



# BRITISH ATHLETICS

## 2014 IPC Athletics European Championships 18-23 August 2014 Swansea, UK

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#### Overview

This selection policy has been created in line with British Athletics' strategic aim of winning gold medals at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games and beyond. The policy has therefore been structured to select a team with the following aims:

- Medal success at the 2014 IPC Athletics European Championships; and
- Opportunities for developing athletes with the potential for future success at senior outdoor major championships;

The XX Commonwealth Games take place in Glasgow in July 2014, a month prior to the European Championships. The Selection Panel will carefully consider athletes' individual circumstances if any wish to compete in both Glasgow and Swansea. Athletes wishing to do so must submit a request to the Paralympic Head Coach ("the Head Coach") or relevant point of contact prior to the beginning of the 2014 summer season (1 May 2014).

Similarly, the IWAS World Juniors also takes place only a few weeks before the European Championships. Given the age and experience profile of athletes seeking selection for the Juniors it may not be considered in the best interests of young athletes to attend both the IWAS Juniors and the European Championships in the same season. As a result, any athlete selected for the IWAS World Juniors **will not** be selected for the IPC Athletics European Championships.

Exceptions to this stipulation will only be made at the discretion of the Head Coach. The Head Coach, at her sole discretion, may also decide to de-select athletes from the IWAS World Juniors team if the IPC Athletics Europeans are considered a more appropriate competition for that athlete.

#### Eligibility

1. To be considered for selection, athletes must satisfy the following:
  - a. Be eligible to compete for GB & NI (i.e. UK passport holder and IPC international clearance to represent GB & NI);
  - b. Hold an IPC Athletics Athlete License, valid for the 2014 calendar year;
  - c. Hold an IPC Athletics (confirmed or review) or British Athletics National Classification, gained by 24:00 (BST) 20 July 2014 in one of the following classifications<sup>1</sup>:

- i. Track: T11, T12, T13, T20, T33, T34, T35, T36, T37, T38, T42, T43, T44, T45, T46, T47, T51, T52, T53, T54;
- ii. Field: F11, F12, F13, F20, F32, F33, F34, F35, F36, F37, F38, F40, F41, F42, F43, F44, F45, F46, F47, F51, F52, F53, F54, F55, F56, F57;

*Note: Not all events are offered to all classes. Please check "Appendix A – IPC Medal Events List and Qualification Standards" for details of which events are available for which classes.*

- d. Be aged 14 years by 31 December 2014, with the exception of the following:
  - i. Class F40 or F41 athletes, who must be at least 18 years of age at the start of the competition;
- e. Have achieved the relevant IPC Athletics Minimum Qualification Standard ("MQS") within the qualification period as set out in this Selection Policy (see Appendix A);

### **Qualification**

- 2. To be considered as part of the selection process, MQS performances must be achieved between 00:00 (GMT) 1 January 2013 and 24:00 (BST) 20 July 2014, and must conform to the requirements laid out in the Conditions (outlined in paragraphs 10 to 20);
- 3. The full list of MQS can be found in Appendix A;

### **Selection Process**

- 4. The team will be selected on **Monday 21 July 2014**;
- 5. The team will be announced on Tuesday 22 July 2014;
- 6. The Selection Panel will select athletes in 4 rounds (outlined in paragraphs 7 to 10);
- 7. Round 1 – top ranked Europeans:
  - a. Eligible athletes who are ranked in the top five (5) of individual MQS IPC Athletics European Championships Rankings at 09:00 (BST) on 21 July 2014 (in the same event that the MQS has been achieved) will be automatically selected, with the following exception:
    - i. Athletes competing in "weak" events (i.e. less than eight (8) athletes from three (3) different countries represented on the MQS IPC Athletics European Championships Rankings), will NOT be automatically selected. They will instead be considered in round 2 (paragraph 8);
- 8. Round 2 – all remaining eligible individual athletes:
  - a. Athletes will only be selected for individual events in this round if the Selection Panel believe they have realistic potential to:
    - i. Win a medal in Swansea, OR;
    - ii. Finish in the top 8 at the 2015 IPC Athletics World Championships AND go on to win a medal at future senior IPC Athletics World Championships or Paralympic Games;
  - b. Athletes will be selected based on the following (and any other factors deemed relevant):
    - i. Number of times MQS have been achieved;
    - ii. IPC Athletics European/World Ranking;

- iii. Current form;
- iv. Performances in non-IPC approved competitions (results submitted to Powerof10);
- v. Record at previous major senior championships (2013 IPC Athletics World Championships, 2012 London Paralympic Games);
- vi. Performance-limiting injury or illness;
- vii. The relative strength of an event/class at previous Paralympic Games and World Championships;
- viii. Athlete head-to-heads;
- ix. Rio 2016 potential, including likelihood of an athlete's primary event featuring in the Rio medal event programme (available online at the [IPC Athletics website](#));

9. Round 3 – relays:

- a. A team of up to 6 athletes may be selected for any of the men's and women's relay events to be staged at the European Championships, provided that each athlete is entered for individual events;
- b. Relay teams will only be selected if the Selection Panel believe the team has realistic potential to:
  - i. Win a relay medal in Swansea, OR;
  - ii. Win a relay medal at future senior IPC Athletics World Championships or Paralympic Games;
- c. Athletes will be selected based on the following:
  - i. IPC Athletics rules regarding classification combinations;
  - ii. Current form;
  - iii. Head-to-heads;
  - iv. Previous major competition history;
  - v. Injury status;
  - vi. Engagement with the British Athletics relay programme(s);

10. Round 4 – doubling up:

- a. The Selection Panel may allow an athlete already selected in one individual event to be selected into additional individual events after the conclusion of all previous rounds, that the athlete meets the qualification conditions set out in this Selection Policy for the additional event(s);
- b. The Selection Panel cannot override previous selections or preclude another athlete selected in previous rounds;
- c. In making their decision the Selection Panel will consider the following:
  - i. The impact on the athlete's preparation and performance of their primary event;
  - ii. The athlete's ability to finish in the top 8 in their secondary event;
  - iii. The secondary event as a development opportunity for the athlete;

**Conditions**

- 11. In all track events and single class field events, a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes may be entered per medal event (single class) provided all have achieved at least one (1) valid MQS;
- 12. In combined field events a maximum of five (5) eligible athletes may be selected, with a maximum of three (3) eligible athletes per single class;
- 13. Qualifying performances must be achieved in IPC approved competitions (see [IPC Athletics website](#) for a full list of domestic and overseas IPC approved events);

*Note: domestic, non-disabled competitions are not automatically approved by the IPC. Athletes may request IPC Athletics approval (via British Athletics) for specific domestic non-disabled competitions provided the request satisfies the following:*

- i. The competition is an integrated event – i.e. either disability events take place in the same competition as non-disabled events OR a disabled athlete competes in a non-disabled event directly against non-disabled athletes;*
- ii. The competition for which approval is being sought is a UKA Permit Level 3 and above competition (for further details on UKA competition permits, please check [www.britishathletics.org.uk](http://www.britishathletics.org.uk));*

*Athletes wishing to request IPC approval of a domestic event must send requests to Jan Richards at [jrichards@britishathletics.org.uk](mailto:jrichards@britishathletics.org.uk).*

14. In order for qualifying performances to be recognised by IPC Athletics, athletes must hold an IPC Athletics Athlete License at the commencement of the competition in which the performance was achieved. Athletes without a valid IPC Athletics license must submit new requests for a license at least one (1) week prior to the commencement of that competition. All requests must be submitted to Jan Richards at [jrichards@britishathletics.org.uk](mailto:jrichards@britishathletics.org.uk);
15. Wind-assisted performances (or performances achieved at events where wind measurement was not available/recorded) will not be accepted;
16. Indoor performances will not be accepted;
17. Hand timed performances in 100m, 200m, 400m & 4x100m will not be accepted;
18. Field event performances must be achieved using implements with a “minimum” weight, as outlined per classification (see [IPC Athletics website](http://www.ipcathletics.org) for implement weights);
19. Multiple performances achieved in the same individual event in a single day will count as follows:
  - a. In track events only the fastest legal result of the day;
  - b. In throwing events only the best trial of the first competition of the day;
  - c. In horizontal jumps only the best trial of the first competition of the day, unless every mark achieved by the athlete was windy in which case a second competition held under safer conditions will count;
20. For selection purposes, the following types of ranking will be used:
  - a. For track or field events in which more than one class is eligible (i.e. T43/44), the combined World/European Ranking (based on unadjusted times/distances) will be used;
  - b. For combined field events, where the result is determined by a point score, the combined World/European Ranking (based on the most up-to-date IPC Points Score System in use at the time) will be used;
21. In truly exceptional circumstances (for example changes to IPC classification status or changes to the event programme) the panel may make selections based on the general spirit of this policy;

## **Appeals**

22. There shall be no right of appeal to the selection of the GB&NI Team made by the Selection Panel. The provisions of the British Athletics Selection and Nomination “Fast” Appeals Procedure do not apply to the GB&NI team selections for the 2014 IPC European Championships

## **Appendix A: IPC Athletics Event List and Minimum Qualification Standards**

### Men

<b>No.</b>	<b>Event</b>		<b>Eligible Class(es)</b>	<b>MQS</b>
1	100m	T11	T11	12.30
2	100m	T12	T12	12.15
3	100m	T13	T13	12.20
4	100m	T33	T33	30.00
5	100m	T34	T34	21.00
6	100m	T35	T35	15.50
7	100m	T36	T36	15.30
8	100m	T37	T37	13.50
9	100m	T38	T38	13.25
10	100m	T42	T42	16.10
11	100m	T44	T43/44	12.40
12	100m	T47	T45/46/47	12.00
13	100m	T51	T51	30.00
14	100m	T52	T52	28.00
15	100m	T53	T53	18.00
16	100m	T54	T54	15.50
17	200m	T11	T11	26.00
18	200m	T12	T12	25.20
19	200m	T13	T13	25.00
20	200m	T34	T34	38.00
21	200m	T35	T35	33.50
22	200m	T36	T36	30.00
23	200m	T37	T37	27.00
24	200m	T38	T38	27.00
25	200m	T42	T42	34.00
26	200m	T44	T43/44	26.50
27	200m	T47	T45/46/47	24.00
28	200m	T53	T53	30.00
29	200m	T54	T54	28.00
30	400m	T11	T11	1:03.00
31	400m	T12	T12	55.00
32	400m	T13	T13	56.00

33	400m	T20	T20	1:00.00
34	400m	T34	T34	1:08.00
35	400m	T36	T36	1:11.00
36	400m	T37	T37	1:11.00
37	400m	T38	T38	1:05.00
38	400m	T44	T43/44	1:08.00
39	400m	T47	T45/46/47	1:01.00
40	400m	T51	T51	1:45.00
41	400m	T52	T52	1:25.00
42	400m	T53	T53	57.00
43	400m	T54	T54	52.00
44	800m	T34	T33/34	2:20.00
45	800m	T36	T36	2:40.00
46	800m	T38	T37/38	2:30.00
47	800m	T53	T52/53	1:52.00
48	800m	T54	T54	1:42.00
49	1500m	T11	T11	4:50.00
50	1500m	T13*	T12/13	4:20.00
51	1500m	T20	T20	4:12.00
52	1500m	T38	T37/38	5:00.00
53	1500m	T46	T45/46	4:30.00
54	1500m	T52	T51/52	5:30.00
55	1500m	T54	T53/54	3:14.00
56	5000m	T11	T11	17.50.00
57	5000m	T13*	T12/13	17.30.00
58	5000m	T54	T54	11.05.00
59	4x100m	T11-13	T11-13	
60	4x100m	T42-47	T42-47	
61	4x400m	T53/54	T53/54	
62	High Jump	T12	T12	1.45m
63	High Jump	T42	T42	1.40m
64	High Jump	T44	T44	1.55m
65	High Jump	T47	T45/46/47	1.50m
66	Long Jump	T11	T11	4.50m
67	Long Jump	T12	T12	5.30m
68	Long Jump	T13	T13	5.40m
69	Long Jump	T20	T20	6.00m
70	Long Jump	T36	T36	4.00m

71	Long Jump	T37	T37	4.50m
72	Long Jump	T38	T38	4.50m
73	Long Jump	T42	T42	4.15m
74	Long Jump	T44	T43/44	5.15m
75	Long Jump	T47	T45/46/47	5.80m
76	Triple Jump	T47	T45/46/47	10.00m
77	Club Throw	F32	F31/32	16.75m
78	Club Throw	F51	F51	16.00m
79	Discus Throw	F11	F11	26.00m
80	Discus Throw	F12	F12	28.00m
81	Discus Throw	F34	F33/34	20.00m
82	Discus Throw	F38	F37/38	37.00m
83	Discus Throw	F42	F42	33.20m
84	Discus Throw	F44	F43/44	33.00m
85	Discus Throw	F47	F46/47	35.00m
86	Discus Throw	F52	F51/52	10.00m
87	Discus Throw	F56	F54/55/56	26.00m
88	Discus Throw	F57	F57	33.00m
89	Javelin Throw	F12	F11/12	34.00m
90	Javelin Throw	F34	F33/34	14.00m
91	Javelin Throw	F38	F37/38	32.00m
92	Javelin Throw	F40	F40	23.00m
93	Javelin Throw	F41	F41	23.00m
94	Javelin Throw	F42	F42	30.00m
95	Javelin Throw	F44	F43/44	32.00m
96	Javelin Throw	F47	F46/47	27.00m
97	Javelin Throw	F54	F53/54	15.00m
98	Javelin Throw	F56	F55/56	17.00m
99	Javelin Throw	F57	F57	25.00m
100	Shot Put	F12	F11/12	10.50m
101	Shot Put	F20	F20	10.50m
102	Shot Put	F32	F32	5.00m
103	Shot Put	F33	F33	6.00m
104	Shot Put	F34	F34	7.00m
105	Shot Put	F35	F35	8.00m
106	Shot Put	F36	F36	9.00m
107	Shot Put	F37	F37	10.00m
108	Shot Put	F38	F38	9.00m

109	Shot Put	F40	F40	8.50m
110	Shot Put	F41	F41	8.50m
111	Shot Put	F42	F42	9.50m
112	Shot Put	F44	F44	11.00m
113	Shot Put	F47	F46/47	11.00m
114	Shot Put	F53	F53	5.00m
115	Shot Put	F55	F54/55	8.50m
116	Shot Put	F57	F56/57	10.00m

\*compete under T13 rules

Women

No.	Event		Eligible Class(es)	MQS
1	100m	T11	T11	15.20
2	100m	T12	T12	14.00
3	100m	T13	T13	14.50
4	100m	T33	T33	35.00
5	100m	T34	T34	30.00
6	100m	T35	T35	20.50
7	100m	T36	T36	20.00
8	100m	T37	T37	16.00
9	100m	T38	T38	15.80
10	100m	T42	T42	19.50
11	100m	T44	T43/44	16.60
12	100m	T47	T45/46/47	15.60
13	100m	T51	T51	35.00
14	100m	T52	T52	30.00
15	100m	T53	T53	25.00
16	100m	T54	T54	18.90
17	200m	T11	T11	31.00
18	200m	T12	T12	30.00
19	200m	T35	T35	45.00
20	200m	T36	T36	40.00
21	200m	T44	T43/44	33.00
22	400m	T11	T11	1:20.00
23	400m	T12	T12	1:15.00
24	400m	T13	T13	1:18.00
25	400m	T20	T20	1:15.00
26	400m	T37	T37	1:20.00
27	400m	T38	T38	1:20.00
28	400m	T44	T43/44	1:30.00
29	400m	T47	T45/46/47	1:20.00
30	400m	T52	T51/52	1:30.00
31	400m	T53	T53	1:20.00
32	400m	T54	T54	1:05.00
33	800m	T34	T33/34	2:50.00

34	800m	T53	T52/53	2:30.00
35	800m	T54	T54	2:10.00
36	1500m	T11	T11	5:50.00
37	1500m	T13*	T12/13	5:20.00
38	1500m	T20	T20	5:20.00
39	1500m	T46	T45/46	5:40.00
40	1500m	T54	T53/54	4:00.00
41	5000m	T54	T53/54	14:00.00
42	4x100m	T11-13	T11-13	
43	4x100m	T35-38	T35-38	
44	4x400m	T53/54	T53/54	
45	Long Jump	T11	T11	3.00m
46	Long Jump	T12	T12	4.50m
47	Long Jump	T20	T20	4.10m
48	Long Jump	T37	T37	3.20m
49	Long Jump	T38	T38	3.50m
50	Long Jump	T42	T42	3.00m
51	Long Jump	T44	T43/44	3.55m
52	Long Jump	T47	T45/46/47	4.00m
53	Club Throw	F32	F31/32	10.00m
54	Club Throw	F51	F51	6.50m
55	Discus Throw	F11	F11	15.00m
56	Discus Throw	F12	F12	20.00m
57	Discus Throw	F38	F37/38	18.00m
58	Discus Throw	F40	F40	15.00m
59	Discus Throw	F41	F41	15.00m
60	Discus Throw	F44	F43/44	15.00m
61	Discus Throw	F52	F51/52	3.50m
62	Discus Throw	F55	F54/55	9.00m
63	Discus Throw	F57	F57	17.00m
64	Javelin Throw	F12	F11/12	15.00m
65	Javelin Throw	F34	F34	12.00m
66	Javelin Throw	F37	F37	13.00m
67	Javelin Throw	F47	F45/46/47	24.00m
68	Javelin Throw	F54	F53/54	6.00m
69	Javelin Throw	F56	F55/56	9.00m
70	Shot Put	F12	F11/12	8.00m
71	Shot Put	F20	F20	9.00m

72	Shot Put	F32	F32	3.30m
73	Shot Put	F33	F33	3.90m
74	Shot Put	F34	F34	5.60m
75	Shot Put	F35	F35	6.00m
76	Shot Put	F36	F36	6.25m
77	Shot Put	F37	F37	6.50m
78	Shot Put	F40	F40	6.00m
79	Shot Put	F41	F41	6.00m
80	Shot Put	F53	F53	2.75m
81	Shot Put	F55	F54/55	4.90m
82	Shot Put	F57	F56/57	7.00m

\*compete under T13 rules