

ASA ENGLAND PROGRAMMES (SWIMMING) SELECTION TO REGIONAL BEACON SESSIONS 2015-2016

1. ATHLETE SELECTION

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- 1.1. The number of places available for selection will be set in agreement with ASA staff in accordance with the resources available at each specific Beacon Regional session.
- 1.2. Selection will be made to each Beacon programme individually, based on swimmers within the local club network and/or in sufficient proximity to be able to fully commit to Regional session attendance.
- 1.3. Selected athletes will be notified in consultation with their home coach.
- 1.4. Automatic selections will be made in the following order of priority:
- 1.4.1. Swimmers selected to represent GB at the 2015 World Swimming Championships
 - 1.4.2. Swimmers selected to represent GB at the 2015 World Student Games
 - 1.4.3. WC Podium Athletes
 - 1.4.4. WC Podium Potential Athletes
 - 1.4.5. Swimmers selected to represent GB at the European Games, June 2015; European Youth Olympic Festival, July 2015; European Junior Open Water Champs, July 2015 and World Junior Championships, August 2015.
 - 1.4.6. WC Podium Athletes Para-Swimming subject to approval by the NPD
 - 1.4.7. Top 8 Long Course ranked athletes on Open Age British Rankings at time of selection
- 1.5. Any further selections will be identified and agreed by England Programmes staff and the Regional Beacon Coach. The following groups will be considered as part of this process. This list is not intended to indicate priority – appropriate selections will be made in alignment with the environment and programme provided at each Regional Beacon.
- 1.5.1. Top 16 ranked athletes on Open Age GB Rankings at time of selection
 - 1.5.2. Top 10 placing in a single age band at British Summer Championships
 - 1.4.6. Swimmers selected to represent England at the Commonwealth Youth Games, September 2015; and the Energy Standard International Cup, May 2015;
 - 1.5.3. Swimmers who have been part of the 2014-2015 programme who have shown full commitment to the programme and demonstrated progression in terms of performance, skills, training level or other such key factors observed by the Beacon Regional Coach
 - 1.5.5. Swimmers who are eligible for the selection to the 2016 European Junior Championships who have a top 6 long course GB ranking in an Olympic Event at the time of selection within the appropriate age band
 - 1.5.6. WC Podium Potential Athletes Para-Swimming, subject to approval by the NPD
 - 1.5.7. Additional selections taking into account a swimmers current age, performance level, commitment to their training programme and future potential. These selections are at the mutual agreement between the Beacon head coach and England Programme Officers, but is not age dependant.

2. COACH SELECTION

- 2.1. The Regional Beacon Programme Coach will assume the role of Head Coach and be responsible for the coordination and notification of the delivery of the sessions.
- 2.2. Selection of further coaches to regularly contribute to the delivery of the programme will be made by the Beacon Programme coach in agreement with the England Programmes staff. Coaches must inform the Regional Beacon Programme Coach in advance if they are unable to attend specific sessions.
- 2.3. Other coaches available to attend the Regional Beacon Programme on a regular or occasional basis should discuss their contribution to the programme with the Beacon Programme Coach in the first instance.

3. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 3.1. All swimmers participating in the Regional Beacon Programme must be a member of an ASA affiliated club and eligible to represent Great Britain at international level.
- 3.2. Initial selections will be made in September 2015 for those programmes who will operate Beacon Regional sessions in the 2015-2016 season. Further selections may be made during the swimming season where spaces become available.

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3.3. Selected Swimmers are required to maintain full commitment to their overall training programme including attendance at Beacon Regional Sessions as agreed with their Home Coach and Beacon Programme Coach. Swimmers must inform the Regional Beacon Coach in advance as to valid reasons why they are unable to attend a specific session.

3.4. The maximum term of selection is up to the end of the current swimming season, ie 31st August 2016. Membership of the Beacon Regional Programme is however subject to regular review by the Regional Beacon Coach and England Programmes Staff.