

SELECTION POLICY

TOTALENERGIES BWF SUDIRMAN CUP FINALS 2025 27TH APRIL – 4TH MAY 2025 FUJIAN, CHINA

SELECTION DATE FOR QUALIFICATION: 27th March 2025 **SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT**: 4th April 2025

REGULATION TEAM SIZE: Minimum 2 Men and 2 Women; maximum 10 Men and 10

Women

TEAM EVENT FORMAT: 1 MS, 1 WS, 1 MD, 1 WD & 1 XD

1. POLICY PURPOSE

This selection policy outlines the selection process for players to represent Badminton England at the TotalEnergies BWF Sudirman Cup Finals 2025.

2. POLICY PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

2.1. The primary 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 the Sudirman Cup.
- 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 as follows:

4.1. Selection Process

Players/pairs who are eligible to represent Badminton England under section 3 in the relevant Events (MS, MD, WS, WD & XD) will be considered for selection in respect to performance objectives 2.1 for this event). The Selection Panel will refer to the considerations below to determine the selection for this Event:

(in no particular order or weighting):

- 4.1.1. World Ranking as of the Selection Meeting.
- 4.1.2.Players/pairs achieving a significant Senior result/performance in International and Domestic Tournaments (based on evidence and assessment of the Selection Panel) gained







within 6 months of the selection date. This is due to the recent volume of overseas entries with significant ranking in all levels of tournaments.

- 4.1.2.1. For U19 players, in addition to the above the Panel will also consider significant international and Domestic Junior results/performances (based on evidence and in the expert opinion of the Selection Panel)
- 4.1.3.Performance trajectory of players/pairs shown in tournaments and training (based on evidence and input from Multi-Disciplinary Team).
- 4.1.4.At the time of Selection, if the group has been drawn, the Panel will consider the most balanced team for this Event with the primary objective 2.1 in mind.

N.B Each player/pair will be considered and assessed against the additional considerations below and selection decisions will be taken by the Panel exercising its expert opinion and in which disciplines the Team require further depth/cover to be able to fulfil all Team Matches.

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

The Panel will take into account the following during their discussion;

- Quality of the Event/discipline and opposition the listed athletes have competed in/against within the last 6 months of the selection date
- Unforeseen circumstances that over-promote an athlete's performance level i.e. byes, walkovers and withdrawals
- Where similar results are present, a player/pair's most recent results, consistency and current stage of development (age relevant to level) will be given a higher weighting in the deliberations of the Panel
- Extenuating circumstances e.g., significant/long term injury or illness, which has impacted on a player's ability to compete during the period in which athletes are required to have met criteria. Where this is the case, the player's prior performance level will be considered

5. SELECTION PROCEDURE NOTIFICATIONS

- 5.1. The selection of the provision team for the TotalEnergies BWF Sudirman Cup Finals 2025 will be notified via email about the provisional team selection by 27th March 2025.
- 5.2. Prior to this, all discussed players will be contacted by telephone to inform them of the pending decision with explanation on the selection. This will be conducted and agreed in the selection meeting to ascertain who makes these respective phone calls (Head Coach & National Coaches).
- 5.3. 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
- 5.4. 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
- 5.5. Confirmation of the final selection for the TotalEnergies BWF Sudirman Cup Finals 2025 will be published by 3pm on 4th April 2025 via: www.badmintonengland.co.uk
- 5.6. 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

6. **DESELECTIONS AND REPLACEMENTS**

6.1. 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
- 6.2. 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
- 6.3. 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
- 6.4. A player who no longer fulfils the selection conditions outlined in 3.1 and 3.2 above may be deselected
- 6.5. 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
- 6.6. Any replacement players will be selected in accordance with this Selection Policy agreed with the Selection Panel and the Selection Panel Standard Operating Procedures

7. **SELECTION PANEL**

- 7.1. The selection panel will consist of: Performance Director (Chair) or nominated deputy, minimum of two National Coaches or nominated deputies, Independent Observer (Nonvoting), Administration: Senior Co-ordinator or nominated deputy (Non-voting)
- 7.2. The selection panel will conduct the Selection Panel meeting in line with the agreed Terms of Reference for the Selection Panel

8. APPEALS

8.1. Any appeals against non-selection must be made within 72hrs from the email notification of the provisional selection. The appeals process is available here.