



**SELECTION POLICY (PARA)**

**2022 WORLD PARA ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIPS – DUBAI, UAE**

**18 – 27 FEBRUARY 2022**

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2.0	Performance Director	Updated October 2021	December 2021

<p><b>1. Championship Competition Format/s</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual</li> <li>• Mixed Team</li> <li>• Team*</li> </ul> <p>* Not a priority for AGB, due to it not being a Paralympic event</p> <p><b>Maximum anticipated places per category as follows:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 x W1 Women</li> <li>• 3 x W1 Men</li> <li>• 3 x Compound Women Open</li> <li>• 3 x Compound Men Open</li> <li>• 3 x Recurve Women</li> <li>• 3 x Recurve Men</li> </ul>
<p><b>2. General Points of Eligibility</b></p>	<p>Athletes are eligible for consideration provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They are an Archery GB member in good standing; are not under any current disciplinary investigation; and have not previously brought the sport or governing body into disrepute</li> <li>• Have satisfied all eligibility under the rules of World Archery (WA) and subject to any changes it may introduce subsequent to the publication of this policy</li> <li>• Are available for selection of the stated event</li> <li>• Are fit and healthy to compete</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold a current full UK passport, valid for at least 6 months after return date of the event</li> <li>• Hold either a current National; or International Classification – either Confirmed Status (C) or with a Review Status (FRD) with a review date post February 2022.</li> <li>• Will positively contribute to a team ethos</li> </ul>
<p><b>3. Context and aim of event selection</b></p>	<p>Archery GB (AGB) will use the Para World Championships 2022 as a Milestone Target event in line with our Paris Strategic Plan.</p> <p>The Para World Championships may be the only World / European level championships prior to the Paralympic qualification process beginning in 2023.</p> <p>In selecting a team, consideration will be given to the following objectives;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Selecting athletes with medal potential, based on a proven ability to win international medals in the last 3 calendar years (2019/2020/2021)</li> <li>2. To provide athletes with future potential the opportunity of high level international competition</li> </ol>
<p><b>4. Selection Process</b></p>	<p>There will be a 4 stage selection process:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Athletes who compete at the Paralympics in Tokyo will automatically be considered by the selection panel against the context in section 3, however this does not guarantee selection</li> <li>2. 2021 Disability Championships (11/12 September 2021) will be Performance Opportunity 1 and will be the first chance for athletes to achieve Tier 1 or 2 scores</li> <li>3. If required, Performance Opportunity 2 will be run in November / December 2021 to enable athletes to demonstrate current performance level</li> <li>4. Selection Panel in November / December 2021</li> </ol>
<p><b>5. Evidence Window</b></p>	<p>Given the unprecedented effect that COVID-19 has had on domestic and international competition, as well as the fact that the Para World Championships will be the first international event of the Paris cycle, we will be opening an evidence window.</p> <p>In keeping with the objectives in section 3, the purpose of this is for athletes to be able to submit scores as evidence for consideration, in addition to the formal selection / performance opportunities laid out herein.</p>

	<p>Athletes will be able to submit scores as evidence for consideration from 01 April 2021 until 30 September 2021 (inclusive).</p> <p>Only scores from WRS events will be considered and these will need to be provided along with supporting evidence (e.g. results sheets &amp; photos of H2H score sheets for recurves, however these will only be accepted if they show the <b><u>whole page including athlete name, signature, competition name and date</u></b>)</p> <p>These can be emailed to <a href="mailto:pararesults@archerygb.org">pararesults@archerygb.org</a> at any time in the evidence window before the deadline</p>																																			
<p><b>6. Performance Opportunity 1</b></p>	<p><b>Performance Opportunity 1:</b></p> <p>This will be run as part of the 2021 Disability Championships (11/12 September 2021 – tbc) and will be open to all nationally and internationally classified athletes as well as those athletes seeking national classification.</p> <p>Within the normal running of the event, athletes will have the opportunity to demonstrate their current performance level and achieve Tier 1 or Tier 2 scores.</p> <p>Athletes must achieve <b>both</b> the 720 and the H2H / set score.</p> <p>At Performance Opportunity 1, there will be two tiers of scores;</p> <p><b>Tier 1 Scores:</b></p> <p>Best opportunity of gaining automatic selection for Para World Championships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If there are more athletes within a category achieving the Tier 1 scores than places available then Performance Opportunity 2 would be triggered for athletes in that category with Tier 1 scores only.</li> </ul> <p><b>Tier 2 Scores:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum score level required to trigger automatic invitation to Performance Opportunity 2</li> <li>• Once the spots have been allocated to pre selected athletes and those with Tier 1 scores, if there are spaces remaining, a Performance Opportunity in that category may be run to assess current performance level.</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="437 1487 1485 1736"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>W1W</th> <th>W1M</th> <th>CWO</th> <th>CMO</th> <th>RWO</th> <th>RMO</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>Tier 1</b></td> <td>720 = 635</td> <td>720 = 645</td> <td>720 = 680</td> <td>720 = 690</td> <td>720 = 610</td> <td>720 = 630</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Score</b></td> <td>H2H = 132</td> <td>H2H = 140</td> <td>H2H = 144</td> <td>H2H = 146</td> <td>H2H = 27*</td> <td>H2H = 28*</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Tier 2</b></td> <td>720 = 585</td> <td>720 = 605</td> <td>720 = 660</td> <td>720 = 680</td> <td>720 = 565</td> <td>720 = 605</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Score</b></td> <td>H2H = 123</td> <td>H2H = 134</td> <td>H2H = 140</td> <td>H2H = 143</td> <td>H2H = 26*</td> <td>H2H = 27*</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>*H2H containing at least one set score of this value</p>		W1W	W1M	CWO	CMO	RWO	RMO	<b>Tier 1</b>	720 = 635	720 = 645	720 = 680	720 = 690	720 = 610	720 = 630	<b>Score</b>	H2H = 132	H2H = 140	H2H = 144	H2H = 146	H2H = 27*	H2H = 28*	<b>Tier 2</b>	720 = 585	720 = 605	720 = 660	720 = 680	720 = 565	720 = 605	<b>Score</b>	H2H = 123	H2H = 134	H2H = 140	H2H = 143	H2H = 26*	H2H = 27*
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	<p>If there is a requirement to do so based on there still being selection spots available, a second Performance Opportunity may be held. This will provide a second opportunity to demonstrate Tier 1 or Tier 2 performance level.</p> <p>In addition to athletes who may have achieved Tier 1 or 2 scores, the programme may elect to offer invitations to athletes who either have shown potential, or who have been unable to attend Performance Opportunity 1 due to injury / illness (see section 10) and / or any other mitigating reason.</p>
<p><b>8. Wildcards</b></p>	<p><b>Selection Wildcard:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The programme will retain up to one selection wildcard space for each category</li> <li>• If it is determined it is in the programme’s interest to maximize experience of those athletes who have shown potential and / or attend international classification, a Selection Wildcard may be activated</li> <li>• This doesn’t mean that there is any obligation to send full categories</li> </ul> <p><b>Medical Wildcard:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awarded in exceptional circumstances, for long-term injury / illness, based on the following criteria; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fully unavailable to shoot for 4-6 weeks due to injury / illness</li> <li>○ Restricted with same injury / illness for more than 3 months</li> <li>○ Has demonstrated an ability to either hit the Tier 1 score criteria or has won an international medal in the 36 months prior to that injury / illness</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Although the above criteria is 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 has led to the athlete not having had the same opportunity to compete as everyone else</li> <li>• A Medical Wildcard can be entered into Performance Opportunity 2 process, should one be necessary in that category.</li> <li>• Alternatively a Medical Wildcard can be selected for one of the selection spots if there is no Performance Opportunity 2 taking place. In this scenario an athlete has to demonstrate that they have returned to full fitness and are competitive in the respective category by the closure of the selection window.</li> </ul> <p>The ultimate decision on any Wildcard is made by the Performance Director in consultation with the Selection Panel.</p>
<p><b>9. Process for Injury/Illness</b></p>	<p>At all stages of the selection process, athletes are expected to be honest and open and not to withhold any information on injury status or physical / mental health</p>

	<p>that could affect their training or competitiveness at any time until the conclusion of the event.</p> <p>In the event that an athlete is unable to take part in the selection process due to injury status, physical / mental health concerns, shielding requirements, or a positive COVID test, the selection panel may still consider this athlete for selection.</p> <p>To be eligible for consideration the athlete is required to provide any medical evidence supporting their injury status or physical / mental health concern and the timescales relating to the impact of the injury / illness on performance. For mental health concerns, athletes may be referred to the UK Sport Mental Health Expert Panel.</p>
<p><b>10. Selection Panel Meeting</b></p>	<p>Following the conclusion of the selection window, a selection panel will be convened following Performance Opportunity 2 (if required) to confirm selections for the event.</p> <p>The representatives at this meeting will be made up of the following. In the event of an attendee being unable to attend the meeting, a report will be submitted if appropriate and / or a suitable alternative attending;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance Director (Chair)</li> <li>• Lead Paralympic Coach</li> <li>• Senior Recurve Coach</li> <li>• Paralympic Coach</li> <li>• Performance Co-ordinator (Meeting notes)</li> <li>• Independent performance expert(s)</li> </ul> <p>In selecting a team that is in keeping with the context and aims of event selection 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, behaviour and contribution to a team ethos.</p>
<p><b>11. Appeals</b></p>	<p>Any selection appeal must be registered in line with the process identified in the <a href="http://www.archerygb.org/national-squads-records/selection-criteria/">http://www.archerygb.org/national-squads-records/selection-criteria/</a></p>
<p><b>12. Following the conclusion of the selection process.</b></p>	<p>Once athletes and other team members have been advised of their nomination by the Performance Director, they (including any reserve(s)) must agree not to withhold any information on availability, training fitness, injury status or physical / mental health that could affect their training or competitiveness at any time until the conclusion of the event.</p>

	<p>Once selected, all athletes will be required to maintain form and fitness; adhere to a mutually agreed Individual Performance Plan, which includes individual performance standards; as well as continue to meet all points of eligibility in section 2.</p> <p>All nominated 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.</p> <p>An athlete and other team members will be required to sign up to the relevant Archery GB 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 the event. Decisions on these matters are open to appeal as allowed by the relevant Archery GB disciplinary process effective at the time of the incident.</p> <p>Athletes and other team members nominated, are required to attend all related training camps and competitions as laid out by the Acting Performance Director and coaching team, from the selection notification / announcement onwards, this includes attendance, in person, at a mandatory pre-event medical.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>13. Announcement</b></p>	<p>Selected team members and any identified reserves must agree not to make any announcement to the media or public in any form (including on any social or other media) regarding their selection until such a time as advised by Archery GB.</p>

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

*Mathew McGovern (Archery GB Lead Physiotherapist)*

*Dr Mary Thomas (Archery GB Chief Medical Officer)*

*Any EIS regional Doctor nominated by AGB*

*Dr Stuart Miller (ParalympicsGB Chief Medical Officer) and / or any nominated ParalympicsGB Doctor / Mental Health Practitioner*

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