

# **Graded International: 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> August 2026 at the Sport Wales National Centre, Cardiff**

## **Selection Criteria for Scotland Teams**

### **1. SELECTION OBJECTIVES**

Badminton Scotland's main goal is to provide opportunities for adult club standard players to compete against other players of a similar standard from England, Ireland and Wales. Therefore the point of this selection criteria is not to select a 'Performance' team. Instead, it is to target players of a particular standard, in order to conform with the spirit of the event. Because of this, Badminton Scotland reserves right to apply judgement to the stated criteria if required.

### **2. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY**

To be considered for selection the player must satisfy the following criteria:

- Be born in 2007 or earlier
- Be individual members of Badminton Scotland
- not represented any other Member Association for two years immediately preceding the date of the tournament
- not competed in the National Championships of any other Member Association for two years before the tournament
- either
  - (i) was born in Scotland or one or both parents were born in Scotland
  - or
  - (ii) has held their main residence in Scotland for two years immediately preceding the date of the tournament

### **3. SELECTIONS**

- Selections will be confirmed by Friday 22 May 2026
- 4 teams will be selected in total (Teams 1, 2, 3, 4). It is intended that each team will have a minimum of 3 men and 3 women. Badminton Scotland, along with the Graded International Working Group, reserves the right to make a judgement on the maximum number of players in each team, based on our assessment of what is best for each team.
- Players qualify as individuals, not as partnerships.
- All results from relevant competitions will be considered in season 2025/26 starting with the Badminton Bonanza on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025 up to and including the Yonex EBA Bronze on 2 May 2026.
- Teams 1 & 2 will be selected from senior Silver ranking events. Ranking lists based only on results attained in Silver ranking events will be created. The top ranked in each discipline will be selected for Team 1. the second ranked in each discipline will be selected for Team 2. If anyone is unable to accept their selection, we will continue to work down the list until a full team is selected. Ranking lists will be based on the best 6 results attained in relevant competitions. If any player has played 7 or more events, only their top 6 results will be considered for ranking purposes.
- Teams 3 & 4 will be selected from senior Bronze ranking events. Ranking lists based only on results attained in Bronze ranking events will be created. The top ranked in each discipline will be selected for Team 3. The second ranked in each discipline will be selected for Team 4. If anyone is unable to accept their selection, we will continue to work down the list until a full team is selected. Ranking lists will be based on the best 6 results attained in relevant competitions. If any player has played 7 or more events, only their top 6 results will be considered for ranking purposes.

- For Teams 1 & 2: A player will not be eligible for selection if they have reached the semi-finals (or better) of the National Championships and/or the final of a senior Gold event.
- For Teams 3 & 4: A player will not be eligible for selection if they have reached the semi-finals (or better) of the National Championships and/or reached the semi-finals (or better) of a senior Gold event and/or won a senior Silver event.
- Teams 1, 2, 3 & 4: If 2 or more players are equal on ranking points won at Silver or Bronze events, overall ranking position as at 12/05/26 will be used with the player ranked highest at that date selected.
- Badminton Scotland, along with the Graded International Working Group, reserves the right to apply additional criteria and/or judgement in order to achieve the goal of selecting teams of the right standard in order to conform to the spirit of the event.

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