Archery GB 2026 European Indoor Championship Selection

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Policy for recurve, compound, and barebow archers in senior and youth categories. This is a self-funded event for all archers wishing to compete.

1. Championship Competition Format/s

Plovdiv – BULGARIA, 16-21 February 2026

- Individual
- Team

Maximum anticipated places per category as follows:

- 3 x compound women, 3 x compound men, 3 x compound U21 men, 3 x compound U21 women
- 3 x recurve women, 3 x recurve men, 3 x recurve U21 men, 3 x recurve U21 women
- 3 x barebow women, 3 x barebow men, 3 x barebow U21 men, 3 x barebow U21 women

2. General Points

Archers are eligible for consideration provided:

- They are an Archery GB member in good standing
- 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
- Are eligible to compete for Great Britain
- They hold a valid passport
- Are available for selection of the stated event
- Are fit and healthy to compete
- Have met the required selection scores identified in section 6
- 3. Context and Purpose of Championship selection
- The Performance Director in conjunction with the Programme Manager and programme leader and coaches will consider only athletes deemed to be competitive at this level and may elect to take fewer than the maximum permitted athletes for these events.

Period closes

7/12/2025

4. Selection windows

Event Period opens European Championships 1/12/2024

Please see Section 6 to find the selection scores, criteria, and the submission link. Submissions should include the official competition results or a link to them. If any spaces remain after scores are submitted, scores from the National Indoors may be considered to make up teams.



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5. Selection process

Athletes will move through three stages of a selection process:

Stage 1: Qualify for selection shoot through achievement of selection scores

Stage 2: Selection and ratification of the team

Stage 3: Representation. Selected athletes will be required to maintain or improve their standards in line with the selection criteria in order to participate in the event and represent Great Britain.

Athletes are required to complete all stages of the selection process to be eligible for selection. Should an athlete not be able to participate in part of the selection process due to illness, injury, or international representation, they will need approved medical or programme exemption from Archery GB personnel. Further consideration of this athlete will be made in line with criteria below.

6. Selection scores

Recurve

Men: 586Women: 576

Under 21 Men: 580Under 21 Women: 570

Barebow

Men: 512Women: 482Youth Men: 470Youth Women: 455

Compound

Men: 588Women: 583

Under 21 Men: 581Under 21 Women: 571

Two selection scores must be shot at WRS or UKRS Events on WA18m rounds only. Scores must be shot between 1 December 2024 – 7th December 2025

Athletes are responsible for submitting their own scores to AGB no later than 7th December 2025 before 23:59pm. **Submit here**.

By submitting your scores, you are committing to your attendance at this event and any cost incurred by AGB on entering you. If you decide to not attend after this, you are liable for any cancelation fees received (estimated cost in a twin toom for the week is £1600 + your flight and luggage costs).

Any errors in submissions will be handled as follows:

If the submitted scores are lower than the athlete's highest three scores in this period, they will receive their submitted scores.

If the submitted scores are higher than the athlete's highest two scores, or ineligible scores are submitted, these will be omitted from their total going into the selection process.



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6. Selection shoot

The three archers with the highest total score from the submitted selection scores will be selected.

A selection shoot will only take place if more than three athletes obtain the selection scores.

If there is a tie between athletes who've submitted eligible selection scores, the following process will act as the selection shoot:

- Between the tied athletes, the individual who places the highest following the head-to-head matches at the 2025 National Indoor Championships will be selected.
- If the athletes tie on position following the head-to-head matches, the individual who scored the highest in the ranking round will be selected.
- Should the athletes score the same in the ranking round, the decision will then fall to the highest number of X's, then 10s.

7. Nomination and Selection Panel

Following the conclusion of the selection process, a selection panel will convene to confirm selections for the event.

The Panel will consider only athletes deemed to be competitive at this level, and may elect to take fewer than the maximum permitted athletes for these events.

The representatives at this meeting will be made up of the following:

- Performance Director (Chair) or Director of Sport Development.
- Squad Coaching Staff (as appropriate)
 - A representative from Recurve
 - A representative from Compound
 - A representative from Barebow
- Other Performance Archery staff (as appropriate)
- Performance Co-ordinator (Meeting notes)

In selecting a team that follows the context and aims of the event selection as outlined in section 3, the panel will consider all available information, including, but not limited to: athletes who have been unable to train or compete due to 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, behavior, and contribution to a team ethos.



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9. Team Announcement

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.

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 www.archerygb.org

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 World Class Programme team.

11. Following the conclusion of the selection process.

- 1. Once athletes have been advised of their selection by Archery GB, they 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.
- 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.
- 3. An athlete will be required to sign up to the Team Members' 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.
- 4. Athletes selected for the team are required to attend all related training camps and competitions agreed in the required event preparation process from the selection announcement onwards.
- 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.

12. Any matters not covered by this policy

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.

