

SELECTION POLICY

NATIONAL SELECTION POLICY FOR DIVING

2020

Overview

This document is intended to provide transparency on those factors that make up the selection process for Diving for 2020 for the **FINA World Cup (Tokyo 21 – 26 April 2020)** and for the **LEN European Championships (Budapest, 18 – 24 May 2020)**.

Rationale

Diving is an extremely subjective sport and thus there will be a significant component of subjective decision making in regard to the final selection of the team. Final selection is at the sole discretion of the National Performance Director (“NPD”).

This policy is a qualifying document but please be aware of and understand the following:

1. *On meeting the Selection Criteria, divers are only **Eligible for Consideration for Selection**. The final team selection will be at the sole discretion of the NPD.*
2. *All selected team members are required to sign and comply with the British Swimming Code of Conduct.*
3. *Any diver or coach who withdraws from the team following selection may be liable for reimbursement of any costs incurred.*

Appeals

All appeals of decisions of nomination to the BS Diving Team will be dealt with under the British Swimming Team Selection Appeals Procedure. Details are available from the British Swimming Legal Affairs Department if required. Athletes should be aware of the time limits contained in the Procedures, which are designed with the intention of resolving issues expeditiously and fairly.

Objectives

- To select athletes that will form the team to achieve the best possible results.
- To select athletes that has the potential to succeed at future events.
- To employ a transparent and fair selection process that provides all athletes a chance to challenge for team selection.
- For the FINA World Cup (the last phase of Tokyo Olympic Games qualification process) to select athletes that will provide maximum qualification spots for British Swimming for the Tokyo Olympic Games 2020.

Events

The following events will be used for selection, subject always to the NPD’s sole discretion:

- 1. British National Championships – 24 – 26 January 2020, Plymouth.
- 2. FINA World Cup – 21 – 26 April 2020, Tokyo, Japan.

The National Championships (24-26 Jan-2020) will act as the main selection event for FINA World Series, FINA Grand Prix, FINA World Cup 2020 and LEN European Championships 2020.

The NPD has identified these competitions for athlete performance monitoring in the build up to the Olympic Games in Tokyo. The NPD will use these competitions to assist his decision making and exercise of his discretion, however, performances at these Competitions will only be used as a guide. The NPD will select the athletes at his sole discretion.

Selection for -

FINA World Cup 2020

21 – 26 April 2020

Tokyo, Japan

The FINA World Cup is the last phase of the Tokyo Olympic Games 2020 qualification process as well as the final phase of the selection for the Tokyo Olympic Games. At the last 2019 World Championships in Gwangju, the British National Diving Team qualified British Swimming spots in 2 (Men's 3m Synchro and Men's 10m Synchro) out of 4 synchro events and 6 individual spots in all individual events (2 spots on Men's platform, 2 spots on Men's 3m, 1 spot on Women's 3m and 1 spot on Women's 10m events).

Objective:

Therefore the objectives of selection of athletes for this event are as follows:

- 1) To select those athletes who are able to obtain remaining qualification spots for British Swimming for the Tokyo Olympic Games 2020
- 2) To finalise the selection for the Tokyo Olympic Games

These disciplines are: Women's 3m (1 spot), Women's 10m (1 spot), Women's 3m Synchro, Women's 10m Synchro.

The NPD following the 2020 British National Championships (24th – 26th January 2020) will announce the team list for the FINA World Cup-2020 within 3 working days after completion of the event.

Individual Events (3 metre springboard and 10 metre platform)

There will be a preliminary round and then cut to the top 8 for the final.

1. The winner of the individual events will be automatically selected, subject to the Qualifying Standards being achieved.

The second place divers for individual events as well as Synchronised couples will be selected by the NPD at his sole discretion.

The Qualifying Standards for Women's 3m and Women's 10m below are taken from the 2019 FINA World Championships and using the 18th place score from the prelims of these disciplines and then rounded up.

The Qualifying Standards for Men's 3m and Men's 10m below are taken from the 2019 FINA World Championships and using the 18th place score from the prelims and 12th place from the semi-final and then rounded up.

Qualifying Standards required to be **eligible for consideration for selection** are:

Discipline	Preliminary	Final
Men's 3m	400	430
Women's 3m	260	260
Women's 10m	290	290
Men's 10m	390	420

NOTE: If due to injury or illness any diver cannot compete at the British National Diving Championships in January 2020, they **MUST** provide a Medical Certificate.

Selection for - **2020 LEN European Swimming Championships**
18 – 24 May 2020
Budapest, Hungary

The NPD, at his sole discretion, will select the team following the British National Championships in January 2020. The 2020 European Championships will act as the rehearsal for the Tokyo Olympic Games 2020.

Therefore the same criteria as for the World Cup 2020 will be applied. However NPD can make amendments to the team list after the World Cup based upon the team performance. The NPD will announce the team list for the LEN Swimming European Championships within 3 working days after completion of the World Cup.

1m springboard:

There will be a preliminary round and then cut to the top 8 for the final.

The winner of the event at the 2020 British National Championships will be automatically selected subject to the Qualifying Standard below, and will be ***eligible for consideration for selection.***

Qualifying Standards below are taken from the 2020 FINA World Championships and using the 12th place score from the preliminaries and then rounded up.

Men's 1m	360
Women's 1m	240

Selection for: **2020 FINA World Series and FINA Grand Prix competitions**

The NPD will select divers for the FINA Diving Grand Prix-2020 and the FINA World Series competitions following the British National Championships-2020 at his sole discretion and announce the team list within 3 working days from the conclusion of this event.

General:

- Selection will be conditional on signing and complying with all British Swimming provisions consisting of:
 - British Swimming Doping Control Rules and Protocols
 - Selection Agreement and Code of Conduct
 - British Swimming Disciplinary Code
 - ASA Child Protection Procedures
- The NPD will exercise his authority to ensure that the final selections for the FINA World Cup-2020, LEN European Championships-2020, FINA Diving Grand Prix 2020 and FINA Diving World Series-2020 diving teams are in line with this Policy with a view to achieving the objectives.
- Athletes must demonstrate an uncompromised commitment to training preparation for the peak performance at the FINA World Cup-2020, LEN European Championships-2020, FINA Diving Grand Prix 2020 and FINA Diving World Series-2020 as determined by the NPD. If for any reason the athlete is unable or unwilling to fulfil this commitment, they may be withdrawn from the team at the complete discretion of the NPD.
- Athletes will be expected to attend each programmed event, where selected, taking part in all programmed activities. Unless otherwise agreed, no athlete will be allowed to leave a camp or undertake any activities that are not directly relevant to the camp programme, this includes any external media or social activities.
- Athletes becoming unfit due to illness or injury at any time following selection of the team must notify British Diving immediately and will be required to undertake a full medical examination (by an independent medical advisor approved by British Swimming Medical Staff), which may result in the athlete being de-selected from the team at the discretion of the NPD.