



**SELECTION POLICY (RECURVE)**

**WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS – BERLIN – 28/07/23 – 07/08/23**

**EUROPEAN GAMES – KRAKOW – 23/06/23 – 29/06/23**

**WORLD CUPS – VARIOUS – APRIL, MAY, JUNE & JULY**

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<p><b>1. Championship Competition Format/s</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual</li> <li>• Team</li> <li>• Mixed Team</li> </ul> <p><b>Maximum anticipated places per category as follows:</b></p> <p><b><i>World Championships &amp; European Games (subject to quota confirmations)</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 x Recurve Women</li> <li>• 3 x Recurve Men</li> </ul> <p><b><i>World Cups</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 x Recurve Women</li> <li>• 4 x Recurve Men</li> </ul>
<p><b>2. General Points of Eligibility</b></p>	<p>Archers are eligible for consideration provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They are an Archery GB member in good standing</li> <li>• Have satisfied all eligibility under the rules of World Archery (WA) and subject to any changes it may introduce after the publication of this policy</li> <li>• Are eligible to compete for Great Britain</li> <li>• They hold a valid passport</li> <li>• Are available for selection of the stated event</li> <li>• Are fit and healthy to compete</li> <li>• Have met the required selection scores identified in section 5, or have met the required criteria to be considered for a wildcard as identified in section 10 of this policy</li> </ul>
<p><b>3. Context and Purpose of Milestone event and Championship selection</b></p>	<p>Archery GB (AGB) will use the World Championships 2023 as a Milestone Target event in line with our Paris Strategic Plan and preparation for the 2024 Paris Olympics.</p> <p>The World Championships and European Games provide the first 2 opportunities for Paris 2024 quota spots and World Ranking points accrued at these events plus World Cups provide the greatest opportunity for quota spots should they not be won at the quota tournaments.</p> <p>In selecting a team, consideration will be given to the following objectives;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Selecting athletes with the potential to win Olympic Quota spots.</li> </ol>

**4. World Championship & European Games Selection**

The selection process for the World Championships and European Games will be a 2-stage process as follows (exact dates TBC):

- Selection Shoot 1: 23-25 February 2023 – Indoors at Lilleshall NSC
- Selection Shoot 2: 03-08 April 2023 – Outdoors as part of the European Grand Prix at Lilleshall NSC

The following selection scores qualify for automatic entry into the selection process.

Recurve Women	Recurve Men
3 x WA70 = 650	3 x WA70 = 665

All scores must be shot at either Domestic or International World Record Status events.

If 6 or more athletes obtain the selection scores, selection wildcards will not be offered in this category. A medical wildcard may still be offered.

In a category where there are selection wildcards offered, athletes who have obtained the selection scores above will be awarded bonus points at the start of the selection process. (see section 7)

If an athlete is selected for the European Games and World Championships they will automatically be selected for the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> World Cups.

## 5. World Cups Selection

### World Cup 1

Due to the proximity of World Cup 1 to the completion of the selection process, selection for the 1<sup>st</sup> World Cup will be done on the following basis:

- Athletes with selection scores will be considered first.
- If more than 4 athletes have obtained the selection scores then nomination will be based on the results of selection shoot 1. An athlete who has been awarded a medical wildcard can be entered into and create the need for this part of the selection process. A selection wildcard cannot be entered into this part of the process.
- If there are less than 4 athletes with the selection scores, then those athletes will be automatically nominated for selection and the remaining spots will be awarded to the highest ranked athletes at Selection Shoot 1, in order, who have not achieved selection scores. In the event of a tie for a ranking place, a 1 arrow shoot off will decide the positions at the end of Selection Shoot 1.

This is to show reward for obtaining the selection scores within the selection window and because Selection Shoot 1 will take place indoors with no impacting weather conditions.

### World Cup 2, 3 & 4

The selected team for the European Games and World Championships will automatically be selected for these events.

The athlete for the 4<sup>th</sup> spot will be selected by selection panel ahead of the final deadline date for entries of each event.

When selecting the 4<sup>th</sup> athlete, the selection panel will take the following into consideration:

- The 6-week rolling ranking\* which shows the average WA70 score of the top 3 WA70's in the 6 weeks leading up to the selection meeting.
- Attendance and performance at domestic and international events during the 2023 season.
- Any other relevant information, including but not limited to performances in H2H competition, injury, illness etc.

To be considered for selection at these events the following minimum criteria must have been achieved in the 2022 or 2023 competitive seasons and athletes must have submitted these scores to show their intent and availability for selection:

Recurve Women	Recurve Men
3 x WA70 = 635	3 x WA70 = 650

\* only scores shot at WRS events will be used in the rolling ranking. Scores will be collected from events published on IANSEO. Any results not published on IANSEO must be submitted electronically showing either the official results sheet or the signed scoresheet displaying competition name, WRS, date, athlete name and archer and scorer signatures to the e-mail address in section 6 by the Friday following the event.

<p><b>6. Selection Window</b></p>	<p>The window for obtaining and submitting scores is: 01/06/2022 – 31/10/2022</p> <p>Scores shot at any WRS events need to be submitted to <a href="mailto:rikki.bingham@archerygb.org">rikki.bingham@archerygb.org</a> <i>Submission should include the official competition results or a link to them.</i></p>
<p><b>7. Selection Shoot</b></p>	<p><b>Selection Shoot 1</b></p> <p>This will take place over 4 days in Sutherland Hall and will be a combination of WA70, ½ WA70 (i.e. 360) and H2H's.</p> <p>Any athlete who achieves the selection scores within the selection window will be awarded Bonus Points at the start of this stage. Details of the points system and bonus points can be found in Appendix 1*.</p> <p>The top 6 athletes will move onto Selection shoot 2. If there are less than 6 athletes at the selection shoot 1, all athletes will compete in the selection shoot and will progress to selection shoot 2.</p> <p><b>Selection Shoot 2</b></p> <p>This will take place within the European Grand Prix at Lilleshall. Points will be awarded for the individual components of competition (the team event will not be awarded any points)</p> <p>Any athlete who wins an individual medal at the European Grand Prix will automatically be selected. The top 3 athletes after both selection shoots will be nominated to the selection panel. Any team medals will be taken into consideration by the selection panel</p> <p>Details of how points will be awarded can be found in Appendix 1* at the end of this policy.</p> <p>*Appendix 1 will be published by Mid-September 2022</p>

## 8. Wildcards

### Medical Wildcard:

- Can be awarded in exceptional circumstances, for long-term injury / illness / medical conditions, based on the following criteria;
  - Fully unavailable to shoot for 4-6 weeks due to injury / illness / medical condition; or
  - Restricted with same injury / illness / medical condition for more than 3 months; and
  - Has demonstrated an ability to achieve selection scores in the 12 months prior to their illness / injury / medical condition.
- Although the above criteria is a minimum, before a Medical Wildcard is approved, additional consideration would be given as to the time of the season in which the injury / illness has taken place and whether or not the injury / illness / medical condition has led to the athlete not having had the same opportunity to compete as everyone else
- A Medical Wildcard must have in place a performance readiness plan to demonstrate that they have returned to full fitness and are competitive in the respective category by an agreed date with the Olympic Performance Manager.

### Selection Wildcard:

- Awarded where an athlete may have been unsuccessful in achieving all of selection scores but is deemed to be at an internationally competitive level. Examples of where a selection wildcard may be offered include, but are not limited to, having achieved some, but not all the selection scores; having less opportunity to achieve selection scores due to attendance at international events within the selection window; or having demonstrable medal winning potential based on international medal winning pedigree within the past 4 years.
- Can be awarded if there are less than 6 athletes with selection scores in a category.
- The minimum score criteria as set out in Section 5 must be achieved to be considered for a selection wildcard.

The ultimate decision on a Selection Wildcard is made by the Performance Director in consultation with the Selection Panel.

<p><b>9. Nomination and Selection Panel</b></p>	<p>The following selection meetings will take place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Following the conclusion of Selection Shoot 1 for World Cup 1</li> <li>• Following the conclusion of Selection Shoot 2 for World Championships, European Games &amp; World Cup 2</li> <li>• On or around the final entry deadline date (approx. 3 weeks before competition)</li> </ul> <p>The representatives at this meeting will be made up of the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance Director (Chair) or other nominated member of Performance Management Team</li> <li>• Olympic Performance Manager</li> <li>• Performance coaches working within the Olympic Programme</li> <li>• Independent performance expert</li> </ul> <p>In selecting a team that is in line with section 3, the panel will consider all available information, including, but not limited to the scores submitted, medal target, recent performance pedigree (including international medals won), behaviour and contribution to a team ethos both at the event and within the day-to-day environment.</p> <p>There is no obligation to send full categories if it is not deemed to be in the programme's interest and the selection panel may elect to select fewer than the maximum permitted athletes.</p>
<p><b>10. Reserves</b></p>	<p>To ensure that we can field a team for the team event the selection panel may nominate up to 2 reserves per category.</p>
<p><b>11. Team Announcement</b></p>	<p>Athletes selected will be notified within 24 hours of the selection panel meeting and the intent would be for the team announcement to take place within 7 days of the selection panel meeting.</p> <p>Selected team members must agree not to make any announcement to the media or public (including other athletes) in any form (including on any social or other media) regarding their selection until after Archery GB have announced the selection on the Archery GB web site <a href="http://www.archerygb.org">www.archerygb.org</a></p>
<p><b>12. The 'Team'</b></p>	<p>The 'Team' means the team which is selected by Archery GB which includes athletes, coaches, nominated reserves (if applicable), medical support personnel, team leaders and any associated members of the World Class Programme team.</p>

**13. Injury / Illness / Wellbeing**

At any stage during the selection process or following the selection announcement, should there be a doubt over the ability of an Athlete to compete to the best of his / her ability due to an injury or physical / mental health, the following procedure will be followed:

- In the case of physical injury / health, the athlete will be referred to the Archery GB approved medical personnel to undergo a medical examination to determine his / her fitness to participate, which at this stage will be determined 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 her / himself, or endangering other competitors, officials or spectators.
- If the athlete passes the medical examination but the Medical Personnel and/or Archery GB have concerns over whether the athlete is able to compete to the best of his / her ability due to the underlying injury or illness, the athlete will be required to undertake an Archery GB agreed Performance Readiness plan, which would include "Fitness Test(s)".
- The Fitness Test(s) will require the athlete to compete under 'controlled competition conditions' in the distance and format which replicates the required competition demands. The athlete will be allowed two attempts to satisfy these requirements.
- In the case of any concerns around an athlete's mental health, Archery GB may be required to seek expert advice and input from UK Sport's Mental Health Expert Panel on the athlete's vulnerability. In certain situations this may require the athlete to undergo a mental health assessment either with the CMO or through the Mental Health Expert panel which may include the development of a management plan to promote positive mental health until the conclusion of the event.
- In the event that an athlete fails to complete the Fitness Test(s) to the required standard or it is deemed they are not fit to compete from a mental health perspective, the Performance Director/CMO may recommend that the selected athlete be de-selected and replaced with the reserve.



<p><b>14. Following the conclusion of the selection process.</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Once selections have been confirmed by the Performance Director / Olympic Performance Manager, all selected athletes (including any identified reserve(s)) must agree not to withhold any information on training fitness, injury status or physical / mental health that could affect training or competition at any time until the conclusion of the event.</li> <li>2. All selected athletes must declare any medications they are taking, in particular the use of any restricted medications and that they hold a valid Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) which can be produced when required by the relevant authority;</li> <li>3. An athlete and other Team members will be required to sign up to the relevant Code of Conduct or Athlete Agreement and any breach of this may result in disciplinary action including removal from the team and possible early return home from an event. In this case any member sent home will be invoiced for the full cost of their entry into the event and any additional cost incurred in sending them home.  Decisions on these matters are open to appeal as allowed by the relevant Archery GB Disciplinary process effective at the time of the incident.</li> <li>4. Athletes and other Team members selected, are required to attend all related training camps and competitions as laid out by the Performance Director / Olympic Performance Manager and coaching team, from the selection announcement onwards, this includes attendance, in person, at a mandatory pre-event medical.</li> </ol> <p>Athletes and other Team members will be expected to demonstrate they can actively contribute to the team unity required to be a successful international team.</p>
<p><b>15. Appeals</b></p>	<p>Any selection appeal must be registered in line with the process identified in the <a href="http://www.archerygb.org/national-squads-records/selection-criteria/">http://www.archerygb.org/national-squads-records/selection-criteria/</a></p>
<p><b>16. Any matters not covered by this Policy</b></p>	<p>Any matters arising from the selection processes, which are not covered within this policy, shall be determined by the Performance Director (or representative thereof) acting at their sole discretion.</p>

**MEDICAL PERSONNEL APPROVED BY ARCHERY GB**

*Eleanor Jones (Archery GB Lead Physiotherapist)*

*Kieran McMahon (Archery GB Physiotherapist)*

*Dr Mary Thomas (Archery GB Chief Medical Officer) and/or EIS regional Doctor nominated by the CMO*

*EIS / UK Sport Mental Health Expert Panel*

**APPENDIX 1 – SELECTION SHOOT POINTS ALLOCATION**