



BRITISH GYMNASTICS’ TOP Junior Squad Selection Policy

Men’s Artistic Gymnastics 2018 - 2020

Introduction	The TOP Junior National Squad for Men’s Artistic Gymnastics outlines the selection process, key timescales and important criteria that is required to be eligible for selection.
Selection Process & Timescales	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Squad Nominations – December of the preceding year.• Squad selection period (Length of time a gymnast can expect to be on the squad from the point of selection)<ul style="list-style-type: none">- April – December 2018- January – December 2019- January – December 2020• Athletes will undertake a 3-month induction period from January – March to ensure their suitability for the squad for the remainder of the year. Considerations will be made and communicated in the first week of April.• Considerations / Athlete assessments regarding whether a gymnast moves up, down the squads or off the World Class Programme, will be made after the British Championships and in the Year of a Junior European Championships, after the event had concluded.• UK Sport Athlete Performance Awards are agreed and award from January – December of each year. (Please refer to the APA Policy for terms and conditions)
Eligibility Criteria	Athletes are eligible for consideration provided they are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a British Citizen, holding a British passport• 14-18 years old in the year of competition• a current British Gymnastics member• eligible to compete for Great Britain

<p>Selection Criteria</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance at the National Elite & Club Grades Competition (where appropriate) Attendance at Junior British Championships <p>The World Class Programme will select Gymnasts, who in the expert opinion of the National Coaching Team, have the best capability of reaching the start values outlined below and contributing to British Gymnastics long term vision of World & Olympic success aligned to What It Takes To Win framework.</p> <p>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).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="512 613 1382 831"> <thead> <tr> <th>Apparatus</th> <th>Floor</th> <th>Pommel</th> <th>Rings</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td rowspan="2">Start Value Final Scores</td> <td>13.60 – 14.00 SV: 5.0</td> <td>12.60 – 13.80 SV: 5.0</td> <td>13.00 – 13.70 SV: 4.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vault 13.80 – 14.40 SV: 5.2-4.8</td> <td>P bar 13.00 – 13.50 SV: 5.0</td> <td>H Bar 12.80 – 13.20 SV: 4.5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Apparatus	Floor	Pommel	Rings	Start Value Final Scores	13.60 – 14.00 SV: 5.0	12.60 – 13.80 SV: 5.0	13.00 – 13.70 SV: 4.5	Vault 13.80 – 14.40 SV: 5.2-4.8	P bar 13.00 – 13.50 SV: 5.0	H Bar 12.80 – 13.20 SV: 4.5
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<p>Nomination Panel</p>	<p>Following the completion of the Designated Selection Events listed in this Policy, the MAG Head National Coach will consult with the National Coaches, Olympic Performance Manager.</p> <p>The Panel may also consider any relevant input deemed necessary from the Performance staff to discuss the nomination of the athletes.</p> <p>The nominated athletes and coaches will be those, in the expert opinion of the MAG Head National Coach, most able to achieve the start value targets listed in the section selection criteria.</p>											
<p>Communication of Selections</p>	<p>Once the nomination panel confirm the selection of the Squad, the Olympic Programme Officer will notify all successful Gymnasts, Parents and Personal Coaches, followed by this being placed on the British Gymnastics website.</p>											
<p>Nomination Process (How the decision is made)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Athletes will be nominated/selected on the basis of achieving the performance targets for Great Britain. Athletes meeting the eligibility criteria and who are members of the British Gymnastics World Class Programme will automatically be considered for nomination. Athletes meeting the eligibility criteria who are not members of British Gymnastics World Class Programme may petition the Nomination Panel for inclusion, presenting evidence against the standards outlined in this section. Petitions should be sent in writing to the Olympic Programme Officer (MAG). Athletes wishing to be considered for nomination are expected to achieve a minimum of one start value and one Final score value within competition during the Designated Selection Events. Achieving Start Values and/or Performance Standards does not automatically mean selection. Should athletes not reach the required standards of performance the Nomination Panel may nominate athletes who are deemed capable of reflecting the long-term direction and aims of the World Class Performance Programme of winning Olympic Medals. 											

	<p>6. Nominated athletes and coaches will be expected to undertake all programme activities (Camps and Competitions) laid out by the MAG Head National Coach.</p> <p>7. Nominated athletes and coaches must also agree to observe all obligations outlined within the British Gymnastics' Performance Athlete Agreement 2017 – 21 and any subsequent Codes of Behaviour adopted by British Gymnastics.</p> <p>8. Team Coaches for competitions and international camps associated with this squad will be nominated based upon consideration of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The team's best needs; • Their ability to lead, organise and control under situations of high responsibility and stress; • Their international experience and performance; • Their attendance at all required meetings, squad training and events; • Supporting multiple athletes or athletes who have the potential to multi medal at the event.
<p>Injury & Replacement</p>	<p>In the event of injury and/or the need for replacement, any athlete may be called upon to join the squad at any time.</p> <p>Once Team selections have been confirmed all selected athletes must agree not to withhold any information on training fitness, injury status or illness that could affect training or competition at any time.</p> <p>An athlete or coach may be removed from the Team in the event of a non-compliance in training, a breach of responsibility to the Team or a violation of the Codes of Behaviour adopted by the Team. Prior to removal the athlete or coach will be presented with the opportunity to attend a removal interview with Performance Director (or their appointed representative) and where possible one other independent person. Written justification must be provided for all removals by the Performance Director. Decisions on these matters are not open to appeal.</p> <p>At any stage following the selection announcement, should there be a doubt over the ability of an athlete to compete to the best of his ability <u>due to an injury or illness</u>, the following procedure will be adhered to:</p> <p>The athlete will be referred to British Gymnastics' designated Medical Officer to undergo a medical examination to determine their fitness to participate. Initially this will be based on an assessment of whether or not the injury and/or illness is such that the athlete is physically unable to train or is at risk of causing medical harm to themselves, or endangering other squad members.</p> <p>Any replacement(s) required will be made by the MAG National Coaching Team based on the needs of the squad. Decisions on these matters are not open to appeal.</p>
<p>1. Announcement</p>	<p>Selected Squad Members agree not to make any announcement to the media or public in any form (including on any personal websites) regarding their selection until after British Gymnastics have announced the squad selection on the British Gymnastics website (www.british-Gymnastics.org)</p>

