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1. INTRODUCTION

This Handbook contains the selection policies which the Canadian Fencing Federation (CFF) will use to select the athletes who will represent Canada at the 2027 World Championships, 2027 Pan American Zonal Championships and other Senior international events during the 2026-27 season. Qualification pathways for the 2027 Pan-American Games can be found in a separate document. This information will allow athletes and their coaches to develop their annual training and competition plans for the season.

While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the material contained within this Handbook, readers are advised to consult with the CFF High Performance Director (hpd@fencing.ca) if they have questions about any element contained within.

Similarly, the dates of international selection competitions are accurate as of the date of publication of this Handbook, but dates and events can and do change. Please verify competition details before making final travel arrangements. Furthermore, it is the athletes' (and personal coaches') responsibility to be familiar with the information found in this document.

2. CHANGES TO THIS HANDBOOK

The CFF has taken every possible step to ensure that the material in this Handbook will remain accurate for the entire season, but in instances where changes do occur, specifically to international selection competitions, the High Performance Director (HPD) in consultation with the High Performance Advisory Committee (HPAC) reserves the right to make changes to this Handbook, which in its discretion are necessary to ensure the selection of the best teams for each season's events.

Any changes to this Handbook shall be communicated directly to all High Performance Program members. This clause shall not be used to justify changes after a competition or trials, which formed part of the internal nomination procedure unless it is related to an unforeseen circumstance.

The purpose of this section is also to allow for changes to this Handbook that may become necessary due to a typographical error or a lack of clarity in a definition or wording before it has an impact on athletes. The purpose of such language changes must be to avoid disputes over the meaning of the provisions of this Handbook rather than to allow changes to be made to justify selection of different athletes than would have otherwise been selected.

All changes must be reasonably justifiable in accordance with fundamental principles of natural justice and procedural fairness.



Revision history



3. HIGH PERFORMANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HPAC)

The High Performance Advisory Committee will be consulted on the development and interpretation of the Selection Criteria and Booklet, and any subsequent changes to the Booklet. It will be comprised of the following members:

- The High Performance Director (Chair).
- At least three National coaches (one per weapon).
- Athlete Representative
- One member representing the CFF Board of Directors.
- The CFF Executive Director.
- Any other additional member appointed by the High Performance Director on an ad hoc basis, when considered relevant to a specific issue.

4. HIGH PERFORMANCE SELECTION PANEL (HPSP)

The High Performance Selection Panel will make the selections for all World Championships, Olympic Games, World University Games, Pan American Zonal Championships, and Pan American Games, and will be comprised of the following members:

- The High Performance Director (Chair).
- The national coach (or designate) for the appropriate weapon.
- The Executive Director of the CFF.
- The President of the CFF or a representative of the CFF Board of Directors designated by the President of the CFF.
- One HPAC representative excluding the above mentioned members.

5. WITHDRAWAL FROM SELECTION

The HPSP panel reserves the right to refuse or withdraw an athlete from selection in the following cases:

- If the athlete does not respect the yearly training and competition plan designated by the HPP. Exemptions can be requested in advance of a specific event. Exemptions will be granted on a case-by-case basis by the HPD in consultation with the National Coach.
- If the athlete fails to meet specific performance readiness criteria communicated by the National Coach in writing such as mandatory meetings, engagement with IST, respect for others, etc.
- If the athlete has not fulfilled responsibilities as identified in the “HPP Athlete Agreement”.
- If the athlete has outstanding debts with the CFF.
- To conform with a decision made by the appropriate disciplinary body concerning a disciplinary infraction.



6. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

In the event of a perceived conflict of interest (for instance where an athlete under consideration for selection is a family member, personal student, or member of the same club as a panel member) the panel member will be substituted as follows:

- The HPD will be replaced with someone appointed by the CFF Executive Director.
- The National coach will be replaced with someone appointed by the HPD.
- The CFF Executive Director will be replaced by someone appointed by the President.
- The President of the CFF will be replaced with another member of the Board appointed by the Board.

7. HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must be registered in the High Performance Program (HPP) to be eligible to be selected to participate in all international events (FIE Satellite events, World Cups, European Fencing Confederation competitions, Pan American and World Championships). This booklet outlines the policies and procedures for the following:

- Application to the High Performance Program (HPP).
- Selection of HP athletes to the National Teams for:
 - 2027 Senior Pan American Zonal Championships.
 - 2027 Senior World Championships.
- Selection of HP athletes for designated Senior World Cups.
- Selection of HP athletes for non-designated Senior World Cups.
- Selection of HP athletes for non-designated FIE Satellite events.
- Selection of HP athletes for non-designated European Fencing Confederation U23 Circuit events.

8. CITIZENSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Fencers must be Canadian citizens in possession of a valid Canadian passport and eligible to represent Canada by applicable selection deadlines to compete in any event requiring an FIE License (FIE Satellite World Cups, Senior World Cups, Grand Prix event competitions), or to be selected for any World Championships, World University Games, Pan American Zonal Championships, Pan American Games, or Olympic or Paralympic Games.

Permanent residents with a valid EFC license may register for European Fencing Confederation (EFC)



international events only. Permanent residents will be selected for EFC events after eligible Canadian citizens and according to the current HP rankings

Fencers wishing to change nationality for FIE registration purposes must first contact the High Performance Director in writing indicating the desire to change representation to or from Canada with an explanation of reasons and any supporting documentation. Rules regarding change of country affiliation are governed by the FIE (please see FIE Administrative Rule 1.4 and Article 9.2 of the FIE Statutes found at <https://fie.org/fie/documents/statutes-and-admin-rules>).

9. APPLICATION TO THE HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM (HPP)

To be eligible for the High Performance Program, an athlete must:

To be eligible for the HPP, an athlete must:

- Hold a valid CFF license for the 2026-2027 season obtained from the provincial fencing association at 2026-27 CFF Memberships
- Purchase a FIE license and/or an EFC license for the 2026-2027 season.
- Be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident;
- Complete the HPP application at <https://fencing.ca/hpp-application/>
- Complete the SafeSport online course required by Sport Canada AND
- Complete the Sport Integrity Canada Safe Sport 2025 and sign the consent form.
- Have no outstanding debts with the CFF.

The CFF may reject an application to the High Performance Program or suspend an athlete's HPP membership if there are adequate grounds to do so. Examples that may justify a rejection or suspension of HPP membership include, but are not limited to, outstanding financial debts owed to the CFF and any behaviour that violates the CFF Code of Conduct and Ethics or the Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport (UCCMS). Any HP selection points earned during a suspension will not be awarded, even once the suspension is cleared.

REGULAR REGISTRATION: \$500.00 if paid on or before September 24th, 2026.

LATE REGISTRATION: \$650.00 if paid on or after September 25th, 2026.

NOTE: Only results from competitions that begin following the completion of the HPP application and payment will be included in the HPP Rankings. Results from competitions that have started before an application was completed will not appear in the HPP Rankings (e.g., an athlete who registers and pays the \$650 fee at 10AM EST on January 1st, 2027, may count results from competitions that start after 10AM EST, January 1st, 2027



CFF Expectations of HP Athletes at International Competitions

The CFF values sport professionalism, teamwork, inclusion, dedication, and commitment from all staff, athletes, and volunteers. Based on these values we are clearly defining our expectations for all National team program members.

Athlete Support (Individual and Team):

Any athlete who has been registered by the CFF to represent Canada in any weapon at any FIE or EFC International competition in Cadet, Junior or Senior must:

- Be physically present in the fencing competition area supporting the Canadian Team in that weapon during the Team competition day (regardless of whether the athlete is competing or not). No athlete is permitted to be absent from the Team event (regardless of whether he/she is competing or supporting) without being approved by the National Coach and HPD (in writing) 14 days prior to the event.
- Wear a CFF Team Canada tracksuit jacket for the team event (both for the athletes who are fencing and those supporting).
- For all senior world cup team events, be present at the team dinner the night before the team competition unless instructed otherwise by the Team Coach. This applies to all athletes entered in the individual event.
- Team Event: All fencers selected for a Senior World Cup Team event must be prepared to participate in the team event. The project coach at the competition will select fencers for the team event. a. If an athlete is unable to adhere to the above rules, they are requested to contact the National Coach and the HPD at least 14 days prior to the event. Each case will be reviewed and will be approved by the National Coach and the HPD on a case-by-case basis.

The following exemptions will be potentially granted by the HPD and National Coach:

- School exam - must have a letter on school letterhead from the instructor.
- Athlete injury during the individual event.
- Any other exceptional reason deemed valid by the National Coach and the HPD.

If an athlete fails to be present for the Team event (unless approved by the coach in charge of the team and HPD in writing), the HP Advisory Committee will impose appropriate consequences after consulting with the National Coach. These consequences may include, without being limited by the Senior National Selection Policies 2026 – 2027 Handbook, removal of HP points earned from that competition, removal of all international HP points gained from previous and current international events, or removal from the HP program.



10. HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM SELECTION RANKINGS

The HPP Selection Rankings are used to identify athletes for international competition selections and for CFF funding opportunities. Athletes will be ranked by their total points in the designated selection competitions in the current season.

Ties in the senior HP rankings will be broken as follows:

- By the best result (as defined by HP points) in the designated international competitions.
- Should a tie still exist, the tie will be broken by the best result by position in the most recent result achieved by each athlete at a designated international (FIE World Cup or Grand Prix) competition.
- For further clarity, “the best result by position in the most recent result achieved by each athlete” means the most recent result achieved by an athlete in the designated competition for their weapon closest to the selection date.

Only athletes who are registered in the High Performance Program will appear in the HPP selection rankings.

11. 2027 SENIOR PAN AMERICAN ZONAL AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION CRITERIA

The CFF will select up to 4 athletes per weapon and gender category for each of the Pan-American and World Championships.

To be selected for the 2027 Senior Pan American Zonal or World Championship team, athletes must meet one of the two following criteria:

- One top 16 finish in an international World Cup or Grand Prix event during the 2026-27 season
OR
- Two (2) finishes in the top 25% of the entry field of designated World Cups or Grand Prix events during the 2026-27 season.
- **OR**
- One (1) finishes in the top 25% of the entry field of designated World Cups or Grand Prix events during the 2026-27 season, and one top 4 result in a designated NAC elite competition.



Automatic Selection

The CFF will automatically select the top three (3) athletes in the HP rankings who have achieved Senior HP Criteria.

The fourth athlete will be selected by the HP Committee based on the existing selection grid and recommendations presented by the National Team Coach.

If Fewer Than Three Athletes Meet Criteria

The CFF will select all athletes who have achieved Senior HP Criteria.

Any remaining positions will be selected by the HPSC based on the existing selection grid and recommendations presented by the National Team Coach.

If No Athlete Meets Criteria-

The CFF will select the athlete ranked #1 in the HP rankings, provided they have accumulated a minimum of 1,500 Senior HP points.

Any remaining positions will be selected by the HPSC based on the existing selection grid and recommendations presented by the National Team Coach.

If no athlete accumulates a minimum of 1,500 senior HP points all athletes will be selected by HP Committee based on the existing selection grid and recommendations presented by the National Team Coach.

National Team Program Participation Requirement

For the Senior Pan American Championships and Senior World Championships, athletes selected to represent Canada will be required to fully participate in the National Team program leading into the championship events.

If an athlete is selected for both Senior Pan American Championships and Senior World Championships, the athlete must attend the Senior Pan American Championships to be eligible to compete in the subsequent Senior World Championships. Exceptions will only be made for medical reasons (Injury), supported by documentation from a qualified physician practicing in Canada.

Where a designated pre-championship National Team training camp is organized by the National Team Coach, attendance and participation will be mandatory for all selected athletes unless an exemption is approved by the National Team Coach and High Performance Director.

Athletes are expected to comply with National Team training plans, reporting requirements, and performance expectations throughout the season.

Failure to participate in the National Team program, including mandatory training camps and preparation activities, may result in an athlete being removed from selection, regardless of ranking position or whether they have achieved Senior HP Criteria.

The rationale for this requirement is that 2027 is an Olympic qualification year. Ensuring that athletes train, prepare, and compete together as a unified team is critical to maximizing Canada's opportunity to qualify team and individual positions for the 2028 Olympic Games.



World Championship Team Discretion

The HPSC and High Performance Director reserve the right not to fill all allocated individual or team event positions for the 2027 Senior World Championships if a weapon category does not demonstrate a sufficient performance level to be competitive internationally.

In such cases, the Committee may choose to allocate positions to Junior National Team athletes as part of the Next Generation development pathway.

HPSC Selection Criteria

The HPSC will use the following criteria to determine which athletes will be selected for the senior Pan American or World Championships:

Criteria	Evidence	Weighting given
Performance potential	Results at designated and non-designated FIE tournaments, NAC's, etc.	20
Past performance	Demonstrable Improving results over past two seasons or significant career achievements (ex: Top 64 placements at World Championships, medals at designated and non-designated events)	20
Training commitment	Evidence of following a 20 hour per week training schedule, as per weekly and monthly training logs submitted to national coach	10
Designated National Team training camp commitment and participation	Attendance at team camps	10
Tournament commitment	Number of designated and non-designated events attended, such as satellite tournaments, NAC's, World Cups, Grand Prix's, Canada Cups and Canadian Nationals	10
Contribution to team results	Points for/against, team spirit, Feedback from national coaches	10
Working relationship with national team program and coaches	Feedback from national coaches	10
Demonstrates a strong athletic character that matches the values and behaviors of a member of Canada's national team, including, but not limited to, respect for other athletes and staff, professionalism in approach to training.	Feedback from national coaches	10
Disciplinary issues	Black cards, actions which require formal discipline from head coaches or CFF	Discretionary, up to 100% based on severity of issue



12. CFF SELECTION APPEALS POLICY

In the event of a dispute over selection, athletes can find the *CFF Appeals policy* at:
<http://fencing.ca/wp-content/uploads/Appeals-Policy.pdf>

13. SELECTION DATES

14. SELECTION DATES

2027 SENIOR PAN AMERICAN ZONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- **Date:** May 29 – June 9, 2027 (TBD)
- **Location:** TBD
- **Selection Date:** May 17th, 2027 (following the last designated World Cup of the season)
- **Number of athletes:** 4

ATHLETES SELECTED FOR SENIOR PAN AMERICAN ZONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS MUST FULFILL THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR SELECTION TO BE FINALIZED:

- Fencers are required to confirm their participation by replying to (hpc@fencing.ca) within 72 hours of receiving the selection e-mail. If a reply is not received in this time frame, it will be considered as refusal of the selection.
- Fencers must arrive and depart on the dates set by the High Performance Director and the National Coaches that are communicated in their selection email. Fencers will be invoiced for hotel costs based on these dates.
- All senior Canadian team fencers must stay in the hotel selected by the CFF. Exceptions must have approval in writing of the National Coach, the HPD, and the Executive Director before the event. Minor athletes may stay with parents or guardians.
- Payment for hotel costs and airport transfers must be completed by the date in the selection email. Selection to Senior Pan American Zonal Championship teams is conditional upon fulfilling the above criteria.



2027 SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

- **Date: July 20-28, 2027**
- **Location: Tashkent, Uzbekistan**
- **Selection Date: May 17th, 2027 (following the last designated World Cup of the season)**
- **Number of athletes: 4**

ATHLETES SELECTED FOR SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS MUST FULFILL THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR SELECTION TO BE FINALIZED:

- Fencers are required to confirm their participation by replying to (hpc@fencing.ca) within 72 hours of receiving the selection e-mail. If a reply is not received in this time frame, it will be considered as refusal of the selection.
- Fencers must arrive and depart on the dates set by the High Performance Director and the National Coaches that are communicated in their selection email. Fencers will be invoiced for hotel costs based on these dates.
- All senior Canadian team fencers must stay in the hotel selected by the CFF. Exceptions must have approval in writing of the National Coach, the HPD, and the Executive Director before the event. Minor athletes may stay with parents or guardians.
- Payment for hotel costs and airport transfers must be completed by the date in the selection email. Selection to Senior World Championship teams is conditional upon fulfilling the above criteria.



15. NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION DESIGNATED COMPETITIONS

The designated competitions for each weapon in the following pages.

For each weapon the following results will be used to determine HP points for the final rankings:

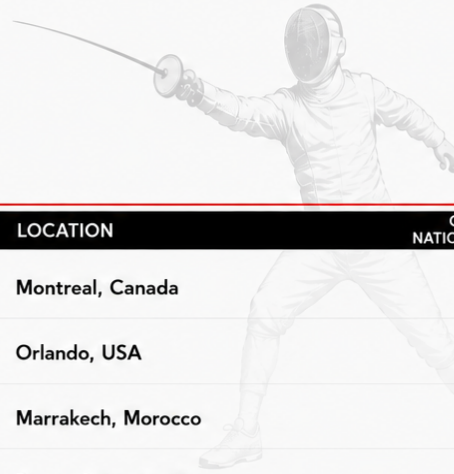
- September Canada Cup result
- Designated NAC results
- Best 6 of 8 Senior World Cup or Grand Prix Results



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SENIOR MEN'S EPEE COMPETITION SCHEDULE

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DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	COUNTS TOWARD NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION		
 25–27 Sep, 2026	CC#1: Canada Cup #1 - Senior Men's Epee	 Montreal, Canada			
 9–12 Oct, 2026	NAC #1: North American Cup #1 - Senior Men's Epee	 Orlando, USA			
 15–17 Oct, 2026	WC#1: Senior World Cup #1 - Senior Men's Epee	 Marrakech, Morocco			
 12–13 Nov, 2026	WC#2: Senior World Cup #2 - Senior Men's Epee	 Berne, Switzerland			
 20–23 Nov, 2026	NAC #2: North American Cup #2 - Senior Men's Epee	 Columbus, USA			
 3–5 Dec, 2026	WC#3: Senior World Cup #3 - Senior Men's Epee	 Vancouver, Canada			
 29–31 Jan, 2027	GP#1: Senior Grand Prix #1 - Senior Men's Epee	 Doha, Qatar			
 19–20 Feb, 2027	WC#4: Senior World Cup #4 - Senior Men's Epee	 Heidenheim, Germany			
 12–14 Mar, 2027	GP#2: Senior Grand Prix #2 - Senior Men's Epee	 Budapest, Hungary			
 25–27 Mar, 2027	WC#5: Senior World Cup #5 - Senior Men's Epee	 Astana, Kazakhstan			
 14–16 May, 2027	GP#3: Senior Grand Prix #3 - Senior Men's Epee	 Medellin, Colombia			
 Canada Cup	 North American Cup (NAC)	 Senior World Cup	 Senior Grand Prix	 Counts toward National Team Selection	 Does NOT count toward National Team Selection

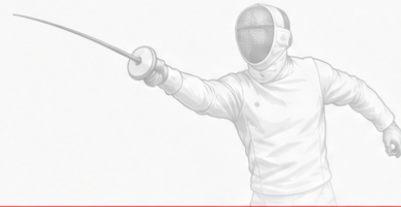
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SENIOR WOMEN'S EPEE COMPETITION SCHEDULE

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DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	COUNTS TOWARD NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION		
 25–27 Sep, 2026	CC #1: Canada Cup #1 - Senior Women's Epee	 Montreal, Canada			
 9–12 Oct, 2026	NAC #1: North American Cup #1 - Senior Women's Epee	 Orlando, United States			
 15–17 Oct, 2026	WC #1: Senior World Cup #1 - Senior Women's Epee	 Marrakech, Morocco			
 13–14 Nov, 2026	WC #2: Senior World Cup #2 - Senior Women's Epee	 Wuxi, China			
 20–23 Nov, 2026	NAC #2: North American Cup #2 - Senior Women's Epee	 Columbus, United States			
 3–5 Dec, 2026	WC #3: Senior World Cup #3 - Senior Women's Epee	 Vancouver, Canada			
 29–31 Jan, 2027	GP #1: Senior Grand Prix #1 - Senior Women's Epee	 Doha, Qatar			
 19–20 Feb, 2027	WC #4: Senior World Cup #4 - Senior Women's Epee	 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil			
 12–14 Mar, 2027	GP #2: Senior Grand Prix #2 - Senior Women's Epee	 Budapest, Hungary			
 25–27 Mar, 2027	WC #5: Senior World Cup #5 - Senior Women's Epee	 Astana, Kazakhstan			
 14–16 May, 2027	GP #3: Senior Grand Prix #3 - Senior Women's Epee	 Medellin, Colombia			
 Canada Cup	 North American Cup (NAC)	 Senior World Cup	 Senior Grand Prix	 Counts toward National Team Selection	 Does NOT count toward National Team Selection

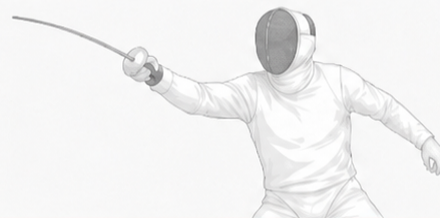
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SENIOR MEN'S FOIL COMPETITION SCHEDULE

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DATE		EVENT	LOCATION		COUNTS TOWARD NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION
	25–27 Sep 2026	CC #1: Canada Cup #1 – Senior Men's Foil		Montreal, Canada	✓
	9–12 Oct 2026	NAC #1: North American Cup #1 – Senior Men's Foil		Orlando, USA	✓
	15–17 Oct 2026	WC #1: Senior World Cup #1 – Senior Men's Foil		Takamatsu, Japan	✓
	12–14 Nov 2026	WC #2: Senior World Cup #2 – Senior Men's Foil		Mallorca, Spain	✓
	20–23 Nov 2026	NAC #2: North American Cup #2 – Senior Men's Foil		Columbus, USA	✓
	10–12 Dec 2026	WC #3: Senior World Cup #3 – Senior Men's Foil		Shanghai, China	✓
	15–16 Jan 2027	WC #4: Senior World Cup #4 – Senior Men's Foil		Paris, France	✓
	26–28 Feb 2027	GP #1: Senior Grand Prix #1 – Senior Men's Foil		Turin, Italy	✓
	26–28 Mar 2027	GP #2: Senior Grand Prix #2 – Senior Men's Foil		Lima, Peru	✓
	7–9 May 2027	GP #3: Senior Grand Prix #3 – Senior Men's Foil		Hong Kong, Hong Kong	✓
	11–13 May 2027	WC #5: Senior World Cup #5 – Senior Men's Foil		Istanbul, Türkiye	✓
 CC # Canada Cup	 NAC # North American Cup	 WC # Senior World Cup	 GP # Senior Grand Prix	 Counts toward National Team Selection	 Does NOT count toward National Team Selection

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COMPETITION CALENDAR SENIOR WOMEN'S FOIL

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DATE		EVENT	LOCATION		COUNTS TOWARD NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION
	25–27 Sep. 2026	CC #1: Canada Cup #1 – Senior Women's Foil		Montreal, Canada	
	9–12 Oct. 2026	NAC #1: North America Cup #1 – Senior Women's Foil		Orlando, USA	
	15–17 Oct. 2026	WC #1: Senior World Cup #1 – Senior Women's Foil		Takamatsu, Japan	
	12–14 Nov. 2026	WC #2: Senior World Cup #2 – Senior Women's Foil		Mallorca, Spain	
	20–23 Nov. 2026	NAC #2: North America Cup #2 – Senior Women's Foil		Columbus, USA	
	10–12 Dec. 2026	WC #3: Senior World Cup #3 – Senior Women's Foil		Shanghai, China	
	15–16 Jan. 2027	WC #4: Senior World Cup #4 – Senior Women's Foil		Singapore	
	26–28 Feb. 2027	GP #1: Senior Grand Prix #1 – Senior Women's Foil		Turin, Italy	
	26–28 Mar. 2027	GP #2: Senior Grand Prix #2 – Senior Women's Foil		Lima, Peru	
	7–9 May 2027	GP #3: Senior Grand Prix #3 – Senior Women's Foil		Hong Kong, Hong Kong	
	11–13 May 2027	WC #5: Senior World Cup #5 – Senior Women's Foil		Istanbul, Türkiye	
 CC # Canada Cup	 NAC # North America Cup	 WC # Senior World Cup	 GP # Senior Grand Prix	 Counts toward national team selection	 Does NOT count toward national team selection

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SENIOR MEN'S SABRE COMPETITION SCHEDULE

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DATE		EVENT	LOCATION		COUNTS TOWARD NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION
	25–27 Sep 2026	CC #1: Canada Cup #1 – Senior Men's Sabre		Montreal, Canada	
	9–12 Oct 2026	NAC #1: North American Cup #1 – Senior Men's Sabre		Orlando, USA	
	15–17 Oct 2026	WC #1: Senior World Cup #1 – Senior Men's Sabre		Oran, Algeria	
	12–14 Nov 2026	WC #2: Senior World Cup #2 – Senior Men's Sabre		Cairo, Egypt	
	20–23 Nov 2026	NAC #2: North American Cup #2 – Senior Men's Sabre		Columbus, USA	
	3–5 Dec 2026	GP #1: Senior Grand Prix #1 – Senior Men's Sabre		Orleans, France	
	15–17 Jan 2027	GP #2: Senior Grand Prix #2 – Senior Men's Sabre		Tunis, Tunisia	
	28–30 Jan 2027	WC #3: Senior World Cup #3 – Senior Men's Sabre	TBD		
	19–20 Feb 2027	WC #4: Senior World Cup #4 – Senior Men's Sabre		Padua, Italy	
	19–20 Mar 2027	WC #5: Senior World Cup #5 – Senior Men's Sabre		Budapest, Hungary	
	30 Apr–5 May 2027	GP #3: Senior Grand Prix #3 – Senior Men's Sabre		Seoul, Republic of Korea	


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Canada Cup


NAC #
North American Cup


WC #
Senior World Cup


GP #
Senior Grand Prix


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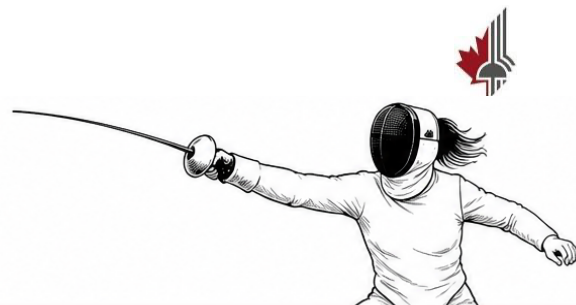

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 19–20 Feb 2027	WC #4: Senior World Cup #4 – Senior Women's Sabre	 Athens, Greece			
 19–20 Mar 2027	WC #5: Senior World Cup #5 – Senior Women's Sabre	 Sofia, Bulgaria			
 30 Apr–5 May 2027	GP #3: Senior Grand Prix #3 – Senior Women's Sabre	 Seoul, Republic of Korea			
 CC # Canada Cup	 NAC # North American Cup	 WC # Senior World Cup	 GP # Senior Grand Prix	 Counts toward national team selection	 Does NOT count toward national team selection

NOTE: Events and dates are subject to change. Please check with official organizers and the CFF for the most up-to-date information.





16. REGISTRATION AND SELECTION POLICIES FOR FIE AND EFC INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

DESIGNATED SENIOR WORLD CUP AND GRAND PRIX EVENTS (FIE)

All requests for registration for FIE competitions must be made through the 2mev portal before the posted registration request deadline. Only the CFF can register fencers for Senior World Cup competitions and Grand Prix events.

Entry Limitations: The CFF will select the maximum number of fencers permitted by the FIE for each designated Senior World Cup and Grand Prix event.

Entry Procedures: HPP athletes may make entry requests for FIE events online through the membership system. The link will be posted at www.fencing.ca under the High Performance tab.

For all EFC competitions, athletes must make entry requests by email to internationalentries@fencing.ca.

Selection Policies: All selections for designated Senior World Cups and Grand Prix events will be made using the following criteria:

- The top eight (8) athletes (with a minimum of 1 FIE point) on the FIE Senior rankings for that weapon will be selected.
- Four (4) fencers on the HP rankings will be selected at the discretion of a committee of the High Performance Director, the Executive Director, and the National Coach.

Should the FIE restrict entries to eight (8) athletes per World Cup or Grand Prix events, selections will be made as follows:

- The top five (5) athletes (with a minimum of 1 FIE point) on the FIE Senior rankings for that weapon will be selected.
- Three (3) athletes will be selected at the discretion of a committee of the High Performance Director, the Executive Director, and the National Coach.

Team Event: Fencers for the team event will be selected by the National coach. All fencers selected for a designated Senior World Cup must be prepared to participate in the team event and abide by the terms of the **“CFF Expectations of Athletes at International Competitions”**. Fencers for the team event will be selected by the National coach. Fencers listed on the FIE registration page for a team event may not be the final team selected to fence the team event by the National Coach.

Withdrawals from FIE Competitions: Withdrawals must be received by the CFF by email at hpd@fencing.ca at least fourteen (14) days prior to the first day of the competition. No other method of withdrawal is accepted. Athletes who withdraw after the deadline or who do not show up at the competition will be invoiced for the Canadian equivalent of the 500.00 Euro fine assessed by the FIE to the CFF and will be suspended from any future competitions (including CFF domestic events) until the fine is paid. Exceptions to the payment of this fine will only be considered if the athlete is withdrawing due to a “force majeure” situation such as an injury or illness, which prevents the athlete from competing. Medical documentation from a doctor must accompany the withdrawal notice, which must be sent by email with the withdrawal request before the scheduled competition or the fine will be imposed. This documentation must be accepted by the FIE for the fine to be revoked.



NON-DESIGNATED SATELLITE WORLD CUP COMPETITIONS (FIE)

Only the CFF can register fencers for FIE competitions. All requests for registration for FIE Satellite events must be made as indicated in the sections below.

Entry Limitations: CFF will select a maximum of 4 fencers for each non-designated FIE Satellite event. No referee will be required. Athletes are encouraged to enter FIE Satellite events for experience. No points will be awarded for results at Satellite events. Satellite event results will not appear on the High Performance Program rankings.

Registration request deadline: 35 days before the first day of competition.

Entry Procedures: Athletes may request entry by email to internationalentries@fencing.ca

Selection Policies: All selections for FIE Satellite events will be made using the following criteria:

- CFF will select a maximum of 4 fencers for each non-designated FIE Satellite event.
- Athletes who are members of the 2026-27 High Performance Program have priority over all other athletes requesting registration for non-designated FIE Satellite events. There are no registration fees for members of the 2026-27 High Performance Program.
- Athletes will be prioritized according to the current Senior HPP rankings.
- Space permitting, athletes who are not members of the 2026-27 High Performance Program may register upon payment of a \$250 registration fee for each event, in addition to purchasing an FIE license through the CFF.

Withdrawals from an FIE Competition: Withdrawals must be received by the CFF by email at hpc@fencing.ca at least fourteen (14) days prior to the first day of the competition. No other method of withdrawal is accepted. Athletes withdrawing after the deadline or who do not show up at the competition will be invoiced for the Canadian equivalent of the 500.00 Euro fine assessed by the FIE to the CFF and will be suspended from any future competitions (including CFF domestic events) until the fine is paid. Exceptions to the payment of this fine will only be considered if the athlete is withdrawing due to a “force majeure” situation such as an injury or illness, which prevents the athlete from competing. Medical documentation from a doctor must accompany the withdrawal notice, which must be sent by email before the scheduled competition. This documentation must be accepted by the FIE for the fine to be revoked.

Athletes should not make any travel arrangements until they have received an e-mail confirming that they are registered.

FIE Satellite events are non-designated and will NOT count for HP points, nor will results appear on the HP Program rankings.



SENIOR WORLD CUPS AND GRAND PRIX EVENTS HELD IN CANADA

In the case of Senior World Cups or FIE Grand Prix events when Canada, as host country, is permitted to enter up to 30 athletes, the selection process will be as follows:

- Top 12 Canadians in the FIE Senior Ranking as of registration date (minimum 1 FIE point)
- Top 8 Junior in Canadian HPP Ranking as of registration date (must have junior HPP points)
- Top 2 Cadet in Canadian HPP Ranking as of registration date (must have cadet HPP points)
- If a junior aged fencer is ranked in the top 12 of the senior FIE rankings on the selection date, the next fencer on the junior HPP rankings will be selected. If a cadet aged fencer is ranked in the top 12 of the senior FIE rankings, or in the top 8 of the junior HPP rankings, the next fencer in the cadet HPP ranking will be selected.
- The final 8 fencers will be selected by the HPSP committee based on recommendations by the National Coach.
- *Additional athletes may be selected by the national coach on the day of competition in order for all the pools to consist of 7 fencers. (FIE 67.2)*

Please note all selected athletes must be current CFF HP Program members and have a valid FIE license to be eligible to compete in any World Cup, regardless of its location.



NORTH AMERICAN CUPS (USA FENCING)

Division 1 North American Cups (Div I NAC) are organized by USA Fencing (USFA) and are designated as international selection competitions for the CFF HPP Selection Rankings.

Selection: Fencers must purchase a foreign fencer membership with USA Fencing and comply with USA Fencing rules. Foreign fencer licenses are available through this link: [USA Fencing Memberships](#)

USA Fencing imposes a minimum standard for Division 1 NAC's, requiring fencers to have an "A", "B" or "C" letter rating to register for a Division I NAC. In addition, For the 2026-27 season, USA Fencing will impose registration caps on entries for Division I, Junior, and Cadet NAC's.

USA Fencing's explanation of their process is available here: [USA Fencing Registration Process](#)

Note: Only results in the elite category of Division I NAC events will qualify for Senior High Performance points.

The CFF publishes a list of letter ratings earned in Canada annually and shares this information with the USA Fencing so that they may update their letter rating database. This is done once per year in August.

Fencers are responsible for their own registration and travel arrangements to North American Cup competitions. Before booking flights or hotels for NAC events, please confirm all dates, locations, and registration deadlines on the USA Fencing website here: [USA Fencing](#)

17. SELECTION PROVISION FOLLOWING DOCUMENTED INJURY / ILLNESS

The National Coach, in collaboration with the HP Director, may select for the National Team or for a competition, an athlete who has been injured or ill during a part of the season, regardless of ranking, if within seven (7) days of the injury or illness, and before an absence in competition, the athlete submitted to the CFF a report of injury accompanied by a recovery plan. The athlete must have been a member of the National Team (as defined by being selected for the Pan American and World Championships) in their category in both of the previous two seasons.

<http://fencing.ca/wp-content/uploads/Injury-Form-March-2016.pdf>



18. SAFE SPORT

All athletes, parents of athletes under the age of 18, coaches and other staff or team members traveling to an event or taking part in the team's activities, are required to complete the Coaching Association of Canada [Safe Sport training](#) module, or the applicable program from [Respect in Sport](#), complete the **NEW [Canadian Safe Sport Program \(CSSP\) education module and consent](#)** form, and to familiarize themselves with the information on the [Safe Sport](#) page of the CFF website, including the CFF's [Safe Sport Policy Manual](#).

19. ATHLETE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (AAP)

For more information about the CFF/Sport Canada Athlete Assistance Program (AAP), please consult the documentation on the CFF website under the High Performance Program tab.



APPENDIX A: SENIOR HIGH PERFORMANCE POINT TABLE

 PLACE	 DESIGNATED FIE EVENTS	 D1 NAC (ELITE)S	 SENIOR CANADIAN NATIONALS AND CANADA CUPS
1st	32,000	4,000	500
2nd	26,000	3,000	400
3rd	20,000	2,000	300
5th – 8th	14,000	1,000	150
9th – 16th	8,000	500	75
17th – 32nd	4,000	250	–
33rd – 64th	2,000	100	–
65th – 96th	1,000	–	–

Note: Only the elite category at NAC competitions will qualify for HP Points.

