

### 1. Championship competition format

- Individual
- Team
- Mixed team

#### Maximum anticipated places per category as follows:

##### World Cups

Up to 4 x Compound women

Up to 4 x Compound men

The LOC of the competitions can reduce the number of people in a division if they wish.

### 2. General points of eligibility

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 (must have 6 months left before expiry)
- Are available for selection of the stated event
- Are fit and healthy to compete
- Have met the required selection scores identified in section 5 or have met the required criteria to be considered for a wildcard as identified in section 10 of this policy

### 3. Context and purpose of milestone events

World Cups are essential for both future performance and show of current standard.

## 4. Funding

Athletes who qualify at band A level will have their entry fee at all World Cups funded, and accommodation costs for x2 World Cups in the 2025 season.

Band B athletes will be funded for the main event of season, IE World Championships or European Championships, if any funding is available a contribution towards 1 World cup event.

Band C are self-funded for all events, and discretionary for the main championship.

## 5. Selection process

To qualify for a funding band, athletes are required to shoot three scores equal to or higher than the score level for that band, and with those scores, must also accrue the required number of band points.

7 points	World or European Championships, World Cups, World or European Games
5 points	British Target Championships, UK Masters, National Tour Tier 1, other world ranking events, (USAT Events* Example)
3 points	Any other WRS event

*\*Athletes wishing to have other overseas tournaments considered for the allocation of 5 points must inform the programme lead at least three months before the date of the event.*

To achieve a band level the following scores and band points are required:

	Men's score level	Women's score level	Band points required from these scores
Band A	710 x3	703 x3	15
Band B	705 x3	695 x3	13
Band C	698 x3	689 x3	11

For example, to achieve band A you must have shot three scores at the band A level at events that accumulate 15 band points.

Criteria for scores:

- Must be shot at WRS events within the selection period.
- Only one score can be used from a double round on the same day
  - Only one of the 3 x 50m scores can come from a 2<sup>nd</sup> round of a double.
  - One score must be from a National Tour stage or World Ranking event

## 6. Selection windows

The window for obtaining and submitting scores are:

Events	Period opens	Period closes
World Cup Stage 1 (Haines City, USA)	01/ 04/2024	31/10/2024
World Cup Stage 2 (Shanghai, CHINA)	01/05/2024	31/10/2024
World Cup Stage 3 (Antalya, TURKEY)	01/06/2024	20/04/2025
World Cup Stage 4 (Madrid, SPAIN)	01/07/2024	26/05/2025

- *Haines City and Shanghai selected by December 2024 to help with flight costs and visa costs*

Scores shot at any WRS events need to be submitted to [jon.nott@archerygb.org](mailto:jon.nott@archerygb.org)  
Submission should include the official competition results or a link to them.

## 7. Selection

### World Cup Team Selection

**The top four ranked athletes will follow the below selection process for the 2025 World Cup Stages. The Programme Manager, along with the coaching team, may offer places to a World Cup on a self-funded basis to athletes who qualify outside of the top four should a space be available. The Compound Programme Manager and coaching team will clear all selections with the PD.**

If there are up to four band A athletes per division they will be automatically selected.

If there are more than four band A athletes per division, selection will be decided based on the following order of priority:

1. Totals of the best three scores in qualification period that accrue the required band points
2. Most band points accrued from those three best scores

3. Highest single qualification score shot in the qualification period at a WRS event
4. National ranking on the date the selection takes place

If there are fewer than four band A athletes, the band A athletes will be automatically selected, otherwise the remaining spaces will be offered to band B athletes using the same system as above.

Any remaining spaces, will be offered to band C athletes, using the same process as above.

## 8. Wildcards

### Medical Wildcard:

- Can be awarded in exceptional circumstances, for long-term injury/illness/medical conditions, based on the following criteria:
  - Fully unavailable to shoot for 4-6 weeks due to injury/illness/medical condition; or
  - Restricted with same injury/illness/medical condition for more than three months; and
  - Has demonstrated an ability to achieve selection scores in the 12 months prior to their illness/injury/medical condition.
- Although the above criteria are a minimum, before a medical wildcard is approved, additional consideration would be given as to the time of the season in which the injury/illness has taken place and whether or not the injury/illness/medical condition has led to the athlete not having had the same opportunity to compete as everyone else.
- A medical wildcard must have in place a performance readiness plan to demonstrate that they have returned to full fitness and are competitive in the respective category by an agreed date with the Compound Program Manager.

The ultimate decision on a selection wildcard is made by the Performance Director in consultation with the selection panel.

## 9. Nomination and selection panel

The following selection meetings will take place:

- Following the last date for World Cup stage selection
  - The Compound Programme manager will meet with the Performance Director to show evidence of scores of those selected for sign off.

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

- Performance Director (Chair) or other nominated member of Performance Management Team
- Compound Programme Manager
- Performance coaches working within the compound programme

- Other performance expert (if required)

In selecting a team that is in line with section 3, the panel will consider all available information, including, but not limited to the scores submitted, medal target, recent performance pedigree (including international medals won), behavior and contribution to a team ethos both at the event and within the day-to-day environment.

There is no obligation to send full categories if it is not deemed to be in the programme's interest and the selection panel may elect to select fewer than the maximum permitted athletes.

The Compound Programme Manager working in consultation with programme coaches and PD can elect to select an athlete who has not fully met the selection criteria if they have performance data and believe that a World Cup opportunity would benefit an athlete at this time.

### 10. Reserves

To ensure that we can field a team for the team event, the selection panel may nominate up to two reserves per category.

### 11. 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](http://www.archerygb.org)

### 12. 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.

### 13. Injury/illness/wellbeing

At any stage during the selection process or following the selection announcement, should there be a doubt over the ability of an athlete to compete to the best of his/her ability due to an injury or physical/mental health, the following procedure will be followed:

- In the case of physical injury/health, the athlete may be referred to the Archery GB approved medical personnel to undergo a medical examination to determine his/her fitness to participate, which at this stage will be determined based on an assessment of whether or not the injury and/or illness is such that the athlete is physically unable to compete or is at risk of causing medical harm to her/himself, or endangering other competitors, officials

or spectators.

- If the athlete passes the medical examination but the medical personnel and/or Archery GB have concerns over whether the athlete is able to compete to the best of his/her ability due to the underlying injury or illness, the athlete will be required to undertake an Archery GB agreed Performance Readiness plan, which would include “fitness test(s)”.
- The fitness test(s) will require the athlete to compete under “controlled competition conditions” in the distance and format which replicates the required competition demands. The athlete will be allowed two attempts to satisfy these requirements.
- In the case of any concerns around an athlete’s mental health, Archery GB may be required to seek expert advice and input from UK Sport’s Mental Health Expert Panel on the athlete’s vulnerability. In certain situations, this may require the athlete to undergo a mental health assessment either with the CMO or through the Mental Health Expert panel which may include the development of a management plan to promote positive mental health until the conclusion of the event.
- In the event that an athlete fails to complete the fitness test(s) to the required standard, or it is deemed they are not fit to compete from a mental health perspective, the Performance Director/CMO may recommend that the selected athlete be de-selected and replaced with the reserve.

#### 14. Following the conclusion of the selection process

1. Once selections have been confirmed by the Performance Director/Compound Programme Manager, all selected athletes (including any identified reserve(s)) must agree not to withhold any information on training fitness, injury status or physical/mental health that could affect training or competition 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 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.
4. Athletes and other team members selected, are required to attend all related training camps and competitions as laid out by the Performance Director/Compound Programme Manager, from the selection announcement onwards, this includes attendance, in person, at a mandatory pre-event medical.

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.

### 15. Appeals

Any selection appeal must be registered in line with the process identified in the

<http://www.archerygb.org/national-squads-records/selection-criteria/>

### 16. 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.*

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#### **MEDICAL PERSONNEL APPROVED BY ARCHERY GB**

Eleanor Jones (Archery GB Lead Physiotherapist)

Kieran McMahon (Archery GB Physiotherapist)

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

EIS/UK Sport Mental Health Expert Panel