



2022 GBR Lifesaving Team Selection Conditions to compete in the 2022 ILS Lifesaving World Championships

Invitation to Declare

Selection Eligibility Conditions

Any Athlete who is a full, current member of either RLSS UK, SLSA Wales or SLSGB, in good standing with their member organisation and a holder of the relevant competition competency award for the event they wish to compete in may declare for selection.

Youth athletes who reach age 15, 16, 17 or 18 by 31 December 2022 are eligible. Anyone who turns 14 or 19 in 2022 is not eligible.

COVID RESTRICTIONS – VACCINATION STATUS

Currently It is a condition of entry to Italy that all visitors need be fully vaccinated and whilst unvaccinated travellers may enter the Country, they must pre-arrange to isolate in Italy for 5 days at their own expense and risk. Currently there is also a regulation that all entering a pool facility must be fully vaccinated. Whilst it is possible that these conditions may change, all declaring for Selection will have to meet the Italian Government entry requirements and any pool use regulations at the time of travel and competition. Accordingly, we may need to be ask you for confirmation of your vaccination status as a condition of confirming your GBR Team selection.

Selection Declaration

An athlete must declare:

- As an individual current Full member of either SLSGB or RLSSUK or SLSA Wales
- They are a British Citizen / hold a British Passport and are in good standing with RLSS UK/SLSGB/SLSA Wales
- The events that they wish to be considered for selection
- If selected, they are willing and available to compete in Italy in 2022 at the Lifesaving 2022 World Championships to arrive on the 24th September and to leave on the 3rd October and will make themselves available for pre event training between 16th July and 11th September on days determined and agreed for Team Training
- To agree to sign the Athlete Agreement and Code of Conduct. [Click here](#) to download the draft Athlete Agreement and [click here](#) to download the Code of Conduct
- To pay in full their contribution towards their costs on the due date as stated in the Athlete Agreement before their selection is confirmed. The amount of the athlete contribution will be advised to all who have declared for selection before the 31st May 2022 (closing date for declaration for selection)





Selection

Athletes declaring for selection in their respective chosen events will be considered by the Selectors to already be in the highest levels of preparation for International competition and will have either proved or be able to clearly evidence potential to compete at the highest levels in the 2022 World Championships.

The aim is to select a GBR Team of athletes who have demonstrated a commitment to year-round training who will fully support each other as a team to compete at the highest level to achieve the highest possible Team Ranking position outcome.

Selectors

The Selection Panel will be:

- The Open Team Manager
- The Youth Team Manager
- The Ocean/Beach Coach
- The Pool Coach
- An independent Pool Competition Expert
- An independent Ocean/Beach Competition Expert

The decisions of the Selectors relating to Athlete Performance will be final and cannot be challenged

A Protest may only be made if the selection process has not been followed and this can be clearly and independently evidenced and shown to have impacted a selection decision. An opinion without evidence will not be considered as grounds for a protest. A protest must be made in writing by the 9.0 am on 15th July 2022 together with all the evidence and a deposit of £50. The deposit will be forfeited if the protest is not upheld.

The Selectors have the right to deselect an Athlete at any time for reasons that may include, but is not exclusive to, an unexpected drop in performance, non-attendance at training and competition, poor attitude/behavior, or a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Selection Time Table and Key Dates

OPENING OF ATHLETE DECLARATION FOR SELECTION	4 th February
CONFIRMATION OF TEAM UK DEPARTURE/ARRIVAL AIRPORT	8 th April
SUMMARY PROVISIONAL BUDGET FOR INDICATION OF ATHLETE CONTRIBUTION	18 th April
ATHLETE CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT CONFIRMED NO LATER THAN	31 st May
CLOSING OF ATHLETE DECLARATION FOR SELECTION	31 st May
ALL ATHLETES TO ATTEND BEACH TRIALS (BACK UP 18 th /19 th June)	11 th /12 th June
COMPLETION OF SELECTION PROCESS BY SELECTORS	27 th June
OFFER OF ATHLETE CONTRACTS	1 st July
ATHLETE CONFIRMATION OF TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS (Own or Team)	4 th July
CLOSING DATE FOR SIGNED CONTRACTS AND PAYMENT BY ATHLETE	8 th July
SELECTION OF RESERVES (IF Required)	9 th /10 th July
ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEAMS	11 th July
PROTEST CLOSING DATE	15 th July
ATHLETE REQUEST FOR EQUIPMENT TRANSPORTATION	29 th July
PARENT/GUARDIAN REQUEST FOR ACCOMPANIED TRAVEL	8 th August
TRAVEL/ ARRIVAL AT EVENT HOTEL	24 th Sept
DEPARTURE EVENT HOTEL (TEAM TRAINING DATES to be announced before 11 th July)	3 rd Oct





Selection Events

POOL

Pool times achieved in events from 1 October 2021 to 31 May 2022 must be submitted and fully referenced for selection purposes.

The events must be sanctioned by a national governing body, operated in accordance with ILS rules and have fully published results.

Future UK based events that meet the above criteria are:

SLSA Wales Still waters Championships 2022	28 th – 29 th May
RLSS UK National Speed Lifesaving Championships 2022	12 th – 13 th March
SLSGB National Youth/Open Championships 2022	23 rd – 24 th April

Athletes will submit their own results by email to oneteamadmin@sls.gb.org.uk with all relevant information for verification by the Selection Team

BEACH OCEAN

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Selectors wish ALL athletes in selection to attend only one Beach/Ocean event to have the opportunity of seeing athletes competing against the best level available and also to test those in more events than they would voluntarily self-declare to race in.

It is a condition of Selection that all Athletes must attend this event even if they have declared for Pool event selection only.

Failure to attend shall not be grounds for a protest.

The event will be held over 2 days

Date for the event is 11th/12th June

The back up date is 18th /19th June

Athletes must be available for both dates in the event that the first date has to be cancelled due to adverse weather.

Team Reserves

Selectors will name Reserve Athletes who may be called upon at any time after the Team is announced to take a place in the team due to the displacement of a selected team athlete

There will be one named male and one female reserves for each of the Youth Team and the Open Team

Reserves must fully comply with the Selection Eligibility Conditions and the Selection Declaration Requirements and will be required to sign the Athlete Contract but only to pay the Athlete Contribution when confirmed as a full team member on the due date as set out in the Athlete Contract

They will not travel to the World Championships unless and until asked to become a full team member and have paid in full their Athlete Contribution

Reserves are expected to take part in all scheduled pre-event training prior to the Team Departure date to the event.





Training Days (After selection is confirmed)

Team training will be organised to improve team preparations for the best possible results in competition. If possible there will be training sessions for both Pool and Ocean/Beach Athlete preparations. All selected Team Athletes and Reserves will be required to attend the Team Training events. These will be planned by the respective Managers and Coaches and dates and details will be advised by 11th July 2022

A limited contribution towards UK only travel expenses will be offered by the One Team to attend the Training days.

Commitment to Give Back

All selected Athletes will be expected to support their Club "Grass Roots" sport development programmes by providing voluntary coaching within the Youth Section of their club to coach and mentor 13 to 17 age group aspiring athletes. Selected Athletes should also attend and compete in their own Governing Body National Championships to provide aspiring athletes the opportunity to compete against the best.

Young Person Declaration

A declaration for an athlete that is under 18 years of age must be countersigned by a parent or guardian.

Programme of World Championship Competition Events

Day	Date	National Teams Open (NTO) and Youth (NTY)
Saturday	24 Sep	Arrivals-NTO/NTY
Sunday	25 Sep	Training
Monday	26 Sep	Training/Briefings
Tuesday	27 Sep	NTO Pool/NTY Ocean
Wednesday	28 Sep	NTO Pool/NTY Ocean
Thursday	29 Sep	NTO Pool/NTY Ocean
Friday	30 Sep	NTO Ocean/NTY Pool
Saturday	01 Oct	NTO Ocean/NTY Pool
Sunday	02 Oct	NTO Ocean/NTY Pool
Monday	03 Oct	Departures

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the Athlete Declaration

