



Aquatics GB

**2025 World Aquatics Swimming (50m) Championships
Singapore, SINGAPORE, 11th July – 3rd August 2025
SELECTION POLICY**

1. POLICY PURPOSE

- 1.1. This selection policy outlines the process to select the swimming (pool) team to represent Great Britain at the 2025 World Aquatics Swimming Championships.

2. PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The objectives for this event are to maximise medal outcomes and provide international championship race experience for athletes on a trajectory for a podium performance at the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games.

3. TEAM SIZE

- 3.1 Up to a maximum of 30 athletes will be selected for the 2025 World Aquatics Swimming Championships. There is no obligation on Aquatics GB to select 30 athletes and the total team size will be determined by the Performance Director (PD) at his complete discretion.
- 3.2 Up to a maximum of two (2) athletes per individual event and one (1) relay team per event can be selected.

4. SELECTION PROCESS

- 4.1 Selections will be based on performances at the 2024 Olympic Games, 27th July – 4th August, Paris, France, and the 2025 Aquatics GB Swimming Championships, 15th-20th April, 2025, London.

2024 Olympic Games performances

- 4.2 Medallists in an individual event at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games will be selected for this event for the 2025 World Championship team, subject to confirmation from the GB Head Coach.
- 4.3 Relay medallists who competed as part of the team in the event final at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games will be selected subject to confirmation from the GB Head Coach. Athletes selected via this clause will be selected for a relay team only, subject to confirmation from the GB Head Coach.

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- 4.4 All athletes, on the basis of their performance in the Open Final of an Olympic event at the 2025 British Swimming Championships (15th -20th April 2025) will be selected if they:
- (i) finish first in an Olympic event; and
 - (ii) record a time that equals or betters the time in Table 1.
- 4.5 Athletes that finish second in the Open Final of an Olympic event in a time equal to or better than the time listed in Table 1 will be considered for selection, provided that there is space in that event, subject to clauses 3.2, 4.2 and 4.4.
- 4.6 Where a relay team has not been selected via clause 4.3, the following will apply:
- 4.6.1 The top four finishers in each of the 2025 British Swimming Championships Open Final of the 100m and 200m freestyle events will be ranked as a relay team on the basis of their combined Open Finals time against the time in Table 1. This will qualify the relay for the team and the top four athletes that swam the combined time inside the time in Table 1.

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- 4.6.2 The winners of the open final of the men's and women's 100m Backstroke, 100m Breaststroke, 100m Butterfly and 100m Freestyle will be ranked as a medley relay team on the basis of their combined open finals time against the times in Table 1. Subject to one swimmer winning more than one of the above events (100m Backstroke, 100m Breaststroke, 100m Butterfly and 100m Freestyle), in which case the PD may, at his complete discretion, use the time of the 2nd placed swimmer to create the fastest combined finals time for each medley relay. Athletes will be selected (if not already via clauses 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5) if their combined time is equal or better than the standard listed in Table 1. In terms of the mixed medley relay, the fastest combination of the four 100m strokes in the open finals (two men plus two women) will be ranked against the time listed in Table 1 for the mixed medley. All selections under this clause are pursuant to clause 3.1 and 3.2.
- 4.7 Any further selections, up to a maximum team size of 30 pursuant to clause 3.2 will be made at the discretion of the GB Head Coach in consultation with the PD. Any such selections will be made in accordance with clause 2.1.

5. SELECTION NOTIFICATIONS

- 5.1 All athletes selected will be notified by email on or before 22nd April 2025.

TABLE 1 –CONSIDERATION TIMES

FEMALE	EVENT	MALE
00:24.61	50 Freestyle	00:21.88
00:53.55	100 Freestyle	00:48.06
01:56.65	200 Freestyle	01:45.96
04:04.98	400 Freestyle	03:45.43
08:25.84	800 Freestyle	07:47.80
16:02.39	1500 Freestyle	14:54.29
00:59.46	100 Backstroke	00:53.20
02:08.68	200 Backstroke	01:57.28
01:06.31	100 Breaststroke	00:59.65
02:23.04	200 Breaststroke	02:09.55
00:57.20	100 Butterfly	00:51.35
02:07.96	200 Butterfly	01:54.97
02:10.62	200 Individual Medley	01:57.18
04:37.84	400 Individual Medley	04:11.90
03:36.40	4 x 100 Freestyle	03:13.04
07:51.89	4 x 200 Freestyle	07:06.34
03:56.89	4 x 100 Medley	03:33.15
MIXED EVENTS		
4x100 Mixed Medley		03:44.10

SELECTION POLICY GENERAL CONDITIONS

ELIGIBILITY

Swimmers must:

- G1 Be a British citizen and eligible to represent Great Britain as per the appropriate World Aquatics (WA) rules.
- G2 Have completed a Selection Acceptance Form to confirm they will be available to participate by the deadline to be imposed by Aquatics GB. Failure to do so will be interpreted as non-availability by Aquatics GB. Selection Acceptance Forms will be provided by Aquatics GB to qualifying team members.
- G3 Be available to fulfil all team commitments from the time of selection through to the Championships.
- G4 Comply with any other WA eligibility criteria from time to time, including in respect of nationality and/or anti-doping.

TEAM COMMITMENTS

All Team members will be required to:

- G5 Comply with the Aquatics GB Code of Conduct. A breach of the Aquatics GB Code of Conduct may result in de-selection from the team.
- G6 Adhere to all prescribed travel arrangements which might involve different travel dates to other members of the team.
- G7 Abide by media protocols of the Aquatics GB swimming programme. Athletes must only speak to the media or comment on social media about their own performances, and group coaches must only comment on performances of swimmers in their group. The GB Head Coach and Performance Director may discuss performances of the entire team. Swimmers must not publicise any information in relation to selection-related matters including any relay decisions during competition, until authorised to do so by the Team Leader.
- 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 Performance Director.
- G9 Make themselves available for all national team activities designated by the GB Head Coach (including but not limited to preparation camps, competitions 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 national team 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 national team activities may be given by the Performance Director.
- G10 Comply with Aquatics GB and WA swimwear regulations whilst competing at the 2025 World Aquatics Championships.

WITHDRAWALS AND REPLACEMENTS

- G11 If for any reason a swimmer is unable or unwilling to fully comply with the Team Commitments (G5 to G10) they may be withdrawn from the team.
- G12 Swimmers becoming unfit due to illness or injury (physical or mental) at any time following their selection must notify Aquatics GB immediately and will be required to undertake a full medical examination which may result in the swimmer being de-selected from the team at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach. In the event of injury or illness athletes may be deselected if

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they pose a risk to themselves, other athletes or team staff as determined by the Aquatics GB Chief Medical Officer or her designate.

REPLACEMENTS

G13 Replacement of swimmers withdrawn from the team will be considered at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach in the best interest of the overall team performance.

OTHER

G14 The World Class Programme Swimming Leadership Team may amend selection policies, within reason at its discretion.

G15 The Performance Director and GB Head Coach will exercise their authority to ensure that the final selections for the 2025 World Aquatics Swimming Championships team are in line with this policy.

APPEALS

G16 Any appeals against non-selection must be made to Aquatics GB in accordance with the Aquatics GB Team Selection Appeals Procedures, available online at <https://www.aquaticsgb.com.org/performance/swimming/selection-policies/team-selection-appeals/> or by request from Adam Clarke, Associate Director via email at adam.clarke@aquaticsgb.com. Athletes should be aware of the time limits contained in the Procedures, which are designed with the intention of resolving issues expeditiously and fairly.