



## BRITISH GYMNASTICS' SELECTION POLICY

### Tumbling Gymnastics

#### World Age Championships, Tokyo, JPN

5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> December 2019

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| <p>1. Introduction</p>  | <p>The World Age Group Competition is a self-funded PERFORMANCE competition. A Performance event means that selections will be made on the basis of the athletes most capable of performing and challenging to win medals.</p> <p>The selection of athletes to represent Great Britain at the 2019 World Age Group Competition will be made according to this selection policy.</p> <p><b>Athletes should note that for the World Age Group Competition, each delegation may enter a maximum of 4 entries in total for Men and 4 entries for Women per age group.</b><br/>(Please also see 'Team Size' in Section 13)</p>   |
| <p>2. Performance Targets</p>                                 | <p><i>These Performance Targets and the selection principles applied in this policy reflect the long-term direction and aims of the TUM Performance Programme to consistently challenge for finals &amp; medals at WAGC &amp; European Junior Championships during the 2017- 2021 cycle and beyond.</i></p> <p><b>Individual Men</b> (Total medal target 3-4 medals)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11-12 Years – Final</li> <li>• 13-14 Years – Final</li> <li>• 15-16 Years – Final</li> <li>• 17-21 Years – Final</li> </ul> <p><b>Individual Women</b> (Total medal target 2-3 Medals)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11-12 Years - Final</li> <li>• 13-14 Years - Final</li> <li>• 15-16 Years - Final</li> <li>• 17-21 Years – Final</li> </ul> |
| <p>3. Selection Process / Timelines (see also Section 12)</p> | <p><b>For 11-12 yrs; 13-14 yrs; 15-16 yrs.</b><br/><u>Selection Period</u> -15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018 to 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019</p> <p>Nomination Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019<br/>Nomination to Approval Panel – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019</p>  |

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|                         | <p>Approval of selection – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 by 10.00hrs<br/> First announcement to gymnasts &amp; coaches / start of the Appeal Window – midday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019<br/> Appeals Deadline and final Announcement – from midday Friday 19 July 2019<br/> TBC</p> <p><b>For 17-21yrs.</b><br/> <u>Selection period</u> 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018 to 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019.</p> <p>Nomination Meeting - 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019<br/> Nomination to Approval Panel - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019<br/> Approval of selection - Wednesday 2 Oct 2019 by 10.00hrs<br/> First announcement to gymnasts &amp; coaches &amp; start of the Appeal Window - midday 2 Oct 2019<br/> Appeals Deadline and Final Announcement – from midday Friday 4 Oct 2019</p> |
| 4. FIG Entry deadlines  | <p>British Gymnastics is the selecting body that enters the GBR team to the FIG/Organiser. The timelines for entry to the World Age Championships 2019 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provisional Entry – TBC</li> <li>• Definitive Entry – TBC</li> <li>• Nominative Entry – TBC</li> </ul>  |
| 5. Competition Format   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FIG Competition, FIG World Age Group Competition</li> <li>• Individual Men</li> <li>• Individual Women</li> </ul>   |
| 6. Eligibility Criteria | <p>Athletes are eligible for consideration provided they are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a British Citizen, holding a British passport</li> <li>• a minimum age in the age group category in the year of competition.</li> <li>• a current British Gymnastics member</li> <li>• eligible to compete for Great Britain by possession of a current Gymnast Licence held with FIG</li> </ul>  |
| 7. The 'Team'           | <p>1. The 'Team' means the team which is selected by British Gymnastics and includes athletes, coaches, nominated reserves, medical support personnel, judges, Team Leaders, Heads of Delegation and any associated members of the Performance Sport staff.</p>  |
| 8. Nomination Panel     | <p>1. Following completion of the Designated Selection Events listed in this Policy, the TUM Junior National Coach will consult with the Assistant National Coach(es) &amp; the Non-Olympic Performance Manager and consider any relevant input from the Performance Sport Science &amp; Medical staff to discuss the nomination of the athletes and coaches.</p> <p>2. The Nomination Panel will take place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July &amp; Sunday 29 September (for 17-21yrs) 2019 and will be chaired by the Non-Olympic Performance Manager. In attendance will be the appointed National Coach(es), Trampoline Technical Committee Chair and Judging Coordinator.</p>  |

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|   | <p>3. The nominated athletes and coaches will be those, in the expert opinion of the Nomination Panel, most able to achieve the targets listed in the section 'Performance Targets'.</p> <p>4. Following this consultation, the Non-Olympic Performance Manager will forward a list of nominated athletes and coaches to the Approvals Panel on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct (for 17-21yrs) 2019.</p>  |
| 9. Approval Panel                                 | <p>1. A British Gymnastics Approval Panel, comprising the Performance Director and Head of Performance Programmes will consider the nominations for athletes and coaches from the Nomination Panel and ratify if appropriate.</p> <p>2. In the event that the Nomination Panel provides insufficient athletes to fill the available Team places, the Approval Panel will make referral back to the Nomination Panel for their reasoning at which point their list of nominations may be amended.</p> <p>3. The Approval Panel will confirm the selection of the 11-12/13-14/15-16 Teams on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and for the 17-21 Team 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2019.</p>  |
| 10. Communication of selections                   | <p>1. Once the Approval panel confirm the selection of the team, the Non-Olympic Performance Manager will notify all age eligible British Squad athletes and personal coaches.</p> <p>2. Once the communication of selections has taken place, the 48-hour appeals window comes in effect.</p> <p>3. Athletes and Coaches shall refrain from making any public statements with regard to team selection until the appeals window has closed.</p>  |
| 11. Athlete Appeals                               | <p>1. Appeals can only be submitted for 11-12/13-14/15-16 Teams from midday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 up to midday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019; and for the 17-21 Team from midday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 up to midday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Appeals can only be for a non-selected gymnast on the grounds that the process outlined within this Selection Policy has not been adhered to.</p> <p>2. The selection of coaches and judges is not open to appeal under any circumstance.</p> <p>3. Appeals should be made following British Gymnastics' Appeals Process. Details can be found on the British Gymnastics' website; <a href="https://www.british-gymnastics.org/technical-information/performance-gymnastics/document-downloads/9101-performance-appeals-procedure-november-2017/file">https://www.british-gymnastics.org/technical-information/performance-gymnastics/document-downloads/9101-performance-appeals-procedure-november-2017/file</a>.</p>  |
| 12. Designated Selection Events for consideration | <p>1. <b>For the 11-12; 13-14; 15-16 Age Groups</b> the Nomination Panel will take into consideration performances at the following events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Age Group Competition, Russia, 15-18 November 2018</li> <li>• GBR/HN Junior Squads (March 2019 - July 2019) NB Control events may also be considered provided Brevet level judging is used.</li> <li>• Spring Event Series 1 (FIG Only), 27-28<sup>th</sup> April 2019</li> <li>• Spring Event Series 2 (FIG Only), 1-2 June 2019</li> <li>• Scalabis Cup (POR) – 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019</li> </ul> <p>2. <b>For the 17-21 Age Group Team</b> the Nomination Panel will take into consideration performances at the following events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Age Group Competition, 15-18 November 2018</li> <li>• British Championships 28/29 Sept 2019</li> <li>• GBR Domestic &amp; international competitions (Mar–Sept 2019)</li> <li>• Control events at GB/HN National Squads March–Sept 2019 may also be considered providing Brevet level judging is used.</li> </ul> |

|  | <p>In order to be considered for selection, a gymnast 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 Non-Olympic Performance Manager.</p>   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
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| <p>13. Nomination Process</p>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Athletes will be selected on the basis of achieving the best results for Great Britain. against the performance targets outlined in Section 2</li> <li>By entering the selection process, athletes and personal coaches agree to be bound by the provisions of this policy.</li> <li>Athletes who are members of the British Gymnastics Performance Pathway/Development Programmes 11-16yr and 17-21yrs will be considered automatically for nomination.</li> <li><b>Athletes who can meet the eligibility criteria but who are not members of the British Gymnastics Performance Pathway/Development Programmes 11-16yr and 17-21yrs may petition the Nomination Panel for inclusion, presenting evidence against the standards outlined in the table below. Petitions should use the form at the end of this policy and be sent to the Non-Olympic Programme Officer (TUM) <a href="mailto:Nadine.barnard@british-gymnastics.org">Nadine.barnard@british-gymnastics.org</a> by the deadline of noon Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019.</b></li> <li>As a reminder all Athletes wishing to be considered for nomination will be expected to achieve the following performance standards in the table below. NB <u>Achieving the score listed below does not automatically result in selection</u></li> </ol> <table border="1" data-bbox="671 1025 1219 1899" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Class</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Prelim Score<br/>(2 runs)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">11-12 Men</td> <td style="text-align: center;">59.3</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">13-14 Men</td> <td style="text-align: center;">61.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">15-16 Men</td> <td style="text-align: center;">62.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">17-21 Men</td> <td style="text-align: center;">65.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">11-12 Women</td> <td style="text-align: center;">59.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">13-14 Women</td> <td style="text-align: center;">60.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">15-16 Women</td> <td style="text-align: center;">60.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">17-21 Women</td> <td style="text-align: center;">62.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">Final runs will be taken into consideration in the selection process</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;"> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Team Size for 17- 21 Team - <i>Please note that the numbers of available selected places for GBR 17-21 Team at the World Age Group Competition 2019 will be confirmed on the BG Website within 1 week of the finish of the Spring Series 2 event.</i></b></li> </ol> | Class | Prelim Score<br>(2 runs) | 11-12 Men | 59.3 | 13-14 Men | 61.5 | 15-16 Men | 62.0 | 17-21 Men | 65.5 | 11-12 Women | 59.5 | 13-14 Women | 60.0 | 15-16 Women | 60.5 | 17-21 Women | 62.0 | Final runs will be taken into consideration in the selection process |  |  |  |
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| 11-12 Men  | 59.3   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
| 13-14 Men  | 61.5   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
| 15-16 Men  | 62.0   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
| 17-21 Men  | 65.5   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
| 11-12 Women  | 59.5   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
| 13-14 Women  | 60.0   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
| 15-16 Women  | 60.5   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
| 17-21 Women  | 62.0   |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
| Final runs will be taken into consideration in the selection process |  |       |                          |           |      |           |      |           |      |           |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |             |      |  |  |  |  |
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|                                     | <p><i>This is to allow the TUM Technical Panel to assess the strength of the class relative to the required selection criteria published in the policy. This will allow more accurate entries for the World Age Group Competition 2019 ahead of the selection process in September.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Following the end of relevant selection period, the TUM World Age Group Teams will be nominated for selection based on athletes who are deemed the most capable of achieving the best result for Great Britain at the World Age Group Competition 2019.</li> <li>3. Should athletes not reach the required standards of performance, the Nomination Panel may nominate athletes who are deemed capable of achieving the best result for Great Britain or whose inclusion reflects the long-term direction and aims of the TUM Performance Programme.</li> <li>4. Nominated athletes and coaches will be expected to undertake all programme activities (Camps and Competitions) laid out by the TUM National Coach as part of the preparations for the Championships to prove their readiness to compete. All passes must be the ones agreed in consultation with the TUM National Coaches.</li> <li>5. 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.</li> <li>6. Team Coaches will be nominated based upon consideration of the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The team's best needs</li> <li>• Their ability to lead, organise and control under situations of high responsibility and stress</li> <li>• Their international experience and performance</li> <li>• Their attendance at all required meetings, squad training and events.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> |
| <p>14. Injury &amp; Replacement</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the event of injury and/or the need for replacement, any athlete may be called upon to join the Team at any time.</li> <li>2. Once Team selections have been confirmed by the Approval Panel, 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 until the point of the Championships.</li> <li>3. All selected athletes must declare any medications they are taking, the use of any restricted medications, and submit these to the Head of Science &amp; Medicine at British Gymnastics for medical approval.</li> <li>4. 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 the Head of Delegation (or their appointed representative) and where possible one other independent person. Written justification must be provided for all removals by the Head of Delegation. Decisions on these matters are not open to appeal.</li> <li>5. At any stage following the selection announcement and prior to departure to the competition, should any athlete fail to reach <u>performance</u> expectations in training or competition, the TUM National Coach may recommend de-selection to the Approval Panel. The Approval Panel will consider this recommendation, provide an opportunity for the athlete to make a counter-</li> </ol>  |

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|                       | <p>argument, and then pass judgement. Written justification must be provided for all removals. Decisions on these matters are not open to appeal.</p> <p>6. At any stage following the arrival of the Team at the competition and during the event, should any athlete fail to reach <u>performance</u> expectations in training or competition, the TUM National Coach may recommend de-selection to Head of Delegation. The Head of Delegation will consider this recommendation, provide an opportunity for the athlete to attend an interview to make a counter-argument, and then pass judgement. Written justification must be provided for all removals. Decisions on these matters are not open to appeal.</p> <p>7. 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>a) 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 compete or is at risk of causing medical harm to themselves, or endangering other competitors, officials or spectators.</p> <p>b) If the athlete passes the initial medical examination carried out by the Medical Officer but British Gymnastics still has concerns over whether or not the athlete is able to compete to the best of his ability due to the underlying injury or illness, the athlete will be required to undertake British Gymnastics' designated "Fitness Test".</p> <p>c) The Fitness Test is an objective assessment that will require the athlete to perform routine(s) to 0.3 of their expected start value or final score.</p> <p>d) In the event that an athlete fails to complete the Fitness Test to the required standard, they will be removed from the Team, a decision that is not open to appeal.</p> <p>8. Any replacement(s) required will be made by the TUM National Coach on the basis of the needs of the Team and will normally come out of the pool of nominated non-travelling reserves. Decisions on these matters are not open to appeal.</p> |
| 15. Team Organisation | <p>1. The Team will attend pre-Championship Preparation Camps and competitions during Oct/Nov in accordance to the 2019 Activity Planner (TBC).</p> <p>2. The Team will transfer to Japan on/around Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and depart the Championships on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019. (all dates to be confirmed)</p> <p>3. In the event that they have not already done so, all athletes within the Team will be required to sign and comply with British Gymnastics' Performance Athlete Agreement 2017 - 21.</p> <p>4. In the event that they have not already done so, all coaches within the Team will be required to sign and comply with British Gymnastics' 'International and National Representative Coaches Code of Conduct'.</p>   |


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| 16. Financial commitments                             | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. As the WAGC is a self-funded event, each selected gymnast will be responsible for the full costs associated with their travel and accommodation at the event.</li> <li>2. <b>For the 11-12; 13-14 and 15-16 Age Groups</b>, on confirmation of selection a 50% deposit will be required by the deadline of 26<sup>th</sup> July 2019 to allow the necessary travel arrangements to take place.</li> <li>3. The outstanding balance will be required by (date to be confirmed)</li> <li>4. <b>For the 17-21 Age Group Team</b>, upon confirmation of selection, the FULL payment will be required by the deadline of 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to allow the necessary travel arrangements to take place.</li> <li>5. No gymnast can travel to the competition without first completing the payments required by the given deadlines.</li> </ol> |
| 17. Announcement                                      | 6. Selected Team 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 Team selection on the British Gymnastics website ( <a href="http://www.british-gymnastics.org">www.british-gymnastics.org</a> )   |
| 18. Any additional matters not covered by this Policy | 1. Any matters arising from the selection process that are not covered within this policy shall be determined by the Approval Panel acting at their sole discretion.  |

### Selection policy for 2019 TUM World Age Group Championships (Tokyo, JPN)

APPROVED BY:

Signed  .....

Sharon Wood  
Chair, TRA Technical Committee

Signed  .....

James Thomas  
Performance Director

#### MEDICAL PERSONNEL APPROVED BY BRITISH GYMNASTICS

Chris Tomlinson (British Gymnastics' Chief Medical Officer)  
Louise Fawcett (British Gymnastics' Head of Performance Support)  
Jonny Bucke (British Gymnastics' Physiotherapist)  
Jason Laird (British Gymnastics' Physiotherapist)  
Lindy Laszig (British Gymnastics' Physiotherapist)



## Petition for Inclusion in Selection - Tumbling Gymnastics

World Age Group Competition, Tokyo, JPN

5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> December 2019

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| Gymnast Name:                   |  |
| Gymnast BG number:              |  |
| Gymnast / parent email address: |  |
| Age group (e.g. 11-12 Men):     |  |
| Club:                           |  |
| Personal Coach Name:            |  |
| Personal Coach email address:   |  |

2019 Spring Series 1 & 2 scores (if available):

Supporting evidence to be considered for inclusion as detailed in section 13 in the selection policy:

To be emailed to [Nadine.barnard@british-gymnastics.org](mailto:Nadine.barnard@british-gymnastics.org) BEFORE NOON on the 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Late petitions will NOT be accepted.