



BRITISH ATHLETICS

2017 World Para Athletics Junior Championships 3-6 August 2017 Nottwil, SUI

Selection Policy – updated April 2017

Overview

This Selection Policy has been created in line with British Athletics' strategic aim of winning medals at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games and beyond. The policy has therefore been structured to select a team with the following aims:

- Medal success at the 2017 World Para Athletics Junior Championships; and
- Providing an opportunity for developing athletes who are on the pathway towards individual medal success at future Senior World Championships and Paralympic Games.

It is intended that athletes will not compete in **both** the World Para Athletics Junior Championships and the World Para Athletics Championships. Athletes will be entered for the competition that is deemed by the Selection Panel to be of most benefit for their athletic development.

Eligibility

1. To be considered for selection, athletes must satisfy the following:
 - a. Be eligible to compete for GB & NI (i.e. UK passport holder and IPC international clearance to represent GB & NI);
 - b. Hold an IPC Athletics Athlete License, valid for the 2017 calendar year;
 - c. Be born in the year 1998, 1999 (Under 20), 2000, 2001, 2002 or 2003 (Under 18); and
 - d. Hold an IPC Athletics (confirmed or review) or British Athletics National Classification, gained by 24:00 (BST) 11 June 2017 in one of the following classifications:
 - i. Track: T11-13, T20, T31-38, T42-47, T51-54
 - ii. Field: F11-13, F20, F31- F38, F40-47, F51-57

Note: Not all events are offered to all classes. IPC will review the viability of the event based on a minimum of 4 athletes from 2 countries being entered. The event may then be run as a non-medal event or cancelled. If an event is cancelled, the athlete's selection will be withdrawn.



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- Athletes who have previously competed at Major Senior Championships (i.e. Paralympic Games and/or IPC Athletics World Championships) will NOT be considered for selection. Exceptions to this will only be granted by the Head Coach.

Selection Process

- The team will be selected in one selection meeting on **Monday 12 June 2017**.
- The Team will be announced on Tuesday 13 June 2017.
- Up to three athletes may be entered into any single class event. Where classifications are combined, a maximum of 5 athletes may be entered, with a maximum of 3 from any one class.
- Athletes will be selected based on the following (and any other factors deemed relevant):
 - Performances achieved between 00:00 (GMT) 1 January 2016 and 24:00 (BST) 11 June 2017;
 - IPC Athletics World Rankings (2016 and 2017);
 - Current form;
 - Performances in non-IPC approved competitions (results submitted to Powerof10);
 - Record at previous junior championships (if applicable);
 - Performance-limiting injury or illness;
 - The relative strength of an event/class at previous Paralympic Games/World Championships and/or World Junior Championships;
 - Athlete head-to-heads; and
 - Medal potential in Tokyo 2020 and/or beyond.
- Athletes will be selected on the merit of their primary event. The primary event must be an event included in the Tokyo 2020 event programme. An athlete may be entered into a secondary event that is not on the Tokyo 2020 event programme, if competing in the event is not deemed by the Selection Panel to be detrimental to their performance in the primary event;
- To ensure high level competition and optimise experience, athletes will be selected to compete in the highest available age group. Exceptions to this may only be agreed by the Head Coach;



Appeals

9. There shall be no right of appeal to the selection of the British Athletics Team made by the Selection Panel. The provisions of the British Athletics Selection and Nomination "Fast" Appeals Procedure do not apply to the British Athletics team selections for the 2017 World Para Athletics Junior Championships.