



SELECTION POLICY (RECURVE)

2025 EUROPEAN YOUTH CUP 2 – CATEZ, SLOVENIA – JULY 28 – AUGUST 2

2025 WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS – WINNIPEG, CANADA – AUGUST 17-24

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<p>1. Funding</p>	<p>1.1 The European Youth Cup 2nd leg will be a self-funded event.</p> <p>1.2 The World Youth Championships will be a mix of self-funded and funded by Archery GB (AGB). See Appendix C for further details.</p>				
<p>2. Championship competition format/s</p>	<p>2.1 Competition format</p> <p>Individual Mixed team Team</p> <p>2.2 Maximum places per category that Archery GB may choose, but is under no obligation, to select:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="432 611 1445 887"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="432 611 940 696">European Youth Cup 2nd leg</th> <th data-bbox="940 611 1445 696">World Youth Championships</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="432 696 940 887"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four under-21 Women • Four under-21 Men • Four under-18 Women • Four under-18 Men </td> <td data-bbox="940 696 1445 887"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three under-21 Women • Three under-21 Men • Three under-18 Women • Three under-18 Men </td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>2.3 AGB reserve the right to select fewer than the maximum permitted number of athletes.</p> <p>2.4 Where a higher limit applies, the selection panel will only consider selecting more than three athletes in a category where there is a compelling performance reason including, but not limited to, relevant exposure to a developmentally appropriate competition opportunity and future senior potential.</p>	European Youth Cup 2 nd leg	World Youth Championships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four under-21 Women • Four under-21 Men • Four under-18 Women • Four under-18 Men 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three under-21 Women • Three under-21 Men • Three under-18 Women • Three under-18 Men
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<p>3. General points of eligibility</p>	<p>3.1 Archers are eligible for consideration provided they:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are an AGB member in good standing • Have satisfied all eligibility under the rules of World Archery (WA) and subject to any changes it may introduce subsequent to the publication of this policy • Are eligible to compete for Great Britain • Hold a valid passport • Are available for selection of the stated event • Are fit and healthy to compete • Have met the required Minimum Qualifying Scores identified in section 5 • Have no outstanding, overdue debts owed to Archery GB 				
<p>4. Context and purpose of event selection</p>	<p>4.1 AGB will use the 2025 European Youth Cup 2nd leg as an event to develop future performance potential through exposure to international competition and medal-winning opportunities.</p>				

4.2 AGB will use the 2025 World Youth Championships to prepare youth talent for a future as a British Olympic/Paralympic archer through exposure to world class competition.

5. Performance standards

5.1 Minimum qualifying scores (MQS) have been set for AGB to consider inviting athletes into the selection process.

5.2 The MQS on a WA70/WA60 round are:

		U21 Men	U21 Women	U18 Men	U18 Women
Band A <i>Worlds first tier</i>		<i>(2005 and 2006)</i> 2 x 656 at 70m	<i>(2005 and 2006)</i> 2 x 641 at 70m	<i>(2008 or later)</i> 2 x	<i>(2008 or later)</i> 2 x
		<i>(2007)</i> 2 x 674 at 60m OR 656 at 70m	<i>(2007)</i> 2 x 661 at 60m OR 641 at 70m	663 at 60m OR 642 at 70m	651 at 60m OR 628 at 70m
Band B <i>Worlds second tier</i>	<i>(Year of birth)</i> Minimum score level and frequency required	<i>(2005 and 2006)</i> 2 x 650 at 70m	<i>(2005 and 2006)</i> 2 x 629 at 70m	<i>(2008 or later)</i> 2 x	<i>(2008 or later)</i> 2 x
		<i>(2007)</i> 2 x 669 at 60m OR 650 at 70m	<i>(2007)</i> 2 x 651 at 60m OR 629 at 70m	655 at 60m OR 633 at 70m	642 at 60m OR 617 at 70m
Band C <i>Youth Cup</i>		<i>(2005 and 2006)</i> 2 x 620 at 70m	<i>(2005 and 2006)</i> 2 x 598 at 70m	<i>(2008 or later)</i> 2 x 622 at 60m	<i>(2008 or later)</i> 2 x 609 at 60m
		<i>(2007)</i> 2 x	<i>(2007)</i> 2 x	OR 597 at 70m	OR 580 at 70m

		<u>641</u> at 60m	<u>623</u> at 60m		
		OR	OR		
		<u>620</u> at 70m	<u>598</u> at 70m		

5.3 Scores must be shot at World Record Status (WRS) events within the selection window – see section 7. Details of how scores need to be submitted can be found in Appendix A.

5.4 Young athletes’ performance can improve quickly. Archery GB reserves the right, but are under no obligation, to invite further athletes into the selection process if they can demonstrate competitive performance after the relevant score submission deadline.

6. Selection process

6.1 The intent of the Selection Shoot process is to give athletes the opportunity to demonstrate their performance level within a series of formats that replicate the demands of international competition.

6.2 A selection shoot will take place at Lilleshall National Sports Centre on 31 May and 1 June 2025. This event coincides with the senior selection shoot on the same dates and athletes can participate in both processes concurrently. A full rationale can be found in Appendix B.

6.3 Athletes are responsible for entering the selection shoot through Sport 80 and payment of the appropriate entry fee.

6.4 The selection shoot format will be as follows

Saturday	AM – Round robin head-to-heads PM – WA 50/60/70
Sunday	AM – WA 50/60/70 PM – Round robin head-to-heads

6.5 Timings for shooting will be as follows:

6.5.1 720: 30 seconds per arrow, 180 seconds per end

6.5.2 Matches: 30 seconds per arrow, 90 seconds per end

6.6 The following data will be recorded at each stage of the selection shoot process:

Each 720	A total 720 score (two in total)
H2H matches	A 12 arrow average score of all sets in each match (per match) Plus a 5 point “win bonus” for each head-to-head match won (per match)

6.7 The final number of head-to-head matches to be shot per category will be confirmed when the number of athletes in each category is confirmed. Athletes may shoot one or more complete round robins in their category.

6.8 The total points accrued during the selection shoot will be added together and a ranking table created. These results will be used by the selection panel, alongside the other factors identified in section 8.3 when considering final selections and nominations.

6.9 In the event of multiple athletes accruing the same number of overall points following the selection shoot, ties will be decided based on the number of match wins throughout the selection shoot. If multiple

	<p>athletes are still tied, final ranking of these athletes will be determined based on the cumulative total of their 720 scores at the selection shoot.</p> <p>European Youth Cup 2nd leg (6.10 – 6.11)</p> <p>6.10 Subject to sufficient athletes, the top three athletes per category will be selected for the European Youth Cup 1st leg on the sum of their total points accrued at the selection shoot.</p> <p>6.11 Any further selection will be subject to the selection panel’s discretion.</p> <p>World Youth Championships (6.12 – 6.14)</p> <p>6.12 Subject to sufficient athletes, the top two athletes per category will be selected for the World Youth Championships on the sum of their total points accrued at the selection shoot (subject to 6.13 below).</p> <p>6.13 If an athlete who finishes in the top two has not achieved the relevant MQS to attend the World Youth Championships (Band A or B), they will not be eligible for selection for this event. This does not change the ranking order or the number of automatically selected places.</p> <p>6.14 Any further selection will be subject to the selection panel’s discretion.</p> <p>6.15 Athletes are required to complete all stages of the selection shoot process to be eligible for selection for either event. Should an athlete not be able to participate in part of the selection process due to illness, injury or other international representation, they will need approved medical or programme exemption from Archery GB personnel. Further consideration of this athlete will be done in line with criteria herein.</p>
<p>7. Timetable</p>	<p>7.1 The selection window for attainment of MQS for the both the European Youth Cup 2nd leg and the World Youth Championships is 1 May 2024 – 18 May 2025</p> <p>7.2 The submission deadline of MQS is 23.59 on 18 May 2025</p> <p>7.3 The selection panel will meet on or around 5 June 2025</p>
<p>8. Nomination and selection panel</p>	<p>8.1 Following the conclusion of the selection shoot process, a selection panel will be convened to confirm selections for each event.</p> <p>8.2 The representatives at this meeting will be made up of the following. In the event of an attendee being unable to attend the meeting, a report will be submitted if appropriate and / or a suitable alternative attending:</p> <p>Performance Director (Chair) or other nominated member of the Performance Management Team Performance Pathway Manager Compound Programme Manager Independent coach(es) Independent performance specialist Medical personnel (if required) Pathway Co-ordinator (Meeting notes)</p> <p>8.3 In selecting a team that is in keeping with the context and aims of event selection in section 4, the panel will consider all available information. Secondary to performance in the selection process, this may include but is not limited to athletes who have been unable to train or compete due to</p>

	injury/illness or any other unforeseen circumstances, maintenance of form and fitness, performance readiness, performance potential, medal target, performance pedigree (including international medals won), injury/illness history, behaviour and contribution to a team ethos.
9. Team announcement	<p>9.1 Athletes selected will be notified within 24 hours of the selection panel meeting and the team announcement will take place within seven days of the selection panel meeting.</p> <p>9.2 Selected team members must agree not to make any announcement to the media or public 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 website www.archerygb.org</p>
10. The 'team'	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 Performance Archery Programmes team.
11. Following the conclusion of the selection process.	<p>11.1 Once athletes and other team members have been advised of their selection by the Performance Pathway Manager, they (including any reserve(s)) must agree not to withhold any information on availability, fitness, injury status or illness that could affect their training or competitiveness at any time until the conclusion of the event;</p> <p>11.2 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;</p> <p>11.3 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.</p> <p>11.4 Athletes and other team members selected, are required to attend all related training camps and competitions as laid out by the Acting Performance Pathway Manager from the selection announcement onwards;</p> <p>11.5 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 and will be required to maintain or improve standards and behaviours to participate for Archery GB.</p>

12. Appeals	12.1 Any selection appeal must be registered in line with the process identified in the https://archerygb.org/performance/international-team-selection-criteria
13. Any matters not covered by this policy	13.1 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.

MEDICAL PERSONNEL APPROVED BY ARCHERY GB

Eleanor Eyres (Archery GB Lead Physiotherapist)

Kieran McMahon (Archery GB Physiotherapist)

Dr Lisa Hyland (Archery GB Chief Medical Officer) and/or UKSI regional Doctor nominated by the CMO

UKSI / UK Sport Mental Health Expert Panel

APPENDICES

Appendix A

Registration and performance tracking

- 14.1 Athletes can register three scores achieved in WA70/WA60 rounds in an online score tracking system. Click here to access the score submission form: <https://forms.office.com/e/4tg3iiSEu6>
- 14.2 Scores must have been achieved at World Record Status competition and evidence of the score must be provided.
- 14.3 Athletes can register up to six scores in one entry but may register as many entries as they wish.
- 14.4 It is the athlete’s sole responsibility to ensure they register their scores and that those scores have been accepted onto that system.
- 14.5 Registration on this tracking system will automatically be taken as an expression of interest for entry to the selection process.
- 14.6 This system will allow athletes to retrospectively add their scores achieved during the score window outlined in 7.1, which is compulsory for consideration.
- 14.7 Athletes must have registered their scores by the deadline outlined in 7.2.
- 14.8 Archery GB also reserves the right to take into consideration other aspects, including athlete conduct and previous performances, when considering invitations to the selection process. It is not

an athlete's right under any circumstances to be invited. Where other elements are taken into account, the athlete has a right to be given the explanation as well as a right to appeal.

Appendix B

Process rationale: Incorporation of Senior Selection Process in 2025 Youth Recurve Selection Process

15.1 The 2025 Youth and Senior Selection shoots will be incorporated into the same dates and follow the same process.

15.2 Archery GB is conscious of the supporting role it has in contributing to optimising physical and mental wellbeing of young athletes on the Performance Pathway. This contribution is elevated around times of pressure, transition and competition. By amalgamating selection shoots, we aim to minimise competing commitments for athletes targeting both processes and to optimise scheduling within an extremely busy competition calendar.

Appendix C

Funding available for events

15.3 Archery GB believes that it is important that attendance at youth internationals should be based on performance merit, not financial ability. Notwithstanding, Archery GB does not have funding to pay for every athlete, staff and support resource at all international events and therefore carefully considers which events it will use programme funding for, and which events are required to be self-funded by athletes.

15.4 In recent years, the cost of attending international events has increased whilst overall funding levels have remained stable or gone down.

15.5 Archery GB has chosen to target two youth international events in 2025 as these represent different development and performance opportunities for young athletes. The World Youth Championships in particular is expected to be a costly event due to its location.

15.6 In line with the funding outlined in section 1, these events will be both funded and self-funded. For the World Youth Championships, the level of funding available towards a place will be determined by an athlete's demonstration of potential to perform strongly at the event (determined by the tier of MQS achieved). Archery GB will publish full guidance on the funding available at each tier prior to the relevant selection shoot so that athletes can make an informed decision about their potential selection.