



2023 EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 4th-9th July, Belgrade, SERBIA

2023 WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS Dates (August) tbc, venue tbc

SELECTION POLICY

1. POLICY PURPOSE

- 1.1. This Selection Policy outlines the process for selecting the respective teams to represent Great Britain at the 2023 World Junior Championships and 2023 European Junior Championships.

2. PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

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

3. SELECTION EVENT

- 3.1. Selections will be made from performances at the 2023 British Swimming Championships, (Ponds Forge International Sports Centre, Sheffield), 4th – 9th April 2023 (“the British Championships”), subject to clause 6.2 below.
- 3.2. In the event that the 2023 British Swimming Championships is cancelled, a revised selection policy will be published.

4. TEAM SIZE

- 4.1. Up to a maximum of 40 swimmers may be selected in total, subject to available funding, for the 2023 World Junior Championships and 2023 European Junior Championships. The total number of swimmers selected will be at the discretion of the Head of Performance Development in consultation with the Performance Director. There is no obligation to use all places.
- 4.2. The split of places across both events (by number and gender) will be at the complete discretion of the Head of Performance Development.
- 4.3. Swimmers will normally only be selected for one of the respective teams. However, at the complete discretion of the Head of Performance Development, an athlete may, at any time, be invited to compete at both events.
- 4.4. 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, G7 and G8.

5. AGE ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. Boys born 2005 / 2006 / 2007 / 2008
- 5.2. Girls born 2006 / 2007 / 2008 / 2009

6. INDIVIDUAL EVENT SELECTION

- 6.1. Swimmers recording a time that equals or betters the Minimum Consideration Times set out in Table 1 in any round at the 2023 British Championships will be **considered** for selection. The achievement of a Minimum Consideration Time does not mean the swimmer has achieved automatic selection and does not guarantee selection.
- 6.2. Additional places (‘discretionary selections’) up to the stated maximum team size in 4.1 may be selected at the complete discretion of the Head of Performance Development. These discretionary selections can

be made from swimmers who have not achieved the Minimum Consideration Times listed in Table 1 at the British Championships but are deemed to be able to contribute to the Performance Objective set out in Clause 2.1. The Head of Performance Development is under no obligation to use these discretionary places.

- 6.3. The Head of Performance Development will not normally select any athlete for either event if the athlete has been selected for the 2023 FINA World Championships (senior) Team, but the Head of Performance Development retains complete discretion to make such selections.

7. RELAY EVENT SELECTIONS

- 7.1. All team members selected under clauses 6.1 and 6.2 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 Head of Performance Development under clause 6.2.

8. EVENT ENTRIES

- 8.1 This policy only selects the swimmers onto the 2023 World Junior Championships or 2023 European Junior Championships Team. The Head of Performance Development and respective Head Coaches for the two events have the responsibility to then determine individual event entries, including those for non-Olympic events.

9. ASSEMBLY

- 9.1 All selected swimmers (for both events) will be expected to cover their own expenses to the designated assembly point in the UK to depart for the event.

10. ANNOUNCEMENT

- 10.1. The 2023 World Junior Championships and 2023 European Junior Championships Teams will be announced on, or before Friday 28th April 2023, subject to clause 4.3.

TABLE 1

2022 WORLD & EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS MINIMUM CONSIDERATION TIMES		
FEMALE	EVENT	MALE
25.97	50m Freestyle	22.98
56.18	100m Freestyle	50.30
02:01.53	200m Freestyle	01:50.63
04:18.89	400m Freestyle	03:55.03
08:54.00	800m Freestyle	08:09.40
16:56.79	1500m Freestyle	15:31.73
01:02.77	100m Backstroke	00:55.80
02:15.63	200m Backstroke	02:02.22
01:10.03	100m Breaststroke	01:02.86
02:31.05	200m Breaststroke	02:16.66
01:00.76	100m Butterfly	00:53.98
02:13.81	200m Butterfly	02:01.55
02:17.52	200m Individual Medley	02:03.79
04:53.50	400m Individual Medley	04:27.83

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 fulfil all team commitments.
- G4 Comply with any other FINA 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 British Swimming Code of Conduct. A breach of the British Swimming Code of Conduct may result in de-selection from the team.
- G6 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 event Head Coach and Head of Performance Development 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 Head of Performance Development.
- G8 Make themselves available for all team activities designated by the Head of Performance Development (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 Head of Performance Development.
- G9 Comply with British Swimming and FINA swimwear regulations while competing at the 2023 European Junior Championships and 2023 World Junior 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.
- G11 Swimmers becoming unfit due to illness or injury (physical or mental) at any time following their selection must notify British Swimming 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 Head of Performance Development. 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 British Swimming Chief Medical Officer or her designate.

Replacements

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



Other

G13 The World Class Programme Swimming Leadership team 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 British Swimming 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@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.