



BRITISH FENCING

British Junior Ranking and Selection Scheme 2010-11 final version

Selection for British Teams

The scheme for compiling the Junior ranking lists and to select fencers for international Junior competitions and the British team for the Junior European and World Championships is described here.

Junior World Championships – Jordan April 2011

Junior European Championships – TBC (location & date)

Qualifying dates

The scoring period for Junior fencers starts on the 1st September 2010. No competitions will count for selection before this date *except* the 2010 Junior World Championships; this event will count towards selection for the Junior European Championships in November 10 (selection for this is part of the 09-10 points system) & towards the 2011 World Championships in April 11. The scoring period ends at the date set by the weapon committees: for 2010-11 the final selection date for the Junior World Championships is:-

7th February 2011 - (note earlier date)

Team training day: 19th March 2011

Definitions

“Junior” in this document refers to fencers who are under 20 on 1st January 2011 (Born 1991 or later).

BSC means British Selection Circuit event

Major Events means World or European Championships

Discipline

The selectors 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 or 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. 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 must satisfy the International Committee that they are undertaking an appropriate training program 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 events: 19th March 2011 for the World Championship team.

Junior World Championships 2011 – 3 fencers per weapon plus 4th for team only

Qualifying standard

The minimum qualifying standard for selection will be 7500 points from the best 3 international results in the following events:

- The April 2010 Junior World Championships
- Four Junior World Cup events as selected by the weapon committee
- The October 2010 Junior European Championships

Selection for the first two places will be made in order of the Junior ranking list (determined by the scheme described here) on 7th February 2011 from fencers who have gained the qualifying standard as above.

The third place is discretionary but unless there are exceptional circumstances will be selected in the same way as the first two places.

If there are insufficient qualified fencers, the International Committee may select any other fencer.

The reserve or fourth fencer for the team event may be any fencer chosen by the selectors.

The International Committee reserves the right, in the light of exceptional circumstances, (eg cancellation of nominated Junior World Cup events), to modify the qualifying standard and to consider a fencer recommended for selection who has not reached the standard described above.

Junior European Championships 2011 – 4 fencers per weapon

Selection scheme tbc when date is confirmed.

Junior Points Scheme

Points will be awarded for:-

1. The British Junior Championships.
2. The fencer's best three domestic results. Weapon Committees will select (nominate) four domestic events. Only two of these domestic events may be senior opens except that for epee, for the 2010/11 season only, three senior opens may be used.
There will be no selection events between 1st April and 1st September.
3. The fencer's best three international results. Weapon Committees will select (nominate) four Junior World Cup events, the Junior European Championships and the Junior World Championships.

Hence for the Junior ranking list the best **seven** results will count: the British Junior Championships, the best three domestic and the best three international competitions (from the nominated list as described above).

NB. Junior World Cup events taking place in the UK e.g. Eden Cup, count as international events.

Selection for Junior World Cup Events

The weapon captain will be responsible for this process.

Normally the squad will comprise a maximum of 9 fencers. Exceptionally 12 may be sent eg if the weapon is particularly strong (as long as 2 referees can be provided).

If at least 6 fencers are being entered, the top 6 on the Junior ranking list at the selection date will be selected automatically.

If any of the top 6 are not available, fencers ranked below 6 do not have an automatic right of selection.

The weapon captain will offer the remaining places, either by using the ranking order or, in cases where selection deviates from the ranking order, to fencers as determined by the selectors after taking other factors into account.

All fencers will train, eat and be accommodated as a squad under the direction of British Fencing Officials immediately prior to and during the event.

Compilation of the Junior ranking list

After the 2010 Junior World Championships any points scored at the previous Junior World Championships (i.e.2009) will be removed and may be replaced by points scored at another nominated international Junior event for that season, provided that they have not already been included.

Fencers who are no longer Juniors will be removed from the list.

30% of each fencer's total points (Carry Over Points) are then carried over to form the Initial Junior Ranking list. Any Carry Over Points will be removed after the **4th nominated competition** (domestic or international).

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 50%** of those competing (this number must not be rounded, 50% is within, and 50.1% is not) for international events and top 75% for domestic events. When measuring the number of entries any fencer who starts the competition will be included (even if they withdraw or are disqualified) & 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

Table 1. Additional multipliers applied to NIF count for junior rankings	
Domestic events	International events
Senior NIF x 2	Junior World Cup NIF x 10
Junior NIF x 1	
Note: here World Cup includes World and European Championships	

Table 2. Calculation of NIF count for junior World Cup events	
Junior World ranking	Points awarded per fencer
1-20	6
21-40	3
41-100	1

The NIF count is calculated using the top 100 of the Junior World ranking updated **before each nominated junior World Cup event.**

Domestic events will have a NIF score based on the Initial Junior Ranking List. 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 events counting towards the Junior 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.

Calculation of NIF count for senior events

For details of the system used to calculate points for all senior events please refer to the senior version of the ranking scheme.

Multipliers for places 1 – 64

*See table on website – International section

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

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