



BRITISH ATHLETICS

2018 WPA European Championships
20th – 26th August 2018
Berlin, Germany

Selection Policy – May 2018.

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 2018 WPA European Championships; and
- Opportunities for developing athletes with the potential for future success at senior outdoor major championships;

Eligibility

1. To be considered for selection, athletes must satisfy each of the following:
 - a. Be eligible to compete for GB&NI (i.e. full British passport holder);
 - b. Hold an IPC Athlete Licence, valid for the 2018 calendar year;
 - c. By Sunday 8th July 2018 hold either a World Para Athletics ("WPA") "New", "Review" or "Confirmed" Classification, OR British Athletics National Classification in an eligible class (as listed in the WPA Tokyo Paralympic Medal Event Programme). Athletes wishing to compete in the RR1 or RR3 100m must hold a CPISRA "Review" classification;
 - d. For athletes who possess a WPA classification, any such classification must also be underpinned by a Relevant Diagnosis (as defined in paragraph 2 below) which is to the satisfaction of the British Athletics Chief Medical Officer ("the CMO") in accordance with paragraph 2. For the avoidance of doubt, these requirements apply to all athletes seeking selection under this Selection Policy, including those with a physical, visual or intellectual impairment;
 - e. Be 14 years or older as at 31st December 2018; and
 - f. Have achieved at least one Minimum Qualification Standard ("MQS") performance (see Appendix A of this Selection Policy) in an event featured on the 2020 Tokyo Paralympic Medal Event Programme (see [WPA Website](#) for the full Tokyo Paralympic Medal Event Programme), in accordance with paragraphs 16 to 22 below.

- g. Sign the British Athletics Team Members' Agreement ("TMA") and abide by its terms and conditions. Any athlete failing to do so prior to the first date of competition will result in their selection being withdrawn. The current version of the TMA can be found online at <http://uka.org.uk/world-class/gb-ni-team-info/>.

Note: For the avoidance of doubt, RR1 and RR3 100m events are not currently on the Tokyo 2020 medal event programme. However, British Athletics are committed to supporting the development of Race Running as a discipline within the WPA European Championships and as such RR1, RR2 and RR3 athletes will be considered eligible for selection in the same way as those athletes competing in events with a recognised Paralympic pathway. Please note, athletes in ALL other events, must still satisfy paragraph 1(f) above in competing in a primary event that features on the Tokyo medal event programme.

The WPA Europeans Event Programme will be confirmed following close of entries on 12th July 2018. If the structure of any events change, for example, classes are combined or events become non-viable, the selection panel will reconsider any athletes originally selected in these events. Athletes may be deselected if the panel do not believe they meet the selection criteria for the new event.

Relevant Diagnosis

2. The CMO must be satisfied of any medical diagnosis that underpins an athlete's classification (such a diagnosis being a "Relevant Diagnosis") and must be satisfied that the impairment diagnosed causes permanent and verifiable physical, visual or intellectual activity limitation consistent with the athlete's classification. The following provisions shall apply in connection with the CMO's assessment of a Relevant Diagnosis:
 - a. it shall be the responsibility of the athlete to obtain and provide documentary evidence of a Relevant Diagnosis so as to show to the CMO's satisfaction that the impairment causes permanent and verifiable physical, visual or intellectual activity limitation consistent with the athlete's classification;
 - b. the athlete shall comply with all reasonable requests of the CMO for further evidence of the Relevant Diagnosis, and the costs of obtaining such evidence shall be met by British Athletics; and
 - c. all documentary evidence submitted in support of a Relevant Diagnosis must be in English, dated and signed by a registered medical professional who provided the diagnosis.

Selection Process

3. The team will be selected on **Monday 9th July 2018**.
4. The team will be announced on **Wednesday 11th July 2018**.
5. The Selection Panel ("the Panel") for the meeting shall comprise:
 - a. Voting members;
 - i. British Athletics' Paralympic Head Coach; and
 - ii. Event group representatives as nominated by the Head Coach.
 - b. Non-voting members:
 - i. British Athletics' Paralympic Performance Programme Manager (who will chair the meeting);
 - ii. At least one independent observer;
 - iii. British Athletics' Chief Medical Officer ("the CMO");
 - iv. Statistician;
 - v. Media representative; and
 - vi. Note-takers etc. as required.

6. For all events excluding Race Running, the Selection Panel will select a maximum of 50 athletes in rounds 1, 2 and 3 (outlined in paragraphs 8 to 10).
7. For Race Running events, the Selection Panel will select a maximum of 4 additional athletes in round 4 (outlined in paragraph 11).
8. Round 1 – top ranked Europeans
 Eligible athletes who are ranked in the top three (3) of individual MQS WPA European Championships Rankings at 09:00 (BST) on Monday 9th July 2018 (in the same event that the MQS has been achieved) will be automatically selected, with the following exceptions:
 - a. Athletes competing in “weak” events (i.e. less than eight (8) athletes from three (3) different countries represented on the MQS WPA European Championships Rankings), will NOT be automatically selected. They will instead be considered in round 2 (paragraph 9);
 - b. If the total number of selectable athletes in round 1 exceeds the maximum of 50. In such a situation, the factors listed in paragraph 9 will be used to prioritise which athletes are selected.
9. Round 2 – all remaining eligible individual athletes:
 - a. Athletes will only be selected for individual events in this round if the Selection Panel believe they have realistic potential to:
 - i. Win a medal in Berlin, OR;
 - ii. Finish in the top eight (8) at the 2019 World Para Athletics Championships AND go on to win a medal at future senior World Para Athletics Championships or Paralympic Games.
 - b. Athletes will be selected based on the following (and any other factors deemed relevant):
 - i. Number of times MQS have been achieved;
 - ii. WPA European/World Ranking;
 - iii. Current form;
 - iv. Performances in non-WPA approved competitions (results submitted to Powerof10);
 - v. Record at previous major senior championships (2017 World Para Athletics Championships, 2016 Rio Paralympic Games);
 - vi. Performance-limiting injury or illness;
 - vii. The relative strength of an event/class at previous Paralympic Games and World Championships;
 - viii. Athlete head-to-heads; and
 - ix. Tokyo 2020 potential, including likelihood of an athletes’ primary event featuring in the Tokyo medal event programme (available online at the [WPA website](#)).
10. Round 3 – relays:
 - a. A team of up to six (6) athletes may be entered for the 4 x 100m mixed relay event to be staged at the European Championships, provided that each athlete is entered for individual events.
 - b. The team must consist of two (2) male and two (2) female athletes.
 - c. The following classes are eligible for each leg:
 - i. First leg: T11, T12 or T13;
 - ii. Second leg: T42, T43, T44, T45, T46, T47, T61, T62, T63 or T64;
 - iii. Third leg: T35, T36, T37 or T38; and
 - iv. Fourth leg: T33, T34, T51, T52, T53 or T54.

- d. A relay team (including additional relay team members) will only be selected if the Selection Panel believe the athletes already selected for individual events are those who would realistically combine to contend for a relay medal in Tokyo.
- e. Athletes will be selected based on the following:
 - i. WPA rules regarding classification/discipline combinations;
 - ii. Current form;
 - iii. Head-to-heads;
 - iv. Previous major competition history;
 - v. Injury status; and
 - vi. Engagement with the British Athletics relay programme(s).

11. Round 4 – Race Running:

- a. The selection panel will select up to two (2) male and two (2) female athletes to compete in RR1 100m and/or RR3 100m.
- b. Athletes will be selected based on the following (and any other factors deemed relevant):
 - i. Current form;
 - ii. Performances in non-WPA approved competitions (results submitted to Powerof10);
 - iii. Performance-limiting injury or illness; and
 - iv. Athlete head-to-heads.

12. Round 5 – doubling up:

- a. The Selection Panel may allow an athlete already selected in one individual event to be selected into additional individual events (including non-Tokyo medal events) after the conclusion of all previous rounds, provided the athlete meets the qualification conditions set out in this Selection Policy for the additional event(s).
- b. The Selection Panel cannot override previous selections or preclude another athlete selected in previous rounds.
- c. In making their decision the Selection Panel will consider the following:
 - i. The impact on the athlete's preparation and performance of their primary event;
 - ii. The athlete's ability to finish in the top 8 in their secondary event; and
 - iii. The secondary event as a development opportunity for the athlete.

Note: The criteria outlined above, in rounds 2 – 5 (paragraphs 9.b., 10.e. and 11.b.) are not listed in priority order.

Conditions

- 13. In all track events and single class field events, a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes may be entered per medal event (single class) provided all have achieved at least one (1) valid MQS.
- 14. In combined field events a maximum of five (5) eligible athletes may be selected, with a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes per single class.
- 15. MQS must be achieved in WPA approved competitions (see [WPA website](#) for a full list of domestic and overseas WPA approved events).

Note: Domestic, non-disabled competitions are not automatically approved by WPA. A list of WPA endorsed domestic competitions is available on the Paralympic Portal calendar and WPA website.

16. In order for qualifying performances to be recognised by IPC, athletes must hold an IPC Athlete License at the commencement of the competition in which the performance was achieved. Athletes without a valid IPC license must submit new requests for a license at least one (1) week prior to the commencement of that competition. All requests must be submitted to Jan Richards at jrichards@britishathletics.org.uk.
17. Wind-assisted performances in the 100m, 200m and Long Jump (or performances achieved at events where wind measurement was not available/recorded) will not be accepted.
18. Indoor performances will not be accepted.
19. Hand timed performances in 100m, 200m, 400m & 4x100m will not be accepted.
20. Field event performances must be achieved using implements with a “minimum” weight, as outlined per classification (see [WPA website](#) for implement weights).
21. Multiple performances achieved in the same individual event in a single day will count as follows:
 - a. In track events only the fastest legal result of the day;
 - b. In throwing events only the best trial of the first competition of the day; and
 - c. In horizontal jumps only the best trial of the first competition of the day, unless every mark achieved by the athlete was windy in which case a second competition held under safer conditions will count.
22. For selection purposes, the MQS ranking will be used, including the combined ranking for track or field events in which more than one class is eligible (for example, F42/61/63).
23. In truly exceptional circumstances (for example changes to WPA classification status or changes to the event programme) the panel may make selections based on the general spirit of this policy.

Appeals

24. There shall be no right of appeal to the selection of the GB&NI Team made by the Selection Panel. The provisions of the British Athletics Selection and Nomination “Fast” Appeals Procedure do not apply to the GB&NI team selections for the 2018 WPA European Championships.

Appendix A: WPA Event List and Minimum Qualification Standards

World Para Athletics will review the event viability following the close of final entries on 12th July 2018. As such, events may be combined, cancelled or run as non-medal events.

MENS

#	Event	Eligible Classes (TBC)	MQS
1	Men's 100m T11	T11	12.50
2	Men's 100m T12	T12	12.15
3	Men's 100m T13	T13	12.10
4	Men's 100m RR1*	RR1*	Nil
5	Men's 100m RR3*	RR2/RR3*	Nil
6	Men's 100m T33	T33	30.00
7	Men's 100m T34	T34	21.00
8	Men's 100m T35	T35	16.00
9	Men's 100m T36	T36	15.20
10	Men's 100m T37	T37	13.30
11	Men's 100m T38	T38	13.10
12	Men's 100m T47	T45/46/47	11.80
13	Men's 100m T51	T51	30.00
14	Men's 100m T52	T52	23.00
15	Men's 100m T53	T53	18.00
16	Men's 100m T54	T54	15.50
17	Men's 100m T63	T42/63	16.00
18	Men's 100m T64	T44/62/64	13.00
19	Men's 200m T11	T11	26.50
20	Men's 200m T12	T12	25.20
21	Men's 200m T13	T13	25.00
22	Men's 200m T35	T35	33.50
23	Men's 200m T36	T36	32.00
24	Men's 200m T37	T37	27.00
25	Men's 200m T38	T38	27.00
26	Men's 200m T47	T47	24.50
27	Men's 200m T51	T51	50.00
28	Men's 200m T53	T53	31.00
29	Men's 200m T54	T54	28.00
30	Men's 400m T11	T11	1:00.00
31	Men's 200m T61	T61	35.00
32	Men's 200m T62	T62	32.00
33	Men's 200m T64	T44/64	30.00
34	Men's 400m T12	T12	56.00
35	Men's 400m T13	T13	56.00
36	Men's 400m T20	T20	1:00.00
37	Men's 400m T34	T34	1:20.00
38	Men's 400m T36	T36	1:11.00
39	Men's 400m T37	T37	1:07.00
40	Men's 400m T38	T38	1:05.00
41	Men's 400m T62	T62	1:20.00

42	Men's 400m T47	T45/46/47	58.00
43	Men's 400m T52	T51/52	1:25.00
44	Men's 400m T53	T53	57.00
45	Men's 400m T54	T54	52.00
46	Men's 800m T20	T20	2:14.00
47	Men's 800m T34	T33/34	2:20.00
48	Men's 800m T36	T36	2:40.00
49	Men's 800m T53	T53	2:00.00
50	Men's 800m T54	T54	1:42.00
51	Men's 1500m T11	T11	4:50.00
52	Men's 1500m T13	T12/13	4:20.00
53	Men's 1500m T20	T20	4:15.00
54	Men's 1500m T38	T37/38	5:10.00
55	Men's 1500m T46	T45/46	5:00.00
56	Men's 1500m T52	T51/52	6:00.00
57	Men's 1500m T54	T53/54	3:14.00
58	Men's 5000m T11	T11	17:40.00
59	Men's 5000m T13	T12/13	17:40.00
60	Men's 5000m T54	T53/54	10:50.00
61	Men's 4x100m T42-47/61-64	T42-47/61-64	Nil
62	Men's High Jump T42/44/63/64	T42/63	1.40m
		T44/64	1.50m
63	Men's High Jump T47	T45/46/47	1.30m
64	Men's Long Jump T11	T11	5.10m
65	Men's Long Jump T12	T12	5.80m
66	Men's Long Jump T13	T13	5.50m
67	Men's Long Jump T20	T20	5.70m
68	Men's Long Jump T36	T36	3.80m
69	Men's Long Jump T37	T37	4.50m
70	Men's Long Jump T38	T38	4.20m
71	Men's Long Jump T47	T45/46/47	5.90m
72	Men's Long Jump T63	T42/61/63	4.00m
73	Men's Long Jump T64	T44/62/64	5.15m
74	Men's Shot Put F11	F11	7.00m
75	Men's Shot Put F12	F12	10.00m
76	Men's Shot Put F20	F20	10.50m
77	Men's Shot Put F32	F32	5.00m
78	Men's Shot Put F33	F33	6.00m
79	Men's Shot Put F34	F34	7.00m
80	Men's Shot Put F35	F35	8.00m
81	Men's Shot Put F36	F36	8.50m
82	Men's Shot Put F37	F37	10.00m
83	Men's Shot Put F40	F40	5.00m
84	Men's Shot Put F41	F41	7.50m
85	Men's Shot Put F46	F46	11.00m
86	Men's Shot Put F54	F53	5.20m
		F54	6.00m

87	Men's Shot Put F55	F55	8.50m
88	Men's Shot Put F57	F56/57	10.00m
89	Men's Shot Put F63	F42/61/63	9.50m
90	Men's Discus Throw F11	F11	26.00m
91	Men's Discus Throw F12	F12	28.00m
92	Men's Discus Throw F37	F37	37.00m
93	Men's Discus Throw F52	F51/52	10.00m
94	Men's Discus Throw F56	F54/55/56	28.00m
95	Men's Discus Throw F63	F42/61/63	25.00m
96	Men's Discus Throw F64	F43/44/62/64	27.00m
97	Men's Javelin F13	F12/13	33.00m
98	Men's Javelin F34	F33/34	14.00m
99	Men's Javelin F37/38	F37	24.00m
		F38	30.00m
100	Men's Javelin F41	F40/41	23.00m
101	Men's Javelin F64	F42/43/44/61/62/63/64	35.00m
102	Men's Javelin F46	F45/46	25.00m
103	Men's Javelin F54	F53/54	17.00m
104	Men's Javelin F55	F55	18.00m
105	Men's Javelin F57	F56/57	27.00m
106	Men's Club Throw F32	F31/32	16.75m
107	Men's Club Throw F51	F51	16.00m

WOMENS

#	Event	Eligible Classes (TBC)	MQS
1	Women's 100m T11	T11	15.20
2	Women's 100m T12	T12	14.30
3	Women's 100m T13	T13	14.50
4	Women's 100m RR1*	RR1*	Nil
5	Women's 100m RR3*	RR2/RR3*	Nil
6	Women's 100m T34	T33/34	25.00
7	Women's 100m T35	T35	20.50
8	Women's 100m T36	T36	19.00
9	Women's 100m T37	T37	16.00
10	Women's 100m T38	T38	15.80
11	Women's 100m T47	T45/46/47	14.60
12	Women's 100m T52	T51/52	35.00
13	Women's 100m T53	T53	26.00
14	Women's 100m T54	T54	18.90
15	Women's 100m T63	T42/63	20.00
16	Women's 100m T64	T44/62/64	16.00
17	Women's 200m T11	T11	34.00
18	Women's 200m T12	T12	30.00
19	Women's 200m T13	T13	33.00
20	Women's 200m T35	T35	45.00
21	Women's 200m T36	T36	40.00

22	Women's 200m T37	T37	34.00
23	Women's 200m T38	T38	33.60
24	Women's 200m T62	T62	30.00
25	Women's 200m T64	T44/64	32.00
26	Women's 200m T47	T45/46/47	30.00
27	Women's 200m T53	T53	42.00
28	Women's 200m T54	T54	34.00
29	Women's 400m T11	T11	1:16.00
30	Women's 400m T12	T12	1:15.00
31	Women's 400m T13	T13	1:12.00
32	Women's 400m T20	T20	1:10.00
33	Women's 400m T37	T37	1:20.00
34	Women's 400m T38	T38	1:19.00
35	Women's 400m T47	T45/46/47	1:15.00
36	Women's 400m T53	T53	1:20.00
37	Women's 400m T54	T54	1:05.00
38	Women's 800m T20	T20	2:40.00
39	Women's 800m T34	T33/34	2:50.00
40	Women's 800m T53	T53	2:30.00
41	Women's 800m T54	T54	2:10.00
42	Women's 1500m T11	T11	6:30.00
43	Women's 1500m T13	T12/13	6:00.00
44	Women's 1500m T20	T20	5:20.00
45	Women's 1500m T54	T53/54	4:00.00
46	Women's 5000m T54	T53/54	14:00.00
47	Women's Long Jump T11	T11	3.40m
48	Women's Long Jump T12	T12	4.50m
49	Women's Long Jump T20	T20	4.10m
50	Women's Long Jump T37	T37	3.40m
51	Women's Long Jump T38	T38	3.60m
52	Women's Long Jump T47	T45/46/47	4.00m
53	Women's Long Jump T63	T42/61/63	3.00m
54	Women's Long Jump T64	T44/62/64	3.60m
55	Women's Shot Put F12	F11/12	7.00m
56	Women's Shot Put F20	F20	9.50m
57	Women's Shot Put F32	F32	1.50m
58	Women's Shot Put F33	F33	3.00m
59	Women's Shot Put F34	F34	5.20m
60	Women's Shot Put F35	F35	6.00m
61	Women's Shot Put F36	F36	5.50m
62	Women's Shot Put F37	F37	7.50m
63	Women's Shot Put F40	F40	3.50m
64	Women's Shot Put F41	F41	4.50m
65	Women's Shot Put F54	F53/54	3.00m
66	Women's Shot Put F55	F55	5.00m
67	Women's Shot Put F57	F56/57	6.50m
68	Women's Discus Throw F12	F11/12	18.00m

69	Women's Discus Throw F38	F37/38	22.00m
70	Women's Discus Throw F41	F40/41	13.00m
71	Women's Discus Throw F53	F51/52/53	4.50m
72	Women's Discus Throw F55	F54/55	12.00m
73	Women's Discus Throw F57	F56/57	17.00m
74	Women's Discus Throw F64	F43/42/62/64	18.00m
75	Women's Javelin F13	F12/13	15.00m
76	Women's Javelin F34	F33/34	7.00m
77	Women's Javelin F37	F37	16.00m
78	Women's Javelin F46	F45/46	15.00m
79	Women's Javelin F54	F53/54	8.00m
80	Women's Javelin F56	F55/56	10.00m
81	Women's Club Throw F32	F31/32	12.00m
82	Women's Club Throw F51	F51	8.00m

MIXED

#	Event	Eligible Classes	MQS
1	Universal Relay	T11-13, T33-34, T44-47, T51-54, T61-64	Nil

**RaceRunning Events*