



NATIONAL SELECTION POLICY



2009



The 2009 British Diving Selection Policy is a crucial document setting standards at the beginning of the new four-year Olympic Cycle.

Included in this policy are the selection criteria for the 2009 World FINA Swimming Championships, 2009 European Diving Championships and the 2009 Grand Prix events.

The 2009 World FINA Swimming Championships is our number one aim so the selection for synchronised diving teams will take on an even greater significance with international meets being used as part of the selection process.

To begin the new Olympic Cycle in the lead up to the London 2012 Olympics, degree of difficulty minimums will be introduced for the first time and higher points score standards will be implemented as Guidelines for Selection.

British Diving is taking on far more Objective selection criteria for the future but with the new NPD coming on board in the near future, things could change again.

Steve Foley – National Performance Director.



This policy is a qualifying document but please understand the following:

1/ *The Selection Criteria is a Guideline for Eligibility for Consideration. The final team selection will be at the discretion of the National Performance Director and/or the National Selection Panel.*

NB: ONLY 2 divers are permitted per event at Grand Prix events and 1 Synchronised team.

2/ *All selected team members are required to sign and comply with the ASFGB Code of Conduct.*

3/ *Any diver or coach who withdraws from the team following selection may be liable to the Federation for the reimbursement of any costs incurred.*

ASFGB Board Requirements:

The ASFGB Board agreed the adoption of clear guidance/instructions to all disciplines with regard to team selection and team planning as follows:

In all cases, it is a pre-condition of selection that ALL athletes complete a GB Medical Declaration Form and any athlete requiring a TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption) shall have obtained the necessary certification prior to travel.

There are no exceptions and any diver failing to follow these rules will NOT be permitted to travel with the team to the relevant meet.

All appeals of decisions of nomination to the GB Diving Team will be dealt with under the ASFGB Appeals procedure for selection. Details are available from the Legal Department of the ASFGB if required.



2009 World FINA Swimming Championships
Rome, Italy. July 18-25th 2009

Selection Policy:

Following the 2009 Great Britain & ASA Diving Championships in Sheffield, the Selectors will select the **Individual event** divers on 8th February 2009.

1/ Individual Events: (3 metre and platform)

- 1.1 Divers must place 1st OR 2nd at the British Diving Championships in February 2009 and **either** achieve the recommended score listed below or have the minimum Degree of Difficulty standards to be **eligible for consideration for selection**.
- 1.2 There will be a preliminary round then cut to top 12 for Semi-Finals. The top 8 will then advance to the finals.
- 1.3 All 3 scores will be combined and the 2 highest total scores will be **eligible for consideration for selection** providing they have met criteria 1.1 as above.

2/ Synchronised Events:

The selection trial for the synchronised teams will take place on May 16th – 17th. The National Selection Panel will nominate synchronised teams for this trial. Teams will perform two (2) lists of dives and the scores will be combined and the team with the highest combined score will be **eligible for consideration** for selection to the World Championships.

3/ 1 metre Springboard:

- 3.1.1 Divers must place 1st OR 2nd at the British Diving Championships in February 2009 to be **eligible for consideration for selection**.
- 3.2 Divers must achieve the recommended scores in the final to be **eligible for consideration for selection**.



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Guidelines

**Individual Events Recommended Scores
and Minimum D.D.**

Women's 3m	300 points x 3 Lists Minimum D.D.	= 900 points = 14.4
Women's 10m	310 points x 3 Lists Minimum D.D.	= 930 points = 15.6
Men's 3m	400 points x 3 Lists Minimum D.D.	= 1,200 points = 19.0
Men's 10m	410 points x 3 Lists Minimum D.D.	= 1,230 points = 19.5
Women's 1m	240 points	= 240 points
Men's 1m	330 points	= 330 points

Synchronised Minimum D.D.

Women's 3m Synchro	- Minimum D.D.	= 12.9
Women's 10m Synchro	- Minimum D.D.	= 13.6
Men's 3m Synchro	- Minimum D.D.	= 17.4
Men's 10m Synchro	- Minimum D.D.	= 17.8



**FINA Grand Prix Events:
Canada, USA & Madrid**

Selection Policy:

Following the 2009 Great Britain & ASA Diving Championships in Manchester, the Selectors will nominate Individual divers and Synchronised teams to the various Grand Prix events providing they meet the guidelines as above and funding is available for these meets.



**2009 European Championships
Turin, Italy – 1-5th April 2009**

Selection Policy:

Following the 2009 Great Britain & ASA Diving Championships in Sheffield, the Selectors will nominate Individual divers and Synchronised teams for the 2009 European Championships providing they meet the guidelines as above.



World University Games – Belgrade, Serbia
1-12th July 2009

Selection Policy:

1/ **Individual Events:**

1.1 Divers who are eligible for the World University Games will be ***eligible for consideration for selection*** but must achieve the qualifying score listed below at the 2009 British Diving Championships in February 2009

AND

1.2 Divers must meet the minimum Degree of Difficulty guidelines as listed below.

2/ **Synchronised Events:**

2.1 Synchronised teams must achieve the qualifying score listed below at the 2009 British Diving Championships in February 2009

AND

2.2 Synchronised Teams must meet the minimum Degree of Difficulty guidelines as listed below.

2.3

Men's 3m		380 points	D.D – 18.0
Men's 10m		390 points	D.D – 18.6
Men's 3m Synchro	95 + 260	355 points	D.D – 16.1
Men's 10m Synchro	95 + 280	375 points	D.D – 16.9

Women's 3m		280 points	D.D – 14.0
Women's 10m		285 points	D.D – 14.5
Women's 3m Synchro	95 + 165	260 points	D.D – 12.4
Women's 10m Synchro	95 + 195	290 points	D.D – 13.2



National Selection Panel:

The National Selection Panel will consist of 7 members for 2009. The Panel will be responsible for nominating and recommending divers for selection of **ALL** Teams providing they meet the above selection criteria.

If a diver fails to meet the selection criteria, the Panel may recommend and nominate to the National Performance Director their inclusion onto a team with supporting evidence.

If a diver is ill or injured and cannot compete at the National Championships, they must request to the Panel an opportunity to display their list of dives several times. The Panel can then nominate them to the Performance Director for inclusion onto a National team if they prove themselves and if there is a place available on the team in that specific event.

The National Selection Panel will comprise of the following persons:

- 1/ National Performance Director
- 2/ Junior Development Manager
- 3/ National Synchronised Coach
- 4/ Southampton High Performance Centre Coach
- 5/ Plymouth High Performance Coach
- 6/ Sheffield High Performance Coach
- 7/ Leeds High Performance Centre Coach

NOTE:

The National Performance Director will have the final decision on ALL selection issues.