



WORLD CLASS SWIMMING PROGRAMMES – INTERNATIONAL TEAM SELECTIONS 2009

2009 will see many opportunities for swimmers and staff to participate at the International level.

Selection for the international meets (below) will be from performances at the British LC Championships in Sheffield 16th – 20th March 2009. Secondary qualification for the World Championships (Swimming) will be from performances at the Scottish Nationals in Glasgow 25th – 28th June. For OW World Championships and OW European Juniors, secondary selections will be from performances at the qualification LEN Cup event in either Israel on the 31st May or Italy on the 14th June TBC. Swimmers and coaches wishing to be considered for selection must register their availability for these meets by completing an Availability Form. Failure to do so will be interpreted as non-availability and as such will result in non-selection. Further information on the completion of Availability forms can be found at the end of this fact sheet.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS – ROME, ITALY (Pool Swimming)

Team Leader: Michael Scott
Head Coach: Dennis Pursley
Team Manager: Senior Team Manager (to be appointed)
Selection Policy: Available on line at www.britishswimming.org
2 Stage selection process - initial selections from the British LC Championships 2009 and final selection from the Scottish Nationals in Glasgow 25th – 28th June.

Required Activities: 29 June Meeting for all Coaches of World Championship Selected Swimmers, Glasgow
14 July Depart UK for Olbia, Sardinia
14-22 July World Championships Holding Camp Olbia, Sardinia
22-25 July World Championships Final Preparation, Rome
26 July-2 August World Championships (Swimming Events), Rome
3 August Depart Rome for UK

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS – OSTIA, ITALY (Open Water Swimming)

Team Leader: Mark Perry
Team Manager: TBC
Selection Policy: Available on line at www.britishswimming.org
2 Stage selection process - initial selections from the British LC Championships 2009 and final selection from the LEN European Cup Eilat, Israel, 31st May or LEN Cup, Italy, 14th June TBC

Required Activities: Phase 2 Selections: A decision on the second selection competition will be made by 6th March 2009
28 May Depart UK for Israel
31 May LEN Cup Eilat, Israel
1 June Depart Israel for UK
or
11 June Depart UK for Italy
14 June LEN Cup Italy (venue TBC)
15 June Depart Italy for UK

14 July Depart UK for Ostia
14-18 July World Championships Holding Camp and Final Preparation, Ostia
19-22 July World Championships (Open Water Events), Ostia
22 July Selected swimmers and staff travel to Rome for World Championships (Swimming)
23 July Depart Ostia for UK (staff and swimmers not involved in the Swimming World Championships, Rome)

EUROPEAN YOUTH OLYMPIC FESTIVAL – TAMPERE, FINLAND

Head Coach: TBC following British LC Championships in March. Chris Martin will be the current contact.
Team Manager: Gina Logan
Selection Policy: Available on line at www.britishswimming.org
Age Groups: Males 15/16 years as at the 31st December 2009 (born 1993/1994)
Females 13/14 years as at 31st December 2009 (born 1995/1996)
Required Activities: 17 July Team to meet at the Sheraton Hotel, Heathrow
17 July Team Kit Collection at the Sheraton Hotel, Heathrow
18 July Depart UK for Tampere
20-24 July European Youth Olympic Festival (Swimming Events)
25 July Depart Tampere for UK

EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS – PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

Team Leader: John Atkinson
Head Coach: Chris Martin
Team Manager: Ian Wilson
Selection Policy: Available on line at www.britishswimming.org
Age Groups: Males 17/18 years as at the 31st December 2009 (born 1991/1992)
Females 15/16 years as at the 31st December 2009 (born 1993/1994)
Required Activities: 5 July Depart UK for Prague
8-12 July European Junior Championships (Swimming Events)
13 July Depart Prague for UK

EUROPEAN OPEN WATER JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS – POREC, CROATIA

Team Leader: Mark Perry
Team Manager: TBC
Selection Policy: Available on line at www.britishswimming.org
2 Stage selection process - initial selections from the British LC Championships 2009 and final selection from the LEN European Cup Eilat, Israel, 31st May or LEN Cup, Italy, 14th June TBC
Age Groups: Males 17/18/19 years as at 31st December 2009 (born 1990/1991/1992)
Females 16/17/18 years as at 31st December 2009 (born 1991/1992/1993)
Required Activities: Phase 2 Selections: A decision on the second selection competition will be made by 6th March
28 May Depart UK for Israel
31 May LEN Cup Eilat, Israel
1 June Depart Israel for UK
or
11 June Depart UK for Italy
14 June LEN Cup Italy (venue TBC)
15 June Depart Italy for UK

1 July Depart UK for Porec
4 July European OW Junior Championships Porec, Croatia
5/6 July TBC Selected swimmers and staff travel to European Junior Swimming Championships, Prague
6 July Depart Porec for UK

SELECTION PROCESS/AVAILABILITY FORMS

All athletes and coaches wishing to be selected for the events above must obtain and personally return a completed Declaration of Availability/Non Availability Form for each event together with a copy of the relevant Selection Policies [signed on each page](#),

It should be noted that as a condition of their place on the World Class Programmes, all World Class Podium and Development athletes must be available to compete in every international meet they are eligible for, and must therefore complete and submit a Declaration of Availability for all their eligible events.

Availability Forms and Selection Policies for the events above are available on the British Swimming website www.britishswimming.org and can be found by navigating to the disciplines section, then selecting Swimming.

Availability Forms and Selection Policies will also be available for collection from Nicky Jones, National Teams / Camps Logistics Manager and Maria Kelly, World Class Administration Officer at Ponds Forge, Sheffield during the British LC Championships 2009. Both members of staff will be located in the viewing stands daily.

It is the responsibility of each Athlete and Coach to personally hand in their own completed form and signed Selection Policy for the above events to Nicky Jones or Maria Kelly, who will be located in the viewing stands daily at the British LC Championships 2009. Although it is expected that completed forms will be submitted on the first day of the Championships (Monday, 16 March), the final deadline for submission is Friday, 20th March 2009.

Athletes must ensure their coach has signed each form submitted.

Failure to complete and return an Availability Form and signed Selection Policy will be interpreted as non-availability and as such will result in non-selection for the relevant event.

If you have any general questions regarding the information contained in this fact sheet please do not hesitate to contact Nicky Jones, National Logistics Manager (email: nicky.jones@swimming.org or mobile: 07824 340 583). Any queries specifically relating to Selection Policies should be directed to Sylvia Armiger (email: sylvia.armiger@swimming.org or mobile: 07901 516 715).