



SELECTION POLICY

TOTALENERGIES BWF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021 12TH – 19TH DECEMBER 2021 (HUELVA, SPAIN)

SELECTION DATE: 8th October
SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT: 19th October

1. POLICY PURPOSE

This selection policy outlines the selection process for players to represent Badminton England at the 2021 TotalEnergies BWF World Championships.

2. POLICY PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

- 2.1. To primary performance objective for this event is to achieve a medal
- 2.2. The secondary performance objective for this event is to expose players with medal potential at future Individual and Team Championships Senior events through gaining experience in playing at this major Championship.

3. SELECTION CONDITIONS

Players must:

- 3.1. Be eligible according to the Badminton World Federation (BWF) regulations for eligibility and processing of entries for World Championships
- 3.2. Be eligible to represent Badminton England under Badminton World Federation (BWF) regulations in place from time to time, including but not limited to:
 - 3.2.1. Be an affiliated member of Badminton England;
 - 3.2.2. Hold a passport of a country whose territory Badminton England has jurisdiction over;
 - 3.2.3. Have not represented any other Member Association for three years immediately preceding the date of the Championships.
 - 3.2.4. Not currently be under disqualification or suspension under the rules of the BWF.
- 3.3. Commit to all Badminton England Championship preparations and competition plans.

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

Badminton England will select players and pairs in accordance with the policy objective 2.1 and 2.2 as follows:

- 4.1 The BWF Ranking list of 21 September 2021. This will be used to determine those eligible players, according to the list of eligible players and pairs released by BWF in Phase 1, Phase 2 and through subsequent reserve lists during the Eligibility Process (see BWF Regulations for Eligibility and Processing of Entries for World Championships - Section 5.3.9 [here](#))
- 4.2 “current pair” refers to doubles and mixed doubles partnerships that are currently active i.e. recognised and being entered for tournaments by the England Performance Pathway. Should a pair become eligible for selection under the BWF regulations, but not be currently active, selection of that pairing will be at the sole discretion of the Selection Panel.
- 4.3 **For the policy objective 2.1 (to win a medal), players and pairs selection will be through:**
 - 4.3.1 Players/current pairs who are ranked 1-24 in the World Rankings (WR) on 21 September 2021 will be selected in ranking order until the total number of places available to Badminton England have been filled in the respective discipline(s).
 - 4.3.2 Should a pair become eligible for selection under the BWF regulations, but not be currently active, selection of that pairing will be at the sole discretion of the Selection Panel.

4.4 In selecting players/pairs against policy objective 2.2 (the secondary objective for this event is to expose players with medal potential at future Senior Individual and Senior Team Championships events through gaining experience in playing at this major Championship), players and pairs considered for selection will be through:

- Players/pairs eligible for selection via the published BWF Phased / Reserve lists will be considered for selection by the Panel should they have met the Badminton England Senior Performance Programme Criteria listed [here](#) (ref. page 3) within 12 months of the Selection Date. The Panel will take into account results and performance during this same timeframe when making their decisions, as well as the below additional considerations where relevant.
- Assessment of results and performances at Senior Individual and Senior Team Championship events in the last 2 years from the date of the ranking list, taking into account the below additional considerations

Additional Considerations

The Panel will take into account the following during their discussion on players/pairs being considered for selection under 4.4;

- Quality of the Event/discipline and opposition the listed players have competed in/against within 12 months of the selection date
- Unforeseen circumstances that over-promote a player's performance level i.e., byes, walk-overs and withdrawals within 12 months of the selection date
- Where similar results are present, a player's current results and consistency will take priority
- Extenuating circumstances e.g., significant/long term injury or illness, which has impacted on a player's ability to compete during the period during which players are required to have met criteria. Where this is the case, the player's prior performance level will be considered.

5 SELECTION PROCEDURE

5.1 The selection of players/pairs for the TotalEnergies BWF World Championships 2021 is dictated by the timelines set out by BWF as follows:

23 Sep 2021	(Phase 1)	BWF advises Members of the players/pairs eligible to enter
30 Sep 2021	(Phase 1)	Deadline for Member Association's to confirm participation
7 October 2021	(Phase 2)	BWF to invite further players/pairs due to declined entries & publishes reserve list
14 October 2021	(Phase 2)	Deadline for Member Association's to confirm participation & players/pairs in reserve list will participate should vacancy arise
18 Oct 2021	(Phase 2)	Confirmation of players from Reserve List of participation

6 NOTIFICATIONS

- 6.1 Players/pairs provisionally selected from the Phase 1 lists (as well as all other players/pairs considered for selection, will be notified via email about the provisional team selection on 10am on 9th October 2021
- 6.2 Should further players/pairs become eligible for selection in subsequent phases of the Eligibility Process, the Selection Panel will reconvene (if required) to consider those players against the selection criteria. Selection decisions will be communicated at the earliest opportunity via email
- 6.3 Provisionally selected players/pairs must confirm should they be unavailable for the duration of the competition as well as any team preparation activities within 24 hours following receipt of the email of their notice of selection

- 6.4 Confirmation of the final selection for the TotalEnergies BWF World Championships 2021 will be published by 3pm on Tuesday 19th October via: www.badmintonengland.co.uk
- 6.5 In the event of these Championships being re-scheduled for any reason, Badminton England may re-consider the selections and selection policy for this Championship

7 DESELECTIONS AND REPLACEMENTS

- 7.1 A player becoming ill or injured at any time following their selection must notify the Head Coach/National Coach immediately. Players who become ill or injured and deemed unable to perform to the required standard set by the Head Coach/National Coach may be asked to seek medical advice, which may result in the player being de-selected, at the discretion of the Head Coach & Medical Team
- 7.2 A player who is unable or unwilling to comply with the Badminton England Championship preparations and competition plans outlined in 3.3 above may be deselected
- 7.3 A player who breaches, or fails to fulfil a requirement of the Anti-Doping Policies of Badminton England or the Badminton World Federation may be deselected
- 7.4 A player who no longer fulfils the selection conditions outlined in 3.1 and 3.2 above may be deselected
- 7.5 Any decision to deselect a player will be taken by the Selection Panel and communicated to the respective player via email, explaining the reason(s) for the de-selection
- 7.6 Any replacement players will be selected in accordance with this Selection Policy agreed with the Selection Panel and the Selection Panel Standard Operating Procedures

8 SELECTION PANEL

- 8.1 The selection panel will consist of: Performance Director (Chair) or nominated deputy, Head Coach, minimum of three National Coaches or nominated deputies, Performance Board Observer (Non-voting), Independent Observer (Non-voting), Administration: Senior Co-ordinator or nominated deputy (Non-voting)
- 8.2 The selection panel will conduct the Selection Panel meeting in line with the agreed Terms of Reference for the Selection Panel

9 APPEALS

- 9.1 Any appeals against non-selection must be made within 24hrs from the publication of the provisional selection on the Badminton England website, due to the timelines imposed by the BWF. The appeals process is available – [click here](#)