



BRITISH
ATHLETICS

2018 IAAF World Indoor Championships **Selection Policy Key Facts**

This key facts document outlines the vital information contained in the British Athletics selection policy for the 2018 IAAF World Indoor Championships.

This document contains limited information and acts as guidance only.

For full details of the selection process (including qualification standards and conditions) please consult the full selection policy, available on the British Athletics [website](#).

Eligibility

- Athletes must meet IAAF age and nationality requirements;
- Athletes **MUST** compete in the Trials on 17th & 18th February, in the event in which they wish to be considered for selection (the Performance Director, at his absolute discretion, may grant athletes permission to compete in a different discipline at the Trials). The only exception is in the case of injury – where there is a clear process for validating that an athlete is genuinely injured; AND
- Athletes must sign and adhere to the British Athletics TMA **BEFORE** the Championships begin.

Qualification:

Athletes can qualify for the World Indoor Championships in the following ways:

- By achieving the relevant IAAF qualification standard within the qualifying period (01/01/17-18/02/18);
- By winning the 2018 World Indoor Tour;
- By receiving an invitation from the IAAF; OR
- By being considered by the selection panel to be eligible for a home nation slot.

Selection process

- All events will be selected on **19th February**.
- A maximum of two athletes may be selected in each event. In events where there is a British winner of the World Indoor Tour, a maximum of three athletes may be selected.

Automatic selections:

- The **first athlete past the post** at the trials will be automatically selected, provided they have achieved at least one qualification standard in that event.
- **2018 IAAF World Indoor Tour winners** will also be automatically selected (these will not be confirmed until after 25th February).

All other qualifiers:

- All other athletes with qualification standards achieved will be selected provided they have **current form/fitness**.
- Where more athletes have qualified than there are places available, selections will be made based on the usual set of criteria (form/head-to-heads/season best etc.).

Host Nation Slots:

- As the host nation, British Athletics are permitted (subject to approval from the Technical Delegate) to enter one athlete in any event (excluding combined events) where we would otherwise not have any representation – this includes events where we have a qualified athlete but they are either injured or choose not to compete in Birmingham.
- Athletes will be selected if the selection panel considers them to be a **genuine medal contender in Birmingham** OR if the panel considers them to have **genuine future global medal potential** and would be considered likely to benefit from the competition exposure.

IAAF invitations (to take place as/when received from IAAF):

- These will also be accepted, provided the athlete(s) concerned have **current form/fitness**.
- IAAF invitations (except for combined events) will not be received until after the selection meeting and final entry deadline.

Relay athlete selection process

- A team will be selected for Men's and Women's relays.
- A maximum of six athletes will be selected for each team.
- Individual 400m selections will be automatically added to the 4x400m relay teams.
- All other athletes will be selected based on the usual criteria (form/head-to-heads/season best etc.).

Appeals

- Due to the early staging of the 2018 World Indoor Championships and the shortened qualification period, the Trials and selection date has been pushed to the latest possible point during the qualification period – this will take place on the same day as the IAAF final entry. As such, there will be NO ability to appeal the selection decisions made by the Panel for these championships.