



Scottish Golf Women's Selection Policy

AIMS

To formalise the selection process for Scottish national golf teams so that it is understood by players, parents, coaches, the wider golfing public, media and other interested parties.

OBJECTIVES

- To publish a criteria for selection to Scottish Golf Women's Performance Squad and Academy Transition Players;
- To publish a criteria for selection of individuals to represent Scotland in identified teams/competitions
- To identify the selection process and key timescales
- To obtain and record as much standardised information about individual players as possible
- To give players feedback on why they have or have not been selected

GENERAL

All persons selected by Scottish Golf for teams/competitions or Training Squads must to the satisfaction of the Selection Committee:

- Meet the Scottish Golf eligibility criteria at the commencement of the Championship
- Comply and have complied with the rules and etiquette of golf as laid down by the Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews
- Follow and have followed any guidelines published by Scottish Golf relating to the conduct and guidance of Scottish golf teams
- Follow and have followed any guidelines published by Scottish Golf relating to anti-doping regulations (listed below)
- Automatic selections are subject to the players not being under any kind of review for code of conduct or disciplinary issues either by their club, county or the Scottish Golf

SQUAD SELECTIONS

Criteria for selection

- Potential to represent Scotland at the Women's World or European level within 2 years (Performance Squad) or 4 years (Academy Transition Players).
- Results in key open amateur events (national and international)
- Improving profile of performance - Results
- Improving key playing statistics recorded in Golf Data Lab (GDL)

Selection Panel

The selection panel is made up of the following members:

Chair of selectors – Lindsey Garden
Interim Head of Performance – Clare Queen
Women & Girls National Coach – David Patrick
R&A Independent selector – Anne Laing
Performance Coordinator – Clare Queen

All panel members receive one vote.

TEAM SELECTIONS

Selection process

For all teams, players that are in consideration for selection will be contacted prior to the selection date to check their availability for the upcoming selection. On the day of selection players that are selected will be contacted by email by 1pm, all selections will then be posted on the Scottish Golf website by 2pm the same day including a reserve (where suitable).

Primary Selection Factors

Players who fulfil the automatic selection standard as indicated for each team/competition.

Automatic selections are not transferable down the rankings.

Secondary Selection Factors

- Performances in pre-identified key events leading up to the selection date will be taken into account.
- Historical performance record in key events
- Historical performances in major international teams
- Current WAGR and relative movements within a 6 month period
- Scottish Golf OOM

Additional Selection Factors

The features, conditions and design of the course on which matches and events will be played will be taken into account when selecting teams, along with an assessment of a players overall ability of to cope with a range factors.

These include: -

- Level of competition (World and European) and player experience
- Competition format, team and/or individual
- The type of course with the assessed difficulty of the course
- Player performances, including foursomes record when appropriate
- Climatic conditions
- General fitness level
- Medical considerations

KEY SELECTION DATES FOR SQUADS AND TEAMS

Scottish Golf Women's Scottish Golf Supported players

- September 2018

European Ladies Team Championship (6 players) 10-14 July 2018

Automatic Selection Date: 13 June 2018

Selector's Picks: 14 June 2018

- The top 2 players within the top 500 on WAGR at the update of the rankings on 13 June 2018
- The top player on the SG Women's Order of Merit (not already selected via the WAGR) (At the update of the rankings on 13 June 2018) **Please Note – This player must be within the top 500 on WAGR**
- 3 Selectors Picks

Where the automatic selection places are not filled, the selection committee will select the remaining players.

Ladies Home International Matches (7 players) 8-10 August 2018

Automatic Selection Date: 18 July 2018

Selector's Picks: 19 July 2018

- Winner of the Scottish Women's Amateur Championship
- The top 3 players on the World Amateur Golf Rankings (at the update of the rankings on 18 July 2018)
- The top player on the Scottish Golf Women's Order of Merit (not already selected via the WAGR on 18 July 2018)
- 2 Selectors Picks

Where the automatic selection places are not filled, the selection committee will select the remaining players.

World Amateur Team Championship (3 players) 29 August – 1 September 2018

Automatic Selection Date: 25 July 2018

Selector's Picks: 31 July 2018

- Top Scottish player within the top 500 on WAGR (at update of WAGR Rankings on 25 July 2018)
- 2 Selectors Picks

Where the automatic selection places are not filled, the selection committee will select the remaining players.

FEEDBACK TO PLAYERS

Following selection for a major competition (e.g. European Team Championship, Home Internationals), the Head of Performance will provide feedback, if requested, to those not selected, but who had reasonable expectation of selection and explain why they were not chosen.

For National Squads, the Head of Performance will advise players who are selected or deselected for squads as soon as possible after the decision has been made.

Please note:

Where a player qualifies automatically for both the Women's and Girls teams, it will be at the discretion of the selection committee to decide which team the player will represent. Consideration will be given to matching player development to the appropriate level of competition.

ANTI – DOPING POLICY

Scottish Golf follow the UK Anti-Doping Rules published by UK Anti-Doping (or its successor), as amended from time to time. Such rules shall take effect and be construed as the rules of Scottish Golf.

You can find the UK Anti-Doping Rules here:

<http://www.ukad.org.uk/resources/document/uk-anti-doping-rules>