

# 2025 European Diving Championships 25<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025 Location TBC SELECTION POLICY

#### 1 POLICY PURPOSE

1.1 This Selection Policy outlines the process for selecting the Diving team to represent Great Britain at the 2025 European Championships in (*Location TBC by European Aquatics*).

#### 2 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

- 2.1 The performance objectives for this event are:
  - 2.1.1 to develop a team that builds on the success of the Great Britain Team at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games
  - 2.1.2 to maximise medal outcomes in Los Angeles 2028 Olympic events

by giving high level international competition opportunities to a wider group of British divers (with reference to clause 4.5).

#### 3 SELECTION OVERVIEW

- 3.1 All selections with be made by a Selection Panel (the "Panel") comprising 3 members. The Panel members are: the Aquatics GB Associate Performance Director, Head Coach Olympic Diving, and the Performance Pathway Lead Olympic Diving, with a record of the Selection Meeting taken by a note taker. An Independent Observer will also attend the Selection meeting to ensure due process, but with no voting rights.
- 3.2 Selections will be made following the 2025 British Diving Winter Cup, date and venue to be confirmed, (known as "the Winter Cup"), subject to clause 5.1 below.
- 3.3 In the event that the Winter Cup is cancelled, a revised selection policy will be published.

#### 4 TEAM SIZE

- 4.1 European Aquatics makes provision that each National Federation may enter a maximum of two (2) competitors per event for each individual event and one (1) team of two (2) competitors for each synchronised and mixed diving event.
- 4.2 The total number of divers selected for the 2025 European Championships will be at the complete discretion of the Associate Performance Director, and subject to available funding.
- 4.3 The split of places by gender will be at the complete discretion of the Panel.
- 4.4 Priority will be given to selecting athletes in the Olympic events; there is no requirement for non-Olympic events places to be utilised.
- 4.5 Only in exceptional circumstances will a diver who competed for Great Britain at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games be considered for selection.
- 4.6 Divers based overseas (outside of the United Kingdom) should take specific note of the General Conditions of this policy, with specific reference to clauses G3, G7 and G8.

#### 5 SELECTION PROCESS

- 5.1 The panel will consider all performances, both domestic and international, from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 until the conclusion of the Winter Cup when considering their decisions.
- 5.2 All selections will be at the complete discretion of the Panel.
- 5.3 Priority will be given to selecting athletes in Olympic events.

5.4 There is no obligation on the Panel to select athletes in all events.

# **6 EVENT ENTRIES**

6.1 This policy selects divers onto the 2025 European Championship Team. The Head Coach Olympic Diving in consultation with the Associate Performance Director have the responsibility to then determine all final event entries.

## 7 ANNOUNCEMENT

7.1 The 2025 European Championships Team will be formally announced on or before 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

#### **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 Aquatics GB. Selection Acceptance Forms will be provided by Aquatics GB to qualifying team members.
- G3 Be available to fulfil all team commitments.
- G4 Comply with any other World Aquatics eligibility criteria from time to time, including in respect of nationality and/or anti-doping.

#### **Team Commitments**

All Team members (athletes and staff) 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.
- Abide by media protocols of the Aquatics GB Diving Programme. Divers must only speak to the media about their own performances. The Head Coach Olympic Diving and Associate Performance Director may discuss performances of the entire team.
- G7 Not take holiday or attend overseas camps and/or competitions between the British Championships and the meet for which they have been selected without prior written approval from the Associate Performance Director.
- Make themselves available for all team activities designated by the Head Coach Olympic Diving (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 Associate Performance Director.
- G9 Comply with Aquatics GB and World Aquatics swimwear regulations at the 2025 World Championships.

#### **Withdrawals**

- G10 If for any reason an athlete is unable or unwilling to fully comply with the Team Commitments (G5 to G9) they may be withdrawn from the team.
- Divers 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 Panel. In the event of injury or illness athletes may be deselected if they pose a risk to themselves, other athletes or team staff as determined by the Aquatics GB Chief Medical Officer or their designate.

# Replacements

G12 Replacement of athletes withdrawn from the team will be considered at the complete discretion of the Panel if viewed to be in the best interest of the overall team performance, subject to clause 4.1.

#### Other

G13 The World Class Leadership Team (WCLT) may amend selection policies at any time at its discretion.

# **Appeals**

G14 Any appeals against selections in relation to selection policies must be made in accordance with the Aquatics GB Team Selection Appeals Procedures, available online at https://www.britishswimming.org/performance/swimming/selection-policies/team-selection-appeals/ or by request from Adam Clarke, Head of Performance Services via <a href="mailto:Adam.Clarke@aquaticsgb.com">Adam.Clarke@aquaticsgb.com</a>

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