

SNOWSPORT ENGLAND

Cross-Country Skiing

Talent Pathway



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The pathway programmes are designed to give young athletes the chance to progress to the highest levels in Cross-Country Skiing.



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Young athletes and anyone interested in trying out the sport of Cross-Country Skiing should first of all contact their [local club](#) to try the sport and learn the basics. SSE affiliated Cross-Country ski clubs will provide basic tuition and club outings. Later, young athletes could progress to the [British Nordic Development Squad](#) .



Athletes who commit to the pathway and continue to meet benchmarks specified by the BNDS lead coach will then graduate to the Youth and Junior squads, at which point they will compete in their first international FIS competitions. These athletes compete at international level across Europe and Scandinavia as well as attend World Junior Championships, European and World Youth Olympics. See [GB Snowsport](#)



Fiona Hughes

The final step on the pathway is the senior team, which is divided into three groups (Senior, Performance and Elite) based on results. Athletes at this level compete in Continental and World Cup events as well as World U23 Championships and the Winter Olympic Games. The elite squad is made up of the athletes who are challenging for places at the highest levels in Cross-Country Skiing.