

EBU TRIALS 2019-2020

The EBU Selection Committee has undertaken to hold trials for all international events, and we have agreed dates and the provisional format for trials to select the England teams for the European Championships and the Olympiad in 2020. More information will be supplied once applications for these trials are open.

Proposed Formats

These formats are provisional and may be amended should entries be more or less than anticipated. For series that are played at the same time (Open, Women and Senior Europeans; and all events in the Olympiad) players who qualify for an event will not be accepted into trials for later events.

Players can play in the trials for the European Mixed even if they have qualified for other events. We will be flexible with closing dates and with changes to pairs/teams as a result of this. **Full conditions of contest will be published as soon as is practicable.**

European Championship Open Team – Pairs Trial

Stage 1: 3 day qualifier, open to all.

Stage 2: 3 day 16 pair semi-final (with a number of pairs exempted directly to this stage).

Stage 3: 4 day 8 pair final (with a number of pairs exempted directly to this stage).

European Championship Women's Team – Pairs Trial

Stage 1: 3 day qualifier, open to all.

Stage 2: 4 day 8 pair final (with a number of pairs exempted directly to this stage).

European Championship Mixed and Senior Teams

& Olympiad Open / Women / Senior / Mixed Teams – Team Trials

(Please note that the EBU does not fund teams in these events, other than to pay entry fees and provide uniform)

Single events, open to all.

If 2 teams enter then 2 day KO only.

If 3 teams enter then 2 day round robin followed by 2 day 2 team KO.

If 4 to 8 teams enter then 3 day round robin followed by 2 day 2 team KO.

If 9 or more teams enter then 3 day round robin followed by 2 day 4 team KO.

Dates of these trials, together with dates for the 2019 Premier League and other major tournaments, are below.

EBU Selection Committee, 14th November 2018

Dates

2019

7th - 8th September: Crockfords Final
14th - 28th September: World Championships
5th - 6th October: Premier League
12th - 13th October: Gold Cup Finals
18th - 20th October: Autumn Congress
26th - 27th October: Premier League
1st - 3rd November: European Open Trial Stage 1
9th - 10th November: Premier League
14th - 16th November: Champions Cup
16th - 17th November: Tollemache Qualifier
22nd - 24th November: European Open Trial Stage 2
28th November - 8th December: ACBL National
14th - 15th December: Teltscher Trophy Trial

2020

3rd - 6th January: European Open Trial Final Stage
European Women Trial Stage 1
10th - 12th January: Camrose Weekend 1 in Scotland
11th - 12th January: Lady Milne Trial Stage 1 (England to have two teams in LM)
17th - 21st January: European Women Trial Final Stage
25th - 26th January: Lady Milne Trial Final Stage (England to have two teams in LM)
31st January - 4th February: European Senior Trial
7th - 9th February: European Mixed Trial (Only if the event is to be held in 2020)
15th - 16th February: Tollemache Final & Junior Camrose in Wales
29th February - 6th March: EBL Winter Games
6th - 8th March: Camrose Weekend 2 in N Ireland
13th - 17th March: Olympiad Open Trial
19th - 29th March: ACBL National
3rd - 7th April: Olympiad Mixed Trial
10th - 13th April: Easter Festival
17th - 19th April: Lady Milne in England
24th - 28th April: Olympiad Senior Trial
1st - 5th May: Spring Foursomes
8th - 12th May: Olympiad Women Trial
15th - 17th May: Teltscher Trophy in Ireland
22nd - 26th May: Olympiad Trial (Reserve date)