

**Armagh International Road Race – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024**  
**Armagh, Northern Ireland**  
**Selection Policy – published October 2023**

### **Overview**

The Armagh International Road Race will take place in Armagh, Northern Ireland on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Welsh Athletics values the opportunity this race provides to compete against high quality international athletes on a fast course as part of an international team competing against other international teams.

### **Selection Policy Aim**

The selection panel will select the **best senior team possible** to represent Wales.

### **Athlete Eligibility**

Eligibility will be in line with Welsh Athletics eligibility criteria.

### **Competition Format**

The Armagh International Road Race provides a Senior Age Group competition opportunity. The male race is 5km and the female race is 3km.

Wales will look to send teams of **4 Senior Men** and **4 Senior Women**.

### **Selection Process**

Selection of the team will use the following process to ensure the **selection policy aim** is met:

Step 1: Athletes currently on the Welsh Athletics support programmes (Performance Programme, Transition Programme and National Development Programme) who are competing over shorter road races or indoor 3000m races during the winter 2023-2024 season will be prioritised for selection. If required, results and rankings over indoor 3000m races and road races from 3km – 10km from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 until the date of the selection meeting will be considered.

Step 2: Non-programme athletes will be considered. Results and rankings of non-programme athletes over indoor 3000m races and road races from 3km – 10km from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023

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until the date of the selection will be considered.

**There is no obligation to fill all available positions.**

The selection meeting will take place on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January** and teams will be announced on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January**.

The team, selected by the **Welsh Athletics Head of Performance** and **Welsh Athletics National Talent Development Coordinator (NTDC) for Endurance**, will be **presented to the road and cross committee** in the selection meeting. From here logistical planning will commence.

### **Appeals Process**

There shall be no right to appeal the selection of the Welsh team made by the selection panel.

### **De-selection Process**

De-selection of an athlete may occur following:

1. Failure to adhere to the Welsh Athletics code of conduct
2. In the event of an athlete sustaining an injury or illness following acceptance of their position on the team, they are required to inform the team leader immediately. If required, evidence will have to be supplied. If it is deemed that the injury or illness will negatively affect the athlete's performance this will result in deselection.

### **Equal Opportunities**

Welsh Athletics will not discriminate in the selection of any athlete on the basis of any protected characteristics.

### **Amendment**

Welsh Athletics reserves the right to amend this selection policy at its sole discretion and will make any amended version publically available (including the date on which the amendment was made) on the [Welsh Athletics website](#)