



GB Selection Policy

Seniors Major Championships 2024

1. Purpose

The LTA will select a Senior team in order to achieve the following objectives in priority order:

- 1.1 Achieve the highest possible finishing position in the FIP Seniors European / World Championships in each of the age categories for the Men's and Women's Teams taking place in 2024;

2. Eligibility

LTA will consider players for selection who meet the following eligibility criteria:

- 2.1 Are eligible to represent Great Britain in FIP approved competitions and have a valid British Passport;
- 2.2 Will reach at least the age of the category they want to be considered for on their birthday in 2024. For the avoidance of doubt, the following age categories will be considered (subject to confirmation by FIP)*:
 - 2.2.1. 35+
 - 2.2.2. 40+
 - 2.2.3. 45+
 - 2.2.4. 50+
 - 2.2.5. 55+
- 2.3 Have not represented another country in a FIP event during the past 3 years;
- 2.4 Hold a current LTA Play, Play+ or Compete membership with LTA Advantage (<https://www.lta.org.uk/advantage/>);
- 2.5 Are not currently under disqualification or suspension under the rules of LTA, FIP, or other European / World Padel Federation;
- 2.6 Have provided LTA with a signed acknowledgement, notifying their intention to be considered for selection, by the closing date set out in section 5 of this selection policy;
- 2.7 Are not currently serving any sanction for an anti-corruption or anti-doping rule violation under any relevant anti-corruption or anti-doping rules;
- 2.8 Players agree to the appropriate LTA code of conduct (found here: <https://www.lta.org.uk/494b8d/siteassets/about-lta/file/lta-code-of-conduct.pdf>) and are commitment to adhere to specified travel dates, to observe any LTA sponsorship guidelines and to wear appropriate team apparel.

3. Scope of Teams

LTA may select up to the number of players authorised by FIP through the following selection process.



Following the overriding objectives of this policy, as set out in section 1, the selection panel will select players according to the criteria as follows:

Team Competition

The selection panel may select up to the number of players authorised by FIP to represent GB each time, within every age category available for the team competition.

Each team will comprise of a minimum of two players, and up to a maximum four players as permitted by FIP.

All pairing combinations entered will be at the sole discretion the LTA, including any nominated team captain / coach / player / individual for this event.

4. Selection Criteria

The LTA will select individuals in order to achieve the objectives as set out at the beginning of this policy (point 1). Their reasoning must be rational, reasonable, free of bias and generally in accordance with the principles of natural justice.

The panel will consider relevant information from within the 12 months prior to the application closing date (point 5).

4.1 Competition Profile

Player performance in the following events (age category specific):

- FIP / WPT Ranking
- LTA Padel Ranking
- FIP European Championships 2023 results;
- FIP / WPT event results
- LTA Padel Tour event results (Grade 2 and above);
- Other competitions performance which players deem relevant for consideration in order to achieve the selection objectives (point 1)**

4.2 GB National Training Camps

Players' performance on GB Seniors national training camps from within the qualification period.

The LTA will consider individuals technical, tactical, physical and mental performance level based on observations from within these training camps.

4.4 Key Performance Factors

- Players' commitment to improve and play at the highest level;
- Current form leading into the championships;
- Team dynamics and cohesion;
- Physical readiness and capability to compete at this level;
- Current illness or injury status if relevant;
- Behaviour when playing in domestic / international events and/or when previously representing GB or their respective home country;
- Other relevant performance information which the LTA believes should be considered in order to achieve the objective set out at the beginning of this policy (point 1).



**Players who wish to have other competition results considered by the selection panel must send a report of these results when submitting your application in order for them to be considered.

5. Provision Selection Timeline*

Event	From
Application Closing Date	5pm - 16 th February 2024
Selection Completed	6-8 Weeks Prior to Championship
Selection Notified	5-7 Weeks Prior to Championship
Selection Public Announcement	2 Weeks Prior to Championship
Qualification Period	12 months period prior to Application Deadline

**please note this timeline is subject to change. Any changes will be advertised as soon as is feasibly possible and will only be made if deemed necessary.*

6. Selection

6.1 Selections Prior to the Championship

As the National Governing Body for Padel in the UK, the LTA will be the sole selector for all FIP sanctioned major championships. The LTA has the right to liaise with any individual(s) it deems can provide relevant information in order to reach a selection decision.

The LTA will ensure each eligible player has been fairly considered, ensuring that reasoning is rational, reasonable, free of bias and generally in accordance with the principles of natural justice.

6.2 Selections at the Championships

The LTA will nominate a team captain or coach who will have the responsibility to make daily team / pairing selections at the event.

For the avoidance of doubt, the team captain / coach selected will be an individual (who may also be a selected player within the team) who the LTA in their expert opinion can give sound judgment in selection decisions in order to achieve the objectives set out at the beginning of this policy (point 1).

7. De-Selection

GB Seniors Padel retains the right to deselect any selected player under any of the following circumstances:

- 7.1 The player is no longer eligible for selection for this event;
- 7.2 The player did not adhere to the code of conduct (point 2.8);
- 7.3 The player in the opinion of the selection panel, is no longer physically or mentally able to perform at the level consistent with that which earned their initial selection;
- 7.4 The player fails to inform the National Coach of any existing injury or health/fitness issue.



Any player who is de-selected will immediately be notified of the decision and the reason. There will be no right of appeal, but feedback from the National Coach will be given to the player concerned.

8. Appeals

Eligible players only have the right to appeal in the following cases:

- 8.1 A player was de-selected under Point 7 above;
- 8.2 An ineligible player was selected under any point.

9. Kit & Funding

Details of all costs due will be included within the letter sent to all selected players. LTA will make it's best endeavors to support if possible.

10. Injuries/Health/Fitness Declaration

Should you be aware of an injury, illness or issue with fitness which may impact your ability to train prior, and/or compete at the event, it is the players' responsibility to inform the LTA immediately.



11. Acknowledgement

Each player shall acknowledge that they have read, understood and accepted the selection criteria and guidelines by signing the acknowledgement and returning this to the following email address by the closing date set out in section 5 of this policy.

Players who wish to have other competition results considered by the selection panel (point 4.12) must send a report of these results when submitting your application in order for them to be considered.

Email: gbpadel@lta.org.uk

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Acknowledged by:

Print Name:		Signature:	
Date of Application:		Date of Birth:	

Age categories you are eligible for (Please select all relevant options)

	Please Tick
35+	
40+	
45+	
50+	
55+	