

Selection Policy

2019 EUROPEAN MIXED TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS - FINALS

13-17 February 2019 (Location TBC)

- Team size: minimum 2 male & 2 female, maximum 10 male & 10 female
- Team Event format: 1 MS, 1 WS, 1 MD, 1 WD & 1 XD
- Provisional Team selection date: 10 January 2019
- Confirmed Team Announcement: 24 January 2019

Athletes selected for the above event must commit to all Badminton England team preparations and competition plans.

1. POLICY OBJECTIVES

1.1. Primary Objective

1.1.1. To select athletes who can significantly contribute to the Performance Objective (2.1).

In the instance that athletes selected under 1.1 do not provide us with sufficient cover for all events at these Championships, further selection of athletes will be completed under the following secondary objective;

1.2. Secondary Objective

1.2.1. To expose athletes currently on the Performance Pathway who are indicating progress towards representing England in future Team Championship Finals.

2. PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

2.1. To win the 2019 European Mixed Team Championships.

3. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

3.1. To be considered for selection under this policy, an athlete must be eligible to represent Badminton England under Badminton World Federation (BWF) regulations in place from time to time, including but not limited to:

3.1.1. Be an affiliated member of Badminton England;

3.1.2. Hold a passport of a country whose territory Badminton England has jurisdiction over;

3.1.3. Have not represented any other Member Association for three years immediately preceding the date of the Championships.

3.1.4. Not currently be under disqualification or suspension under the rules of the BWF.

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

Athletes will be selected by assessing their performance profile against the Policy Objective 1.1.1 and Performance Objective 2.1.

4.1 Performance profile – The Panel will assess against each of the following within 12 months of the selection date (unless stated otherwise):

- Top 60 BWF World Ranking;
- Results and performances at Team Championship events (in the last 2 years);
- Wins against top 50 on the BWF World Ranking;
- Results in international competition as per below;
 - World Tour 750/1000 – minimum last 16
 - World Tour 300 / 500 – minimum quarter final
 - World Tour 100 – minimum semi final
 - International Challenge win

***N.B** No particular weighting or priority will be applied to the above criteria. Each athlete under consideration will be assessed against each of the criteria and selection decisions will be taken by the Selection Panel exercising its discretion taking into account all relevant facts.*

Following selection of athletes against the Policy Objective 1.1.1 and Performance Objective 2.1., any further selection of athletes required for the Team Event will be considered against Policy Objective 1.2.1 and Performance Objective 2.1 as per below;

4.2 Performance profile – The Panel will consider the following within 12 months of the selection date (unless stated otherwise):

- Excel Pathway athletes;
- Athletes selected for 2018 U19 World and European Championship events;
- Athletes selected for previous Senior Team Championships Events (in the last 2 years from selection date);

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5. DE-SELECTION

5.1. An athlete selected for the 2019 European Mixed Team Championship Finals may be deselected if the athlete:

5.1.1. Due to illness or injury, in the opinion of the responsible Head Coach, becomes unable to perform to the required standard. Medical advice may be sought.

5.1.2. Demonstrates a lack of adherence and commitment to the specific training requirements and/or tournament programme outlined by the national coaching team in preparation for this event.

5.1.3. Breaches, or fails to fulfil a requirement of, the Anti-Doping Policies of Badminton England or the Badminton World Federation.

5.1.4. No longer fulfils the eligibility criteria listed in Section 3 of this document.

5.2. Any decision to deselect an athlete from this event will be taken by the Selection Panel and communicated to the respective athlete in writing explaining the reason(s) for the deselection.

5.3. The selection of any replacement athletes will be completed in accordance with this selection policy.

6. SELECTION PANEL

Panel:

- Performance Director (Chair) or nominated deputy
- Head Coach
- National Coach
- National Pathway Coach
- Assistant Pathway Coach
- Performance Board Observer (*Non-voting*)
- Independent Observer (*Non-voting*)
- Administration: Senior Co-ordinator or nominated deputy (*Non-voting*)

6.1 In the event of a tie, the Chair will hold the casting vote. This is subject to change in the event of unforeseen circumstances.

6.2 Panel members should declare any conflicts of interest at the beginning of the selection meeting such as close personal connections with athletes being considered for selection (e.g. family, personal coach etc). The panel member can take part in discussions but will abstain from voting when this involves the athlete(s) in question.

7. SELECTION PROCEDURE

- 7.1. Selection of the provisional Team for the 2019 European Mixed Team Championships will take place on 10 January.
- 7.2. Provisionally selected as well as non-selected athletes who are funded through the Badminton England performance pathway, and other athletes considered for selection, will be informed about the provisional team selection via email at 10am on 11 January. Provisional team selection will also be added to the Badminton England [website](#) and social media on the 11 January at 4pm.
- 7.3. Provisionally selected athletes must confirm their availability for the duration of the competition as well as any championship preparation activities outlined in the athlete invitation letter.
- 7.4. Non-selected athletes will have 72 hours to submit an appeal from publication of the provisional team on Badminton England website and Badminton England will ensure that all appeals have been heard and concluded within seven working days from the deadline for receipt of appeals (see section 8 – Appeals).
- 7.5. The confirmed Team members will be e-mailed by 10am on 24 January and the Team will be announced at 4pm on www.badmintonengland.co.uk on 24 January.

8. APPEALS

8.1. Badminton England Selection and Nomination “fast” appeals procedure will be followed.

N.B Badminton England reserves the right to amend the selection policy or process in the event of unforeseen circumstances.