

**Officials:**

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**Administrator:** Heather Hyman  
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Contact details are provided at the end of this document.

**Ages**

Cadets (Under 17) must have been born in **1993** or later.

**British Cadet Rankings**

There are now 2 separate rankings

**GBR Selection Ranking** to be used for selecting the European and World Cadet Teams and the official squad for the international selection events.

**Development Ranking** with a wider range of events including all those in the selection ranking. This may be used by the foil selectors to select additional squad members and by other selectors if appropriate.

**GBR Selection Ranking** Scoring period is 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009 to relevant selection date

**Cadet Nominated Competitions**

see latest chart on BF website as dates may change

Cadets count their best **7** results, being the GBR Cadet Championships, plus 3 domestic and 3 foreign competitions:

a) **British Cadet Championships** **3 October 2009**

b) Best 3 from the following 4 domestic competitions:

<b>British Selection Circuit London</b>	<b>12/13 September 2009</b>
<b>Manchester Cadet</b>	<b>26 September 2009</b>
<b>British Junior Championships</b>	<b>4 October 2009</b>
<b>British Selection Circuit Gateshead</b>	<b>10 January 2009</b>

c) Best 3 from the following international competitions.

<b>European Cadet Circuit</b>	
<b>Tauber</b>	<b>24 October 2009</b>
<b>Salzburg</b>	<b>14 November 2009</b>
<b>Cabries</b>	<b>28 November 2009</b>
<b>Jena</b>	<b>6 February 2010</b>

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**Cadet World Championships 2009**

*NB No Junior or Senior FIE events are included now (to fit in with the British Fencing long term athlete development programme)*

**European Cadet Championships** **Athens 1-7 March 2010**

The top 4 on the Selection Ranking on **18 January** (from those available) will be selected, with the 5<sup>th</sup> as non-travelling reserve.

**Team Training day – 21 February**

### **Cadet World Championships Baku 3-6 April 2010**

The top 3 on the Selection Ranking on **15 February** will be selected, with the 4<sup>th</sup> as non-travelling reserve.

#### **Team training day - 21 March**

#### **Additional Conditions for Selection**

Selection is subject to fitness and satisfactory behaviour throughout the season. Fencers must satisfy the International Committee that they are training adequately before being allowed to compete in the European or World Championships. We will expect the teams to attend the training days.

The International Committee reserves the right, in the light of exceptional circumstances, to select fencers for the European or World championships who are not in the top 4 of the cadet ranking for the European Championships or top 3 of the cadet ranking for the World Championships

#### **Ranking points**

Points will be awarded as set out in the overall GBR Cadet Scheme –see British Fencing website.

30% of the previous season's total points will be carried over onto the new season's ranking list, and will be removed after the **4th selection (nominated) competition** (domestic or international) after 1st September.

#### **Development Ranking**

See chart

Cadets count their best **7** results, being the GBR Cadet Championships, plus 3 domestic and 3 foreign competitions:

#### **Notes on overseas competitions**

- **If anyone drops out of an overseas event too late to include a reserve they will still be liable for their share of the officials' costs.** The costs of the officials required to go will be shared between all fencers entered.
- All fencers *must* have travel insurance. An annual policy is usually cheaper if a number of trips are anticipated – British Fencing can assist you with this. Please note that 'family' policies may only be valid when the principal policy holder is in the party. Please also check that fencing is covered.
- To obtain reduced cost, or sometimes free, medical treatment in European Economic Area countries or Switzerland, you need a European Health Insurance Card ("EHIC"). Full details may be obtained from the Department of Health website and the EHICs may be obtained on line, by phone or post. It is strongly recommended that you obtain this form.
- Make sure you are up to date with all normal immunisations, including meningitis. Hepatitis A and Typhoid are also advisable for many countries.
- Overseas trips usually cost an average of around £250 involving a flight, taxi fares, 1-2 nights accommodation, meals, entry fees and a contribution to the cost of sending a referee/official.
- We do appreciate the huge costs involved for the parents of fencers eligible to compete abroad and do not want any potential team member to drop out because of financial reasons. We therefore suggest that fencers should do their best to find sponsors and we will always be happy to provide official letters of support providing we are sure that the fencer is training satisfactorily.
- British Fencing sends in the formal entries for the competitions but has no central funds or facilities to book flights and hotels, however, this year Heather is again kindly prepared to make the arrangements.

- At the competition itself the Chef de Mission will be responsible for fencing matters for the whole British contingent.
- The whole group are expected to act as a mutually supportive British squad and to behave responsibly. All fencers and accompanying adults should familiarise themselves with British Fencing's code of conduct for fencers travelling abroad, in particular the points relating to consumption of alcohol and unruly behaviour.
- A BF licence is essential
- Standard FIE kit is sometimes required abroad
  - All foils and body wires must be checked, including weight testing, before travelling.
  - Please do NOT arrive at any event abroad with sub-standard kit. Good preparation includes a complete kit check!
- Doping Control is carried out at all Junior A-Grades but not normally at cadet events. However it is wise to check that any medication you are taking or have taken recently is allowed. A **Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE)** is required for any prohibited substance taken for medical reasons if testing is likely. (See British Fencing website for information and forms).

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