11 Application or non-application of Clause 13.10 is at the discretion of the school management provided that the decision is justified.

14. Panel of Selection

- 14.1 The Colours Committee consisting of the Deputy Principal, Head of Sports Department, Sports Coordinators in the staff, Teacher in charge of Sports, the Head Coach of the game will recommend the recipients of Colour Bands, Junior Colours, Senior Colours and The SLSM Oryx Award to the Principal.
- 14.2 The Principal will submit the recommendation for ratification to the Board of Directors.

15. Announcing Colours Recipients

- 15.1 Once the BOD ratifies the list of Colours recipients recommended by the Principal, the parents and the students will be informed by:
- 15.1.1 Notice on the school notice board.
- 15.1.2 A formal communication to parents stating that the Colours list is on the notice board.

16. Appeals

- 16.1 Any appeal against the decisions of the panel should be addressed to the Principal in writing, within 10 working days of the announcement of the Colours recipients.

17. Withdrawal of Colours/Oryx

- 17.1 The school authorities may decide to withdraw Colours, Oryx and any other awards awarded, on disciplinary grounds. It is mandatory to have formally recorded/ documented disciplinary action against the student



18. Students who have left the school

- 18.1 A student who has achieved the required criteria for the award of Colours/Oryx, is entitled for same, irrespective of whether the student is in the school or not, by the time the Colours Nite is conducted.

19 Validation

- 19.1 This policy document should be considered as the overall guide for Awarding School Colours
- 19.2 Selection criteria are based on stated bench marks based on current levels /standards of game/event. Policy revisions should be considered depending on the changes in the standards of game/event.
- 19.3 Revisions to the policy document either should be made effective from the beginning of the academic year or transitional provisions should be allowed.
- 19.4 The overall policy is to be reviewed end of every two (02) years.

Approved by



10/10/2011

Hon. Chairman – Board of Directors

Annexure 1

Specified Sports and Games

The following games played at Sri Lankan School are officially recognized for the award of Colours.

1. Athletics
2. Basketball
3. Cricket
4. Badminton
5. Table tennis

BASKET BALL SCORING SHEET

Annexure 2

TEAM NAME:		HOME AWAY TEAM:														DATE:									
No.	Player	Fouls					First Qtr.		Second Qtr.		Third Qtr.		Fourth Qtr.		Over Time		FT	FTA	Rebound		Assit	Steals	TOV	Blocks	PTS.
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ABBREVIATION:

- Qtr. : Quarter
- FG : FIELD GOALS MADE
- FGA : FIELD GOALS ATTEMPT
- FT : FREE THROWS MADE
- FTA : FREE THROWS ATTEMPT
- DEF : REBOUND DEFENSE
- OFFE : REBOUND OFFENSIVE
- Steals : INTERCEPTS
- TOV : TURN OVER
- PTS. : POINTS