

2014 European Junior Championships

9th – 13th July 2014, Dodrecht, Netherlands



SELECTION POLICY

1. PERFORMANCE TARGET

- a) 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

- a) Selections will be made from performances at the 2014 British Gas Long Course Championships 10th – 15th April 2014. (Tollcross International Swimming Centre, Glasgow).

3. TEAM SIZE

- a) Up to a maximum of 24 swimmers may be selected, subject to available funding. However, British Swimming reserves the right to select less than this number at its complete discretion.
- b) Up to two (2) places will be available in each individual Olympic event. However, where LEN permits up to 4 entries in an individual event, the Head of Performance Pathway may use his absolute discretion to fill the 3rd and 4th spot when selecting swimmers under clause 5(b).
- c) If the number of eligible qualifying athletes identified in clause 5(a) exceeds the maximum number of available places, swimmers will be prioritised for selection at the absolute discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway in consultation with the GB Head Coach.

4. AGE ELIGIBILITY

- a) Boys born 1997/1996
- b) Girls born 1999/1998

5. INDIVIDUAL EVENT SELECTION

- a) To be eligible for selection for an individual event, a swimmer must have recorded a time that equals or betters the minimum consideration times set out in Table 1 at 'the Trials'. To be clear, the achievement of a minimum consideration time does not in any way guarantee selection.
- b) Up to four (4) 'wildcard' places on the final team can be filled, should it be deemed appropriate, at the absolute discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway in consultation with the GB Head Coach. These selections can be made from swimmers who may not have achieved the minimum consideration time listed in Table 1 but are deemed to be able to contribute to the Performance Target as stated in clause 1 above. However, the Head of Performance Pathway is under no obligation to use these 'wildcard' places.
- c) All performances recorded at 'the Trials' will be taken into account. In the case that swimmers under consideration are represented in both the senior and junior final of any given event, performances recorded in the senior final will take priority.
- d) Entry into non-Olympic events will be limited to those swimmers who have already been selected for the Team in accordance with clauses 5(a) and 5(b), and will be at the absolute discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway.

6. RELAY EVENT SELECTIONS

- a) All team members selected under clause 5(a) for individual events will be considered to be eligible for relay team selection.
- b) However, clause 5(b) allows that additional swimmers may be selected for the relay events at the absolute discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway in consultation with the GB Head Coach.

7. STAFF SELECTIONS

- a) The Head of Performance Pathway will assume the role of Team Leader for the meet.
- b) The Head Coach(es) will be appointed by the Head of Performance Pathway in his absolute discretion.
- c) Any additional staff will be selected at the absolute discretion of the Head of Performance Pathway in consultation with the GB Head Coach taking into consideration the number of swimmers selected for the team, additional support service requirements, staff balance and the support of team philosophies. Coaches of selected swimmers should not automatically expect to be selected.

8. ANNOUNCEMENT

- a) The European Junior Championship Team will be announced on or before Friday 18th April 2014.

TABLE 1

EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014 MINIMUM CONSIDERATION TIMES		
FEMALE	EVENT	MALE
00:26.27	50m Freestyle	00:23.27
00:56.96	100m Freestyle	00:50.82
02:03.17	200m Freestyle	01:51.60
04:19.74	400m Freestyle	03:56.68
08:50.65	800m Freestyle	
	1500m Freestyle	15:34.93
01:03.81	100m Backstroke	00:56.81
02:16.92	200m Backstroke	02:03.06
01:11.27	100m Breaststroke	01:03.45
02:32.82	200m Breaststroke	02:17.06
01:01.53	100m Butterfly	00:54.56
02:17.27	200m Butterfly	02:01.50
02:18.91	200m Individual Medley	02:04.54
04:55.56	400m Individual Medley	04:27.52

Note: This selection policy must be read in conjunction with the Selection Policy General Conditions that can be found on the British Swimming Website <http://www.swimming.org/britishswimming/swimming/selection-policies> or upon request.