



**2024 IAU World 100k Championships: 7th December 2024
Bengaluru, India**

Selection Policy – Published March 2024

Overview

This policy describes the process for the selection of team members to represent Great Britain & Northern Ireland (GB & NI) at the 2024 World 100k Championships in Bengaluru, India on the 7th December.

Aim

UK Athletics (UKA) intends to select a team of up to maximum of 6 men and 6 women for this competition based on the following aims (in priority order):

- Challenge for individual team medals at the 2024 World 100k Championships AND
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For 2024, selected athletes will be required to make a personal contribution to compete at the World 100k Championships.

Notes

UK Athletics continues to value the importance of the IAU 100km World Championships and the role it plays in the progression of British endurance athletes within the international competition pathway.

UK Athletics therefore intend to select athletes who the Selection Panel believes have the potential to finish at least in the top 10 in Bengaluru. If the selectors feel that a team can realistically challenge for a podium position at the IAU 100km World Championships, a scoring team of at least three athletes and up to a maximum of six athletes may be selected providing they have met the standards and budgets allow.

The GB&NI team will travel to the Championships as a single team (exceptions to this will only be made at the discretion of the Team Leader and if budget allows). Domestic travel (within the UK) will operate under the terms and conditions of the British Athletics Domestic Assembly Policy.

Athletes not based in the UK will be required to cover the cost of their own travel to/from the UK (if travelling direct British Athletics will contribute the equivalent cost of a UK/to India return flight).

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SECTION 1: QUALIFICATION

1. Athletes seeking selection should complete an **expression of interest form** at the following link before the deadline of 23:59 on 21st July 2024. If you have any technical issues completing the form please email National Off Track Endurance Manager Tom Craggs (tcraggs@englandathletics.org) - <https://forms.office.com/e/eq2w23JBNY>

There are two routes to gaining selection;

- a) Automatic selection from the trial race. The trial will be held at the Sri Chinmoy 100k Championships (The UK 100k Championships) on Sunday 24th March 2024. Full details on the selection process at the trial can be found in Section 4. Athletes wishing into compete in the trial should enter the race at this link - Athletes wishing to enter the trial race can do so at this link - <https://uk.srichinmoyraces.org/ultras>
- b) Remaining selections will be made by a panel in a selection meeting held during W/C 22nd July 2024. The criteria for selections can be found in Section 4.

SECTION 2: ELIGIBILITY FOR CONSIDERATION FOR SELECTION

2. To be considered for selection, athletes must satisfy the Eligibility Criteria set out in Appendix 1 – Eligibility Criteria.

SECTION 3: QUALIFICATION STANDARDS

3. In order to be considered for selection athletes must have achieved one of the qualification standards listed below between 00:01 on the 1st January 2023 – 23:59 on the 21st July 2024

Men		Women
6:38:00	100k Individual Standard	7:35:00
6:50:00	100k Team Standard	7:47:00
OR other official race results of minimum 80k distance which, to the satisfaction of the selection panel, represent an equivalent performance to the 100k individual standard stated above.		

4. Performances must be achieved during competitions organised or authorised by the IAU, its Area Associations or its National Member Federations. Official splits will be accepted.

SECTION 4: SELECTION MEETING PROCESS

5. The Selection Panel will select athletes in two selection meetings during w/c 25th March (Round 1 – Trial Selections) and w/c 22nd July 2024 (Round 2 – Discretionary Selections).

a) Round 1 – Trial Race

The first two eligible British male athlete and the first two eligible British female athlete at British 100k Championships taking place at the Sri Chinmoy 100k race ('The Trial') on Sunday 24th March will be offered automatic selection provided they have met the outlined **individual selection standard** within the selection window.

If the one of the first two eligible athletes declines selection the automatic selection WILL NOT be rolled down to the next eligible athlete. Athletes selected in round 1 will be notified after the selection meeting which will take place during w/c 25th March.

b) Round 2 – Discretionary Selections

After the completion of Round 1, the Panel will select athletes to fill the remaining team places in line with the aims of the Selection Policy and based on the following criteria (the criteria below are not listed in any priority order). In order to be considered in Round 2 athletes MUST have completed an expression of interest form by the closing date.

The number of places available in this round will only be known after the completion of Round 1. In order to be considered for selection in Round 2 athletes must have achieved a qualification standard within the outlined window.

Athletes will be considered for selection based on the UKA strategic aims for selection. A combination of criteria will be considered (not listed in priority order):

- Current form from races between 01/01/24 – 21/07/24 inclusive.
- Past and future individual medal winning potential at major events and international championships
- Head-to-heads, within the qualification period.
- Previous major competition history.
- Injury/illness status.
- Position and performance at the relevant trials.
- The Panel reserves the right to take other factors into account if deemed relevant to this championships

6. The selection panel may take injury and illness into account when making selection decisions, including as a reason for non-selection. Injury or illness do not exempt an athlete from the requirement to demonstrate form and meet the performance criteria as listed above.

c) Reserves

7. UK Athletics will select one non-travelling reserves for each team. These athletes will be added to the final entry and will be called upon if logistically possible should any athlete withdraw. Non-travelling reserve places will be selected based on the criteria listed in 'Round 2'

8. All questions related to the selection policy (including those relating to athletes based overseas) should be directed to the Chair of Selectors, Walter Hill, at walterhelen@hotmail.co.uk

SECTION 5: SELECTION PANEL

9. The Selection Panel will be chosen based on their expertise and knowledge in the field of Ultra Distance Running.

10. The Selection Panel for the event shall be comprised of;

- a. Voting Members: Relevant experts in endurance and ultra-distance running
- b. The UKA Endurance Strategy Manager may (but is not obliged to) invite any other person to attend the selection meeting including:
 - i. Independent observer
 - ii. UKA Athlete Commission Member
 - iii. Team Leads for Championship
 - iv. Note-takers

11. In the event of an actual, potential, or possible conflict relating to any selector, the actual, potential or possible conflict shall be reported to the Chairperson of the selection meeting, who

shall determine whether the selector in question should be permitted to take part in relation to any selection decision(s). The Chairperson may appoint an alternative selector if necessary. If the Chairperson is deemed to have a conflict, another member of the Selection Panel will be appointed as temporary Chairperson.

12. Voting of the Selection Panel shall be by simple majority. The Chairperson shall have a casting vote, if required.

SECTION 6: DE-SELECTION

13. Following selection, an athlete may be de-selected by the Selection Panel or UKA in the event of:

- a. The athlete ceasing to comply with the eligibility criteria set out in this Selection Policy, or other strategy document communicated by UKA
- b. Following application of the Medical De-Selection Protocol set out in the Team Member Agreement
- c. Any anti-doping rule violation or provisional suspension
- d. Any serious misconduct or suspension due to misconduct
- e. UK Athletics reasonably considering that the athlete will be unable to perform at the level required or expected due to any reason including loss of form or failure to recover fully or as expected from injury or illness; or
- f. Failure to follow conditions of selection

14. Final selection of all athletes is subject to agreement of the athlete's racing programme with the respective team staff member between the date of selection and the Championships.

15. In the event of de-selection, the Selection Panel will meet again to decide on a replacement athlete. In the event there is not time for the Selection Panel to meet, the decision will be taken by the Chair of Selectors and UKA Endurance Strategy Manager.

SECTION 7: GENERAL PROVISIONS

Appeals

16. There shall be no right of appeal to the selection of the GB&NI Team made by the Selection Panel. The provisions of the UK Athletics Selection and Nomination "Fast" Appeals Procedure do not apply to the GB&NI team selections for the 2024 World 100k Running Championships.

Amendment

17. UK Athletics reserves the right to amend this Selection Policy at any time in its sole discretion and will make any amended version publicly available (including the date on which any amendment was made) at www.britishathletics.org.uk.

Governing law

18. This Selection Policy shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

Jurisdiction

19. Any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with this Selection Policy shall be submitted for determination exclusively to arbitration under the auspices of Sports Resolutions (UK) Limited and subject to the procedural control of the English Courts.

Contacts

20. Contact details are as follows:

- a) For any questions relating to the submission of expressions of interest please contact National Endurance Manager (Off Track) for England Athletics (tcraggs@englandathletics.org)
- b) For any questions relating to the selection policy requirements (including those relating to athletes based overseas) please contact the Chair of Selectors, Walter Hill (walterhelen@hotmail.co.uk)

APPENDIX 1 – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- a. Be eligible to compete for GB & NI (i.e., full British passport holder);
- b. Minimum age for the event is 18 years on 31 December 2024 (born in 2006 or earlier)
- c. Have completed the European Athletics 'I Run Clean' anti-doping education programme via <https://www.irunclean.org/> and have a valid certificate number prior to the 10 May;
- d. Not currently serving a period of ineligibility or a provisional or permanent suspension for a doping violation or for any other reason of misconduct;
- e. Meet the standards and behaviour expected by UK Athletics, as published from time to time, including in the International Athletes Code of Conduct;
- f. Be registered as a member with the relevant Home Country Athletics Federation (HCAF), directly or through a club prior to the selection meeting;
- g. Sign the UK Athletics Team Members' Agreement ("TMA") and abide by its terms and conditions. Any athlete failing to do so prior to the first date of competition will result in their selection being withdrawn. The current version of the TMA can be found online at <https://www.uka.org.uk/performance/british-athletics-teams-information/>