



# EYC (U19) Team Qualification / Selection Process Policy

## EUROPEAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Federations are invited to send a male and female team of up to 4 members each to this annual championship. **Players who do not reach the age of 19 in the year of the tournament are eligible.**

### Team England Philosophy\*

At every event our main objective is to medal in the Team event. To be competitive at international events all team members should be aiming towards the average required to make the Masters event. To this end our minimum average standard will be set accordingly based on the most recent championships.

*\*Please also read through the accompanying BTBA Youth Team England Philosophy on the websites and social media.*

### 4<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> April 2020 – Tilburg, The Netherlands

**4 Boys and 4 Girls will secure places automatically should they achieve an average of 210 (Boys) and 200 (Girls) from a series of events as listed below between September 2018 and July 2019. If more than 4 achieve this, then the top 4 will be offered their place.**

If fewer than 4 Boys or Girls achieve the standard, then 1 place will be offered via the 2019 Youth Combine (details below) if they meet the capability criteria required. If any places remain un-filled after this process, then the Team England Management Committee will select based on average and combine performance.

There are 3 groups of tournaments, from which the Girls need to compete in 8 events, and the Boys 10 events over the course of the qualifying period, September 2018 - July 2019.

GROUP 1 MANDATORY EVENTS		GROUP 2 MATCHPLAY EVENTS	GROUP 3 OTHER EVENTS
3 from 3	BOYS ONLY	best 2 from 3	best 3 from 4
Junior Nationals 2019	2 x ESBT Events in 2019 before end of July 2019	Eliminator Singles 2018 - Stroud	Doubles 2018 - Poole
South of England Open 2019		Matchplay Singles 2019 - Shipley	Y.E.T. Red Rose Event 2018
North of England Open 2019		Youth London International 2019 - Airport	NAYBC Classic Singles 2019
			British Youth Team Open 2019 – Cliftonville

The average will be compiled from all games a player bowls in each tournament including re-entries.

## Youth Combine

In September 2018 and annually thereafter, there will be a new type of event in the form of a Combine. A player's skill levels will be measured against set standards in controlled environments. This will allow any bowler to display the ability required to be competitive at international level, if they have not achieved a place through the average method. This provides for players who could be affected through the qualifying period because of injury, work or study commitments or other reasonable restraints *if not enough players achieve the average criteria*.

## Selection Process

If places on either team are not filled through the average qualifying standards or the Youth Combine method, then selection of those places will be made by the TE Management Committee based on average, combine performance and may consider future development opportunities.

There is no mandatory expectation on players to compete abroad, however at this age group the Youth Euro Trophy events will certainly enhance your development and provide experience of travelling and bowling abroad.

**Confirmation of the male and female 4-person teams for EYC 2020 will be announced by the end of September 2019.**

## EYC Average Standards

These charts indicate the levels required in previous events to achieve a place in the Masters event, and medals in All-events. These averages drive our standards.

### Girls

YEAR	ALL-EVENTS				Team England player averages at the event			
	24 <sup>th</sup>	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOP	2 <sup>ND</sup>	3 <sup>R D</sup>	4 <sup>TH</sup>
2018	188	220	215	214	211	198	189	186
2017	184	210	200	199	195	191	187	184
2016	193	232	222	216	216	203	199	194
2015	187	214	212	208	199	188	186	184

### Boys

YEAR	ALL-EVENTS				Team England player averages at the event			
	24 <sup>th</sup>	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOP	2 <sup>ND</sup>	3 <sup>R D</sup>	4 <sup>TH</sup>
2018	204	227	225	221	209	206	186	183
2017	202	233	220	218	205	197	193	185
2016	203	224	219	218	205	203	198	194
2015	203	223	223	221	212	212	206	203