Policy Objectives

To select players to represent Leinster in Singles, Doubles and Mixed disciplines for the Leinster Juvenile teams at international and interprovincial levels.

Leinster Branch encourage juvenile county boards to be established in each county and aspire to run a closed tournament in each county.

Squad selection policy

Expression of Interest & Trial dates

All players interested in participating in the Juvenile squad, must submit an “Expression of Interest” Form – see attached. This will be available on the Leinster website & social media. This form should be brought to the trial dates & signed by parents.

All trial dates will be open to all players in the age group and will be publicised on the Leinster Badminton website & social media pages.

Players attending squad sessions must pay a fee to fund court hire and shuttles and coaching – this fee will be notified in advance.

Completion of an expression of interest form and attendance at squad sessions does not entitle automatic selection on to the relevant teams. The nominated Squad players will be selected based on section 4. “Player Selection Criteria.”

Team selection Policy

1. Players Eligibility

All Players must also meet the following criteria.

- Players must hold a valid passport with the appropriate travel documents.
- Be an affiliated member of Leinster Badminton and be in good standing with Leinster Badminton
- Not be under disqualification or suspension under the rules of the BWF, Badminton Ireland or Leinster Badminton
- Be available to travel on the relevant dates
- The onus is on the players to inform Management well in advance of their unavailability. (Due notice is considered to be 10 working days prior to the date of travelling)
- Each player must have a signed parental consent form submitted to the Manager at the start of the season and prior to any trips.

2. Player Selection Criteria

It is recommended that, where possible, the selectors should confine their selection to the same age group.
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Players are expected to play in the Leinster Open, National events, Christmas Close and at least one other provincial open.

The Selection Panel will select the players that, in the Panel’s view, are the strongest performing players. In reaching their selection, they may consider the following:

- Results in ranking BI, Leinster Open, National events, Christmas Close and at least one other provincial open events.
- Ability to compete under pressure in an extremely competitive environment in high profile matches against opponents of the same or higher standard.
- Positive documented experience with team competitions.
- Partnership Considerations.

Should the Panel decide to select players for ‘player development’, the Panel may consider:

- Results in domestic and BWF recognised events.
- Commitment to training over the past twelve months.
- Head to head results against other Leinster players in domestic and international tournaments.

The Selection Panel will endeavour to select a team that can compete with their opponents, with the emphasis on player development for future team competitions.

For players to be considered for selection, they must be committed to training and be seen to participate in tournaments across Ireland. Players are encouraged to participate in all three disciplines.

3. Selection Panel
The Selection committee will be selected by the YACs committee

The Leinster Team selectors for the 2018/2019 season are:
- U13 Jean Kelly / Kate Frost / Owen Marron
- U15 Muriel Moles / Jim Dwyer / Grainne Kinnerk
- U17 Ian Frost / Kirsty Kelly
- U17-21 Amanda Dunlop/ Shane Guildea / Georgina Ward

4. Over-riding Factors
Should a player wish to play in a tournament outside the jurisdiction which clashes with a squad or domestic tournament, prior written approval must be obtained from the squad coach.

Should a player with an established record of high-level results become injured and unable to compete in the listed events, the player may still be considered for selection based on previous performances subject to them passing a suitable fitness test.

If an injury occurs to a selected player after nomination, they will be required to demonstrate an appropriate level of fitness to remain as a selected player.

Attendance, behaviour and performance of players will be constantly reviewed through the season and continued selection will be dependent on these factors.
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If an injury occurs to a selected player after nomination, it is possible for a replacement to be selected.

Team players will be provided with a YONEX Match Team Kit for the competition

5. Final Team selection
A player selected for travelling with the Leinster Team may be deselected if the player:
• Has been unable to participate in training
• Through illness or injury, in the opinion of the Management, becomes unable to perform to the required standard.
• Demonstrates a lack of commitment to training requirements and competition preparation.
• Breaches or fails to fulfil a requirement of the Anti-Doping Policies of Badminton Ireland or the BWF.

6. Selection Date, Notification and Announcement
Players must hold a valid passport with the appropriate travel documents.

The selection of the Leinster Team for the relevant events will be announced on the Leinster Badminton Website and social media pages no later than 2 weeks in advance of the event. Only names will be posted to the website and social media.

All players selected will be notified individually in advance of the announcement to ensure availability.

7. Right of appeal
Where a player has queries around the selection of the team, the appropriate path to manage these grievances is through communication of their parent or guardian (assuming the player is under-age), the process will be as follows:
• The issue will be discussed with the Team Manager
• If this fails to resolve the issue the complaint must be referred to the Chairperson of Leinster Youth Activities Committee within 72 hours of the team being announced. At this point, it is at the discretion of the Chairman to decide how to proceed with the complaint.
• To support the Chairman in these matters, each selection committee meeting will provide reasons for selection / omission of individual players.
• In the event of further queries, the parent or guardian may approach the Chairman of the Leinster Badminton

Contact details for all queries are available in the Secretaries office in Whitehall road.
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Leinster Juvenile Squads - Expression of Interest Form

Players wishing to be considered for Leinster Juvenile Squads must fill in this “Expression of Interest” Form and submit to the General Secretary, Terenure Badminton Centre before 1st Sep 2019

Player Name: ___________________________ Badminton Club: ___________________________

Mobile No: ___________________________ Email Address: ___________________________

Date Of Birth: ___________________________ Age group: ____________

B.I Number: ___________________________ Deposit Amount: ___________________________

Note:
- This deposit covers cost for participation in 4 Squad Training Sessions.
- Refunds are not given should a player fail to make any of the scheduled training.

Player Selection Agreement Statements:

1. I confirm that I wish to be considered for selection for the Leinster Juvenile Squads for coming Season and understand that a contribution payment of €150 per Trip is required should I be selected on any travelling Team.

Player Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

2. I confirm that I have read and understand the Anti-Doping Policy as set by Badminton Ireland (http://www.badmintonireland.com/page/21489/Anti-Doping)

Player Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

3. I confirm that if I were selected onto any Leinster Team, I will represent Leinster to the best of my ability on court, while at all times being fair, honest and polite to my fellow players and manager(s) both on and off the court.

Player Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

4. ___________________________

5. I confirm that I am aware of my child ___________________________ wishing to represent Leinster at U13 / U15 / U17 / U17 – 21 level and give consent to attend squad sessions and matches as appropriate. I am aware of the commitment he/she is making to participate in tournaments and will ensure that he/she is compliant with the rules of Leinster Badminton.

Parent / Guardian Signature: ___________________________

Date: ___________________________