



# BRITISH GYMNASTICS' SELECTION POLICY

## Tumbling Gymnastics

### 26<sup>th</sup> Junior European Championships, Baku (Azerbaijan)

9<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018

<p>1. Introduction</p>	<p>“The European Championships is a PERFORMANCE competition and whilst not a milestone event for the Tokyo cycle, it will be used as part of the selection process for the 2018 World Championships. 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 2018 Senior European Championships will be made according to this selection policy.</p> <p>Athletes should note that for all major championships, each delegation may enter a maximum of 4 entries in total for men and 4 entries for women.”</p>									
<p>2. Performance Targets</p>	<p><b>Boys:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual (Boys) – 2 in Final and one medal</li> <li>• Team (Boys) - Final and Medal</li> </ul> <p><b>Girls:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual (Girls) – 2 in Final and one medal</li> <li>• Team (Girls) - Final and medal</li> </ul>									
<p>3. Selection Process / Timelines</p>	<p>The <u>Minimum Standards</u> listed below must be achieved to show that gymnasts can be competitive in both Prelims and Finals (ind &amp; team).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="408 1585 1203 1727"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Minimum Standards for Selection (prelim score)</th> <th>Minimum Standards for Selection (team final run)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>Boys</b></td> <td>67.0</td> <td>34.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Girls</b></td> <td>62.4</td> <td>31.8</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The top ranked gymnast from both the boys’ and girls’ lists will be selected by right if they have achieved the minimum scores at the selection event.</li> <li>• The prelim and final scores from the selection event will be added together to make a ranking list.</li> <li>• <b><i>NB Gymnasts failing to achieve the above score in each round OR to complete all passes will not be ranked.</i></b></li> </ul>		Minimum Standards for Selection (prelim score)	Minimum Standards for Selection (team final run)	<b>Boys</b>	67.0	34.0	<b>Girls</b>	62.4	31.8
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	<p><b><u>Allocated Places</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>The Nomination Panel may also award up to 4 further male &amp; 4 further female places to the gymnasts who have shown an ability to deliver against the performance targets outlined and whose inclusion reflects the long-term direction and aims of the TUM Programme. These allocated places are not guaranteed and the use of such places is not open to Appeal.</i></li> </ul> <p><b><u>Individual Tie Break:</u></b></p> <p>In the event of a tie the scores will be left tied within the final ranking list and the nomination panel will make a discretionary decision based on the performance targets of the policy and the long term aims of the TUM Programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><u>Nominated gymnasts (including replacements)</u></b> will be expected to undertake all programme activities (Camps and Competitions) as laid out by the Performance Manager as part of the preparations for the Championships to prove their readiness to compete.</li> <li><b><u>Nominated gymnasts (including replacements)</u></b> must also agree to observe all obligations outlined within the British Gymnastics' Gymnast Agreement 2017-2020 and any subsequent Codes of Behaviour adopted by British Gymnastics.</li> </ul>
4. FIG/UEG Entry deadlines (whole timeline)	<p>Definitive entries must be returned to the UEG Secretariat by January 12<sup>th</sup> 2018.</p> <p>Nominative entries must be returned to the UEG Secretariat by March 15<sup>th</sup> 2018.</p> <p>The nominating body will be British Gymnastics</p>
5. Competition Format	Gymnasts will be expected to demonstrate 3 runs, (2 prelim and 1 team final pass)
6. Eligibility Criteria	<p>Gymnasts 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 of 13 years old and a maximum of 17yrs in the year of competition (born 2005-2001)</li> <li>In possession of a current Gymnast Licence held with FIG</li> <li>A British Gymnastics member in good standing</li> </ul> <p>NB. All eligibility is subject to the current rules of FIG as at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017</p>
7. The 'Team'	The 'Team' means the team which is selected by British Gymnastics and includes gymnasts, coaches, nominated reserves, medical support personnel, Judges, Team Managers, Heads of Delegation and any associated members of the World Class Programmes' staff.
8. Nomination Panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The TUM Nomination Panel is headed by the Performance Manager, the TUM National Coach(es) and Chair of Trampoline Technical Committee.</li> <li>Following the completion of the designated selection events listed in this Policy, the Performance Manager will firstly consult with the National Coach (and take into account any relevant input deemed necessary from the Performance Sport Science and Medical Staff) and then together with the Chair of the Technical Committee, make a selection recommendation to the Approval Panel.</li> <li>The nominated gymnasts and coaches will be those who in the expert opinion of the TUM Nomination Panel are those most able to achieve the targets listed in the section 'Performance Targets'.</li> <li>Following this consultation, the Performance Manager will forward a list of the nominated TUM gymnasts and coaches no later than midnight on Tuesday 27 February to the Approval Panel for their scrutiny.</li> </ul>
9. Approval Panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Approval Panel, comprising of the Performance Director and the Head of Performance Programmes will consider the nominations for gymnasts and coaches received from the Nomination Panel and ratify if appropriate.</li> </ul>

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10. Appeals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appeals can only be submitted for a non-selected gymnast on the grounds that the process outlined within this Selection Policy has not been adhered to.</li> <li>Appeals should be made following British Gymnastics selection appeals process (details can be found on the British Gymnastics website link below) - <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></li> </ul>
11.Designated Selection Event(s)	<p>The selection policy described below applies to the following selection events:</p> <p>1. <b>Selection 1 - Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018</b></p> <p>Queen’s Hall, Lilleshall National Sports Centre</p> <p><b>Boys individual:</b> Prelim &amp; Team Final</p> <p><b>Girls Individual:</b> Prelim &amp; Team Final</p> <p><i>NB. Any gymnast who is ill or injured prior to or during the Designated selection event above must provide immediate written authentication of the injury or illness by a registered medical practitioner or chartered physiotherapist. This documentation must be submitted to the Programme Manager.</i></p> <p><i>In addition to the Designated Selection Event <u>any allocated places</u> will be considered based on a gymnast’s capacity to train and compete at the standard required to achieve the performance targets outlined in this selection policy the following events and camps will be considered: -</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Age Groups 2017</li> <li>British Championships 2017</li> <li>National Squad Training 2018</li> </ol>
12.Nomination to Trial Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Current members of the GBR Junior National TUM Squad will have automatic entry into the selection event</b> by submission of the ‘application to trial form’ at the end of the policy and an entry fee of £30.00 to the Non-Olympic Programme Officer (TUM) by the deadline of midnight Friday 26th January 2018. Any Gymnasts who do not submit the entry form and fee by this deadline will be required to pay a £60.00 entry fee up to a further deadline of midnight on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>February. After this deadline, no entries will be accepted.</li> <li><b>Any Gymnast not currently in the GBR Junior National TUM Squad who can demonstrate their ability to achieve the Performance standards stated in the policy</b> should also submit an ‘application to trial’ form (see form at the end of the policy) to the Non-Olympic Programme Officer (TUM) by the deadline of midnight Friday 26th January 2018. The Technical Panel will consider these applications and any invitations to trial resulting from this process will be communicated to the gymnast and personal coach by Friday 2nd February 2018, at which point the £30.00 entry fee will be payable.</li> <li>Please note that all applications submitted will be acknowledged with an email of receipt. If you do not receive confirmation of receipt by the entry deadline, please assume that your application has not been received. We would advise sending all postal applications via recorded delivery.</li> </ul>
13.Injury & Replacement	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the event of injury and/or the need for replacement, any gymnast may be called upon to join the Team at any time.</li> <li>Once Team selections have been confirmed by the Approval Panel, all selected gymnasts (including the reserve(s)) must agree not to withhold any information on training fitness, injury</li> </ol>

	<p>status or illness that could affect training or competition at any time until the point of the Championships.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. All selected gymnasts (including the reserve(s)) 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. A gymnast 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 gymnast 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 gymnast 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 gymnast 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.</li> <li>6. At any stage following the arrival of the Team at the competition and during the event, should any gymnast 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 gymnast 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.</li> <li>7. At any stage following the selection announcement, should there be a doubt over the ability of a gymnast to compete to the best of his ability <u>due to an injury or illness</u>, the following procedure will be adhered to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The gymnast 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 gymnast is physically unable to compete or is at risk of causing medical harm to themselves, or endangering other competitors, officials or spectators.</li> <li>b) If the gymnast passes the initial medical examination carried out by the Medical Officer but British Gymnastics still has concerns over whether or not the gymnast is able to compete to the best of his ability due to the underlying injury or illness, the gymnast will be required to undertake British Gymnastics' designated "Fitness Test".</li> <li>c) The Fitness Test is an objective assessment that will require the gymnast to perform routine(s) to 0.3 of their expected start value or final score.</li> <li>d) In the event that a gymnast 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.</li> </ol> </li> <li>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.</li> </ol>
14. Team Organisation	<p>The Team will attend two pre-Championship Preparation Camps at Lilleshall National Sports Centre: 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> March which will be self-funded and cost £75. The 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> April (arrive evening of 2<sup>nd</sup> April) which will be fully funded (pending confirmation of the 2018/19 budgets).</p> <p>In the event that they have not already done so, all gymnasts within the Team will be required to sign and comply with British Gymnast Agreement 2017-2020.</p>

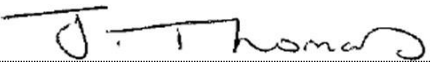
15. Announcement	The team will be announced on Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2018. Selected Team Members agree not to make any announcement to the media or public in any form (including on any personal websites) regarding their selection until after British Gymnastics have announced the Team selection on the British Gymnastics website (www.british-gymnastics.org)
16. 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 Tumbling Junior European Championships (Baku, AZE)**

APPROVED BY:

Signed 

Sharon Wood  
Chair – 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)



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#### Registration to Trial

I \_\_\_\_\_ (full name) wish to be considered for selection to the British Team for the Tumbling Event at the 2018 European Championships in Baku (AZE).

I acknowledge that I have read, been given opportunity to discuss, understand, and agree to follow:

1. British Gymnastics' Selection Policy for the Tumbling Event at the 2018 European Championships;
2. British Gymnastics' Code of Conduct and Rules of Membership;
3. British Gymnastics' Gymnast Agreement;

By registering for selection I acknowledge that the selected Team will be expected to attend the programme of Pre-Championship Competition & Preparation outlined below: -

- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at Lilleshall National Sports Centre (LNSC). This will be self-funded and cost £75.
- Monday 2 April – Friday 6 April 2018 at Lilleshall National Sports Centre (LNSC). This will be fully funded (pending confirmation of the 2018/19 budgets).

My normal contact details for further correspondence and for anti-doping records are given below. I undertake to notify British Gymnastics' Non-Olympic Programme Officer immediately should these details change.

Address:	
Mobile phone:	
Email:	
Club:	
Personal coach:	
Personal coach email:	

This acknowledgement ensures that I will be afforded fair and equal opportunity to gain selection to the Team in accordance with the Selection Policy, but does not guarantee my selection in any way.

Signature of athlete*:	Signature of witness:
Date:	Name of witness:

\*If you are under the age of 18 years at the date of signing this form, it must be signed by your parents/guardians.

I/We\*, the undersigned parent(s)/guardian(s)\* of the athlete agree (and if more than one agree jointly and severally) that:

- a) the athlete is under the age of 18 years as at the date of signing the Acknowledgement Form;
- b) I/We\* have read and understood the selection policy and have fully explained to the athlete the terms and effects of the selection policy and have sought and obtained independent clarification and advice wherever it was necessary;
- c) the athlete has read the details of the selection policy and together with our full explanation understands its terms and effects;

Signed by:

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Parent(s)/Guardian(s)\* Signature(s)

Name and address (es) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)\* (if different from above)

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\*Delete as appropriate

Please return along with entry fee of £30.00 to: Nadine Barnard, Non-Olympic Programme Officer, British Gymnastics, Administration Building, Lilleshall National Sports Centre, Newport, TF10 9NE, no later than midnight on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018.