



Team Wales Senior Selection Policy Home International Regatta 2017

1. Outline

The purpose of this document is to set out what is required from Senior Athletes wishing to achieve selection for the Senior Teams at the Home International Regatta 2017 (Team Wales); to include details of registration, trial/seat-racing and selection.

This information will be published in February 2017 on the Welsh Rowing website and emailed to all clubs and coaches where there are Team Wales eligible athletes. Welsh Rowing supports the Home International Regatta as a performance and pathway event and therefore is committed to ensuring that a competitive Team is selected. Representation at the Home International Regatta is a National Level achievement and the standard for selection will be representative of that status.

2. Registration

Athletes who wish to be considered for the 2017 Team will be able to register from 9am 6th February 2017. The Registration Form will remain open until 9am 8th July 2017.

3. Eligibility

To represent Wales at the Home International Regatta athletes must fulfil one of the requirements below and be able to provide evidence in support of your eligibility:

- Having been born in Wales.
- Having a parent or Grandparent born in Wales.
- Having resided for not less than six consecutive months in Wales and having been a member of a rowing club therein during that time.
- Where a rower lives in Home Country A and rows in Home Country B actively for more than the previous six months that athlete may opt once to row for either country.
- Where a rower has competed for Wales before.

Rowers will be asked to send proof of eligibility to their Coordinator and the Team Manager.

4. Selection Process

The Team Coordinators will use data from Ergo Submissions and Monitored Events (as detailed in sections 5 and 6) to assess Athlete capabilities. This data will enable the Coordinators to engage in discussions with coaches about potential individual and crew selections. There will not be an Open



Trial for the Senior Team selection. If required (at the discretion of the Coordinators), there will be a Final Trial in July for invited athletes and details of the trial format will be distributed.

Athletes seeking selection must meet the eligibility criteria and should adhere to the Ergo Submission requirements. Athletes will need to demonstrate their individual capabilities plus their crew compatibility (across ergo tests and regattas). Coordinators can consider crew compatibility and/or seat racing.

Coxswains should also attend the Monitored Events and will be asked to submit 1 race recording (multi-lane or side-by-side river race) plus 1 recording of a training session by June ergo submission to the relevant Coordinator.

Each Coordinator will present the names of their selected Athletes for their Team to the International Committee for Ratification. The Final Selection Announcement of the Senior Team will take place on Tuesday 11th July by the Team Manager. Athletes (and their parent(s) and coach) will be emailed by the Team Manager confirming their selection. Athletes (and their parent(s) and coach) who have not been successful will also be informed by email by the Team Manager. In the unlikely event that the Team Manager is unable to make the Final Selection Announcement by close of 11th July, all Athletes (and their parent(s) and coach) will be notified by email and informed of when to expect the announcement. Following the Final Team Announcement, the Team will be published on the Welsh Rowing website.

If the Coordinators require a Final Trial in order to make selection then it will take place on Sunday 9th July, venue TBC. Coordinators will contact Athletes directly to invite them to Final Trials or to inform them that they have not made this stage.

Athletes in the Team GB system that are identified as eligible for Team Wales may be invited into the Team.

The Coordinator's decision on Selection is final.

5. Monitored Events

Welsh Rowing will be in attendance at the events listed below. You will be required to pass onto your Coordinator which events you are entered into so that performances can be monitored. Athletes are expected to be able to compete in small boats (1x, 2-, 2x) in order to indicate their ability.

- Wallingford Regatta
- Henley Women's Regatta
- Marlow Regatta
- BUCS Regatta
- GB Trials/Assessments
- Met Regatta
- Henley Royal Regatta



Please note that results from other smaller, regattas may support results at monitored events, results from smaller regattas only will not be enough to show you are capable of performing at National Level.

6. Ergo Submissions

Athletes must submit their most recent ergo scores when registering for the team. Athletes should look to include a 2k score with details of the date this took place and the name of the coach who witnessed it. Ergo scores that take place after registration but before the close of registration should be emailed to the relevant coordinator together with the date and the name of the coach who witnessed.

7. Holding Camp

Athletes may be expected to attend a holding camp in Cardiff/London or at their crew's base/club in the week leading up to the HIR. It is intended that the Senior Team crews will train in their boats on the weekends following HWR/HRR leading up to the HIR to allow minimal impact on work/jobs. Where crew logistics allow training can/may take place on weekdays, but this will not be deciding factor in selection.

8. Appeals

The Welsh Rowing Appeals process will be available on the Welsh Rowing website from 1st March 2017.

KEY DATES

6 th February-8 th July	Registration
9 th July	Final Trials (if required)
11 th July	Final Selection Announcement
22 nd July	Home International Regatta