

## **2022 EUROPEAN YOUTH OLYMPIC FESTIVAL SELECTION POLICY**

**24-30<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
Banska Bystrica, Slovakia**

### **1. BACKGROUND & INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1. This document sets out the selection procedure in respect of athlete nominations to the British Olympic Association for the 2022 European Youth Olympic Festival (EYOF).
- 1.2. Whilst Badminton England have delegated responsibility, GB Badminton will be responsible for nomination of athletes to the BOA for these Games.
- 1.3. There will be 11 sports on the Programme for the XVI edition of the Festival – Artistic Gymnastics, Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Cycling, Handball, Judo, Swimming, Tennis, Triathlon and Volleyball.

### **2. POLICY OBJECTIVES**

- 2.1. To select the highest ranked European players for the 2022 EYOF and in accordance with the qualification system of the European Olympic Committee (EOC) and in line with the below selection criteria of GB Badminton.

### **3. ELIGIBILITY**

- 3.1. To be considered for selection under this Policy, a player must be eligible to represent Great Britain in the 2022 EYOF under the EOC Charter and regulations and the BOA rules in place from time to time, including, but not limited to:
  - 3.1.1. Born between 1 January 2006 and 31 December 2007;
  - 3.1.2. A holder of a valid British passport which expires no less than 6 months after the Festival;
  - 3.1.3. Be a current member of and in good standing with the respective National Governing Body;
  - 3.1.4. Eligible under any other eligibility criteria imposed by the IOC and/or the BOA including in respect of anti-doping and;
  - 3.1.5. Signing the BOA Team Members Agreement

### **4. EOC QUALIFICATION SYSTEM**

- 4.1. A maximum of one male and one female athlete from each National Olympic Committee (NOC) can qualify
- 4.2. It should be noted that it will be mandatory for all qualified players to play in both the Singles and the Mixed Doubles event.

## **5. SPORT SELECTION CRITERIA**

- 5.1. GB Badminton will select and nominate players to the BOA in accordance with the Policy Objectives and Event eligibility criteria, who meet the following criteria at the time of selection:
  - 5.1.1. The highest eligible ranked British male and highest eligible ranked British female Singles player, according to the official BEC European U17 Ranking found [here](#) as at the Selection Date (as listed under 9.1), will be put forward for nomination.

## **6. APPEALS**

- 6.1. GB Badminton Selection and Nomination Appeals Procedure will be followed (attached).

## **7. DESELECTION**

- 7.1. A player selected for the 2022 EYOF may be deselected if the player:
  - 7.1.1. Due to illness or injury, in the opinion of the Selection Panel (see below), becomes unable to perform to the required standard. Medical advice may be sought.
  - 7.1.2. Breaches, or fails to fulfil a requirement of, the Anti-Doping Policies of the respective National Governing Body, the Badminton World Federation or other approved agencies.
  - 7.1.3. No longer fulfils the eligibility criteria listed in Section 3 of this document.
- 7.2. Any decision to deselect a player from this event will be taken by the Selection Panel and communicated to the respective player in writing explaining the reason(s) for the deselection.
- 7.3. The selection of any replacement players will be completed in accordance with this selection policy.

## **8. SELECTION PANEL**

- 8.1. The Selection Panel will comprise of two members of the GB Badminton Board and the nominated EYOF Team Leader. In the event of unforeseen circumstances, the GB Badminton Board can appoint replacement Members of this Selection Panel from within its Membership such that there is always a minimum of 3 Members of the Selection Panel. Panel members should declare any conflicts of interest at the beginning of the selection meeting such as close personal connections with players considered for selection (e.g., family, personal coach). The Panel Member can take part in discussions but will abstain from voting when this involves the player(s) in question.

## **9. SELECTION PROCEDURE – TIMESCALES**

- 9.1. The selection for the 2022 EYOF will take place on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022.
- 9.2. Selected players will be informed about the selection via email by 12pm on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022.
- 9.3. Selected players must confirm their availability for the Event as well as any team preparation activities within 24 hours.

- 9.4. These provisional selections will be published on all Home Nations websites by 3pm on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022.
- 9.5. Non-selected players will have 72 hrs to submit an appeal from receiving the above notice and GB Badminton will ensure that all appeals have been heard and concluded within one week (see item 6 – Appeals).
- 9.6. Nominations will be submitted to the British Olympic Association on or before Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022.
- 9.7. Final selection is at the sole discretion of the BOA and will be based on the GB Badminton nominations made against this Selection Policy. The BOA will submit its selection to the EOC by 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022.
- 9.8. The selection will be announced on all Home Nations websites following ratification from the BOA.

GB Badminton Board

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