

# FINA WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015

SINGAPORE, 25<sup>TH</sup>-30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

## SELECTION POLICY



### 1. PERFORMANCE TARGET

- 1.1. The target for this meet is to provide a positive competitive opportunity in the long-term development of British junior swimmers towards future senior international success, whilst at the same time maximising the medal outcomes in Olympic individual and Olympic relay events.

### 2. SELECTION TRIALS

- 2.1. Selections will be made from performance at the British Swimming Championships, London Aquatics Centre, 14<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> April 2015.
- 2.2. Selections will be notified by 25<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

### 3. TEAM SIZE

- 3.1. A maximum team size of 12 athletes will be selected, subject to funding.
- 3.2. If the number of qualifying athletes identified in 5.2 exceeds the maximum available places, swimmers will be prioritised for selection at the complete discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway in consultation with the GB Head Coach.

### 4. AGE ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1. Boys born: 1997/1998/1999/2000
- 4.2. Girls born: 1998/1999/2000/2001

### 5. INDIVIDUAL EVENT SELECTION

- 5.1. Only those athletes where the World Junior Championships is an agreed (with the Head of Performance Pathway) part of their 2015 competition programme will be considered for selection.
- 5.2. The 2 highest ranked eligible swimmers in each Individual Olympic Event, from times set at the 2015 British Swimming Championships, will be selected provided they have recorded a time that equals or betters the minimum consideration time listed in Table 1.
- 5.3. In the event that less than 12 athletes achieve the minimum consideration times listed in Table 1, the Head of Performance Pathway has the complete discretion to add additional athletes up to the maximum team size set out in 3.1. These selections can be made from swimmers who may not have achieved the minimum consideration time, and may primarily to assist with relay selections. However, the Head of Performance Pathway is under no obligation to fill all team places.
- 5.4. The Head of Performance Pathway reserves the right to not select any athlete who has been selected for the 2015 FINA World Championships (Kazan, Russia, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> August)
- 5.5. The Head of Performance Pathway reserves the right to withdraw any athlete in contention for 2016 Rio Olympic selection, in consultation with the athletes' coach and

GB Head Coach, if it is deemed their preparation will be hampered by participation in the meet.

## 6. RELAY EVENT SELECTIONS

6.1. All existing team members selected in 5.2 & 5.3 will be considered for the relay teams.

**TABLE 1**

<b>5<sup>th</sup> FINA WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015 MINIMUM CONSIDERATION TIMES</b>		
<b>FEMALE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>MALE</b>
25.58	50 Freestyle	23.27
56.09	100 Freestyle	50.82
2:01.21	200 Freestyle	1:51.59
4:15.83	400 Freestyle	3:56.68
8:42.04	800 Freestyle	
	1500 Freestyle	15:34.93
1:02.20	100 Backstroke	56.30
2:13.18	200 Backstroke	2:01.77
1:09.38	100 Breaststroke	1:03.45
2:29.98	200 Breaststroke	2:16.80
1:00.13	100 Butterfly	54.56
2:13.99	200 Butterfly	2:01.50
2:16.10	200 Individual Medley	2:04.10
4:47.06	400 Individual Medley	4:25.84

## **SELECTION POLICY GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **ELIGIBILITY**

#### **Athletes must:**

- G1 Be a British citizen and eligible to represent Great Britain as per the FINA General Rule 2 (GR 2).
- G2 Have completed a Selection Acceptance Form to confirm they will be available to participate. Failure to do so will be interpreted as non-availability by British Swimming. Selection Acceptance Forms will be provided by British Swimming to qualifying team members.
- G3 Be available to fulfill national team commitments.

#### **Coaches must:**

- G4 Be holders of the UKCC/ASA Coaches Certificate or equivalent, or be enrolled on an UKCC/ASA Coach Course at time of selection.
- G5 Have been resident within the UK for a minimum period of two years leading into selection, unless employed or deployed by a British or Home Country national governing body.

### **TEAM COMMITMENTS**

#### **All Team members will be required to:**

- G6 Comply with the British Swimming Code Of Conduct. A breach of the British Swimming Code of Conduct may result in de-selection from the team
- G7 Abide by media protocols of the British Swimming Programme. Athletes must only speak to the media about their own performances and group coaches must only comment on performances of swimmers in their group. The Head of Performance Pathway and National Performance Director may discuss performances of the entire team.
- G8 Not take holiday or attend overseas camps and/or competitions between the selection trials and the meet for which they have been selected without prior written approval from the National Performance Director.
- G9 Make themselves available for all team activities designated by the Head of Performance Pathway (including but not limited to preparation camps and staging camps). No team member will be allowed to leave a national team camp or undertake any activities that are not directly relevant to the team camp programme, this includes any external media, sponsor or social activities. Failure to attend the required activities could result in withdrawal from the team. Under exceptional circumstances, written approval to be excluded from activities may be given by the National Performance Director.
- G10 Comply with British Swimming and FINA swimwear regulations.

### **WITHDRAWALS**

- G11 If for any reason an athlete is unable or unwilling to fully comply with the Team Commitments (G6 to G10) they may be withdrawn from the team.
- G12 Athletes becoming unfit due to illness or injury at any time following their selection must notify British Swimming immediately and will be required to undertake a full medical examination by British Swimming Medical staff, which may result in the swimmer being de-selected from the team at the complete discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway.
- G13 Athletes may be subjected to fitness (land/water) and/or medical tests at any time following their selection. Any athlete judged to be unfit by British Swimming, following tests conducted

by British Swimming, may be de-selected from the team at the complete discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway.

#### **REPLACEMENTS**

G14 Replacement of athletes withdrawn from the team will be considered at the complete discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway if viewed to be in the best interest of the overall team performance.

#### **OTHER**

G15 The World Class Programme Performance Leadership Group may amend selection policies at any time at its discretion.

#### **APPEALS**

G16 Any appeals against selections in relation to selection policies must be made in accordance with the British Swimming Team Selection Appeals Procedures, available by request from Adam Clarke, Head of Performance Services via email at [adam.clarke@swimming.org](mailto:adam.clarke@swimming.org). Athletes should be aware of the time limits contained in the Procedures, which are designed with the intention of resolving issues expeditiously and fairly.