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**U/19 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024  
SELECTION POLICY**

## EVENT

**Date: 30th November – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2024 Individual Event**

**Venue: Ibiza (Spain)**

**Selection Announcement: 20<sup>th</sup> September**

The following criteria are based on **1. POLICY PURPOSE** This selection policy outlines the selection process for players to represent Badminton Wales at the 2024 U19 European Junior Championships (Individual)

Players that are eligible for this event will be born in 2006 or later.

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## CONTENT

1. **POLICY PURPOSE** This selection policy outlines the selection process for players to represent Wales at the 2024 European U19 Junior Championships.
2. **PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE.**
  - 2.1.1. Primary objective is to select players that are capable of achieving a minimum of a quarter final in the individual event.
  - 2.1.2. The Selection Panel may consider selection of further individual players as an opportunity to expose players who are showing they are on an upward trajectory at the time of selection, and who the Panel believe could contribute to the Welsh Junior Performance Programme aims of medalling at Junior Individual / Team Championships in future
3. **PLAYER SELECTION CONDITIONS.**

Players must be:

  - 3.1. Be eligible to represent Badminton Wales under Badminton World Federation (BWF) regulations in place from time to time, including but not limited to:
    - 3.1.1. Be a current member of Badminton Wales
    - 3.1.2. Meet the eligible age criteria (born in 2006 or later)
    - 3.1.3. Meet the eligible criteria for international representation under the BWF General competition regulations found under 6.3 [here](#)
    - 3.1.4. Have not represented any other Member Association for three years immediately preceding the date of the Championships
    - 3.1.5. Not currently be under disqualification or suspension under the rules / code of conduct of the BWF and / or Badminton Wales
  - 3.2. Commit to any Badminton Wales Championship preparations plans prior to the event.
4. **PLAYER SELECTION CRITERIA:**

The selection panel will take into consideration the following:

  - 4.1. Domestic (Badminton England junior and senior gold tournaments) and international results from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024.  
Each tournament the panel will look at the quality of the Event/discipline/opposition.
  - 4.2. Players that have achieved a significant result / performance against higher performing or older opposition, in the expert opinion of the Selection Panel will also be considered.
  - 4.3. Players that have demonstrated that they are capable of winning matches at championship events.

- 4.4. Players showing the correct training ethic and performance behaviours.
- 4.5. Results have shown an upwards trajectory over this period.
- 4.6. Regulation Individual Event entry: Max. 1 Boys Singles, 1 Girls Singles, 1 Boys Doubles, 1 Girls Doubles, 1 Mixed Doubles

**5. OVERRIDING FACTORS/WITHDRAWALS:**

- 5.1. DESELECTIONS AND REPLACEMENTS; A player becoming ill or injured at any time following their selection must notify the Head of Performance immediately. Any player who becomes ill or injured and is deemed unable to perform will be asked to seek medical advice, which may result in the player being de-selected, at the discretion of the Head of Performance. A player who is unable or unwilling to comply with the Badminton Wales Championship Event preparations plan maybe deselected. A player who breaches or fails to fulfil a requirement of the Anti-Doping Policies of the Badminton World Federation may be de-selected. Any decision to deselect a player will be taken by the Selection Panel and communicated to the respective player via email, explaining the reason(s) for the de-selection.

**6. SELECTION PANEL**

- 6.1. 2x programme contract coaches, Head of Performance, Performance adviser, (board member) and an independent observer (Sport Wales)

**7. SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT**

- 7.1. Selection of the provisional players to attend this Event TBC 2024
- 7.2. Players/Parents/Guardians will be notified by the Head of Performance via email.
- 7.3. Any further information you may require as a result of the selection process should be directed to the Head of Performance who will aim to expand on reasons of selection/non-selection.
- 7.4. Player/Parents/Guardians will have 48 hours after the notification of selection to accept selection.
- 7.5. After this time, if no confirmation has been received in writing, the selection will be withdrawn.
- 7.6. Should this occur the player forfeits the right to be reselected after 48 hours has passed.

**8. APPEALS**

- 8.1. Players have the right of appeal to Badminton Wales
- 8.2. There is only one ground for appeal: "The selection did not adhere to the established process or agreed criteria"
- 8.3. Appeals must be received in writing within 48 hours of the time of the selection announcement.
- 8.4. Such an appeal requires a payment of £100 payable to "Badminton Wales"
- 8.5. The Panel's decision on the Appeal is formally advised to the appellant as soon as possible following the Appeals Panel meeting.
- 8.6. If the appeal is successful, the deposit will be refunded. Otherwise, the deposit will be forfeited.

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**Note:** Selection is taking place well in advance of the event to enable adequate time to secure competitive rates of travel and accommodation where applicable.