



2023 Elite Duathlon Selection Policies

Introduction

This Selection Policy (“the Policy”) details the process which the British Triathlon Federation (BTF) will apply when selecting athletes to compete in the major Europe Triathlon (ET) and World Triathlon (WT) Duathlon Championships. Please note that for **ALL** championships, athletes are obliged to **nominate their interest** **BEFORE** the nomination deadlines stated within this Policy (even if they have taken part in an official qualification race). This is so athletes can be contacted easily after the closing date and so that any medical checks required prior to the race can be made in good time.

Events listed in this policy:

- 2023 ET European Duathlon Championships, Venice-Caorle, Italy, 17th-19th March
- 2023 WT World Duathlon Championships, Ibiza, Spain, 28th-30th April (dates provisional)
- 2023 ET European Middle Distance Duathlon Championships, Location and date TBC
- 2022 WT World Middle Distance Duathlon Championships, Location and date TBC
- 2023 WT World Long Distance Duathlon Championships, Location and date TBC

SECTION 1: ELIGIBILITY FOR ALL EVENTS

1.1. To be considered for nomination to WT and/or ET 2023 Championship event/s, athletes must:

- a. Be a member in good standing of a Home Nation Triathlon Association which is a member of the BTF and eligible to represent Great Britain in international championships under the rules of World Triathlon;
- b. Request nomination for entry into the relevant race via completing the nomination form by the stated Nomination Deadline date **AND** in so doing list the performances where they believe have met the policy in each section below;
- c. Have undergone the required WT pre-participation examination and submit the BTF fit-to-compete form to multisport@britishtriathlon.org and eliteentries@britishtriathlon.org by the relevant Nomination Deadline outlined below;
- d. Not be serving a period of ineligibility as a result of an anti-doping rule violation.
- e. In respect of nomination for the female event, only athletes who are registered as a female at birth are eligible. See the BTF Transgender Policy [HERE](#)

SECTION 2: SELECTION PROCESS

A Selection Panel (“the panel”) will be established comprising three members, including the BTF Olympic Pathway Manager, the Age Group and Multisport Manager and one other person from the Age Group or Performance team.

Additional experts may be asked to provide advice to the Panel at the request of the Chair, Verity Miles



NB In ALL events listed athletes moving up (e.g., Junior to U23 OR U23 to Senior) can carry a previous lower category performance forward.)

2023 ET European Duathlon Championships, Venice-Caorle, Italy, 17th-19th March

There will be **NO** funding for athlete travel and accommodation or race entry fee for this event. A GBR elite tri-suit and 3 items of BTF kit **WILL** be provided providing these items have not previously been distributed to nominating athletes in the previous 3 years

- 2.1 **Nomination deadline:** 9am 27th January-complete the nomination form [HERE](#).
- 2.2 Except in unforeseen/exceptional circumstances, athletes will be notified of their selection by 3rd February 2023.

Senior and Under 23

- 2.3 Subject to confirmation of athlete places provided to BTF by WT, BTF predict a senior/U23 team of up to 8 athletes will be selected. This will comprise:
 - a. 3 male and 3 female senior places; AND
 - b. 1 male and 1 female U23 place.

The Panel may fill up to the quota allocated to BTF, but they are not obliged to fill all available spaces if athletes do not satisfy the criteria outlined below. If any one of the above race categories are not filled, additional athletes may be added across the other age categories to bring the total team size to a maximum of 8 athletes. In previous editions of this championships BTF has been able to secure additional quota places across all categories. BTF will only consider requesting or accepting additional quota places for this event in 2023 should the Panel believe there is a compelling case to do so.

- 2.4 Subject to the maximum athlete places available (as per 2.3 above), eligible athletes will be automatically selected if they either:
 - a. Competed at elite European or World level in an Europe Triathlon (ET) or World Triathlon (WT) event in either triathlon (Continental Cup level or higher) or duathlon (European or World Championships) in the previous 3 years OR;
 - b. Have achieved the minimum run standard listed in the table below AND
 - i. Have achieved a top 15 overall (men) or top 10 overall (women) finish in either the British Standard Duathlon Championships at Oulton park on the 20th March 2022 OR;
 - ii. Are a previous elite medallist at a ET European Duathlon or WT World Duathlon championship (but not in the past 3 years) OR;
 - iii. Have achieved a top 3 overall in the Age Group Championship race (across all categories) AND finished in a time comparable to the top 15 (top 20 U23) in the Elite race in the ET European or WT World Duathlon championships. The age group race must be the same distance to the elite race

Senior Men	32:00 (10km)	52:30 (10 mile)	70:30 (half marathon)
U23 Men	32:30 (10km)	53:15 (10 mile)	71:30 (half marathon)
Senior Women	36:30 (10km)	60:15 (10 mile)	80:30 (half marathon)



U23 Women 37:00 (10km) 61:00 (10 mile) 81:30 (half marathon)

**Distances must be accurate and verified.*

- 2.5 If there are more athletes that meet the automatic selection criteria than there are places available, the Panel will use the following discretionary process to determine which athletes to select:
- a. The Panel will determine what they consider to be each eligible athlete's single best performance from their listed results (taking into account finishing position, race format, quality of field and/or times achieved*). All other performances will be disregarded;
 - b. The Panel will then compare the eligible athletes' single best performance and select to the team the athlete (or athletes) deemed to have the best overall performance.

Junior

- 2.6 Subject to confirmation of athlete places provided to BTF by WT, BTF predict a junior team of up to 4 athletes will be selected. This will comprise 2 male and 2 female junior athletes.

The Panel may fill up to the quota allocated to BTF, but they are not obliged to fill all available spaces if athletes do not satisfy the criteria outlined below. If any one of the above race categories are not filled, additional athletes may be added across the other age categories to bring the total team size to a maximum of 4 athletes. In previous editions of this championships BTF has been able to secure additional quota places across all categories. BTF will only consider requesting or accepting additional quota places for this event in 2023 should the Panel believe there is a compelling case to do so.

- 2.7 Subject to the maximum athlete places available (as per 2.6 above), eligible athletes will be automatically selected if they either:
- a. Competed at Elite European or World Junior/Youth level in an ET or WT event in either triathlon (ET Junior Cup level or higher) or Duathlon (European or World Junior Championships) OR;
 - b. Have achieved the minimum run standards listed in the table below AND have achieved a top 15 finish in a British Junior Super Series race OR;
 - c. Have achieved the minimum run standards listed in the table below and can demonstrate a high standard of competitiveness (in relation to the overall field including ALL other athletes racing) during the bike leg of 3 duathlon races over the previous 2 years. Athletes should submit details of 3 race results where they finished in the overall top 10 of a duathlon which is deemed to be competitive**.

Junior Men 16:15* (5km)

Junior Women 18:00* (5km)

**Note: Distances must be accurate and verified and times achieved at a Parkrun can be considered*

***Note: A competitive duathlon is determined as a British Championships or Age Group Qualifier which has a minimum overall field (open/women) of 150 competitors,*

- 2.8 If there are more athletes that meet the automatic selection criteria than there are places available, the Panel will use the following discretionary process to determine which athletes to select:



- a. The Panel will determine what they consider to be each eligible athlete's single best performance from their listed results (taking into account finishing position, race format, quality of field and/or times achieved*). All other performances will be disregarded;
- b. The Panel will then compare the eligible athletes' single best performance and select to the team the athlete (or athletes) deemed to have the best overall performance.

2023 WT World Duathlon Championships, Ibiza, Spain, 28th-30th April (dates provisional)

There will be NO funding for athlete travel and accommodation or race entry fee for this event. A GBR elite tri-suit and 3 items of BTF kit WILL be provided providing these items have not previously been distributed to nominating athletes in the previous 3 years

Nomination deadline: 9am 10th March-complete the nomination form [HERE](#)

- 2.9 Except in unforeseen/exceptional circumstances, the team will be notified to athletes by 17th March 2023.

Senior and Under 23

- 2.10 Subject to confirmation of athlete places provided to BTF by WT, BTF predict a senior/U23 team of up to 8 athletes will be selected. This will comprise:
- a. 3 male and 3 female senior places; AND
 - b. 1 male and 1 female U23 place.

The Panel may fill up to the quota allocated to BTF, but they are not obliged to fill all available spaces if athletes do not satisfy the criteria outlined below. If any one of the above race categories are not filled, additional athletes may be added across the other age categories to bring the total team size to a maximum of 8 athletes. In previous editions of this championships BTF has been able to secure additional quota places across all categories. BTF will only consider requesting or accepting additional quota places for this event in 2023 should the Panel believe there is a compelling case to do so.

- 2.11 Subject to the maximum athlete places available (as per 2.10 above), eligible athletes will be automatically selected if they either:
- a. Competed at elite European or World level in an Europe Triathlon (ET) or World Triathlon (WT) event in either triathlon (Continental Cup level or higher) or Duathlon (European or World Championships) in the previous 3 years OR;
 - b. Have achieved the minimum run standard listed in the table below AND
 - i. Have achieved a top 15 overall (men) or top 10 overall (women) finish in either the British Standard Duathlon Championships at Oulton park on the 20th March 2022 OR;
 - ii. Are a previous elite medallist at a ET European Duathlon or WT World Duathlon championship (but not in the past 3 years) OR;
 - iii. Have achieved a top 3 overall in the Age Group race (across all categories) AND finished in a time comparable to the top 15 (top 20 U23) in the Elite race in the



ET European or WT World Duathlon championships. The age group race must be the same distance to the elite race

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U23 Men	32:30 (10km)	53:15 (10 mile)	71:30 (half marathon)
Senior Women	36:30 (10km)	60:15 (10 mile)	80:30 (half marathon)
U23 Women	37:00 (10km)	61:00 (10 mile)	81:30 (half marathon)

**Distances must be accurate and verified.*

- 2.12 If there are more athletes that meet the automatic selection criteria than there are places available, the Panel will use the following discretionary process to determine which athletes to select:

The Panel will determine what they consider to be each eligible athlete's single best performance from their listed results (taking into account finishing position, race format, quality of field and/or times achieved*). All other performances will be disregarded;

- a. The Panel will then compare the eligible athletes' single best performance and select to the team the athlete (or athletes) deemed to have the best overall performance.

Junior

Subject to confirmation of athlete places provided to BTF by WT, BTF predict a junior team of up to 4 athletes will be selected. This will comprise 2 male and 2 female junior athletes.

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- 2.13 Subject to the maximum athlete places available (as per 2.13 above), eligible athletes will be automatically selected if they either:
- a. Competed at Elite European or World Junior/Youth level in an ET or WT event in either triathlon (ET Junior Cup level or higher) or Duathlon (European or World Junior Championships) OR;
 - b. Have achieved the minimum run standards listed in the table below AND have achieved a top 15 finish in a British Junior Super Series race OR;
 - c. Have achieved the minimum run standards listed in the table below and can demonstrate a high standard of competitiveness during the bike leg of 3 duathlon races over the previous 2 years. Athletes should submit details of 3 race results where they finished in the overall top 10 of a duathlon which is deemed to be competitive**.



Junior Men	16:15* (5km)
Junior Women	18:00* (5km)

**Note: Distances must be accurate and verified. Parkrun is ok*

***Note: A competitive duathlon is determined a minimum of 150 competitors, the status of the race as either a British Championships or an Age Group Qualifier.*

- 2.14 If there are more athletes that meet the automatic selection criteria than there are places available, the Panel will use the following discretionary process to determine which athletes to select:
- The Panel will determine what they consider to be each eligible athlete's single best performance from their listed results (taking into account finishing position, race format, quality of field and/or times achieved*). All other performances will be disregarded;
 - The Panel will then compare the eligible athletes' single best performance and select to the team the athlete (or athletes) deemed to have the best overall performance.

2023 ET European Middle Distance Duathlon Championships, Location and date TBC

There will be **NO** funding for athlete travel and accommodation or race entry fee for this event. A GBR elite tri-suit and 3 items of BTF kit WILL be provided providing these items have not previously been distributed to nominating athletes in the previous 3 years

- 2.15 **Nomination deadline:** 9am TBC-complete the nomination form [HERE](#)
- 2.16 Except in unforeseen/exceptional circumstances, the team will be notified to athletes by TBC
- 2.17 Subject to confirmation of athlete places provided to BTF by WT, BTF predict a team of up to 6 athletes will be selected, comprising 3 male and 3 female athletes.

The Panel may fill up to the quota allocated to BTF, but they are not obliged to fill all available spaces if athletes do not satisfy the criteria outlined below. If any one of the above race categories are not filled, additional athletes may be added across the other age categories to bring the total team size to a maximum of 8 athletes. In previous editions of this championships BTF has been able to secure additional quota places across all categories. BTF will only consider requesting or accepting additional quota places for this event in 2023 should the Panel believe there is a compelling case to do so.

- 2.18 Subject to the maximum athlete places available (as per 2.18 above), eligible athletes will be automatically selected if they either:
- Competed at Elite European or World level in a ET or WT event in either triathlon (Continental Cup level or higher) or Duathlon (ET/WT/Powerman European or World Championships) in the previous 3 years OR;
 - Finished top 30 at the Ironman World Championships OR Ironman World 70.3 championships* OR;
 - Have achieved the minimum run standard listed in the table below AND;
 - Are a previous elite medallist at a European Duathlon or World Duathlon championship not in the past 3 years OR;



- ii. Have achieved a top 3 overall in the Age Group race (across all age groups) AND finished in a time comparable to the top 15 in the Elite race in either the ET or WT or Powerman European or World Duathlon championships.

Senior Men	32:30 (10km)	53:15 (10 mile)	71:30 (half marathon)**
Senior Women	37:00 (10km)	61:00 (10 mile)	81:30 (half marathon)**

**Note: Results from the most recent editions of the Ironman World Championships at nomination deadline will be used*

***Note: Distances must be accurate and verified.*

2.19 If there are more athletes that meet the automatic selection criteria than there are places available, the Selection Panel (“the Panel”) will use the following discretionary process to determine which athletes to select:

- a. The Panel will determine what they consider to be each eligible athlete’s single best performance from their listed results (taking into account finishing position, race format, quality of field and/or times achieved*). All other performances will be disregarded;
- b. The Panel will then compare the eligible athletes’ single best performance and select to the team the athlete (or athletes) deemed to have the best overall performance.

In exceptional circumstances, and if places are still available, an athlete who does not meet the selection criteria but does have outstanding performance evidence (e.g. top 3 Ironman/ 70.3 or similar Challenge Series (in the most recent pro field), may be considered for entry. This is entirely at the Panel’s discretion.

2023 WT World Middle Distance Duathlon Championships, Location and date TBC

There will be NO funding for athlete travel and accommodation or race entry fee for this event. A GBR elite tri-suit and 3 items of BTF kit WILL be provided providing these items have not previously been distributed to nominating athletes in the previous 3 years

2.20 **Nomination deadline:** 9am TBC-complete the nomination form [HERE](#)

2.21 Except in unforeseen/exceptional circumstances, the team will be notified to athletes by TBC

2.22 Subject to confirmation of athlete places provided to BTF by WT, BTF predict a team of up to 6 athletes will be selected, comprising 3 male and 3 female athletes.

The Panel may fill up to the quota allocated to BTF, but they are not obliged to fill all available spaces if athletes do not satisfy the criteria outlined below. If any one of the above race categories are not filled, additional athletes may be added across the other age categories to bring the total team size to a maximum of 8 athletes. In previous editions of this championships BTF has been able to secure additional quota places across all categories. BTF will only consider requesting or accepting additional quota places for this event in 2023 should the Panel believe there is a compelling case to do so.

2.23 Subject to the maximum athlete places available (as per 2.23 above), eligible athletes will be automatically selected if they either:



- a. Competed at Elite European or World level in a ET or WT event in either triathlon (Continental Cup level or higher) or Duathlon (ET, WT or Powerman European or World Championships) in the previous 3 years OR;
- b. Finished top 30 at the Ironman World Championships OR Ironman World 70.3 championships in* OR;
- c. Have achieved the minimum run standard listed in the table; AND
 - i. Are a previous elite medallist at a European Duathlon or World Duathlon championship not in the past 3 years OR;
 - ii. Have achieved a top 3 overall in the Age Group race (across all age groups) AND finished in a time comparable to the top 15 in the Elite race in ET or WT or Powerman European or World Duathlon championships.

Senior Men	32:30 (10km)	53:15 (10 mile)	71:30 (half marathon)**
Senior Women	37:00 (10km)	61:00 (10 mile)	81:30 (half marathon)**

**Note: Results from the most recent edition of the Ironman World Championships at nomination deadline will be used*

***Note: Distances must be accurate and verified.*

- 2.24 If there are more athletes that meet the automatic selection criteria than there are places available, the Selection Panel (“the Panel”) will use the following discretionary process to determine which athletes to select:
- a. The Panel will determine what they consider to be each eligible athlete’s single best performance from their listed results (taking into account finishing position, race format, quality of field and/or times achieved*). All other performances will be disregarded;
 - b. The Panel will then compare the eligible athletes’ single best performance and select to the team the athlete (or athletes) deemed to have the best overall performance.

In exceptional circumstances, and if places are still available, an athlete who does not meet the selection criteria but does have outstanding performance evidence (e.g. top 3 Ironman/ 70.3 or similar Challenge Series (in the most recent pro field), may be considered for entry. This is entirely at the Panel’s discretion.

2023 WT World Long Distance Duathlon Championships, Location and date TBC

There will be NO funding for athlete travel and accommodation or race entry fee for this event. A GBR elite tri-suit and 3 items of BTF kit WILL be provided providing these items have not previously been distributed to nominating athletes in the previous 3 years

2.25 **Nomination deadline:** 9am TBC-complete the nomination form [HERE](#)

2.26 Except in unforeseen/exceptional circumstances, the team will be notified to athletes by TBC Subject to confirmation of athlete places provided to BTF by WT, BTF predict a team of up to 6 athletes will be selected, comprising 3 male and 3 female athletes.

The Panel may fill up to the quota allocated to BTF, but they are not obliged to fill all available spaces if athletes do not satisfy the criteria outlined below. If any one of the above race



categories are not filled, additional athletes may be added across the other age categories to bring the total team size to a maximum of 8 athletes. In previous editions of this championships BTF has been able to secure additional quota places across all categories. BTF will only consider requesting or accepting additional quota places for this event in 2023 should the Panel believe there is a compelling case to do so.

2.27 Subject to the maximum athlete places available (as per 2.27 above), eligible athletes will be automatically selected if they either:

- a. Competed at Elite European or World level in a ET or WT event in either triathlon (Continental Cup level or higher) or Duathlon (ET/WT/Powerman European or World Championships) in the previous 3 years OR;
- b. Finished top 30 at the Ironman World Championships OR Ironman World 70.3 championships* OR;
- c. Have achieved the minimum run standard listed in the table below in the 12 months prior to the nomination deadline AND;
 - i. Are a previous elite medallist at a European Duathlon or World Duathlon championship not in the past 3 years OR;
 - ii. Have achieved a top 3 overall in the Age Group race (across all age groups) AND finished in a time comparable to the top 15 in the Elite race in either the 2022 Europe Triathlon or World Triathlon or Powerman European or World Duathlon championships.

Senior Men	32:30 (10km)	53:15 (10 mile)	71:30 (half marathon)**
Senior Women	37:00 (10km)	61:00 (10 mile)	81:30 (half marathon)**

**Note: Results from the most recent editions of the Ironman World Championships at nomination deadline will be used*

***Note: Distances must be accurate and verified.*

2.28 If there are more athletes that meet the automatic selection criteria than there are places available, the Selection Panel (“the Panel”) will use the following discretionary process to determine which athletes to select:

- a. The Panel will determine what they consider to be each eligible athlete’s single best performance from their listed results (taking into account finishing position, race format, quality of field and/or times achieved*). All other performances will be disregarded;
- b. The Panel will then compare the eligible athletes’ single best performance and select to the team the athlete (or athletes) deemed to have the best overall performance.

In exceptional circumstances, and if places are still available, an athlete who does not meet the selection criteria but does have outstanding performance evidence (e.g., top 3 Ironman/ 70.3 or similar Challenge Series (in the most recent pro field), may be considered for entry. This is entirely at the Panel’s discretion.

SECTION 3: CONDITIONS & SELECTION PANEL

Conditions



- 3.1 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 will require athletes to adhere to the BTF sponsorship guidelines and to wear the provided GBR race suit (which must be unaltered [championship suits may have personal sponsors added as long as they are agreed with BTF at the point of confirmation of selection into the team.]). By completing the nomination form athletes agree to adhere to the code of conduct and to follow the UK Anti-Doping (UKAD) Clean Sport Anti-Doping policy.
- 3.2 World Triathlon COMPULSORY pre-participation evaluation (PPE) screening is mandatory for ALL athletes entered into any Europe World Triathlon races. Failure to undertake this evaluation, or to provide the necessary paperwork will result in athletes not being able to be selected or entered into any Europe/ World Triathlon events. The main purpose of the screening is to identify athletes at risk of sudden cardiac death due to an electrical or structural heart abnormality. Details of how to complete this screening can be found on the [Selection Policies](#) page of the BTF website, under World Triathlon PPE Screening Requirements (please read 'All Athletes - Pre Participation Evaluation(PPE) Criteria').

SECTION 4: APPEALS

- 4.1 Athletes may appeal their non-nomination under this Selection Policy, but only after provision of written confirmation of the relevant decision and only according to the procedure laid out in the "BTF Appeals Policy" which can be found on the BTF website. Athletes wishing to seek advice regarding the appeals process (including the validity of any procedure itself) are advised to contact the British Athletes Commission (BAC) at www.britishathletes.org.

SECTION 5: AMENDMENT

- 5.1 In the event that any unforeseen circumstance makes any provision of this Policy unworkable or ineffective to promote the aims of the Policy, the BTF will be entitled to amend this Policy so that the aims can be secured. Any amended version will be made available at www.britishtriathlon.org.