

MEMORANDUM

To: All Players & Coaches

From: Margaret Hicks - BJA Performance Director
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Subject: 2011 Player 'B' Pathway – 2nd Series of Self-Funding World Cups

Following the success of the 1st Series, The BJA Performance Directorate is pleased to announce the 2nd Series of Self-Funding World Cups.

This strategy is aligned to the Player 'B' Pathway for 2011.

The next set of Self-Funding World Cups are confirmed as:

2011 Minsk World Cup for Women, 8-9 October 2011, Belarus
2011 Baku World Cup for Men, 8-9 October 2011, Azerbaijan

Full details on how to apply to attend a Self-Funding World Cup can be found in the attached document, however, the key criteria is summarised below:

1. Must be a member of the 2011 British Squad.
2. Have won at least 1 European Cup medal in either 2011 or 2010.
3. Must submit their NAME, WEIGHT CATEGORY, plus 2010/2011 EUROPEAN CUP RESULTS to John Bramall, at john.bramall@britishjudo.org.uk **between Monday 1 August - Friday 12 August 2011.**
4. Once approved by the Performance Directorate, players will be informed during the week commencing 15 August if they have been successful.
5. The BJA will enter the player and pay for their entry fee into their respective World Cup.
6. Once entry is confirmed, the player will then be provided with the event details.
Each player to confirm by return how many nights Accommodation they require at the Official Hotel.
7. Players will be sent an invoice for their accommodation costs which **MUST** be paid for before departure.
8. Players to book and pay for their own flights and to submit flight details to John, so he can forward to Organising Committee for Airport Transfers.
PLEASE NOTE: Visas are required for both Minsk & Baku. Players to organise and pay for their own visa.
9. Should players subsequently need to cancel their entry / accommodation for ANY reason, they will be charge for their Entry and Accommodation costs.
10. Player's who currently have their programmes managed by the British Judo Performance Institute or Ratho need to *consult* their 'Responsible Coach' if they are considering a self funded World Cup.
11. The BJA Code of Conduct must be adhered to at all times for the event. To note any further World Cup selection will be based on a player winning a medal and an assessment of the quality of opposition.
12. In the event there are more than 4 players who fulfil the criteria in a weight category who want to compete, the Performance Directorate will make the decision based on performance history, potential, commitment to training, elite athlete behaviours etc.

PLEASE NOTE: Again, we would just like to remind you of the fact that Visas are required for both these World Cups, and they **MUST** be arranged and paid for by the individual players. If you are planning to attend either of these events, it is recommended you start looking into the visa application process as soon as possible.
