

Youth Talent Programme Frequently Asked Questions

Q What is the selection process for the YTP?

A The selection policy can be found on the England Athletics website:
[Youth Talent Programme - Coaching \(englandathletics.org\)](https://englandathletics.org/youth-talent-programme-coaching)

Q Is the programme only for athletes who can compete for England?

A Yes. Please note change from previous programme.

Q Does the programme run annually?

A Yes. We will be inviting athletes to apply for the programme each year

Q When will athletes receive confirmation of their place on the programme?

A W.C. 25th September

Q Where are the regional centres located?

A Bath/ South West
Birmingham
Loughborough
Manchester
Leeds
London

Q Where will the national event specific days be held?

A Predominantly for the 2023-2025 cohort the National event specific days will be held in Loughborough. There may be other venues to be used for specific event specialisms as required.

Q Is there a cost to be part of the programme?

A The programme is free for athletes, parents and coaches. Cost is time, commitment, travel and accommodation. Every athlete will be given a free Kukri training top, however there will be an option for athletes, coaches and supporters to purchase additional Kukri kit at a reduced rate.

Q As a coach with multiple athletes on the programme, will the athletes be located at the same regional centres?

A Choice of centre is down to the athlete and their event. So, the coach should have a conversation with their athlete before completing the application.

Q I have a couple of coaches that work with me, will they all be able to attend or just the lead coach?

A The lead coach, but the intention is to work closely with the England programme to work closely with the coaches.

Q **Is the programme also open to para athletes?**

A Yes, para athletes can apply and are fully included.

Q **What is included in the personal coaches package?**

A Movement Skills 1 & 2, Event group modules and integration day, online communities of practice. All coaches will need to be licensed and there are prerequisites for the specific courses which can be found on the EA coach education website. There will also be a series of YTP coach webinars.

Q **What is included in the parents package?**

A Parents can attend all of the YTP days plus pathway parent webinars

Q **If the coach cannot attend, what is the process of them getting the information they have missed?**

A The YTP coaches responsible for delivering the national event specific training days will inform the regional staff so they can update the IAP. The personal coaches can also contact the YTP coaches directly.

Q **What is the difference between Talent Hubs and the YTP?**

A Talent Hub is umbrella programme that is piloting in Leeds and Birmingham and hosts an upper tier of performance athlete as well as YTP.

Q **Are there similar programmes in the other Home Nations?**

A Welsh athletes can access a similar programme, please see link below. Scottish and Northern Irish athletes should contact their respective governing bodies.

- [Welsh Athletics National Development Programme](#)