



BRITISH TRIATHLON 2011 ELITE LONG DISTANCE TRIATHLON SELECTION POLICIES

British Triathlon's Elite Teams for 2011 International Long Distance Championships will be selected using the processes listed under the specific Teams' headings, and the following guiding principles:

- Athletes must be members in good standing with a Home Nation Triathlon Association, which is a member of the British Triathlon Federation (BTF);
- Athletes must be 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;
- Athletes must be compliant with British Triathlon's anti doping policy and hence be available for out-of-competition testing at all times. If required to do so by UKAD or the ITU, they must maintain a record of their whereabouts using the ADAMs system;
- The goal of each Team is to win medals for Great Britain;
- Only performances in the stipulated selection races will be considered in the selection process unless the selection policy states otherwise;
- Athletes must demonstrate, an ability to win a medal (European Championships) or a top 10 finishing position (World Championships) in their respective Championship;
- From the point of their selection until the conclusion of the Championships, athletes must keep the BTF Performance Co-ordinator informed of any reason why they may not be able to compete to the standard that earned them selection;
- The BTF Performance Co-ordinator will require Athletes to confirm their ability to compete to the standard that earned them selection four weeks prior to respective Championships. Such confirmation may require supporting evidence such as performance results, testing and medical clearance as appropriate;
- Athletes must not race in the 15 days prior to the respective Championship, unless otherwise approved by the Performance Director;
- Athletes will be required to sign a Team Members' Agreement to accept their place on each team. The Agreement will include a code of conduct and a



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commitment to attend Team camps and activities prior to the Championship, to adhere to specified travel dates, to adhere to the BTF sponsorship guidelines and to wear appropriate apparel.

A selection committee will be established comprising three members, including the BTF Board Director of Performance who will Chair it, the BTF Performance Director and one other member. The composition of the selection committee will be reviewed and agreed by the BTF Board.

Additional experts may be asked to provide advice to the committee at the request of the Chair.

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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ETU European Long Distance Triathlon Championships – Tampere, Finland 20th August 2011

Selection Criteria

A Team of up to six athletes will be selected. Initially up to two male and two female places will be available. Additional places may be available in either gender to bring the total combined Team size to six.

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

1. Reigning Elite ETU or ITU Long Distance Triathlon medallists;
2. Top 20 at the 2010 Ironman World Championships or top 15 at the 2010 Ironman 70.3 World Championships;
3. Athletes who can demonstrate the ability to win a medal at their respective Championship (see below for guidance on standards).

Except in unforeseen circumstances, the Team will be notified by June 24th 2011 and athletes must be available to travel to the Championships on August 14th 2011.



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ITU World Long Distance Triathlon Championships – Nevada, USA, 5th November 2011.

Selection Criteria

A Team of up to six* athletes will be selected. Initially up to two male and two female places will be available. Additional places may be available in either gender a category to bring the total combined Team size to six*.

* This may be increased to eight if further athletes meet the selection criteria at the 2011 World Ironman Championships

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

1. 2010 or 2011 Elite ETU or ITU Long Distance Triathlon medallists;
2. Top 15 result in the 2010 Ironman World Championships or Top 10 result in the 2010 or 2011 Ironman 70.3 World Championships;
3. Athletes who can demonstrate the ability to finish in the top 10 of their respective Championship (See below for guidance on standards);

Except in unforeseen circumstances, the Team will be notified by September 16th ** 2011 and athletes must be available to travel to the Championships on November 1st 2011.

** Further athletes maybe added to the team based on their performance in the 2011 World Ironman Championships on October 8th.



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Points of Note

Closing Date

- Expressions of interest/availability for selection should be submitted Mhairi Billington via email or by post to the address detailing the results to be used to justify selection by **June 20th for the European Championships and by September 11th for the World Championships**;

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- Athletes must confirm their place via email or in writing to the Performance Co-ordinator within 48 hours of notification of their selection.

Performance Standard

- In order to be considered for selection at point 3 of either selection policy athletes will need have performance to a standard which equates to the guidelines below:
 - Top 3 in an Elite UK Long Distance Triathlon event within 3% of the winner;
 - Top 5 in an Elite international standard Long Distance Triathlon event;
 - Sub 8.45hrs (men) and sub 9.30hrs (women) or within 5% of the winner's time of an international standard Ironman distance event;
 - Sub 4hr (men) and sub 4.25hr (women) or within 4% of the winner's time of an international standard 70.3 distance event;
- 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, the selectors reserve the right to exclude the result from the selection process;

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