

2023 PARA SWIMMING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
30th July – 6th August 2023, Manchester, GBR

PARA SWIMMING SELECTION POLICY

1 POLICY PURPOSE

- 1.1 This selection policy outlines the process for selecting the Para Swimming team to represent Great Britain at the 2023 Para Swimming World Championships in Manchester, Great Britain.

2 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The performance objectives for this event are:
- 2.1.1 to maximise medal outcomes in Paris 2024 Paralympic events
 - 2.1.2 to maximise World Para-Swimming (WPS) qualification slots for Paris 2024 Paralympic Games

3 SELECTION OVERVIEW

- 3.1 All selections will be made by a Selection Panel (the 'Panel') comprising 3 members. The Panel members are: the British Swimming Associate Performance Director, Head Coach Para Swimming and the Performance Pathway Lead Para Swimming, with a record of the selection meeting taken by a note taker. An independent observer will also attend the selection meeting to ensure due process, but with no voting rights.
- 3.2 Selections will be made from performances at the Citi Para Swimming World Series incorporating British Para-Swimming (BPS) International Meet, Sheffield, 16th–19th March 2023 (the 'Trials') subject to clause 5 below.
- 3.3 In the event that the Trials is cancelled, the team will be selected at the discretion of the Panel subject to WPS Conditions.

4 TEAM SIZE

- 4.1 WPS makes provision that each National Paralympic Committee may enter a maximum of three (3) competitors per event for each individual event and two (2) teams in relay events.
- 4.2 All athletes must meet the Minimum Qualification Standard (MQS) set by WPS to be entered in an individual event.
- 4.3 Up to a maximum of 30 swimmers may be selected for the 2023 Para Swimming World Championships. The total number of swimmers will be at the complete discretion of the Associate Performance Director, and subject to available funding.
- 4.4 The split of places by gender will be at the complete discretion of the Panel.

- 4.5 Priority will be given to selecting athletes in Paris 2024 Paralympic events; there is no requirement for non-Paralympic events places to be utilised.
- 4.6 Athletes based overseas (outside of the United Kingdom) should take specific note of the General Conditions of this policy, with specific reference to clauses G3, G8 and G9.

5 SELECTION PROCESS

- 5.1 Athletes will be selected in the following stage priority order:
- (1) Medal potential for Paris 2024 Paralympic Games.
 - (2) Discretionary selections.
 - (3) Additional relay selections.
 - (4) Medal potential for LA 2028 Paralympic Game.

Medal potential for Paris 2024 Paralympic Games

- 5.2 Up to 24 athletes equaling or bettering the published BPS Qualifying Times (QT) set out in Table 1 at the Trials will be considered first for selection by the Panel. Where the number of athletes achieving the QT exceeds 24 places, athletes will be ranked by % inside the QT.

Discretionary selections

- 5.3 Up to 6 additional athletes for selection at the Panel's complete discretion subject to clauses 2.1, 4.1 and 4.2 at the conclusion of the Trials. These selections will be confirmed on 27th March 2023.

Additional relay selections

- 5.4 Where available places remain, subject to clause 4.3, the Panel will then consider relay events, and athletes may be selected to develop Great Britain's representation within relay events. Selections for relay events will be at the sole discretion of the Panel. Additional relay selection will be subject to WPS MQS and Wild Card Applications subject to WPS Entry criteria.

Medal potential for LA 2028 Paralympic Games

- 5.5 Any remaining places, subject to clause 4.3, may be utilised by the Panel to select athletes who are deemed to have medal potential for the LA 2028 Paralympic Games, at their complete discretion.

Classification

- 5.6 If a swimmer's classification changes between the point of selection and 2023 Para Swimming World Championships, with the exception of a swimmer being selected for an event in a higher or lower classification where sufficient places are available, the swimmer may be de-selected from the team unless the classification process remains ongoing or unresolved.

6 EVENT ENTRIES

- 6.1 This policy selects athletes onto the 2023 World Championship Team. The Head Coach Para Swimming in consultation with the Associate Performance Director has the responsibility to then determine all final event entries.

6.2 All team members selected will be considered to be eligible for selection for relay teams.

7 ANNOUNCEMENT

7.1 The 2023 World Championships Team will be formally announced on or before 27th March 2023.

Table 1 – BPS Qualifying Times

Gender	Distance	Stroke	Class	Paris 2024 Event	QT
M	50m	Freestyle	S3	M 50m Freestyle S3	00:47.24
M	50m	Freestyle	S4	M 50m Freestyle S4	00:38.59
M	50m	Freestyle	S5	M 50m Freestyle S5	00:32.29
M	50m	Freestyle	S7	M 50m Freestyle S7	00:28.83
M	50m	Freestyle	S9	M 50m Freestyle S9	00:25.95
M	50m	Freestyle	S10	M 50m Freestyle S10	00:24.21
M	50m	Freestyle	S11	M 50m Freestyle S11	00:26.82
M	50m	Freestyle	S13	M 50m Freestyle S13	00:24.54
M	100m	Freestyle	S4	M 100m Freestyle S4	01:24.25
M	100m	Freestyle	S5	M 100m Freestyle S5	01:12.56
M	100m	Freestyle	S6	M 100m Freestyle S6	01:07.41
M	100m	Freestyle	S8	M 100m Freestyle S8	01:00.51
M	100m	Freestyle	S10	M 100m Freestyle S10	00:52.71
M	100m	Freestyle	S12	M 100m Freestyle S12	00:54.46
M	200m	Freestyle	S2	M 200m Freestyle S2	04:21.71
M	200m	Freestyle	S3	M 200m Freestyle S3	03:30.05
M	200m	Freestyle	S4	M 200m Freestyle S4	02:59.98
M	200m	Freestyle	S5	M 200m Freestyle S5	02:36.10
M	200m	Freestyle	S14	M 200m Freestyle S14	01:57.50
M	400m	Freestyle	S6	M 400m Freestyle S6	05:13.99
M	400m	Freestyle	S7	M 400m Freestyle S7	04:47.32
M	400m	Freestyle	S8	M 400m Freestyle S8	04:35.88
M	400m	Freestyle	S9	M 400m Freestyle S9	04:18.69
M	400m	Freestyle	S11	M 400m Freestyle S11	04:43.14
M	400m	Freestyle	S13	M 400m Freestyle S13	04:09.55
M	50m	Backstroke	S1	M 50m Backstroke S1	01:15.99
M	50m	Backstroke	S2	M 50m Backstroke S2	00:58.10

Gender	Distance	Stroke	Class	Paris 2024 Event	Time
M	50m	Backstroke	S3	M 50m Backstroke S3	00:46.94
M	50m	Backstroke	S4	M 50m Backstroke S4	00:43.68
M	50m	Backstroke	S5	M 50m Backstroke S5	00:33.62
M	100m	Backstroke	S1	M 100m Backstroke S1	02:35.96
M	100m	Backstroke	S2	M 100m Backstroke S2	02:05.71
M	100m	Backstroke	S6	M 100m Backstroke S6	01:18.01
M	100m	Backstroke	S7	M 100m Backstroke S7	01:13.72
M	100m	Backstroke	S8	M 100m Backstroke S8	01:09.10
M	100m	Backstroke	S9	M 100m Backstroke S9	01:02.83
M	100m	Backstroke	S10	M 100m Backstroke S10	01:02.21
M	100m	Backstroke	S11	M 100m Backstroke S11	01:10.63
M	100m	Backstroke	S12	M 100m Backstroke S12	01:02.53
M	100m	Backstroke	S13	M 100m Backstroke S13	01:01.59
M	100m	Backstroke	S14	M 100m Backstroke S14	01:00.82
M	50m	Breaststroke	SB2	M 50m Breaststroke SB2	01:02.83
M	50m	Breaststroke	SB3	M 50m Breaststroke SB3	00:50.55
M	100m	Breaststroke	SB4	M 100m Breaststroke SB4	01:39.16
M	100m	Breaststroke	SB5	M 100m Breaststroke SB5	01:31.68
M	100m	Breaststroke	SB6	M 100m Breaststroke SB6	01:22.95
M	100m	Breaststroke	SB8	M 100m Breaststroke SB8	01:12.01
M	100m	Breaststroke	SB9	M 100m Breaststroke SB9	01:10.10
M	100m	Breaststroke	SB11	M 100m Breaststroke SB11	01:14.80
M	100m	Breaststroke	SB13	M 100m Breaststroke SB13	01:06.01
M	100m	Breaststroke	SB14	M 100m Breaststroke SB14	01:06.88
M	50m	Butterfly	S5	M 50m Butterfly S5	00:32.76
M	50m	Butterfly	S6	M 50m Butterfly S6	00:32.31
M	50m	Butterfly	S7	M 50m Butterfly S7	00:30.22
M	100m	Butterfly	S8	M 100m Butterfly S8	01:04.69
M	100m	Butterfly	S9	M 100m Butterfly S9	01:02.36
M	100m	Butterfly	S10	M 100m Butterfly S10	00:58.62
M	100m	Butterfly	S11	M 100m Butterfly S11	01:04.99
M	100m	Butterfly	S12	M 100m Butterfly S12	00:59.54
M	100m	Butterfly	S13	M 100m Butterfly S13	00:58.03
M	100m	Butterfly	S14	M 100m Butterfly S14	00:57.35

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M	150m	Individual Medley	SM3	M 150m Individual Medley SM3	03:05.31
M	150m	Individual Medley	SM4	M 150m Individual Medley SM4	02:43.52
M	200m	Individual Medley	SM6	M 200m Individual Medley SM6	02:45.71
M	200m	Individual Medley	SM7	M 200m Individual Medley SM7	02:36.17
M	200m	Individual Medley	SM8	M 200m Individual Medley SM8	02:25.78
M	200m	Individual Medley	SM9	M 200m Individual Medley SM9	02:19.81
M	200m	Individual Medley	SM10	M 200m Individual Medley SM10	02:15.33
M	200m	Individual Medley	SM11	M 200m Individual Medley SM11	02:32.24
M	200m	Individual Medley	SM13	M 200m Individual Medley SM13	02:14.71
M	200m	Individual Medley	SM14	M 200m Individual Medley SM14	02:13.82
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F	50m	Freestyle	S6	F 50m Freestyle S6	00:33.99
F	50m	Freestyle	S8	F 50m Freestyle S8	00:32.09
F	50m	Freestyle	S10	F 50m Freestyle S10	00:28.82
F	50m	Freestyle	S11	F 50m Freestyle S11	00:30.61
F	50m	Freestyle	S13	F 50m Freestyle S13	00:27.87
F	100m	Freestyle	S3	F 100m Freestyle S3	01:51.67
F	100m	Freestyle	S5	F 100m Freestyle S5	01:21.66
F	100m	Freestyle	S7	F 100m Freestyle S7	01:13.20
F	100m	Freestyle	S9	F 100m Freestyle S9	01:04.69
F	100m	Freestyle	S10	F 100m Freestyle S10	01:02.50
F	100m	Freestyle	S11	F 100m Freestyle S11	01:08.56
F	100m	Freestyle	S12	F 100m Freestyle S12	01:00.77
F	200m	Freestyle	S5	F 200m Freestyle S5	02:56.68
F	200m	Freestyle	S14	F 200m Freestyle S14	02:12.42
F	400m	Freestyle	S6	F 400m Freestyle S6	05:22.26
F	400m	Freestyle	S7	F 400m Freestyle S7	05:21.25
F	400m	Freestyle	S8	F 400m Freestyle S8	05:03.46
F	400m	Freestyle	S9	F 400m Freestyle S9	04:47.70
F	400m	Freestyle	S10	F 400m Freestyle S10	04:39.94
F	400m	Freestyle	S11	F 400m Freestyle S11	05:16.79
F	400m	Freestyle	S13	F 400m Freestyle S13	04:34.12
F	50m	Backstroke	S2	F 50m Backstroke S2	01:11.02
F	50m	Backstroke	S3	F 50m Backstroke S3	00:56.76

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F	50m	Backstroke	S4	F 50m Backstroke S4	00:49.87
F	50m	Backstroke	S5	F 50m Backstroke S5	00:44.31
F	100m	Backstroke	S2	F 100m Backstroke S2	02:34.92
F	100m	Backstroke	S6	F 100m Backstroke S6	01:23.18
F	100m	Backstroke	S8	F 100m Backstroke S8	01:19.15
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F	50m	Breaststroke	SB3	F 50m Breaststroke SB3	01:01.44
F	100m	Breaststroke	SB4	F 100m Breaststroke SB4	01:53.67
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F	100m	Breaststroke	SB6	F 100m Breaststroke SB6	01:38.36
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F	50m	Butterfly	S5	F 50m Butterfly S5	00:44.33
F	50m	Butterfly	S6	F 50m Butterfly S6	00:37.48
F	50m	Butterfly	S7	F 50m Butterfly S7	00:35.35
F	100m	Butterfly	S8	F 100m Butterfly S8	01:15.73
F	100m	Butterfly	S9	F 100m Butterfly S9	01:10.07
F	100m	Butterfly	S10	F 100m Butterfly S10	01:09.71
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F	100m	Butterfly	S14	F 100m Butterfly S14	01:08.17
F	150m	Individual Medley	SM4	F 150m Individual Medley SM4	02:54.89
F	200m	Individual Medley	SM5	F 200m Individual Medley SM5	03:42.42
F	200m	Individual Medley	SM6	F 200m Individual Medley SM6	03:02.74
F	200m	Individual Medley	SM7	F 200m Individual Medley SM7	03:06.17



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F	200m	Individual Medley	SM10	F 200m Individual Medley SM10	02:31.44
F	200m	Individual Medley	SM11	F 200m Individual Medley SM11	02:50.58
F	200m	Individual Medley	SM13	F 200m Individual Medley SM13	02:32.20
F	200m	Individual Medley	SM14	F 200m Individual Medley SM14	02:33.69

SELECTION POLICY GENERAL CONDITIONS

Athlete Eligibility

- G1 Be a British passport holder and eligible to represent Great Britain as per the WPS/IPC Rules.
- G2 Meet the current WPS regulations on eligibility.
- G3 Hold a WPS 2022 licence and be registered to a swimming club that is affiliated to Swim England, Swim Wales or Scottish Swimming.
- G4 Be internationally classified with a “Confirmed” (C), “Fixed Date Review” (FDR) or “Review” (R) WPS sport classification status.
- G5 Have an agreed training plan in place and adhere to their Individual Athlete Planning (IAP) Process (WCP athletes) at all times from 1st January 2023 to completion of the Championships, or Process Goals (non programme athletes) from the point of selection and the conclusion of the Championships. These shall be agreed between the athlete, the named British Para Swimming lead, and the athlete’s home programme coach. A series of physiological tests using physiological data may be used to monitor trainability. Athletes failing to maintain trainability, adherence to IAP or Performance Goals may result in non-nomination or deselection.

Times

- G6 Split times will not be considered.
- G7 Performances from time trials will not be considered with the exception of BPS team relay practices post selection for final relay team consideration.

Team Commitments

- G8 All selected team members will be required to sign and comply with all WPS requirements, Rules and Regulations, British Swimming provisions consisting of the British Swimming Anti-Doping Rules and Protocols, Selection Agreement and Code of Conduct, the British Swimming Disciplinary Code and Child Safeguarding Policies.
- G9 With the exception of injury or illness team members will be expected to attend (where selected) all pre competition training camps, individual training opportunities, competitions, relay team practices, team events and team meetings designated by the GB Head Coach. Activities not relevant to the event such as personal appearances, external media engagements or social activities will not be permitted without prior agreement.
- G10 Team members must comply with British Swimming and World Para-Swimming swimwear rules and regulations.

Withdrawals

- G11 If for any reason a swimmer is unable or unwilling to fully comply with the Team Commitments (G8 to G10) they may be withdrawn from the team.
- G12 Any team member who withdraws themselves from the team, with the exception of a withdrawal on medical grounds or as a result of G14 may be asked to cover their costs associated with the Championships e.g. flight and accommodation costs.

- G13 Swimmers becoming unfit due to illness or injury (physical or mental) at any time between selection and the conclusion of the selected meet may be required to undertake a full medical examination which may result in the team member being de-selected from the team normally at the discretion of the British Para Swimming Head Coach (HC). In exceptional circumstances, the British Para Swimming Lead Physician may refer his opinion to a panel of the British Para Swimming Leadership team for decision if, in the opinion of the British Para Swimming Lead Physician or his designate, they pose a risk to themselves, other athletes or team staff.
- G14 Swimmers becoming unfit due to illness or injury (physical or mental) at any time following their selection must notify British Para Swimming immediately. Failure to notify the British Para Swimming Lead Physician immediately of an injury or illness (physical or mental) may result in de-selection.
- G15 Swimmers will be withdrawn from all additional events entered if any event(s) in which they have been selected for are withdrawn by WPS, unless they meet the criteria for an event in a higher classification as set out in G16 below.
- G16 In the case where an event is withdrawn by WPS and becomes combined with another classification event a maximum of five (5) swimmers may be entered per National Paralympic Committee, however, only three (3) swimmers per classification may be entered. In this case the fastest five (5) swimmers from all eligible classes (maximum 3 per classification) shall be entered subject to each swimmer meeting the relevant policy criteria outlined. In the event that the next placed swimmer(s) has no other eligible event in the competition the swimmer will be de-selected from the team.

Other

- G17 The British Para Swimming Leadership team may make reasonable amendments to selection policies at its discretion.
- G18 The National Performance Director and GB Head Coach will exercise their authority to ensure that the final selections for the 2023 World Para Swimming World Championships team are in line with this policy and will result in achieving the policy Performance Objectives.

Appeals

- G19 Any appeals against non-selection must be made to British Para Swimming in accordance with the British Swimming Team Selection Appeals Procedures, available online at <https://www.britishswimming.org/performance/swimming/selection-policies/team-selection-appeals/> or by request from Adam Clarke, Associate Director via email at adam.clarke@swimming.org. Athletes should be aware of the time limits contained in the Procedures, which are designed with the intention of resolving issues expeditiously and fairly.