

TALENT/PERFORMANCE SQUAD STANDARDS – ENGLAND & GB SQUADS

The below table details how players can be selected for talent and performance programmes.

England Hopes Programme (to be rebranded to England Hopes for the new year) U13	DiSE (Diploma in Sporting Excellent Talent Squad) 16-18	GB Youth Academy (Grantham) 12-18
<p>Automatic selection criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Winner of the U12 National Championships 2025 (male and female) -Winner of the U11 National Championships 2025 (male and female) <p>Remaining squad selection:</p> <p>The remaining squad will be selected by the National Hopes Squad coach + talent team. Considerations will be made around:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Player domestic/international results - Player attitude, behaviours - Player potential & trajectory (to consider both the 9-10 and 11-13 age brackets) - Performances at talent events (e.g., PDC weekend camps, talent ID days) - Player commitment to training and competition - Performance at Hopes Trial Camps (x 2 per year) – invitations made via scouting from coaches/talent staff/recommendations 	<p>Automatic selection criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Any player currently within the Great Britain Training Squad (who is able to commit to the training and educational demands of the programme) -Any home nation player who has a rating of top 20 in England <p>Remaining squad selection:</p> <p>The remaining squad selections will come through an open application process, considerations will be made around:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Home nation players who have represented their country at European Youth level (who will be living in England) - Current national U19 ranking - Recent competition results - Engagement in the pathway at an earlier stage e.g. former futures/PDC squad player - Players who are part of academy programmes (e.g., Grantham College) - Academic level and commitment - Future goals to remain within the TTE/GB pathway - Players in the GB para pathway squad 	<p><i>To be determined</i></p>

GB Training Squad (GBTS) 13-19	Potential Programme (UK Sport World Class Programme) 15+	Senior Training Programme
<p>Automatic selection criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Finalists of the U15 National Championships 2025 (male and female) -Finalists of the U19 National Championships 2025 (male and female) - 2 or more medals at WTT age group youth events at U15 level or above <p>Remaining squad selection:</p> <p>The remaining squad will be selected by the GBTS lead coach + performance team.</p> <p>Considerations will be made around:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Player domestic/international results - Player attitude, behaviours - Player potential & trajectory (considering the U17 age category to ensure the progression of players to the U19 level) 	<p>APA Matrix Entry Level:</p> <p>To be considered for confirmation funding, players are required to meet several points detailed in the entry level competition outcomes and performance standards in GBTT's APA matrix:</p> <p>Entry Level (E) – APA Matrix:</p> <p><i>Competition outcomes:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - European Youth Championship medallist - Two or more medals at WTT Youth Star Contenders -Two or more QF finishes at WTT Senior feeder events - QF finish at either European U21 Championships or World Youth Championships <p><i>Further performance criteria:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ranked within the top 120 in the senior working ranking (as an U21) -Starting to work towards benchmarks that are tracking for Olympic success <p><i>*Subject to agreement with UK Sport. Meeting these standards does not guarantee you a place on the World Class Programme or any funding from UK Sport.</i></p>	<p>Automatic selection criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Winner of the Senior National Championships 2025 – Singles (male and female) <p>Remaining selection for camps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Working towards World Championships London 2026 -Tracking for qualification for LA 2028 -Committed to a professional hybrid programme to include a minimum of 1 week a month at the ETC in Sheffield, professional club and a programme of WTT events. -Committed to working with the team of practitioners