# **FINA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015**

KAZAN, RUSSIA, 2ND - 9TH AUGUST

## **SELECTION POLICY**



#### 1. SELECTION TRIALS

1.1. Selections will be made from performances at the British Swimming Championships, London Aquatics Centre 14-18 April 2015. Selections will be notified to the athletes on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

#### 2. TEAM SIZE

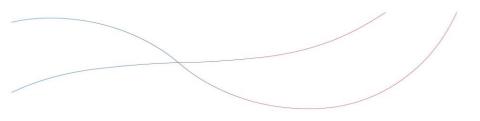
2.1. Up to a maximum of 30 athletes will be selected for the FINA World Championships 2015. Up to a maximum of two athletes per individual event can be selected. There is no obligation on British Swimming to select 30 athletes. The total team size will be determined by the National Performance Director (NPD) at his absolute discretion.

#### 3. SELECTION PROCESS

- 3.1. The first place finisher in the final of each individual 2016 Olympic event (as determined by FINA) will be selected, subject to the athlete recording a time that equals or betters the qualifying time listed in Table 1 in the final.
- 3.2. Up to a maximum of 6 selections may be made at the discretion of the GB Head Coach and the NPD. The NPD and GB Head Coach may use the rankings compiled under 3.3 below to assist their exercise of discretion. The rankings compiled under 3.3 below will only be used as a guide. In the event the GB Head Coach and NPD are unable to agree then the NPD's selection decision shall be final.
- 3.3. Subject to 2.1, 3.1 and 3.2 above consideration for selection of other athletes will then be given to athletes ranked inside or closest to (in percentage terms) times listed in Table 2.

Athletes will be ranked against times in Table 2 and where places remain considered for selection.

- I. Only athletes in events where places remain will be considered for selection.
- II. The top two finishers in the final of each 2016 Olympic event (as determined by FINA) will be ranked using their final time. For events where an athlete has been selected under 3.1 then the 2<sup>nd</sup> placed athlete will be ranked using their final time.
- III. The top four finishers in the final of the 100m and 200m Freestyle events will be ranked as a relay team on the basis of their combined finals time against the time in Table 2.
- IV. The winner of the 100m Backstroke, 100m Breaststroke, 100m Butterfly and 100m Freestyle will be ranked as a relay team on the basis of their combined finals time against the time in Table 2.
- V. In the event of a tie (equal 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> or where two or more swimmers are ranked the same percentage difference to the times listed in Table 2) the swimmers' heat time will be considered.
- VI. In the event of an equal 4<sup>th</sup> place in the 100m and 200m freestyle final, the heat time of the swimmers will be used to determine which swimmer is ranked as part of the relay team
- VII. Athletes outside 2% of the published times in Table 2 will not be considered for selection except in exceptional circumstances as determined by the NPD in his complete discretion.





3.4 Athletes <u>may only</u> be considered for entry in non-Olympic events, or in events where places remain, if they are already selected to the team under 3.1, 3.2 or 3.3 above. This decision is at the sole discretion of the GB Head Coach.

TABLE 1 – 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE FINISHER QUALIFYING STANDARDS – SELECTIONS UNDER 3.1

1 <sup>ST</sup> PLACE FINISHERS - QUALIFYING STANDARDS		
FEMALE	EVENT	MALE
24.35	50 Freestyle	21.65
53.43	100 Freestyle	48.13
1:55.93	200 Freestyle	1:45.63
4:04.47	400 Freestyle	3:44.58
8:21.22	800 Freestyle	
	1500 Freestyle	14:51.06
59.59	100 Backstroke	53.12
2:08.55	200 Backstroke	1:55.30
1:06.51	100 Breaststroke	59.58
2:23.05	200 Breaststroke	2:08.34
57.43	100 Butterfly	51.69
2:06.81	200 Butterfly	1:55.29
2:10.20	200 Individual Medley	1:57.83
4:33.01	400 Individual Medley	4:10.49

TABLE 2 – INDIVIDUAL AND RELAY SWIMMER CONSIDERATION TIMES – SELECTIONS UNDER 3.3

CONSIDERATION TIMES		
FEMALE	EVENT	MALE
24.01	50 Freestyle	21.43
52.87	100 Freestyle	47.52
1:54.91	200 Freestyle	1:44.56
4:02.41	400 Freestyle	3:43.36
8:17.07	800 Freestyle	
	1500 Freestyle	14:40.90
58.54	100 Backstroke	52.41
2:05.66	200 Backstroke	1:53.24
1:05.36	100 Breaststroke	59.00
2:21.72	200 Breaststroke	2:07.59
56.34	100 Butterfly	50.86
2:05.38	200 Butterfly	1:53.62
2:08.25	200 Individual Medley	1:55.79
4:30.65	400 Individual Medley	4:07.89
3:34.40	4 x 100 Freestyle	3:12.63
7:45.58	4 x 200 Freestyle	7:04.40
3:55.60	4 x 100 Medley	3:31.89



# **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 fulfill national team commitments.

#### Coaches must:

- G4 Be holders of the UKCC/ASA Coaches Certificate or equivalent, or be enrolled on an UKCC/ASA Coach Course at time of selection.
- G5 Have been resident within the UK for a minimum period of two years leading into selection, unless employed or deployed by a British or Home Country national governing body.

#### **TEAM COMMITMENTS**

#### All Team members will be required to:

- G6 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
- G7 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 GB Head Coach and National Performance Director may discuss performances of the entire team.
- 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 National Performance Director.
- Make themselves available for all team activities designated by the GB Head Coach (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 National Performance Director.
- G10 Comply with British Swimming and FINA swimwear regulations.

#### **WITHDRAWALS**

- G11 If for any reason an athlete is unable or unwilling to fully comply with the Team Commitments (G6 to G10) they may be withdrawn from the team.
- G12 Athletes becoming unfit due to illness or injury at any time following their selection must notify British Swimming immediately and will be required to undertake a full medical examination by British Swimming Medical staff, which may result in the athlete being de-selected from the team at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach.
- G13 Athletes may be subjected to fitness (land/water) and/or medical tests at any time following their selection. Any athlete judged to be unfit by British Swimming, following tests conducted by British Swimming, may be deselected from the team at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach.

### **REPLACEMENTS**

Replacement of athletes withdrawn from the team will be considered at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach if viewed to be in the best interest of the overall team performance.



#### **OTHER**

G15 The World Class Programme Performance Leadership Group (PLG) may amend selection policies at any time at its discretion.

### **APPEALS**

Any appeals against selections in relation to selection policies must be made in accordance with the British Swimming Team Selection Appeals Procedures, available by request from Adam Clarke, Head of Performance Services via email at <a href="mailto:adam.clarke@swimming.org">adam.clarke@swimming.org</a> Athletes should be aware of the time limits contained in the Procedures, which are designed with the intention of resolving issues expeditiously and fairly.