



GB Speed Climbing Selection Framework 2022

GB Senior Team

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IFSC Speed Climbing

1. Purpose of this Selection Framework

1.1. This framework outlines the approach that GB Climbing will undertake when selecting eligible athletes to compete at Speed Climbing in designated IFSC World Cups, IFSC Europe Continental Cups and Championships.

2. Purpose of the GB Climbing Senior Speed Climbing Squad

2.1 To inspire the Great Britain climbing community through the achievement of World Class performances and medal winning success.

2.2 It is recognised that the Speed Climbing team is in a development phase with the ambition to create a formidable team of athletes by 2026. Every effort will be made to provide the best support via a team culture and training environment that all Speed Climbers relish to be a part of.

2.3 To help our athletes be the best they can be, achieving great things both in the climbing gym and in life beyond GB Climbing.

2.4 To develop our GB Climbing Talent, supporting them as climbers and as people to have a positive impact on society by representing the very best of sport climbing.

3. Selection decisions

- 3.1 The nature of the Speed Climbing discipline is time based, and therefore this policy outlines the consideration times, other factors can be taken into consideration such as injury or illness which may have affected attendance at events, future performance potential or team performance dynamics.
- 3.2 Selection decisions will be based on the factors set out in Section 7 and Section 9 of this document.
- 3.3 All selection decisions will be made by the Selection Panel outlined in section 6 of this document.
- 3.4 There are 3 quota places per gender.

4. Purpose of selection decisions

4.1. The objective of each selection decision is to:

- 4.1.1. Select athletes with the best chance of achieving top half of the field performances at IFSC and IFSC Europe International events in line with the strategic objectives for the GB Senior Team (see Section 7).



5. Eligibility

In addition to BMC eligibility below, athletes must comply with the UK Sport Eligibility Policy and IFSC eligibility rules¹ including anti-doping:

- 5.1. Athletes must be members of the BMC (if a member of Mountaineering Scotland or Mountaineering Ireland a complimentary membership to the BMC will be provided);
- 5.2. Athletes must hold a current UK Passport;
- 5.3. Athletes must hold a valid international license issued by the BMC;
- 5.4. Athletes will sign the BMC athlete agreement and abide by its terms and conditions. Any athlete failing to do so prior to attending the selected competition, could see their selection being withdrawn;
- 5.5. Athletes will comply with IFSC and UK Anti-Doping rules and anti-doping blood/urine testing policies. Notified athletes in the National and/or International Registered Testing Pools, or the UK Anti-Doping Domestic Testing Pool, will comply with the requirements of the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standard for Testing and Investigations with regard to ADAMS and whereabouts information;
- 5.6. Athletes will sign the BMC Athlete Agreement and abide by its terms and conditions. Any athlete failing to do so will see their selection being withdrawn;
- 5.7. All athletes must be declared as medically fit to compete by their GP (including satisfactory BMI, see GB Climbing Welfare Support plan).

6. Selection Panel

- 6.1. All Speed Climbing selections are made by the BMC selection panel:
 - Head of Performance (chair, casting vote)
 - Pathway Manager - Talent and Performance (voting)
 - GB Head Coach (voting)
 - Independent member (voting)
 - Independent Observer (non-voting, minute-taker)
- 6.2. Other expert advisors or observers such as representatives from the British Olympic Association, UK Sport, British Athletes Commission may be invited to attend.
- 6.3. Conflicts of interest (if any) will be declared at the start of the meeting. In the event of a conflict of interest, the person will remove themselves from the decision-making process.



- 6.4. Each voting member of the selection panels shall have one vote as regards each selection decision. In the event of a tie, the Chair will have the casting vote.

7. Speed Performance Strategy

- 7.1. Speed qualification times for consideration, achieved between 1 January 2022 - 26 May 2022;

	Consideration time
Female	8.532
Male	6.270

- 7.2. Video evidence of achieving the qualification time on an IFSC ratified speed wall, using official speed wall timing system such as Depron will be required when submitting your application for selection.
- 7.3. In the event that there are more athletes than quota places who achieve the consideration times or faster, we will rank order from fastest to lowest.

8. Confidentiality

- 8.1. Athletes and officials must not disclose any information regarding any selection decisions, or appeals until such information is publicly announced or disclosed by the BMC

9. Selection

- 9.1. Selection will be for the following events
- 9.1.1. IFSC World Cup, Villars, SUI, 30 June-2 July 2022
 - 9.1.2. IFSC World Cup, Chamonix, FRA, 8-10 July 2022
 - 9.1.3. IFSC Europe - Continental Cup, Zilna, SVK, 16-17 July 2022
 - 9.1.4. IFSC Europe Continental Championships, Munich GER, 11-18 August 2022 (if quota places achieved)
- 9.2. ***Application deadline date of 27 May 2022 @ 17.00***
- 9.3. Selection panel will meet week commencing 30 May 2022

10. Appeals

- 10.1. Please see GB Climbing Selection Appeals Policy



11. De-selection – Substitutions and Injuries

- 11.1. An athlete may be de-selected from the GB Senior Team on the following grounds
- 11.1.1. Ceasing to comply with the eligibility criteria set out in this Selection Policy;
 - 11.1.2. Injuries, illness and changes in health status (e.g. pregnancy) will be considered on a case by case basis where an athlete wishes to be considered for selection;
 - 11.1.3. Failure to engage with GB Climbing program and IAP process
- 11.2 Replacement of athletes de selected from the squad will be considered at the complete discretion of the Selection Panel. Any replacement will be selected in accordance with section 6 of this policy
- 11.3 Athletes will cease to comply with the eligibility criteria set out in this Selection policy if any of the following occur:
- 11.3.1 An anti-doping rule violation or receiving provisional suspension due to anti-doping infringement; or
 - 11.3.2 A serious misconduct or suspension due to misconduct; or
 - 11.3.3 A breach of any BMC/ GB Climbing Policy

12 Disclaimer

- 12.2 Due to the uncertainty of the 2022 competition season from the unprecedented impact of the global pandemic and the conflict between Russia and the Ukraine, this document may require amendment should any competition or selection event be affected These amendments will be made public via an updated version of this document, made available (including the date on which any amendment was made) at www.thebmc.co.uk
- 12.3 This policy is subject to periodic review to ensure that the selection policy remains fair and efficient; considers any external rule or policy amendments; and includes any relevant feedback from the selectors, athletes, coaches and appeal panels.

13 Timeframes

- 13.2 The selection process will take place after each of the s election events listed in Section 9 with decisions announced as soon as is reasonable to do so.

14 Questions about the policy

- 14.2 Questions about this policy should be directed to office@thebmc.co.uk where a staff member who was not involved in the selection process will respond.



15 Arbitration

- 15.2 The parties agree that save for appeals in accordance with the GB Climbing Selection Appeals Process all disputes between them arising out of or in connection with this policy shall be referred to Sport Resolutions (a trading name of The Sports Dispute Resolution Panel Ltd Company No. 33510939) for final and binding arbitration in accordance with the Arbitration Act 1996 and Sport Resolutions (UK)'s Arbitration Rules, which Rules are deemed to be incorporated by reference to this clause.



Appendix 1; GB Climbing Speed Climbing Senior Application Form

Please email this completed form together with your evidence to Ellen Butler, the GB Climbing Performance Administrator at Ellen.Butler@thebmc.co.uk

Deadline for this application is - 27 May 2022 @ 17.00

Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Coach Name:	
Club Name:	
Athlete Email Address:	
If u18 - Parent / Guardian Email Address:	

State qualification date and time:	Date:	Time:
Location of qualification / timing system time:	Location:	System:
Confirm Video evidence sent	YES / NO	
Coach / witness Name		
Coach / witness signature		

I confirm the date and time of the qualification time as stated above:

Athlete Name		Date
Athlete Signature		

If under the age of 18, a parent of guardian signature required:

Parent / Guardian Name		Date
Parent / Guardian signature		