



BRITISH TRIATHLON

2011 ELITE AQUATHLON TEAM SELECTION POLICY

PLEASE NOTE THAT ATHLETES SELECTED TO COMPETE IN THIS EVENT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ARRANGING AND FUNDING THEIR OWN TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION.

British Triathlon's Elite Team for the 2011 Beijing ITU Aquathlon World Championships will be selected using the processes listed under the specific Teams' headings, below, and the following guiding principles:

- Athletes must be a members in good standing of Home Nation Association which is a member of the British Triathlon Federation (BTF) and eligible to represent Great Britain in International Championships under the rules of the International Triathlon Union (ITU) from the time of selection until the completion of the competition;
- Through the selection process, senior male and female athletes will demonstrate the ability to finish within 3% of the winner (women) and within 2% of the winner(men) in the Championship;
- Through the selection process, Under 23's will demonstrate the ability to finish in the top five of their respective Championships;
- Through the selection process juniors will demonstrate the ability to finish in the top five of their respective Championship;
- All performances will be demonstrated through stipulated selection races, with no exceptions unless specified in the selection process;
- Athletes will not race in the seven days prior to the respective Championships, unless otherwise approved by the BTF Performance Co-ordinator;
- Athletes must abide by the Team's Athlete Agreement, including wearing appropriate apparel.

A selection committee will be established comprising of three members, including the BTF Board Director of Performance acting as Chair and the BTF Performance Director will be reviewed and ratified by the BTF Board.

Additional experts may be asked to provide advice to the committee.

Athletes have the right to appeal selection decisions through British Triathlon's

Selection Review Process. A copy of the policy outlining this process is available on the BTF website.

<http://www.britishtriathlon.org/about/page.php?article=&category=/about/&folder=policydocuments/>

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Senior and Under 23 Policies

A team of up to eight athletes will be selected. **Athletes competing in this event will not be funded to go to Beijing but will have their entry paid for by British Triathlon and will be provided with GE branded GBR race kit.**

Initially up to two senior male, one under 23 male, two senior female and one under 23 female places will be available. Additional places may be available in a category if the total team size is less than six.

Athletes will be selected in the following order of preference, providing they can meet the minimum criteria outlined above in the guiding principles.

Selection Criteria

In the following order of preference:

1. reigning Elite Aquathlon medallists from the 2010 ITU World Aquathlon Championships;
2. medallists from other elite aquathlon races in the last 18 months;
3. from athletes who can demonstrate from race performances (single discipline and / or triathlon races) in 2011 that their open water swimming and running ability indicates an ability to finish within 2% of the winner (senior men), 3% of the winner (senior women) or a top five finish (U23 men and women) in their respective race.

Expressions of interest & availability for selection should be submitted to the address or email below by 9th August 2011 detailing the results to be used to justify selection.

Except in unforeseen circumstances, the Team will be announced on 12th August 2011.

Junior Policies

A Team up to two male and two female athletes will be selected in the following order of preference, providing athletes can meet the minimum criteria.

Athletes competing in this event will not be funded to go to Beijing but will have their entry paid for by British Triathlon and will be provided with GE branded GBR race kit.

1. Reigning Junior medallists from the 2011 European or 2010 World Triathlon Championships;
2. From athletes who can demonstrate from results in junior drafting triathlon races or single discipline events in 2011 the ability to finish within 2.5% of the winner.

Expressions of interest & availability for selection should be submitted to the address or email below by 9th August 2011 detailing the results to be used to justify selection.

Except in unforeseen circumstances, the Team will be announced on 12th August 2011.

Points of Note

Closing Date

- Athletes wishing to be considered for selection for any of these events, should contact, via email or in writing;

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General Notes

- When considering results of an event which is won in a time not considered to be world class, or one where the course is not correct, then the selectors reserve the right to invalidate the result as a means of qualification.
- Athletes must confirm their place via email or in writing to the Performance Co-ordinator within 48 hours of notification of their selection.

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29th July 2011