

# **BRITISH GYMNASTICS' SELECTION DOCUMENT**

## **Men's Artistic Gymnastics**

### **European Games - Minsk, Belarus**

**24<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2019**

#### **Overview**

The European Games is a multi-sport continental competition that takes place in Minsk during the summer of 2019. Athletes selected to compete at this event will represent Great Britain through the British Olympic Association (BOA).

British Gymnastics will nominate up to three male gymnasts to compete at the 2019 European Games in Minsk to support the following objectives:

- a) Providing a performance opportunity for athletes who are on a trajectory to deliver medal success either in the Team, All-Around and/or Individual apparatus at major championships in 2019 and 2020, who have not been selected for the 2019 European Championships;
- b) Providing a development opportunity for athletes who are transitioning to senior international gymnastics and have the potential to challenge for medals at World Championships and Olympic Games in the 2024 cycle.

At the time of publication, Great Britain have qualified places for two male gymnasts to compete at the 2019 European Games. The third place that can be competed for at the European Championships in April 2019 will only be considered if the British Gymnastics 2019 World Championship preparations and the Tokyo 2020 Qualification strategy is not compromised by including this event. The third quota place is a named place achieved via individual apparatus medalists.

For the European Games, British Gymnastics will nominate gymnasts and support staff to the British Olympic Association (BOA).

#### **1. Basic Eligibility Criteria**

Gymnasts are eligible for consideration provided they are:

- a) a British Citizen holding or eligible to hold a British passport
- b) born on or before 30 December 2001 (18 years)
- c) a current British Gymnastics member
- d) eligible to compete for Great Britain by possession of a current Gymnast License held with FIG

## 2. Performance Criteria

Gymnasts who meet the basic eligibility criteria will need to meet one of the performance standards listed in table 1.

Table 1. Performance standards to be considered for 2019 European Games:

	Floor	Pommel	Rings	Vault	Pbar	HBar	AA
Start Value	6.0	6.3	6.3	5.6* <sup>1</sup>	6.1	6.1	82+
Score	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.6 (av)	14.5	14.0	

## 3. Designated Selection Events (DSE's)

British Gymnastics consider performances at the following Designated Selection Events:

- London Open, 2018
- World Championships, 2018
- World Cups from September 2018 to March 17<sup>th</sup> 2019
- World Challenge Cups from September 2018 to March 17<sup>th</sup> 2019
- Scottish Championships, 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> February 2019
- Welsh Championships, 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> February 2019
- English Championships, 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019
- British Championships, 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> March 2019

In order to be considered for selection, an athlete who is ill or injured prior to or during one of the Designated Selection Events must provide written authentication of the injury or illness by one of the medical personnel approved by British Gymnastics (listed at the end of this Policy). This documentation must be submitted to the Olympic Programme Officer.

## 4. Nomination Panel

- a) The nomination panel will consist of:
- Head National Coach
  - National Coach (Senior)
  - Lead physiotherapist

## 5. Nomination Process

- a) The Nomination panel will meet and review all eligible gymnasts who have fulfilled the eligibility and performance standards on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019.
- b) The nominated athletes and coaches will be those, in the expert opinion of the nomination panel, most able to achieve the events objectives, prioritizing supporting the major championships in the Tokyo cycle.
- c) Following this Nomination Panel meeting, the Head National Coach will forward the completed Nomination documentation including a list of nominated athletes and coaches to the Approvals Panel on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019.
- d) At the time of nomination two gymnasts will be nominated for the available quota places and a third gymnast will be nominated based on the achievement of a third quota place at the 2019 European Championships.

## 6. Approval

- a) A British Gymnastics Approval Panel, comprising the Performance Director and Head of Performance Programmes will consider the nominations for athletes and coaches received from the Nomination Panel and ratify if appropriate.
- b) The Approval Panel will confirm the selection of the Team on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and communicate the decisions with the BOA.

## 7. Communication of Selection

- a) Once the Approval panel confirm the selection of the team, British Gymnastics will notify all age eligible British Squad athletes and personal coaches via email.
- b) Once the communication of selections has taken place, the 48-hour appeals window comes in effect.
- c) Athletes and Coaches shall refrain from making any public statements with regard to team selection until the appeals window has closed

## 8. Appeals

- a) Appeals can only be submitted from midday 20<sup>th</sup> up to midday on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019, for a non-selected athlete on the grounds that the process outlined within this Selection Policy has not been adhered to
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- c) Appeals should be made following British Gymnastics' Appeals Process. Details can be found on the British Gymnastics' website; <https://www.british-gymnastics.org/technical-information/performance-gymnastics/document-downloads/9101-performance-appeals-procedure-november-2017/file>.