



Selection Policy for ISU Short-track Speed Skating Junior World Championships 2019-20

Scope of the Policy

The Junior event(s) covered by this policy are those for which British Ice Skating ('BIS') is responsible for determining the selection and entry, and at which skaters represent GBR in the eyes of the International Skating Union ('ISU').

In this particular instance:

- ISU Short-track Speed Skating Junior World Championships 2019-20

This event is due to take place in Bormio, ITALY, 31 January to 2 February 2020

Aim of the Policy

ISU Junior World Championships are often the first opportunity for Short-track Speed Skaters to compete on a global level. They are also a high-profile stepping-stone to global competition at a senior level.

With that context, the policy is designed with two clear objectives in mind:

1. To give GBR the best possible chance of success at ISU events, thereby increasing the exposure of the sport in the UK and driving participation; and
2. To offer development opportunities for athletes who have demonstrated significant improvement and would therefore benefit from the experience and exposure to high-level competition, thereby increasing their involvement and helping secure GBR's long-term success in the sport.

These aims will also enable athletes to understand what they are working towards, and on what basis these selections will be made.



Eligibility

To be considered for selection to any ISU event in the 2019-20 season, athletes must meet the following primary requirements:

1. Current BIS membership;
2. British passport or Clearance Certificate to skate for GBR;
3. Correct age and standard (where applicable) for the event as per the official Announcement and related ISU Communications;
4. Hold Full Eligible status with the ISU as well as per [BIS publications on Eligibility](#);
5. Adherence to BIS General Rules, Codes of Conduct and any Athlete Agreement applicable to the individual; and
6. Not be serving any suspension relating to anti-doping or disciplinary offences.

Selection Criteria

A two-stage process will be followed to identify athletes deemed of the standard for selection to represent Great Britain at the Junior World Championships. Stage 1 is Eligibility requirements as outlined above. Stage 2 is Minimum Performance Standards.

An athlete's performances are based on the personal best times achieved in the 500m, 1000m, and 1500m during the 2018/19 and 2019/20 competitive seasons.

Women	500m	46.67
	1000m	1:38.43
	1500m	2:33.04
Men	500m	43.62
	1000m	1:30.22
	1500m	2:25.29



* If a skater can achieve one or more of the minimum performance standards they will have the ability to deliver a competitive performance at this season's Junior World Championship.

** The deadline date for official time submissions for Junior World eligibility will be **6th January 2020**.

Competition Information

The Junior World Championships competition format is now an 'Individual Distance Championship'. This means that different skaters can be selected to participate in the various distance events. Each country can enter a total of four men and four women into the competition to field a relay team. Great Britain have two eligible positions in each distance (500m, 1000m, 1500m) for each gender.

Step One: Team Selection for the Junior World Championships

Selection to compete at the Junior World Championships will be made from the list of eligible athletes that meet the criteria from the two-stage process above.

Athletes are ranked by tier as follows:

Tier 1

Athletes that have achieved the minimum performance time in all three distances during the 2018/19 and 2019/20 competitive seasons.

Tier 2

Athletes that have achieved the minimum performance time in two of the three distances during the 2018/19 and 2019/20 competitive seasons.

Tier 3

Athletes that have achieved the minimum performance time in one of the three distances during the 2018/19 and 2019/20 competitive seasons.



In situations where there are two or more athletes in a tier, they will be ranked within the tier by the total time of their 500m and 1000m personal bests combined. Athletes with the lower time will therefore be higher ranked in the tier.

The top four ranked athletes by gender based on the above tiering will be selected to represent Team Great Britain at the Junior World Championships in Bormio.

Step Two: Individual Distance Selection at the Junior World Championships

Once the athletes are selected to the team, then individual distance selection will be made from the selected athletes.

Athletes will be selected for each distance based on their personal bests for the respective distances. The fastest recorded personal best times from the 500m, 1000m, and 1500m from the 2019/20 competitive seasons will be used to rank the selected athletes within each distance. The top two fastest times in each distance will normally* determine which athletes are selected to skate individually.

This can result in having a different combination of athletes racing the three different distances based on their personal best times.

(*see 'Management of illness, injury, loss of performance and disciplinary issues').



Management of injury, illness, loss of performance and disciplinary issues

British Ice Skating reserves the right to take into consideration injury, illness and loss of form when making selection decisions, for which BIS will consult with the relevant experts in their field, including BIS Honorary Medical Professionals, members of the BIS Speed Skating Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), or other recognised experts within the sport.

This applies to both Competition Entries and Selections for Individual Distances.

Timing and announcement of decisions

Selection decisions for ISU Championships will be made at least two clear weeks in advance of the entry-by-names deadline.

All selections will be communicated to the relevant affected individuals prior to wider publication through any BIS communication channels.

Appeals

There is no right of appeal for selection decisions relating to the ISU Junior Short-track Speed Skating World Championships 2019-20.

Amendments

British Ice Skating reserves the right to amend this International Selection Policy at its sole discretion and will make any amended version publicly available (including the date on which any amendment was made) at www.iceskating.org.uk