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England Athletics Selection Policy for Växjö International 2027

6th February 2027

Overview:

England Athletics will select a team of maximum 15 athletes from the U18, U20 and U23 age group for the Växjö International 2026 (meeting website here). This reflects its aim of getting representatives across all event groups and disciplines at all age group major events and international teams. The Växjö International will therefore be aimed specifically at athletes who the selection panel ("the panel") believes are showing realistic progression towards the 2027 Commonwealth Youth Games, European U20 Championships or the European U23 Championships.

Eligibility:

To be considered for selection for this team:

- Athletes must be eligible to compete for England in accordance with World Athletics eligibility rules. This includes holding a full British passport valid until at least 6 months after the end of the competition date.
- Athletes must not be currently serving a period of ineligibility or a provisional or permanent suspension for a doping violation or for any other reason of misconduct.
- Athletes must be registered as a member with England Athletics, directly or through a club.
- Athletes will be required to sign the England Athletics Team Members' Agreement ("TMA") and abide by its terms and conditions.
- All athletes wishing to be selected for the Växjö International must express their interest in competing, via this MS Form (link here). Expression of interest must be submitted by 19:00 Sunday 17th January.
- Athletes selected will be required to complete necessary administrative tasks immediately post selection.

Age classifications:

- U23 = Athlete born in 2005, 2006 and 2007
- U20 = Athletes born in 2008 and 2009 (2010).
- U18 = Athletes born in 2010 and 2011.

Events:

Event	Male			Female		
Shot Put	U18*	U20*	U23	U18*	U20*	U23
Discus	U18	U20	U23	U18	U20	U23
Javelin	U18	U20	**	U18	U20	U23

*This trip clashes with England Athletics age group indoor national championships. Therefore, we will only select U18 and U20 shot putters in exceptional circumstances.
**Due to the competition's venue restrictions, male U23 javelin throwers cannot be selected.

Selection Process:

- The selection meeting will take place w/c 18th January 2027
- The final team will be announced no later than Friday 22nd January 2027
- England Athletics may select a team of up to 16 athletes. This will be made up of a maximum of up to 3 male and 3 female athletes per event per age group.

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- The panel will select athletes against the following criteria (in no ranked order):
    - Athletes who demonstrate the potential to gain selection for the 2027 Commonwealth Youth Games, U20 European Championships & U23 European Championships.
    - Recent form (where applicable). Performances from 1st June 2026 to 17th January 2027 will be considered.
    - Head-to-head performances.
    - Consistency of performance.
    - Previous National and International Championship performance history.
    - Illness/injury status.
- There is no appeal process in operation for this selection.
- England Athletics reserves the right to amend or vary this Selection Policy where necessary at any time. Any such amendments or variations will take effect from the first date of publication of the amended Selection Policy on the England Athletics website.

Event Information

- **Flight details:**

Flight	Departure	Date	Time	Terminal	Arrival	Date	Time	Terminal	Airline
BA0794	London Heathrow, GB (LHR)	05Feb27	10:25	3	Gothenburg Landvetter Airport, SE (GOT)	05Feb27	13:25		British Airways
BA0791	Gothenburg Landvetter Airport, SE (GOT)	07Feb27	12:55		London Heathrow, GB (LHR)	07Feb27	14:10	3	British Airways

    - Travel from the airport to the hotel is approximately 3 hour coach journey. Athletes should prepare for this accordingly.

- **Hotel:**
    - The team will stay at the Scandic Vaxjo hotel.
    - Rooming will be allocated on a twin basis.
    - All meals will be provided whilst on the trip. Dietary requirements will be catered for. Athletes who choose to buy their own meals outside of the hotel will not be reimbursed.

- **Competition:**
    - Date: 6th February 2027
    - Venue: Telekonsult Arena (10-12min walk away from the hotel)
    - Timetable/Startlist: These will be published here.

- **Team Staff:**
    - Team Leader - Emeka Udechuku.
    - Team Coach – Julie Rider
    - Team Coach – Carolyn Franks
    - Team Physio – Lucy Eggleton-Wood
    - Team Manager – Alan Richardson

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- **Additional things to note:**
  - All team members will be expected to travel together from London Heathrow. Please bear this in mind when completing the expression of interest as there will be no exception to this. Flight details are detailed above.
  - England athletics will not provide financial assistance for domestic travel (to the meeting point), meals at the airport or snacks. Athletes based oversees will be expected to pay their own way back to the UK to join the team on departure dates.
  - England Athletics will provide competition kit to any athletes that have not received any such kit within the last 2 years. If selected, there will be an opportunity to purchase additional kukri performance kit.
  - England Athletics reserve the right to deselect athletes who the selection panel feel is not fit or competitive enough in the final weeks before the event.

- **Contact:**
  - Any questions relating to the event or selection policy, contact Nick Ridgeon - nridgeon@englandathletics.org 07471027364

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