British Gymnastics

Women's Artistic Transition Pathways

New Qualification, Mobility and Eligibility Criteria for entering the British Championships 2024 and beyond.

Update on the Qualification to future British Championships

- The FIG Challenge competition has been removed and so we are creating alternative routes to qualify to the British Championships.
- We will utilise the Home Nation Championships to create rankings to qualify to the British Championships.

Compulsory 2 & Voluntary 2 Qualification pathway and annual progression to British Championships 2024

Competition Age at British Championships	Competition	C2 & V2 at 11 Years in 2023 (2012 YoB)	C2 & V2 at 12 Years in 2023 (2011 YoB)	C2 & V2 at 13 Years in 2023 (2010 YoB)	C2 & V2 at 14 Years in 2023 (2009 YoB)	Pathway from 15 Years in 2023 (2008 YoB)
	Pass at Compulsory 2 with a combined score at Voluntary 2	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
12 years (2012 YoB)	1 st year Aspire	✓				
13 years (2011 YoB)	2 nd year Aspire	✓	✓			
14 years (2010 YoB)	1 st year Junior	✓	✓	✓		
15 years <i>(2009 YoB)</i>	2 nd year Junior	Ranking to British from Home Nations Championships			✓	
16 years + (2008+ YoB)	Senior	Ranking to British from Home Nations Championships				

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Compulsory 2 & Voluntary 2

Qualification pathway and annual progression to British Championships 2025

Competition Age at British Championships	Competition	C2 & V2 at 11 Years in 2024 (2013 YoB)	C2 & V2 at 12 Years in 2024 (2012 YoB)	C2 & FIG at 13 Years in 2024 (2011 YoB)	Optional C2 & FIG at 14 Years in 2024 (2010 YoB)	Pathway from 15 Years in 2024 (2009 YoB)
	Pass at Compulsory 2 with a combined score at Voluntary 2	√	✓	✓	Optional	X
12 years <i>(2013 YoB)</i>	1 st year Aspire	✓				
13 years <i>(2012 YoB)</i>	2 nd year Aspire	✓	✓			
14 year <i>(2011 YoB)</i>	1 st year Junior	✓	✓	✓		
15 years <i>(2010 YoB)</i>	2 nd year Junior	Ranking to British from Home Nations Championships				
16 years + (2009+ YoB)	Senior	Ranking to British from Home Nations Championships				

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From 2025, Gymnasts aged 13 when they pass compulsory 2, will not take voluntary 2, but will instead participate in a National FIG Junior Competition that will be held at the same time as voluntary 2. Gymnasts aged 14 have the option to take compulsory 2 & the National FIG Junior Competition that will be held at the same time as voluntary 2 and their combined score will be taken into consideration for BG Squad placings, but they will still need to rank at Home Nations Championships. These gymnasts can also use this FIG score in the ranking for British Championships at Home Nations if it is higher.

Compulsory 2 & Voluntary 2

There will only be one National Compulsory 2 competition each year.

However, there **will** be a second opportunity for those gymnasts who were sick or injured at the time of Compulsory 2 competition. In order to be able to be considered for this, the following will apply:

- A medical note will be required.
- There is no retake capacity.
- The second opportunity must occur within 12 weeks of the Compulsory Championships. The National Coaches will set a date at Lilleshall, which will be at the same time as a BG / GBR Squad. For 2023, it is proposed this will happen in the afternoon of Saturday July 6th after the Junior Squad ends – this date is TBC
- If a gymnast is sick or injured at the time of the Voluntary Championships, she may use a previous Voluntary 2 Score, or submit any viable scores to the WTC with a request to be considered for the combined list for entry into the British Championships 2024.

Qualification pathway to British Championships from 2024 without taking Compulsory & Voluntary 2

Qualification through ranking at the Home Nation Championships will replace the FIG Challenge Qualifier

Age 12 in year /	Aged 13 in year /	Aged 14 in year /	Aged 15 in year /	Aged 16+ in year Senior
1 st year Aspire	2 nd year Aspire	1 st year Junior	2 nd year Junior	
No qualification possible to British Championships - All Aspire gymnasts need to have passed Compulsory 2 & achieved a combined score at Voluntary 2 to enter the British Championships.	No qualification possible to British Championships – All aspire gymnasts need to have passed Compulsory 2 & achieved a combined score at Voluntary 2. (Except in 2024 where any available spaces will be ranked from Home Nation Championships with a minimum base score TBC)	Any additional available spaces after all gymnasts who have gained entry to British from Compulsory & Voluntary 2 (National FIG Junior from 2025) will be ranked from Home Nation Championships with a minimum base score TBC	Qualification through ranking at Home Nation Championships with a minimum base score TBC	Qualification through ranking at Home Nation Championships with a minimum base score TBC

- This would require every Home Nation Championships to be open to all gymnasts wishing to compete at an FIG level competition aged 12 and over.
- Gymnasts who are not successful in the ranking are also permitted to enter Classic Challenge Gold in the same year.
- For 2024 only, Aspire gymnasts who are not successful in the ranking are also permitted to enter Classic Silver in the same year.

Maximum number of competitors at British Championships

Level	Maximum numbers at British Championships	
Aspire (12 & 13 years)	72 (includes max 2 rest groups in each round) All BG Aspire squad gymnasts be in round 2	
Junior (14 & 15 years)	72 (includes max 2 rest groups in each round) All BG Junior & Aspire squad gymnasts be in round 2	
Senior (16+)	48 (Seeded Competition) Round 1 – 4 groups of seniors (includes 2 rest groups), 1 group of disability masters & 1 group of aspire apparatus finalists Round 2 – 4 groups with no rest groups. All GBR senior & BG Junior squad gymnasts be in round 2	

For the final numbers at British Championships, a ranking list will be created to fill the number of remaining places. Any withdrawals can be replaced by the next gymnast on the ranking list, but no further replacements will be made in the final 48 hours prior to the start of the respective competition.

British Championships Summary

British Championships Aspire	British Championships Junior	British Championships Senior	
For 2024 only *2 nd year Aspire gymnasts who would have entered FIG Challenge Qualifier in 2023, will be able to attain a ranking through the Home Nation Championships. The top scorers, subject to maximum competitor numbers will be able to progress to British Championships, subject to a minimum base score TBC.	For 2024 only 1st Year junior gymnasts who would have entered FIG Challenge Qualifier in 2023, will be able to attain a ranking through the Home Nation Championships. The top scorers, subject to maximum competitor numbers will be able to progress to British Championships, subject to a minimum base score, TBC. Gymnasts in Aspire / Junior Squad will have direct entry to British.	From 2024 Gymnasts in Senior / Junior Squad will have direct entry to British. All senior aged gymnasts will need to attain an allaround ranking through Home Nation	
*All Aspire gymnasts need to have passed Compulsory 2 & achieved a combined score at Voluntary 2 to enter the British Championships. There is no entry through Home Nation Championships for these gymnasts.	Ist Year Junior All gymnasts need to have passed Compulsory 2 & achieved a combined score at National FIG Junior to enter the British Championships. There is no entry through Home Nation Championships. This is effective from 2025. 2nd year junior All gymnasts will need to attain an all-around ranking through Home Nation Championships. The top ranked gymnasts will be able to enter British Championships subject to maximum competitor numbers. To achieve a ranking, gymnasts will need to be able to provide proof of achieving a minimum score of 41.50 from the previous years British Championships, Home Nations Competition, a regional FIG competition, Club Team Championships or National FIG Junior Competition. They will then be ranked on their score achieved. This replaces the FIG Challenge for these gymnasts.	Championships. The top ranked gymnasts will be able to enter British Championships (maximum entry to British 48 gymnasts). To achieve a ranking, gymnasts will need to be able to provide proof of achieving a minimum score of 41.50 from the previous years British Championships, Home Nations Competition, a regional FIG competition or Club Team Championships. They will then be ranked on their score achieved. This replaces direct entry, WTC Cup & the FIG Challenge for these gymnasts.	

Entry to Home Nation Championships

To enter Junior or Senior Home Nation Championships, please note the following:

- Gymnasts on a GBR / BG Squad have an automatic right to enter
- Gymnasts on a Home Nations Squad have an automatic right to enter
- Gymnasts who passed Compulsory 2 in 2021 & 2022 have an automatic right to enter
- Gymnasts who passed Compulsory 2 and have a combined score with Voluntary 2 in 2023 have an automatic right to enter
- All other gymnasts have the right to enter
 - If gymnasts wish to be ranked for the British Championships, they must be able to provide proof of achieving a minimum score of 41.50 from the 2023 British Championships, Home Nations Competition, a regional FIG competition or Club Team Championships*. They will then be ranked on their score achieved.
 - All other gymnasts, including those who do not wish to be ranked for the British Championships, can enter with the recommendation that all gymnasts are capable of achieving a minimum FIG score of 40.00 these gymnasts will still be eligible to participate in Classic Challenge later in the year.
- Gymnasts may enter more than one Home Nations Championships if space allows

^{*}Club Team Championships scores will only be accepted without a penalty on bars

Home Nation Championships Summary

Home Nation Championships Aspire	Home Nation Championships Junior	Home Nation Championships Senior		
Entry would be as previou	num FIG score of 40.00.			
There is no entry to British Championships through Home Nation Championships (see 2024 Aspire exceptions below)	1st Year Junior - There is no entry to British Championships through Home Nation Championships (see 2024 1st year junior exceptions below) 2nd year Junior - Entry to British Championships is through Home Nation Championships. *Except those gymnasts who passed Compulsory 2 & achieved a combined score at Voluntary 2 in the previous year (when they turned 14).	Entry to British Championships is through Home Nation Championships.		
	Gymnasts who have not previously competed at British Championships, and wish to receive a ranking, will need to provide evidence of achieving an FIG score of 41.50 or more from Club Team Championships, a Home Nations or regional FIG competition in 2023. They will then be ranked on their score achieved. Gymnasts who competed Classic Challenge Gold competitions in 2023, would need to provide evidence of achieving a minimum FIG score of 41.50 from Club Team Championships* or Home Nations Competition**			
	Gymnasts in Aspire / Junior Squad will have direct entry to British.	Gymnasts in Senior / Junior Squad will have direct entry to British.		
2 nd year Aspire gymnasts & 1 st Year junior gymnast all-around ranking through the Home Nation Champ progress to British Championships. To achieve a ranki 41.50 from a regional FIG competition, Natio 2 nd Year junior gymnasts who passed Compulsory 2 aneed				

*Due to the reduced penalty on bars and in order to reflect full FIG scores, Club Team Championships scores will only be accepted without a penalty on bars

^{**}Gymnasts who are not successful in achieving a ranking to the British Championships through the Home Nations, and achieved their FIG score for ranking (minimum 41.50) from the previous years Home Nations Championships or Club Teams Championships, will still be able to enter Classic Challenge Gold.

Rankings & Discretionary Cards

Rankings:

- The ranking will be renamed to "an all-around ranking".
- If there is not an all-around score, then a gymnast can apply for a discretionary card but they must meet the criteria (see below).
- The wildcards will be renamed to National Coach Discretionary Cards (see criteria below).

Discretionary Cards:

- Any gymnast previously on a GBR Squad will be given consideration to British Championships.
- Any gymnast currently on a Home Nations Squad will be given consideration to British Championships.
- Any gymnast who competes 3 or less apparatus will have to clearly demonstrate that their D and E Scores warrant a place over an all-around gymnast and will need to submit a request to the Head National Coach. Scores and videos may be requested.

From 2024 Competition pathways will be renamed

Old Pathway	New Pathway
Compulsory Grades	High Performance Pathway
National NDP Grades	Performance Pathway
Regional & Club NDP Grades	Development Pathway

Proposed Transition between pathways from 2024

It is proposed that there will be a transition between the High Performance and Performance Pathway but this will be subject to a new version of NDP Grades and full details of this will be confirmed at a later date.

Compulsory Grades Progesssion from 2024

Compulsory Grade	Requirements
Compulsory Grade 4 Minimum age 9 in year	No overall pass mark. Gymnasts can progress to the next grade if the coach deems this is the appropriate pathway for the gymnast.
Compulsory Grade 3 Minimum age 10 in year	No overall pass mark. No separate pass mark for range & conditioning. Gymnasts can progress to the next grade if the coach deems this is the appropriate pathway for the gymnast.
Compulsory Grade 2 Aged 11-13 in year Optional when 14 in year	Compulsory 11-13 years, optional at 14 years. Gymnasts must pass Compulsory 2 and achieve a combined score at Voluntary 2 or the National FIG Junior competition, whichever is appropriate for their age. If a gymnast takes Compulsory 2 & The National FIG Junior competition aged 14, their combined score will be used for consideration when selecting BG Squad.