

### 1. Introduction

A critical component for the success of English Judo relies on an objective approach to selection, together with a programme of continuous talent development (technical, tactical, physical, mental and lifestyle).

### 2. Eligibility

#### 2.1 Eligibility Criteria

2.1.1 To be eligible for the England Talent Development (ETD) Squad, players must meet the following criteria:

- Hold a current BJA or affiliate membership
- Hold a valid British passport
- Cadets to hold a minimum grade of 10<sup>th</sup> Mon (green belt)
- Juniors to hold a minimum grade of 13<sup>th</sup> Mon/2nd Kyu (blue belt)
- Cadets born between 2002 and 2004
- Juniors born between 1999 and 2001
- 2019 England Programme Player agreement MUST be signed and adhered to

### 3. Identification

There are two routes to ETD Squad identification, Primary and Secondary.

#### 3.1 Primary Identification

3.1.1 The 2019 ETD Squad will be identified after the British Championships in December 2018 and published by **14<sup>th</sup> December 2018**.

3.1.2 English Medallists at the 2018 British Championships will automatically gain a place on the ETD Squad; where there has been a minimum of two contest wins.

3.1.3 The England Programme staff will invite further players to join the ETD Squad. An informed decision will be made based on competition performances from September 2018 at events listed on the ETD Calendar.

#### 3.2 Secondary Identification

3.2.1 Additional limited places into the ETD Squad will be allocated to players via a continuous review by England Coaches at identified events as listed on the **ETD 2019 Calendar**.

#### 3.3 Injury

3.3.1 Whereby a player who has previously been a member of the ETD Squad has suffered a long-term injury preventing them from fulfilling the identification requirements a decision will be made based on previous performances, attendance at ETD Squad trainings, performance behaviours and future potential.

### 4. ETD Training

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### 4.1 Calendar

- 4.1.1 The 2019 annual calendar will be published by **1<sup>st</sup> November 2018**. This will be updated to reflect any changes in the IJF/EJU Calendar as necessary.
- 4.1.2 ETD Squad training dates will be fixed as much as possible but may change due to unforeseen circumstances. In the event of date changes, we will endeavour to provide updated information as quickly as possible.

### 4.2 Attendance

- 4.2.1 Players attendance at ETD squad trainings will be reviewed over two 'blocks'. The first block operating from January to June, the second block operating from July to December.
- 4.2.2 Players attendances will be reviewed at the end of each block. Players who have missed more than two sessions during that block will not be invited into the second block of training and will be withdrawn from the ETD Squad.

### 4.3 Training Invites & Additional Opportunities

- 4.3.1 The England Programme reserves the right to send all invites on an individual basis (based on performance, results and behaviours).
- 4.3.2 Additional invitations to train with the ETD Squad will be issued by the England Coaching Team on an individual basis and not by request.
- 4.3.3 The England Programme may identify further training opportunities. These will be communicated in due course.

### 4.4 Area & Performance Pathway Training

- 4.4.1 There is an expectation that ETD Squad members will regularly attend identified ETD/Area training sessions and ETDC training camps where geographically possible. Further details will be published on the England webpage.

### 4.5 Accepted Absences

- 4.5.1 The following reasons will be accepted as absences and will therefore not be counted as missed sessions:
- Injury – providing a physio/medical note can be provided
  - Illness – providing a medical note can be provided
  - Competition – where a player is representing England or Great Britain at an international competition (this does not include individual self-funded competitions outside of England calendar activity)
  - Family bereavement
  - Family wedding

## 5. ETD Squad Fees

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### 5.1 Fee System

5.1.1 In 2019 the England Squad will operate a block fee system, whereby a player commits to attend a full block of training.

5.1.2 Fee's will be collected annually or at the first squad session of each block. The dates are as follows:

Block 1: Fees due before 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019

Block 2: Fees due on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019

5.1.3 The block fee will be £60 payable by on-line payment, or a one off annual payment of £100, please see below payment details:

<https://www.britishjudo.org.uk/gb-judo/home-nation-programmes/england-judo-programme/england-squad-payments/>