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1 - INTRODUCTION

This Booklet contains the selection policies which the Canadian Fencing Federation (CFF) will use to select athletes who will represent Canada at the 2023 Cadet, Junior and Senior World Championships, Cadet, Junior and Senior Pan Am Championships and 2023 Pan Am Games. This information will allow athletes and their coaches to develop annual training and competition plans for the season.

While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the material contained within this Booklet, readers are advised to consult with the CFF High Performance Director (HP Director) if they have questions about any elements linked to high performance.

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

Changes to this booklet

The CFF is closely monitoring the evolution of COVID-19 at the national and international levels and its impact on the availability of the qualificative places for national teams.

Except in exceptional and unforeseen circumstances related to COVID-19 or other cases of force majeure, the CFF will follow the procedures enclosed within this booklet. Where there are exceptional or unforeseen circumstances related to COVID-19 or other case of force majeure, the CFF may make changes to the Booklet as necessary and subject to the remaining clauses in this section.

The CFF has endeavoured to ensure that the contents of this Booklet are accurate in respect of the entire season.

In instances where changes are required, the HP Director, in consultation with the High Performance Advisory Committee (HPAC), reserves the right to make changes to this Booklet in its sole discretion. These changes may for instance relate to selection for international competitions or events when necessary to ensure the selection of the most appropriate teams for each of the season's events.

Any changes to this Booklet shall be communicated directly to all High Performance Program (HPP) members.

This clause shall not be used to make changes to this Booklet after a competition or trials, which formed part of the initial nomination procedure, unless it is related to an unforeseen circumstance.

The purpose of this section is also to allow for changes to this Booklet that may become necessary for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to a typographical error, lack of clarity in a definition or wording before it has an impact on members athletes. The purpose of such changes must be in order to avoid disputes over the meaning of the provisions of this Booklet 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.

2 - ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION

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).
- One member with experience competing and/or coaching at the international level.
- 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.

High Performance Selection Panel (HPSP)

The High Performance Selection Panel will make the initial selections for all World Championships, Pan American 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.

Decisions of the High Performance Selection Panel will be made by majority vote.



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 President of the Board will be replaced with another board representative appointed by the Board.

The CFF Executive Director will be replaced by someone appointed by the President

The Selection panel reserves the right to withdraw an athlete from a selection in the following cases:

- If the athlete does not respect his/her 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 once discussed between the HPD and the National Coach.
- If the athlete has not fulfilled his/her responsibilities as identified in the “HPP Athlete Agreement”.
- In order to abide by a code of conduct breach decision made by the appropriate disciplinary mechanism.
- If the athlete has outstanding debts with the CFF.

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3 - CFF SELECTION POLICIES

Athletes must be part of the High Performance Program and demonstrate their abilities in order to be selected to participate in the different international events (World Cups, Pan Am and World Championships, Olympic Games) and contribute to their development. This booklet outlines the policies, procedures and selections for the following:

- Application to the High Performance Program.
- Selection of the National Teams:
 - ✓ 2023 Pan American Championships (Cadet / Junior / Senior);
 - ✓ 2023 World Championship (Cadet / Junior / Senior);
 - ✓ Selection for the 2023 Pan American Games.

4 - HPP APPLICATION PROCEDURES TO THE HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM

In order to be eligible for the HPP, an athlete must:

- Hold a valid CFF license for the 2022-2023 season obtained from their provincial fencing association at: <https://2mev.com/#!/listings/memberships>;
- Purchase a FIE license and/or an EFC license for the 2021-2022 season. These are available for purchase when purchasing the provincial membership;
- Be a Canadian Citizen;
- Complete all of the HPP application procedures (<http://fencing.ca/hpp-application/>); and,
- Have no outstanding debts with the CFF.

Athletes who join the CFF HPP will be required to pay a registration fee of \$500 by October 15, 2022, or \$650 from October 16, 2022, which will be used to coordinate and operate the HPP. HPP athletes will appear on the CFF HPP Rankings.

NOTE : For athletes who register for the HPP following the October 15, 2022 deadline, only those results from competitions that occur following completion of the HPP registration and payment of the HPP fee will be included in the CFF HPP Rankings (eg. An athlete that registers and pays the \$650 fee on January 1, 2023 will only be able to count results from competitions that take place starting January 1, 2023.)

Pursuant to section 44 of the CFF *Discipline and complaints policy*, CFF may determine that an alleged breach of the CFF *Code of conduct and ethics* is of such seriousness as to warrant suspension of a Participant pending completion of an investigation, criminal process, hearing, or a decision of the Discipline Panel.

CFF will ensure that HPP athletes have been or will be provided with an official CFF tracksuit. Athletes have the obligation to wear it in any situation of public representation of CFF (ex: Media intervention, international competition, training camp, etc) as instructed by the National coach or HPD. Should an athlete require a replacement tracksuit, the athlete will be charged a \$200 replacement fee.



5 - NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION (SENIOR)

Qualification for Senior Pan American and World Championships

	Pan American Championships	World Championships
Date	June 14 to June 21, 2023	July 18 to July 26, 2023
Location	Lima, Peru	Milan, Italy
Selection Date	May 24, 2023	June 12, 2023
Number of selected athletes	4 athletes	4 athletes

To qualify, athletes must achieve the following minimum criteria:

1. Top 25% placement in two FIE World Cup or Grand Prix events. Or Top 25% placement in one FIE World Cup or Grand Prix event and TOP 8 placement at one DIV 1 “designated” NAC:
Or;
2. Top 30 FIE Ranking at the time of the selection date for the Senior Pan American Championships (May 24, 2023).
 - In the event that more than four athletes achieve this criteria, the selection will be based on HP points accumulated in qualifying events as described in the points grid.
 - In the event that only four athletes achieve this criteria, these athletes will be selected, irrespective of their HP ranking.
 - In the event that only three athletes achieve this criteria, these three athletes will be selected and the fourth athlete will be selected by the selection panel¹.
 - In the event that only two athletes achieve this criteria, these two athletes will be selected and the other two athletes will be selected by the selection panel.
 - In the event that only one athlete achieves this criteria, this athlete will be selected and the other three athletes will be selected by the selection panel.
 - In the event that no athlete achieves this criteria, the athlete with the most HP points accumulated during the season will be selected and the other three athletes will be selected by the selection panel.

¹ See the «Panel selections» section hereafter.



Qualification for 2023 Senior Pan American Games

	Pan American Games
Date	October 20 to November 5, 2023
Location	Santiago, Chile
Selection Date	August 1st, 2023
Number of selected athletes	3 athletes (2 for the individual and 1 for the team event)

Please Note: At Pan Am Games, 2 athletes compete in individual and the third only competes in the team event.

To qualify, athletes must achieve the following minimum criteria:

1. Top 25% placement in two FIE World Cup or Grand Prix events. Or Top 25% placement in one FIE World Cup or Grand Prix event and TOP 8 placement at one DIV 1 “designated” NAC;
Or:
2. Top 30 FIE Ranking at the time of the selection date for the Senior Pan American Championships (May 19th, 2023).
 - In the event that more than three athletes achieve this criteria, the selection will be based on HP points accumulated for qualifying events as described in the points grid.
 - In the event that only three athletes achieve this criteria, these athletes will be selected in the order of HP points accumulated for qualifying events as described in the points grid (top 2 Individual; 3rd in Team only).
 - In the event that only two athletes achieve this criteria, these two athletes will be selected while the third athlete will be selected by the selection panel and will participate in the team event only.
 - In the event that only one athlete achieves this criteria, this athlete will be selected and the other two athletes (one for individual and team and the other one for team only) will be selected by the selection panel.
 - In the event that no athletes achieve this criteria, the athlete with the most HP points accumulated during the season will be selected and the other two athletes ((one for individual and team and the other one for team only) will be selected by the selection



6- QUALIFICATION FOR 2023 JUNIOR PAN AMERICAN AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Any athlete who represented Canada at the 2022 Senior World Championships on the basis of having been ranked top 4 (rather than qualifying as a replacement pursuant to an injury or a declined selection) is automatically qualified to the Cadet and Junior Pan American and World Championships in 2023, will be considered the top ranked athlete regardless of points earned and will be considered having achieved the criteria detailed hereafter.

In order for this rule to apply, the athlete must have competed in at least 3 events among Senior World Cup / Grand Prix or DIV 1 NAC appearing hereafter in the designated events list of the present Booklet . The athlete must also have competed in at least one Canadian National event appearing hereafter in the designated events list of the present Booklet.

	Pan American Championships	World Championships
Date	February 28 to March 7, 2023	April 1st to April 9, 2023
Location	Bogota, Columbia	Plovdiv, Bulgaria
Selection Date	February 7, 2023	March 12, 2023
Number of selected athletes	4 athletes	4 athletes

Even appearing in the designated events list of the present Booklet

To qualify, athletes must achieve the following criteria (unless they have represented Canada at the **2022 Senior World Championships – see above**):

1. Achieve top 20% at a Junior or DIV 1 designated NAC (one time);
Or;
2. Achieve top 25% at a designated World Cup (one time).
 - In the event that more than four athletes achieve this criteria, the selection will be based on HP points accumulated for qualifying events as described in the points grid.
 - In the event that only four athletes achieve this criteria, these athletes will be selected.
 - In the event that only three athletes achieve this criteria, these three athletes will be selected and the fourth athlete will be selected by the selection panel.
 - In the event that only two athletes achieve this criteria, these two athletes will be selected and the top ranked athlete based on HP points (excluding the two already selected) will be selected as third. The fourth athlete will be selected by the selection panel. In the event that only one athlete achieves this criteria, this athlete will be selected. The three top-ranked athletes based on HP points (excluding the athlete already selected) will then be selected.
 - In the event that no athlete achieves this criteria, the three top ranked athletes will be selected based on HP points and the other athlete will be selected by the selection panel.



7 - QUALIFICATION FOR 2023 CADET PAN AMERICAN AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Any athlete who represented Canada at the 2022 Senior World Championships on the basis of having been ranked top 4 (rather than qualifying as a replacement pursuant to an injury or a declined selection) is automatically qualified to the Cadet and Junior Pan American and World Championships in 2023, will be considered the top ranked athlete regardless of points earned, and will be considered having achieved the criteria detailed hereafter.

In order for this rule to apply, the athlete must have competed in at least 3 events among Senior World Cup / Grand Prix or DIV 1 NAC appearing hereafter in the designated events list of the present Booklet . The athlete must also have competed in at least one Canadian National event appearing hereafter in the designated events list of the present Booklet.

Any athlete selected to represent Team Canada in Junior at the 2023 Pan Am or World Championships will be automatically selected to represent Canada in the Cadet Category and will be considered the top ranked athlete regardless of points earned².

	Pan American Championships	World Championships
Date	February 28 to March 7, 2023	April 1st to 12, 2023
Location	Bogota, Columbia	Plovdiv, Bulgaria
Selection Date	February 7, 2023	March 12, 2023
Number of selected athletes	4 athletes	3 athletes

Selection for the cadet Pan American and World championships will be based on the qualifying HP points accrued during the season, except for the Cadets who also are Junior Team members as mentioned above. In the event that an athlete declines selection, the next highest ranked athlete will be selected.

Panel Selections for **ALL AGE CATEGORIES** (**Cadet, Junior and Senior**)

In all cases where the selection panel will determine which athletes qualify for a tournament, the following criteria will be used in no particular order:

- Performance potential (eg next gen athletes may be prioritized)
- Training commitment (eg Evidence of following a 20 hour per week training schedule)
- Designated National Team training camp commitment and participation
- Tournament commitment (eg number of events attended, tournament readiness)
- Contribution to Team results
- Working relationship with national team program and coaches
- Disciplinary issues
- Past performance (eg consistently improving results over the athletes' career or maintaining high standards - world cup finals)

² If more than 1 Cadet athlete qualify on the Junior National Team, the accumulated Junior HP points on the selection date will determine the order of selection among them within the Cadet Team.



Tiebreaker for Cadet, Junior and Senior Championships and Pan-Am Games

Should two (2) or more fencers be tied with the same point total, the tie will be broken as follows:

- By the best result (by HP points) in the designated international competitions;
Should a tie still exist, the tie will be broken;
- By the best result in the most recent designated international competition.

8 - HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM SELECTION RANKINGS

Overview

The HPP Selection Rankings are used to identify athletes for International competition selections and CFF funding opportunities.

Athletes will be ranked by the points total that they have achieved in the designated selection competitions. Only athletes who are part of the HPP will be ranked in the HPP Selection Rankings.

For athletes who register for the HPP following the October 15, 2022 deadline, only those results from competitions that occur following completion of the HPP registration and payment of the HPP fee will be included in the CFF HPP Rankings (eg. An athlete that registers and pays the \$650 fee on January 1, 2023 will only be able to count results from competitions that take place starting January 1, 2023.)

Updates

In each weapon, the HPP Selection Rankings will normally be updated on the CFF website no more than seven (7) days after each competition.



High Performance Point Grid

The following points grid will be used to award selection points for designated National and International designated selection competitions:

Place	WC/GP Worlds Senior	NAC DIV-1 Junior WC Worlds Cadet/Junior	NAC Junior CDT Circuit Cadet	NAC Cadet	National Senior	National Junior	National Cadet
1	32,000	4000	2000	1000	500	400	300
2	26,000	3000	1500	750	400	300	200
3	20,000	2000	1000	500	300	200	100
Top 8	14,000	1500	500	250	150	100	50
Top 16	8000	1000	250	100	75	50	25
Top 32	4000	500	100	50	/	/	/
Top 64	2000	250	50	25	/	/	/
Top 96	1000	/	/	/	/	/	/



9 - NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION DESIGNATED TOURNAMENTS FOR EPEE

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
<u>Best 6</u> of 9 results at a Domestic competitions (Cadet, Junior and Senior)	<u>Best 4</u> of 6 results at a Domestic competitions (Junior and Senior)	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 Results at a domestic Event (Senior)
<u>Best 3</u> of 4 results at a designated NAC (For 2023 Pan Am Championships)	<u>Best 3</u> of 4 results at a designated NAC	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 Results at a designated NAC
<u>Best 3</u> of 5 results at a designated NAC or at a (camp/competition) TBD (for 2023 World Championships)		
Bratislava Cadet Circuit (January 2023)	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 results at a designated Junior World Cup	<u>Best 4</u> of 5 results at a World Cups
<u>Best 1</u> result At a designated Junior World Cup	<u>Best 1</u> of 3 results at a designated Senior World Cup	<u>Best 1</u> of 3 results at a Grand Prix



Designated Events – MEN’S EPEE

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
Cadet National Event (May 2022)	Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)
Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (January 2023)
Senior National (May 2022)	Junior National (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)
Cadet National Event (October 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)
Junior National Event (October 2022)	Junior National Event (January 2023)	#1 Sr. World Cup Berne (Nov 11 - 13, 2022)
Senior National (October 2022)	Senior National (January 2023)	#2 Sr. World Cup Vancouver (Dec 8 - 11, 2022)
Cadet National Event (January 2023)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)	#3 Sr. World Cup Heidenheim (Feb 23 - 25, 2023)
Junior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (December 2022)	#4 Sr. World Cup Buenos Aires (Mar 24 - 26, 2023)
Senior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (January 2023)	#5 Sr. World Cup Saint-Maur (May 19 - 21, 2023)
Cadet NAC (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)	#1 Grand Prix in Doha (Jan 27 - 29, 2023)
Cadet NAC (December 2022)	Jr. World Cup Heraklion (December 17 – 18, 2022)	#2 Grand Prix in Budapest (March 10 - 12, 2023)
Junior NAC (December 2022)	Jr. World Cup Basel (February 4 – 5, 2023)	#3 Grand Prix in Cali (May 5 - 7, 2023)
Junior NAC (January 2023)		
Camp or competition TBD (March 2023) <i>Only counts towards World Championships Team</i>		
Bratislava Cadet Circuit (January 13-15, 2023)		



Designated Events – WOMEN’S EPEE

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
Cadet National Event (May 2022)	Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)
Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (January 2023)
Senior National (May 2022)	Junior National (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)
Cadet National Event (October 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)
Junior National Event (October 2022)	Junior National Event (January 2023)	#1 Sr. World Cup Tallinn (Nov 11 - 13, 2022)
Senior National (October 2022)	Senior National (January 2023)	#2 Sr. World Cup Vancouver (Dec 8 - 11, 2022)
Cadet National Event (January 2023)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)	#3 Sr. World Cup Barcelona (Feb 10 - 12, 2023)
Junior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (December 2022)	#4 Sr. World Cup Chengdu (Mar 24 to 26, 2023)
Senior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (January 2023)	#5 Sr. World Cup Fujairah (May 19 - 21, 2023)
Cadet NAC (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)	#1 Grand Prix Doha (Jan 27 - 29, 2023)
Cadet NAC (December 2022)	Jr. World Cup Burgos (December 17 – 18, 2022)	#2 Grand Prix Budapest (March 10 - 12, 2023)
Junior NAC (December 2022)	Jr. World Cup Istanbul (February 4 – 5, 2023)	#3 Grand Prix Cali (May 5 - 7, 2023)
Junior NAC (January 2023)		
Camp or competition TBD (March 2023) <i>Only counts towards World Championships Team</i>		
Bratislava Cadet Circuit (January 13-15 2023)		



10 - NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION DESIGNATED TOURNAMENTS FOR SABRE

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
<u>Best 6</u> of 9 results at a Domestic competition (Cadet, Junior, Senior)	<u>Best 4</u> of 6 results at a Domestic competition (Junior, Senior)	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 results at a Domestic competition (Senior)
<u>Best 3</u> of 4 results At a designated NAC (for the 2023 Pan Am Championships) <u>Best 3</u> of 5 results at a designated NAC or a (camp/competition) TBD (for 2023 World Championships)	<u>Best 3</u> of 4 results At a designated NAC	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 results At a designated NAC
Meylan Cadet Circuit (January 2023)	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 results at a designated Jr. World Cup	<u>Best 4</u> of 5 results at a World Cup
<u>Best 1</u> result at a designated Jr. World Cup	<u>Best 1</u> of 3 results at a designated Sr. World Cup	<u>Best 1</u> of 3 results at a Grand Prix



Designated Events – MEN'S SABRE

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
Cadet National Event (May 2022)	Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)
Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (January 2023)
Senior National (May 2022)	Junior National (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)
Cadet National Event (October 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)
Junior National Event (October 2022)	Junior National Event (January 2023)	#1 Senior World Cup Alger (November 10 - 13, 2022)
Senior National (October 2022)	Senior National Event (January 2023)	#2 Senior World Cup Warsaw (February 10 - 12, 2023)
Cadet National Event (January 2023)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)	#3 Senior World Cup Padua (March 2 - 4, 2023)
Junior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (December 2022)	#4 Senior World Cup Budapest (Mar 24 - 26, 2023)
Senior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (January 2023)	#5 Senior World Cup Madrid (May 12 - 14, 2023)
Cadet NAC (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)	#1 Grand Prix d'Orléans (Dec 8 - 10, 2022)
Cadet NAC (December 2022)	Junior World Cup Dormagen (December 16 – 18, 2022)	#2 Grand Prix Tunis (Jan 13 - 15, 2023)
Junior NAC (December 2022)	Junior World Cup Plovdiv (February 3 – 5, 2023)	#3 Grand Prix Seoul (April 27 - 29, 2023)
Junior NAC (January 2023)		
Camp or competition TBD (March 2023) <i>Only counts towards World Championships Team</i>		
Meylan Cadet Circuit (January 14-15, 2023)		



Designated Events – WOMEN'S SABRE

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
Cadet National Event (May 2022)	Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)
Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National (May 2022)	Senior National Event (January 2023)
Senior National (May 2022)	Junior National Event (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)
Cadet National Event (October 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)
Junior National Event (October 2022)	Junior National Event (January 2023)	#1 Sr. World Cup Alger (Nov 10 - 13, 2022)
Senior National (October 2022)	Senior National (January 2023)	#2 Sr. World Cup Tashkent (Feb 10 - 12, 2023)
Cadet National Event (Jan 2023)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)	#3 Sr. World Cup Athens (Mar 3 - 5, 2023)
Junior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (December 2022)	#4 Sr. World Cup Sint-Niklaas (Mar 17 - 19, 2023)
Senior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (January 2023)	#5 Sr. World Cup Batumi (May 12 - 14, 2023)
Cadet NAC (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)	#1 Grand Prix Orléans (Dec 8 - 10, 2022)
Cadet NAC (December 2022)	Junior World Cup Dormagen (December 16-18, 2022)	#2 Grand Prix Tunis (Jan 13 - 15, 2023)
Junior NAC (December 2022)	Junior World Cup Plovdiv (February 3 – 5, 2023)	#3 Grand Prix Seoul (April 27 - 29, 2023)
Junior NAC (January 2023)		
Camp or competition TBD (March 2023) <i>Only counts towards World Championships Team</i>		
Meylan Cadet Circuit (January 14-15 2023)		



11 - NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION DESIGNATED TOURNAMENTS FOR FOIL

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
<u>Best 6</u> of 9 results at a Domestic competition (Cadet, Junior and Senior)	<u>Best 4</u> of 6 results at a Domestic competition (Junior and Senior)	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 results at a Domestic competition (Senior)
<u>Best 3</u> of 4 results at a Designated NAC (For 2023 Pan Am Championships)	<u>Best 3</u> of 4 results Ata Designated NAC	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 results at a Designated NAC
<u>Best 3</u> of 5 results at a designated NAC or a (camp/competition) TBD (for 2023 World Championships)		
EFC Cadet Circuit Event	<u>Best 1</u> of 2 results at a Designated Junior World Cup	<u>Best 4</u> of 5 results at a World Cup
<u>Best 1</u> result At a Designated Junior World Cup	<u>Best 1</u> of 3 results at a Designated Senior World Cup	<u>Best 1</u> of 3 results at a Grand Prix



Designated Events – MEN'S FOIL

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
Cadet National Event (May 2022)	Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)
Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (January 2023)
Senior National (May 2022)	Junior National (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)
Cadet National Event (October 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)
Junior National Event (October 2022)	Junior National Event (January 2023)	#1 Senior World Cup Bonn (Nov 11 - 13, 2022)
Senior National (October 2022)	Senior National (January 2023)	#2 Senior World Cup Tokyo (Dec 9 - 11, 2022)
Cadet National Event (January 2023)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)	#3 Senior World Cup Paris (Jan 13 - 15, 2023)
Junior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (December 2022)	#4 Senior World Cup Cairo (Feb 23 - 26, 2023)
Senior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (January 2023)	#5 Senior World Cup Acapulco (May 5 - 7, 2023)
Cadet NAC (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)	#1 Grand Prix Turin (Feb 10 - 12, 2023)
Cadet NAC (December 2022)	Junior World Cup London (November 4 – 5, 2022)	#2 Grand Prix Busan (Mar 17 – 19, 2023)
Junior NAC (December 2022)	Junior World Cup Aix-en-Provence (January 21 – 22, 2023)	#3 Grand Prix Shanghai (May 19 - 21, 2023)
Junior NAC (January 2023)		
Camp or competition TBD (March 2023) <i>Only counts towards World Championships Team</i>		
Bratislava Cadet Circuit (January 13-15, 2023)		



Designated Events – WOMEN’S FOIL

Cadet (U17)	Junior (U20)	Senior
Cadet National Event (May 2022)	Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)
Junior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (May 2022)	Senior National Event (January 2023)
Senior National (May 2022)	Junior National (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)
Cadet National Event (October 2022)	Senior National Event (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)
Junior National Event (October 2022)	Junior National Event (January 2023)	#1 Sr. World Cup Belgrade (December 9 – 11, 2022)
Senior National (October 2022)	Senior National (January 2023)	#2 Sr. World Cup Paris (January 13 – 15, 2023)
Cadet National Event (January 2023)	DIV 1 NAC (October 2022)	#3 Sr. World Cup Cairo (February 23 – 26, 2023)
Junior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (December 2022)	#4 Sr. World Cup Poznan (April 21 – 23, 2023)
Senior National Event (January 2023)	Junior NAC (January 2023)	#5 Sr. World Cup Tauber (May 5 – 7, 2023)
Cadet NAC (October 2022)	DIV 1 NAC (January 2023)	#1 Grand Prix Turin (February 10 – 12, 2023)
Cadet NAC (December 2022)	Junior World Cup London (November 4 – 6, 2022)	#2 Grand Prix Busan (March 17 – 19, 2023)
Junior NAC (December 2022)	Junior World Cup Jena (February 3 – 5, 2023)	#3 Grand Prix Shanghai (May 19 - 21, 2023)
Junior NAC (January 2023)		
Camp or competition TBD (March 2023) <i>Only counts towards World Championships Team</i>		
Budapest EFC Circuit (November 25 to 27, 2022)		



12- REGISTRATION POLICY AT COMPETITIONS AND TRAINING CAMPS

North American Cups (NAC) - www.usafencing.org/all-events

These competitions are open to any athlete with a CFF license.

However, since 2018, the United States Fencing Association (USFA) has required foreign athletes to pay a specific license fee for those who are not resident in the United States. Canadian athletes will be required to purchase this license when registering for a NAC.

The USFA does impose a minimum standard for Div. I and Junior NACs. They require that an athlete have a "C" rating or higher to register for a Div. I NAC and may require a "B" rating or higher to register for a Junior NAC.

Athletes are responsible for their own registration, travel arrangements and COVID tests arrangements (if required) to these competitions. Before booking flights for NAC events, please confirm all dates, locations and registration deadlines on the USFA website:

NAC – USFA: www.usfencing.org

FIE/European Fencing Confederation (EFC) - www.eurofencing.info

Only the CFF can register athletes for FIE and/or EFC competitions.

Therefore, to be eligible for selection for any FIE or EFC competition, an athlete must:

- Hold a valid CFF license for the current season.
- Be a member of the 2022 / 2023 Canadian Fencing High Performance Program
- Hold a valid FIE and / or EFC license for the current season.
- Be a Canadian citizen.
- Have completed an approved Safe Sport training module.
- Have satisfied all the selection criteria published for the competition in question. You can purchase your FIE and/or EFC license when purchasing your provincial & CFF memberships.

Athletes are responsible for:

- Travel arrangements to these competitions;
- Their own event registration through the CFF;
- Confirming all dates, locations and registration deadlines on the respective websites before booking flights; and,
- Athletes should not make any travel arrangements until they have received an email confirming that they are registered.
- Organizing any COVID tests to go to the competition and to return to Canada.



All requests for registration for FIE/EFC competitions must be made as indicated in the sections below:

- **Registration fees:** A fee of \$200 will be applied for each FIE or EFC competition registration where the CFF may be required to provide referee(s), in order to cover the referee and administration fees required for these tournaments (U17 European Circuit, U23 European Circuit, Cadet / Junior Pan Am championships, Junior World Cup, FISU Games).
- **Registration deadline:** Twenty-one days (21) before the first day of competition. After this time late requests may be considered, and late fees will apply.
- **Entry Procedures:** To request participation in an international event, each athlete must complete the online request process through the membership system. The link will be posted on the CFF website under the High Performance tab.
- **For all age categories** the designated National Team coach will select the athletes to participate in the team event.
- **Withdrawals** from an FIE/EFC Competition: Withdrawals must be received by the CFF by email at hpd@fencing.ca at least eight (8) 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 fined \$1,500.00 and will be suspended from any future International selections until the fine is paid (unless decided otherwise by the HPD). This is a fine assessed by the FIE/EFC to the CFF and it will be passed on to the athlete at fault. Any exception 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.
- **Minor athletes** (athletes under the age of 18 at the time of the event) participating in any of these events must be accompanied by an adult (parent, personal coach or another guardian as outlined in a letter sent to the CFF).

13 - INJURY / ILLNESS POLICY

The National Coach, in collaboration with the HP Director, may select for the National Team or 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 in their category in the previous two seasons.

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



14 - SAFE SPORT

All athletes, parents of athletes under the age of 18, and coaches, are required to complete the Coaching Association of Canada [safe sport training](#) module, or the applicable program from [Respect in Sport](#), and to familiarize themselves with the information on the [Safe Sport](#) page of the CFF website including the CFF's [Safe Sport Policy Manual](#).

15 - ATHLETE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (AAP)

The purpose of this section is to present the criteria for the determination of the CFF/Sport Canada Athlete Assistance Program (AAP) recipients. The target audiences are HPP athletes and coaches of HPP athletes who have access to the program. For more information, please consult the documentation on the CFF website.

<https://fencing.ca/wp-content/uploads/AAP-2022-23-ENG-31-JAN-2021-3.pdf>

16 – ATHLETE IDENTIFICATION

Each athlete who achieves a result from the following grid will appear on the "Athlete classification ranking". Depending on the results achieved by the athletes, a letter will be assigned to them.

Obtaining the letters allows athletes to receive different types of services from the CFF. Either financial support, training support or competition support. The level of service follows the order of priority of the letters (A, B, C, D, E, NG). The level of financial support reserved for athletes depends on the total amount provided by Sport Canada each year. Once the amount is used up, training and competition support is offered to athletes. The Next Gen identification is an identification reserved for U15, U17 and U20 athletes.

17 - CFF APPEAL POLICY

For information on the CFF Appeals Policy, please refer the following link in English and in French:

<http://fencing.ca/wp-content/uploads/Appeals-Policy.pdf>

<http://fencing.ca/wp-content/uploads/Politique-dappel.pdf>