



ENGLISH PARTNERSHIP FOR
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EPSB SELECTION CRITERIA 2026/27

The EPSB will nominate representatives during the 2026/27 season based on performance in EPSB events using the following criteria.

EBSA European Championships 2026/27

European Snooker Championship

- The current champion of the English Amateur Championship followed by highest ranked eligible players on the English Amateur Tour.

European Under-21 Championship

- The current champion of the English Under-21 Championship, followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Junior Tour.

European Under-18 Championship

- The current champion of the English Under-18 Championship, followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Junior Tour.



EBSA European Championships 2026/27

European Under-16 Championship

- The current champion of the English Under-16 Championship, followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the **English Under-16 Tour**.

European Seniors Championship*

- The current English Seniors Champion followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Seniors Tour.

European Over-55 Championship*

- The current English Over-55 Champion followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Seniors Tour.

European Women's Championship*

- The current champion, runner-up and semi-finalists of the English Women's Championship, followed by highest ranked eligible EPSB Members on the World Women's Snooker Ranking list.



EBSA European Championships 2026/27

European Men's Team Championship*

- The current champion of the English Amateur Championship followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Amateur Tour.

European Women's Team Championship*

- The current champion, runner-up and semi-finalists of the English Women's Championship, followed by the highest ranked eligible EPSB Members on the World Women's Snooker Ranking list.

European Seniors Team Championship*

- The current champion of the English Seniors **Championship**, followed by the highest ranked eligible players on the English Seniors Tour.

European Over-55 Team Championship*

- The current champion of the English Over-55 Championship, followed by the highest ranked eligible players on the English Seniors Tour.



EBSA European Championships 2026/27

European 6-Red Championship*

- The current champion, runner-up and semi-finalists of the English 6-Red Championship, followed by highest ranked eligible players on the English Amateur Tour.

European Shoot Out Championship*

- The current English Amateur Champion, Under-21 Champion, Seniors Champion and Women's Champion, followed by the highest ranked players on the English Amateur Tour.
- **Selection for the October 2026 event will be based upon results from the 2025/26 season. Please note that as the Seniors and Over-55 Championships will be held concurrently, players eligible for both must choose which ONE event to compete in, in accordance with EBSA Rules.*



HIBSF Home Internationals 2026

Home Internationals Men's Teams**

- The current English Amateur Champion and the highest eligible players from the English Amateur Tour.

Home Internationals Under-21 Teams**

- The current English Under-21 and Under-18 Championship winners, followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Junior Tour.

Home Internationals Under-16 Teams**

- The current champion of the English Under 16 and Under-14 Championships followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Junior Tour.

Home Internationals Seniors Teams**

- The current English Seniors Champion followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Seniors Tour.



HIBSF Home Internationals 2026

Home Internationals Over-55s Teams**

- The current champion and runner-up, semi-finalists of the English Over-55s Championship, followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the English Seniors Tour.

Home Internationals Women's Teams**

- The current champion and runner-up, semi-finalists of the English Women's Championship, followed by the highest ranked eligible players from the World Women's Snooker Ranking list.

Home Internationals Billiards Teams**

- The current champion and runner-up, semi-finalists of the English Billiards Championship, followed by the highest ranked eligible EPSB members on the WBL Order of Merit for the current season. An additional teams will be reserved for up to four players from the Regional Junior Billiards Tour (x1), with the top two ranked players from each region to qualify.
- ***Selection for the August 2026 event will be based upon results from the 2025/26 season*



World Snooker Tour Nominations

2026 English Open (x2 places)

- The current champion of the English Under-21 Championship
- The highest ranked eligible players from the **previous season's** English Junior Tour.

2027 Q School

- The current champion of the English Under-21 Championship



EPSB Nomination Conditions

- 1) For the purpose of the Home Internationals, teams will be selected in the following order, irrespective of age. Seniors, Masters, Under-21, Under 16, Women's, Billiards, Junior Billiards. If a player qualifies for more than one team, the EPSB reserves the right to select which team they represent.
- 2) In the case of selection for events based on Ranking Lists, if players are to be nominated during a current season, then the most recent available ranking list providing at least 50% of the season's events have been completed, will be used at the time nomination is required.
- 3) In the case of selection for events based on Championship competitions, if players are to be nominated before a particular event is complete, selection will be based on the previous season's results.
- 4) Should the winner of a Championship be ineligible for, or decline selection, the place will be offered to the runner-up if eligible. If the runner-up is not eligible, the place will revert to the relevant ranking list.
- 5) Selection will take account the conditions pertaining to the relevant international tournament, which may have age or other restrictions. In all cases, the highest ranked player who both meets these criteria and is available for selection, will be nominated.
- 6) In the event of inequality of entries in a qualifying event (e.g. by regions), we reserve the right to select players on a pro rata basis.
- 7) Late replacements will be decided at the discretion of the EPSB Board.
- 8) Where a player qualifies for an event via more than one route, Championships will take preference in determining which avenue they have qualified from.



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9) Selection will only be awarded to players holding Individual Membership. Members subject to, or have been found to be in breach of disciplinary proceedings during the past year, may be excluded from the selection procedure.

10) To be eligible for selection based on any tour rankings (based upon minimum five events), players must have played in at least 50% of the relevant tour events that they were eligible to enter.

11) No player can be nominated for any events unless they have competed in EPSB events during the current or previous season.

12) All players selected to represent the EPSB are bound by our Standard Conditions of Entry which include various conditions that must be adhered to when representing England in competition.

13) The EPSB may pay entry fees for players who qualify for international tournaments in line with the announced qualification criteria within the invitation letter. The EPSB may also pay entry fees for players invited to defend their title, for that specific event only.

Additional entries e.g. those invited directly by external bodies as wildcard players, will be responsible for their own entry fees.

14) Any player who has represented another country in international competition in the previous three years is not eligible to represent England internationally, with the exception of professional WST events.



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