Aquatics GB

2026 European Aquatics Diving Championships
31 July – 6 August 2026
Paris, FRA
SELECTION POLICY

1 POLICY PURPOSE

1.1 This Selection Policy outlines the process for selecting the Diving team to represent Great Britain at the 2026 European Aquatics Championships.

2 PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

2.1 The performance objectives for this event are:

2.1.1 to develop a team that builds on the success of the Great Britain Team at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games and Singapore 2025 World Championships.

2.1.2 to maximise medal outcomes in Los Angeles 2028 Olympic events.

3 SELECTION OVERVIEW

3.1 All selections will be made by a Selection Panel (the "Panel") comprising three members. The Panel members are: the Diving Programme Lead, Head Coach Olympic Diving, and the Performance Pathway Lead Olympic Diving, 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 2026 AGB Diving Championships Sandwell Aquatics Centre, 4th – 7th June 2026, (known as "the British Championships"), subject to clause 5.1 below.

3.3 Discretionary selections will be made subject to clauses 5.2-5.4.

3.4 In the event that the 2026 AGB Diving Championships is cancelled or postponed, a revised selection policy will be published.

4 TEAM SIZE

4.1 European Aquatics makes provision that each National Federation may enter a maximum of two (2) competitors per event for each individual event and one (1) team of two (2) competitors for each synchronised and mixed diving event.

4.2 The total number of divers selected for the 2026 European Aquatics Championships will be at the complete discretion of the selection panel, and subject to available funding.

4.3 The split of places by gender will be at the complete discretion of the Panel.

4.4 Priority will be given to selecting athletes in the Olympic events; there is no requirement for non-Olympic events places to be utilised.

4.5 Divers based overseas (outside of the United Kingdom) should take specific note of the General Conditions of this policy, with specific reference to clauses G3, G7 and G8.

5 SELECTION PROCESS

5.1 The winner of the AGB Diving Championships in the Olympic individual events will be selected for the 2026 Senior European Aquatics Championships, subject to achieving the Qualifying Standards set out in Table 1 in both the Preliminary and Final rounds.

5.2 Any additional unallocated places remaining in the Olympic individual events following the application of clause 5.1 will be selected at the complete discretion of the Panel. There is no requirement to fill all allocated places.

5.3 For the Olympic Synchronised teams, divers will be selected by the Panel at their complete discretion see clause 3.1.

5.4 For all non-Olympic events, divers may be selected by the Panel at their complete discretion, subject to clauses 4.2 and 4.4.

6 EVENT ENTRIES

6.1 This policy selects divers onto the 2026 European Aquatics Championships Team. The Head Coach Olympic Diving in consultation with the Diving Programme Lead has the responsibility to then determine all final event entries.

7 ANNOUNCEMENT

7.1 The 2026 European Aquatics Championships Team will be formally announced on or before 10 June 2026.

TABLE 1: Qualification Standards

Discipline	Preliminary	Final
Men's 3m	420	440
Women's 3m	280	300
Women's 10m	280	300
Men's 10m	410	440

SELECTION POLICY GENERAL CONDITIONS

Eligibility

Athletes must:

G1 Be a British citizen and eligible to represent Great Britain as per the World Aquatics General Rule 2 (GR 2).

G2 Have completed a Selection Acceptance Form to confirm they will be available to participate. Failure to do so will be interpreted as non-availability by Aquatics GB. Selection Acceptance Forms will be provided by Aquatics GB to qualifying team members.

G3 Be available to fulfil all team commitments.

G4 Comply with any other World Aquatics and European Aquatics eligibility criteria from time to time, including in respect of nationality and/or anti-doping.

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Team Commitments

All Team members (athletes and staff) will be required to:

G5 Comply with the Aquatics GB Code of Conduct. A breach of the Aquatics GB Code of Conduct may result in de-selection from the team.

G6 Abide by media protocols of the Aquatics GB Diving Programme. Divers must only speak to the media about their own performances. The Head Coach Olympic Diving and Programme Lead may discuss performances of the entire team.

G7 Not take holiday or attend overseas camps and/or competitions between the AGB National Championships and the meet for which they have been selected without prior written approval from the Head Coach- Olympic Diving.

G8 Make themselves available for all team activities designated by the Head Coach Olympic Diving (including but not limited to preparation camps and holding camps). No team member will be allowed to leave a national team camp or undertake any activities that are not directly relevant to the team camp programme, this includes any external media, sponsor or social activities. Failure to attend the required activities could result in withdrawal from the team. Under exceptional circumstances, written approval to be excluded from activities may be given by the Head Coach – Olympic Diving.

G9 Comply with Aquatics GB and European Aquatics swimwear regulations at the 2026 European Aquatics Championships.

Withdrawals

G10 If for any reason an athlete is unable or unwilling to fully comply with the Team Commitments (G5 to G9) they may be withdrawn from the team.

G11 Divers becoming unfit due to illness or injury (physical or mental) at any time following their selection must notify Aquatics GB immediately and will be required to undertake a full medical examination which may result in the Diver being de-selected from the team at the complete discretion of the Panel. In the event of injury or illness athletes may be deselected if they pose a risk to themselves, other athletes or team staff as determined by the Aquatics GB Chief Medical Officer or their designate.

Replacements

G12 Replacement of athletes withdrawn from the team will be considered at the complete discretion of the Panel if viewed to be in the best interest of the overall team performance, subject to clause 4.1.

Other

G13 The World Class Leadership Team (WCLT) may amend selection policies at any time at its discretion.

Appeals

G14 Any appeals against selections in relation to selection policies must be made in accordance with the Aquatics GB Team Selection Appeals Procedures, available online at https://www.britishswimming.org/performance/swimming/selection-policies/team-selection-appeals/ or by request from Adam Clarke, Performance Strategy & Operations Director via email at adam.clarke@aquaticsgb.com. Athletes should be aware of the time limits contained in the Procedures, which are designed with the intention of resolving issues expeditiously and fairly.