

BICTSF Great Britain Team Qualification & Eligibility Criteria

Policy for

Universal Trench 2026-2027

A Great Britain Team consists of 6 category teams; Men, Lady, Junior, Senior, Veteran and Masters. Each category team has three members, to qualify for FITASC World or European Championships each year. The BICTSF endeavours to have the strongest possible teams represented in each category.

The term "Selection or being Selected" has been dropped as shooter's are not selected by the BICTSF or the UT directors, they have to qualify for a Great Britain Team place. The BICTSF Universal Trench qualification events will consist of five Major Competitions; UK Championships, English Open, British Masters, British Grand Prix and the Federation Cup.

To qualify for a team position, a shooter must meet the following criteria:

1. The Individual must have British Citizenship (It is not a requirement to be a permanent resident in the United Kingdom)
2. The individual is an up-to-date BICTSF member.
3. The individual has shot **THREE OUT OF FOUR** (3 EX 4) qualification events for the relevant FITASC event. (See page two for qualifying events for FITASC international events in 2027).
4. The individual is available to compete at the World or European Championships in their respective category (see FITASC categories on Page 2 for more information).
5. By using the rankings and points system the **THREE (3) *highest ranked* and **available shooters**** will qualify for the GB Team.
6. The individual must meet a Minimum Qualifying Score (MQS) at one of the four qualification events in that specific qualification period:
Men-180, Lady-170, Junior-170, Senior-175,
Veteran-175, Master-175

*Any ranking point ties will be decided by highest scores at the 4 qualifying events in that qualification period. This continues to second highest, third highest and fourth highest scores.

If the next available shooter has failed to meet the MQS, they will be offered the available place but will **not be funded by the BICTSF.

Golden Qualification Score (GQS)

A Golden Score system is being introduced to the qualification policy.

An individual shooter who achieves a "Golden Score" or higher within the relevant qualification events will automatically gain a Great Britain team position without being required to meet other criteria (other than being a BICTSF member). They will automatically take a spot in the team if they choose to accept it. A GQS will take precedence over ranking points qualification to the team place.

The GQS for each category are as follows:

MAN – 195, LADY – 185, JUNIOR – 190, SENIOR – 192, VETERAN – 190, MASTER – 190

*Any GQS ties/debates for team places will be decided by the highest score(s). *

** A GQS Score is not a Minimum Qualification Score**

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BICTSF Qualification Events for FITASC International Events:

FITASC EVENTS 2027	QUALIFICATION EVENTS (DATES AND VENUES IN 2027 TBC)			
EUROPEAN CHAMPS: MARIBOR SLOVENIA 10 TH 13 TH JUNE '27	NUTHAMPSTEAD ENGLISH OPEN 28 TH & 29 TH AUGUST 2026	NCSC FEDERATION'S CUP 3 RD & 4 TH OCTOBER 2026	 UK CHAMPS APRIL 2027	 ENGLISH OPEN MAY 2027
WORLD CHAMPS: České Budějovice CZECH REPUBLIC 22 ND – 25 TH JULY '27	NCSC FEDERATION'S CUP 3 RD & 4 TH OCTOBER 2026	 UK CHAMPS APRIL 2027	 ENGLISH OPEN MAY 2027	 BRITISH MASTERS JUNE 2027

FITASC Categories:

Age limits for categories as of 1 January 2026

Categories	Age limit rules	Age limits
Junior	From 1 January of the year in which they turn 13 (girls or boys), regardless of the day and month of their birthday, unless an exemption applies.	Between 1 January 2006 and 31 December 2013
Ladies	From 1 January of the year in which they turn 13, regardless of the day and month of their birthday, unless an exemption is granted.	From 1 January 2006
Men	From 1 January of the year in which they turn 21, regardless of the day and month of their birthday	Between 1 January 1971 and 31 December 2005
Senior	From 1 January of the year in which they turn 56, regardless of the day and month of their birthday	Between 1 January 1961 and 31 December 1970
Veteran	From 1 January of the year in which they turn 66, regardless of the day and month of their birthday	Between 1 January 1954 and 31 December 1960
Master	From 1 January of the year in which they turn 73 (male or female), regardless of the day and month of their birthday	Born before 1 January 1954