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Talent

The National Academy will provide the foundation for fencers with talent and desire to develop and prepare for senior international success

Workforce

The National Academy will develop and prepare a skilled and active workforce to support a world leading fencing family

Clubs

The National Academy will support clubs in their ambition to provide the best experience for fencers

British Cadet Ranking and Selection Scheme 2011-12 v2

This scheme is for the purpose of:-

1. Compiling the British cadet ranking lists
2. Selecting fencers for the nominated international cadet competitions
3. Selecting the British team for the cadet European Championships
4. Selecting the British team for the cadet World Championships

Cadet European Championships – Porec, Croatia. 29 February – 9 March 2012

Cadet World Championships – Moscow, Russia. 31 March - 8 April 2012

Definitions

Cadet in this document refers to fencers who are under 17 on 1st January 2012 (Born 1995 or later).

Junior in this document refers to fencers who are under 20 on 1st January 2012 (Born 1992 or later).

BSC means British Selection Circuit event

Major Events means World or European Championships

NIF stands for Notional International Fencer and refers to the score worked out for each competition that gives an objective measure of the standard of that event.

Qualifying dates

The scoring period for the purposes of the cadet ranking list starts on the 1st June 2011.

No competitions will count before this date.

The scoring period ends after the last selection event before the relevant selection date.

For 2011-12 the final selection dates set by the International Committee are:-

European Championship selection - 13th December 2011

Team preparation day 19th February 2012

World Championship selection 7th February 2012

Team preparation day 18th March 2012

Cadet Ranking Scheme

Points will be awarded for:-

1. The British Cadet Championships.
2. The fencer's best **three** domestic results. There will be **four** nominated domestic events: the U20 British Championships, a junior BSC and two other events chosen by the weapon committee (which cannot be senior or U23 events).
3. The fencer's best **two** international results from the **three** nominated European Cadet Circuit events.

Hence for the cadet ranking list up to the best **six** results will count: the British cadet championships, the best three domestic and the best two international competitions.

Additionally the best result from nominated junior international events can be used in place of one of the two cadet international results.

Selection for Nominated European Cadet Circuit events

The weapon manager will be responsible for selection.
No more than 12 fencers per weapon will be selected for these squads.

The squad will be selected using the order of the ranking on the selection date (subject to fitness etc). If any of the top 12 are not available, fencers ranked below this on the Cadet ranking list will not be selected unless exceptional circumstances apply.

All fencers will be accommodated as a squad under the direction of British Fencing Officials immediately prior to and during the event. This is a condition of participation.

Selection for Cadet European Championships 2012

Qualification level 1xL64 or better in nominated European Cadet Circuit events

The team of 4 + non-travelling reserve will be selected from those qualified (by being part of the National Academy & having at least 1 x L64 in European circuit events) in accordance with the order of the cadet ranking list on the selection date above.

As there is a team event, if only 3 fencers are qualified, the International Committee reserve the right to select the next highest ranked fencer to complete the team. This fencer will also fence in the individual event.

Selection for Cadet World Championships 2012

Qualification level 1xL64 or better in nominated European cadet Circuit events

The team of 3 + non-travelling reserve will be selected from those qualified (by being part of the National Academy & having at least 1x L64 in European circuit events) in accordance with the order of the cadet ranking list on the selection date above.

Exceptional circumstances

The International Committee reserve the right, in exceptional circumstances, to consider for selection other fencers for the European or World Championships. However, such a case would need to involve the selection panel process with full justification.

Discipline

The International Committee will abide by any decision made as a result of any British Fencing disciplinary process.

Fitness

If any fencer's fitness is in doubt they will be asked to satisfy the International Committee as to their fitness to prepare adequately and compete. This may be established by fitness testing and/ or medical reports as directed by the International Committee or by using data from the National Academy

Programme. In such cases selection will be provisional on fitness being confirmed to the satisfaction of the International Committee. Testing may be carried out at the team preparation days for selected fencers.

Training

Fencers will only be eligible for selection for major events if they are part of the British Fencing National Academy. This would normally include the Summer residential in August each year. For this first year, however, (major events in 2012), fencers may miss the Summer residential if they have some extenuating circumstances. Details of these circumstances should be submitted in writing to the International Committee as soon as possible. The team preparation weekends are part of the National Academy so attendance at these is expected.

Note: for the European & World Cadet championships in 2013 the team will normally be selected from fencers who attended the National Academy Summer residential in 2012, 19-25 August 2012.

Information & application forms for the National Academy are at www.britishfencing.com/academy

Fencers must satisfy the International Committee that they are undertaking an appropriate training programme before being selected to compete in the World or European championships. Fencers who are selected will be expected to attend the team preparation days for the major events: 19th Feb 2012 for the European Championships, 18th March 2012 for the World Championships.

Compilation of the Cadet ranking list

The rankings will start from 0 at the beginning of the season. Points coordinators will publish an initial ranking list (the final ranking from 10-11 with fencers born in 94 removed) to be used for calculating the NIF for cadet events.

Points are awarded to fencers who reach the **last 64** of a nominated competition, provided that in doing so they are placed in the **top 75%** of those competing (this number must not be rounded, 75% is within, and 75.1% is not). When measuring the number of entries any fencer who starts the competition will be included (even if they withdraw or are disqualified) and all starters will count towards the grading of the event, i.e. will be included in the NIF count.

Calculation of points

The points total scored in each competition is calculated by taking the grading points (NIF), representing the strength of the competition, and multiplying this value by the factor assigned to the fencer's final position. (See link to table on website- places 1-64).

An additional multiplier will be applied as shown in Table 1 below.

The British Cadet Championships and any other domestic Cadet events will have a NIF score based on the top 50 of the initial Cadet ranking list (as described above).

The NIF will be calculated by awarding 6, 3 and 1 points for those in the top 10, 11-20 and 21-50 respectively.

Any domestic junior or cadet events counting towards the cadet ranking list will have a minimum NIF of 75, however, if the actual NIF is lower than this and selection between two fencers for Major Events is close enough for the results from such an event to alter the selection, the NIF for the event will be recalculated (for the purpose of the selection process only) to reflect the actual strength of the event.

A multiplier of 2 will be applied to results from any domestic junior event for the cadet ranking lists as per Table 1 below).

Nominated International Cadet events with repechage

The multipliers have been adjusted to allow for events with repechage from L32.

Calculation of NIF count for the European Cadet circuit events – all weapons:

The top 100 from the European Cadet ranking will be used as follows-

1-20 6 points

21-40 3

41-100 1

The ranking to be used will be the most recently updated list available before each of the 3 nominated events.

For calculation of NIF count for junior events refer to the junior ranking scheme.

Table 1. Additional multipliers applied to NIF count	
For Cadet ranking	
Domestic events	International events
Junior NIF x 2	Junior NIF x 20
Cadet NIF	Cadet NIF x 10

Multipliers for places 1 – 64

http://www.britishfencing.com/international/selections_and_rankings/points_multipliers_for_places_1-64/

Multipliers for places 1-64 with repechage from 32

http://www.britishfencing.com/international/selections_and_rankings/points_multipliers_for_places_1-64/

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