# 2014 EUROPEAN LONG COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> August, Berlin, Germany SELECTION POLICY



## 1. Event Performance Objective

1.1. The objective for this meet is to maximise medal outcomes in Olympic individual events and provide a positive competitive opportunity in the long-term development of targeted 'junior' swimmers towards future senior international success.

## 2. Team Size

- 2.1. Up to 24 swimmers may be selected, subject to available funding and at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach and Head of Performance Pathway.
- 2.2. The number and composition of senior and junior athletes selected shall be at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach and Head of Performance Pathway.
- 2.3. Targeted 'junior' swimmers for this meet will be up to the age of 20 (male) and 18 (female) as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014.
- 2.4. Up to 4 additional 'wild card' places will be available for swimmers, at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach and Head of Performance Pathway.
- 2.5. The GB Head Coach and Head of Performance pathway reserve the right to select less than 24 swimmers at their complete discretion.
- 2.6. There will be a different selection process for senior and junior athletes as outlined in 3.1-3.9 below.

# 3. Senior athlete selections

- 3.1. Selections will be made on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014 from eligible swimmers.
- 3.2. All swimmers for whom the European Long Course Championships is a stated target meet in their annual performance plan (as agreed by the GB Head Coach) will be eligible for selection.
- 3.3. In all Olympic events selections will be based on ranking against the 2014 Top 3 European (2pn) ranked time as of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014.
- 3.4. An athlete's best long course time achieved in the meets listed in Table 1 will be used.
- 3.5. Selection priority will be given to those athletes ranked inside or closest (in percentage terms) to the Top 3 European ranked times (as published in the FINA website) up to a maximum of 2 swimmers in any one event.
- 3.6. Demonstrate an uncompromised commitment to training preparation for peak performance at the Event. The GB Head Coach may deselect any athlete after a review of their performances at the Commonwealth Games 2014. Any replacements for de-selected athletes will be made at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach.

#### Junior athlete selections

- 3.7. Junior athlete selections will be made from eligible swimmers by the Head of Performance Pathway at his complete discretion.
- 3.8. To be considered for selection, swimmers will need to fit within the age parameters set out in 2.3 and have met the minimum consideration time in Table 2.
- 3.9. Selections will be made on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014 following the conclusion of the European Junior Championships.

#### Additional individual selections

3.10. Up to 4 additional wild card selections will be confirmed after the Commonwealth Games at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach and Head of Performance Pathway. There is no obligation for any junior wild card selection to meet the times listed in Table 2.

## 4. Relay Selections

- 4.1. Relay teams will be selected at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach. There is no obligation to select any relay teams.
- 4.2. Relay teams will comprise athletes selected for individual events and where appropriate relay only swimmers under 3.10.

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## 5. Staff Selections

5.1. All staff will be selected at the complete discretion of the GB Head Coach and Head of Performance Pathway.

### Table 1

Senior selections - consideration meets

Scottish Gas National Championships, Glasgow, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> April 2014 British Gas Swimming Championships, Glasgow, 10<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> April 2014 Mare Nostrum series; Monaco 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> June, Canet 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> June, Barcelona 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> June 2014 British Gas International Swimming Meet, Manchester, 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June 2014

## Table 2

Minimum consideration times for Junior swimmers

Female	2013 European Top 20 Times (as of 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2013) (2PN)	Male
25.46	50 Freestyle	22.54
55.14	100 Freestyle	49.54
02:00.41	200 Freestyle	01:48.93
04:13.40	400 Freestyle	03:51.83
08:46.33	800 Freestyle	
	1500 Freestyle	15:18.95
01:01.66	100 Backstroke	55.14
02:13.42	200 Backstroke	02:01.03
01:08.59	100 Breaststroke	01:01.48
02:30.10	200 Breaststroke	02:12.88
59.22	100 Butterfly	52.74
02:13.03	200 Butterfly	01:58.38
02:14.84	200 Individual Medley	02:01.71
04:47.99	400 Individual Medley	04:22.50

- Appeals: Any appeals against selections in relation to this World Class Programme selection policy must be made in accordance with the British Swimming Team Selection Appeals Procedures that can be found on the British Swimming website <u>http://www.swimming.org</u> or upon request.
- Note: This selection policy must be read in conjunction with the Selection Policy General that Conditions be found the British Swimming can on Website http://www.swimming.org/britishswimming/swimming/selection-policies or upon request.