



Aquatics GB

**2025 World Aquatics Junior Swimming Championships
19th – 24th August 2025, Otopeni, ROMANIA
SELECTION POLICY**

**2025 European Aquatics Junior Swimming Championships
1st - 6th July 2025, Samorin, SLOVAKIA
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1. POLICY PURPOSE

- 1.1. This Selection Policy outlines the process for selecting the respective teams to represent Great Britain at the 2025 World Junior Championships in Otopeni, Romania 19th to 24th August 2025 (the “WAJSC25”) and 2025 European Junior Championships in Samorin, Slovakia, 1st to 6th July 2025 (the “EAJSC25”).

2. PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

- 2.1. The objective for both events is to provide influential competitive opportunities in the long-term development of British junior swimmers towards future senior international Olympic success, in individual and relay events.

3. SELECTION EVENT

- 3.1 Selections will be made from performances at the 2025 Aquatics GB Swimming Championships, London Aquatics Centre, London, 15th – 20th April 2025 (“the 2025 British Championships”), subject to clause 6.3 below.
- 3.2 In the event that the 2025 Aquatics GB Swimming Championships is cancelled, a revised selection policy will be published by the Swimming Leadership Team.

4. TEAM SIZE

- 4.1. Up to a maximum of 30 swimmers may be selected in total, for the 2025 World Junior Championships (WAJSC2025) and the 2025 European Junior Championships (EAJSC2025), subject to available funding. The total number of swimmers selected for each team will be at the discretion of the Performance Pathway Lead in consultation with the Performance Director (PD). There is no obligation to use all places available.
- 4.2. The split of places across both events (by number and gender) will be at the discretion of the Performance Pathway Lead in consultation with the GB Head Coach and in consideration of the performance objective outlined in clause 2.1.
- 4.3 Swimmers based overseas (outside of the United Kingdom) should take specific note of the General Conditions of this policy, with specific reference to clauses G3, G8 and G9.

5. AGE ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. Athletes born 2007 / 2008 / 2009 / 2010 / 2011

6. EVENT SELECTION

- 6.1. Swimmers recording a time that equals or betters the consideration times set out in Table 1 in their final round at the 2025 British Championships, pursuant to 6.2, will be **considered** for selection. The achievement of a listed consideration time does not mean the swimmer has achieved automatic selection and does not guarantee selection.
- 6.2. Only performances recorded in the Open Final or Junior Final at the 2025 British Championships will be taken into consideration for all events except for the 800m and 1500m freestyle events. In the 800m and 1500m freestyle events, all performances at the 2025 British Championships will be considered for selection. Performances in heat swims or swim-offs at the 2025 British Championships for all events other than the 800m and 1500m events, **will not** qualify for consideration under 6.1 or 6.2.

- 6.3. Additional places up to the stated maximum total number in 4.1 may be selected at the complete discretion of the Performance Pathway Lead in consultation with the GB Head Coach. These discretionary selections may be made from swimmers who have not have achieved the consideration times listed in Table 1 at the 2025 British Championships but are deemed to be able to contribute to the objectives set out in Clause 2.1 and 7.2. The Performance Pathway Lead is under no obligation to use these discretionary places.
- 6.4. The EAJSC25 team will be selected first and after the completion of that competition, the WAJSC25 team will be selected from performances at the EAJSC25, pursuant to clauses 2.1, 4.1 and 7.2.
- 6.5. All selected athletes for EAJSC25 will be deemed eligible for selection to the WAJSC25 subject to General Conditions G1 to G16.
- 6.6. Any eligible swimmer achieving selection for the 2025 World Aquatics Championships (senior) team may also be considered for selection to the WAJSC25 and/or EAJSC25 subject to discussion and agreement between the GB Head Coach, PD and the Performance Pathway Lead.
- 6.7. Any eligible swimmer achieving selection for the 2025 European Youth Olympic Festival team may also be considered for selection to the WAJSC25 and EAJSC25. All selections under this clause will be at the complete discretion of the Performance Pathway Lead and be designed to fulfil the performance objective outlined in clause 2.1 and will be deemed in the best interests of the long-term development of that athlete.

7. RELAY EVENT SELECTIONS

- 7.1. All team members selected under clauses 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4 and 6.5. for individual events will be considered to be eligible for relay team selection.
- 7.2. Additional swimmers may be selected for the relay events at the complete discretion of the Performance Pathway Lead pursuant to clauses 6.3, 6.4 and 6.5.

8. EVENT ENTRIES

- 8.1 This policy selects the swimmers onto the EAJSC25 and/or the WAJSC25 team. The Performance Pathway Lead and respective team Head Coaches will have the responsibility to determine individual and relay event entries, including those for non-Olympic events.

9. ORIENTATION AND PREPARATION

- 9.1 For the EAJSC25, there will be a mandatory team orientation event, held online, on Thursday 1st May 2025. Engagement in the orientation event is a mandatory condition of selection.
- 9.2 A compulsory programme of race preparation and simulation will be held regionally for selected swimmers and staff. Details to be confirmed at the team orientation event.
- 9.3 For those selected for the EAJSC25, and subject to available funding, all swimmers and team staff will be required to attend a team preparation camp, 27th – 30th June 2025, immediately prior to the EAJSC25. Details to be confirmed to selected swimmers and staff.

10. ASSEMBLY

- 10.1 All selected swimmers will be required to cover their own travel expenses to the designated assembly point in the UK for the team camps (see clauses 9.1, 9.2, 9.3).

11. NOTIFICATION

- 11.1 Athletes selected for the EAJSC25 will be notified before Friday 25th April 2025.
- 11.2 Athletes selected for the WAJSC25 will be notified by Tuesday 8th July 2025.

TABLE 1

EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025 CONSIDERATION TIMES		
FEMALE	EVENT	MALE
00:25.65	50m Freestyle	00:22.72
00:55.52	100m Freestyle	00:49.80
02:00.54	200m Freestyle	01:50.21
04:14.77	400m Freestyle	03:56.39
08:45.92	800m Freestyle	08:08.51
16:45.08	1500m Freestyle	15:35.43
01:02.41	100m Backstroke	00:56.10
02:14.95	200m Backstroke	02:01.90
01:09.38	100m Breaststroke	01:02.13
02:30.97	200m Breaststroke	02:14.57
01:00.03	100m Butterfly	00:53.42
02:13.25	200m Butterfly	02:00.43
02:17.23	200m Individual Medley	02:02.95
04:48.66	400m Individual Medley	04:24.99

SELECTION POLICY GENERAL CONDITIONS

ELIGIBILITY

Swimmers must:

- G1 Be a British citizen and eligible to represent Great Britain as per the World Aquatics 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 (AGB). Failure to do so will be interpreted as non-availability by AGB. Selection Acceptance Forms will be provided by AGB 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 World Aquatics eligibility, including in respect of nationality and/or anti-doping.

TEAM COMMITMENTS

All team members will be required to:

- G5 Comply with the AGB Code of Conduct. A breach of the AGB 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 AGB 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 Performance Pathway Lead and Performance Director may discuss performances of the entire team. Swimmers must not publicise any information in relation selection-related matters 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 Pathway Lead.
- G9 Make themselves available for all team activities designated by the Performance Pathway Lead (including but not limited to preparation camps and staging camps, see clauses 9.1, 9.2 and 9.3). 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 Performance Pathway Lead.
- G10 Comply with AGB and World Aquatics and European Aquatics swimwear regulations whilst competing at the WAJSC25 or EAJSC25

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 AGB 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 Performance Pathway Lead. 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 AGB Chief Medical Officer or her designate.

REPLACEMENTS

- G13 Replacement of swimmers withdrawn from the team will be considered at the complete discretion of the Performance Pathway Lead 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 Performance Pathway Lead will exercise their authority to ensure that the final selections for the WAJSC2025 and EAJSC2025 teams are in line with this policy.

APPEALS

- G16 Any appeals against non-selection must be made to AGB 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, 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.