

Welsh Gymnastics WAG Performance Development Squad Selection Policy

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Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for selection to the Women's Artistic Performance Development Squad the following conditions apply:

- a) Gymnasts must be current members of Welsh / British Gymnastics.
- b) Gymnasts must fulfil the eligibility criteria to compete for Wales as published on the Welsh Gymnastics website or hold residency in Wales.
- c) Gymnast's payment for Welsh Squad membership fees and / or contribution payments for training camps must be up to date for Squad selection or re-selection consideration.
- d) Junior gymnasts (2009 & 2010 born).

Selection Criteria

Selection for this squad takes place in March / April considering results from both the Welsh and British Championships 2024. Please note, scores below may be subject to change dependent on scoring at identified competitions.

Primary factors

- a) Gymnasts on or meeting consideration for the British Squad Pathway (Aspire & Junior Squad).
- b) Scoring 47.00 at FIG approved competitions.
- c) Competing the recommended CRs for the relevant age group as outlined in the BG competition handbook.
- d) Potential for high performance with the aim of competing for Wales at International level.

Throughout the year, if a gymnast would like to be considered for this squad, please email performance@welshgymnastics.org. Gymnasts may be invited at the discretion of the national coaches to attend sessions and be considered for a place on this squad according to the selection criteria.

Wildcards

In some cases, athletes may be selected as a wildcard based upon the following criteria:

- a) Injury preventing full participation / performance
- b) Potential for further technical and skill development

Appeals Process

1. Appeals must be submitted within 3 days of communication of selection for a non-selected gymnast.
2. The Appellant can only make appeals or, where they are under the age of 18, their parent or guardian.
3. The Appellant does not have a right of appeal against any judgment or discretion exercised in the course of making a nomination decision, or against the content of the applicable selection criteria.
4. Appeals should be sent to elle.langham-walsh@welshgymnastics.org outlining grounds for appeal.
5. An appeals panel consisting of a National Coach alongside three persons who are knowledgeable of the selection process, however, have not been involved in the non-nomination of the Appellant.
6. Upon the receipt of the Notice of Appeal the Independent Appeal Panel will convene a meeting to take place as soon as reasonably possible.
7. The decision of the Independent Appeal Panel shall be reached by majority vote and all members of the Panel shall have a vote each.
8. The decision of the Independent Appeal Panel shall be final, and the Appellant will be notified following the Independent Appeal Panel meeting.