



ENGLISH GYMNASTICS SELECTION POLICY

Men's & Women's Artistic Gymnastics

COMMONWEALTH YOUTH GAMES, Isle of Man

7th – 13th September 2011

The British Gymnastics National Coaching Team will recommend nominations to the English Gymnastics Approval Panel based on the following criteria:

(The English Gymnastics Approval Panel, will comprise of the England Team Manager, the Chair of English Gymnastics and the respective Chair of MTC or WTC judging panel.)

Gymnasts are eligible for consideration provided they are:

Men's Artistic

- A British Citizen holding a British Passport.
- A min. of 14 and a max. of 18 years old in the year of the competition. (1997 – 1993)
- Eligible to compete for Great Britain by possession of a current Gymnast Licence held with FIG.
- Eligible to compete for England as per Team England 2011 Eligibility conditions. (appendix)
- The results from all recent, relevant competitions will be taken into consideration.

Women's Artistic

- A British Citizen holding a British Passport.
- A min. of 13 and a max. of 15 years old in the year of the competition. (1998 – 1996)
- Eligible to compete for Great Britain by possession of a current Gymnast Licence held with FIG.
- Eligible to compete for England as per Team England 2011 Eligibility conditions. (appendix)
- The results from all recent, relevant competitions will be taken into consideration.

Appeals can only be submitted for a non-selected gymnast on the grounds that the process outlined within this Selection Policy has not been adhered to. Appeals should be made following British Gymnastics' Appeals Process (details can be found on the British Gymnastics' website www.british-gymnastics.org) Appeals should be made to English Gymnastics.

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TEAM ENGLAND 2011 – Eligibility Conditions

To be eligible to compete for Team England, athletes must be able to comply with the eligibility conditions as determined by the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) as below:

CGF Constitution Article 24: Eligibility

1. Subject to Article 24(2), as a condition of entry to compete in the Commonwealth Games, all competitors must be citizens or subjects of the Commonwealth Country that enters them and must:
 - (a) not be currently under disqualification or suspension by the Federation, or their respective Affiliated CGA or IF or under the World Anti Doping Code;
 - (b) comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Federation, their respective IFs and the World Anti Doping Code as may be modified and applied by the Federation to ensure that the overriding principles of the Commonwealth Games are observed.
2. Subject to Article 24(3), where a competitor was born in a Commonwealth Country that has common citizenship/passport with other Commonwealth Countries, the competitor may initially represent either the competitor's Commonwealth Country of birth; or the Commonwealth Country of birth of his or her father or mother that shares the same citizenship/passport.
3. After having represented one Commonwealth Country at the Commonwealth Games, a competitor may not represent another Commonwealth Country unless he or she receives the approval of the Federation, the relevant IF and the Affiliated CGAs of the two Commonwealth Countries concerned.
4. It is the responsibility of all Affiliated CGAs to ensure that their competitors are fully aware of and comply with the eligibility rules of the Federation.
5. The Executive Board shall have the power to waive the provisions of Articles 24 (1-3) in its discretion.

Eligibility Policy Decision

The Minutes of the 2004 General Assembly record: *"That in accordance with Article 25 (5)(Article 24(5) of the November 2007 applies), the Board considered applications from CGAs seeking dispensations for athletes to compete at both the Commonwealth Youth Games and the Commonwealth Games in Melbourne.*

As a result of this, the Board felt it appropriate to adopt a specific policy applying to cases where a common passport existed insofar as residency is concerned i.e. that a Dispensation will be granted to any such athlete who has completed a period of 5 years continuous residency within the CGA territory immediately prior to the Games.

During the 2009 General Assembly CGA Workshop it was confirmed by John Eades, Operations Director, CGF, that this decision, whilst specific to Melbourne, still applies in relation to the 2011 Youth Commonwealth Games.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING DATES FOR COMPLIANCE

2nd May Zeus Database* opens, CGE requires your 'long lists' of possible team members.

24th June Zeus Database closes - all information required for accreditation and participation must now be with CGE.

30th June Selected teams must be confirmed to CGE for ratification.

8th July Accreditation and Individual Entries submitted to the OC by CGE.

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