

For both the **European Team Championships** and the **World Championships 2020** the following scheme will be used for selection.

## **SELECTION RANKING POINTS**

Selection Ranking Points will be accumulated by the best two results from the following three events:

- BVF International (4/5 January in Guildford)
- BVF Championships (28 February – 1 March in Nottingham)
- BVF Age Groups (28-29 March in Manchester)

### **Category Ranking Position**

For the BVF International the GBR fencers are taken separately in each age category from the other competitors and a ranking position obtained according to their final position in the competition.

For the Championships the results for each age category are taken separately to get a ranking position according to their final position in the competition.

At the Age Groups a fencer scores points according to their final position in the competition.

### **Points Score**

The same points matrix will be used to award points according to a fencer's position at each competition.

From the DE table a ranked list will be produced using the round of DE and the position from the poules that each fencer achieves. This includes the 3rd/4th position.

If 2 or more fencers are equal on position and round eliminated, then the point score is averaged. For instance, 2 fencers of equal 5<sup>th</sup> will score  $(23+27)/2=25$  points each.

### **Points Matrix**

1	50	9	13
2	43	10	10
3	37	11	7
4	32	12	5
5	27	13	4
6	23	14	3
7	19	15	2
8	16	16	1

Fencers' points will be displayed on a Selection Ranking Table which will be published on the website after the first event and updated after each subsequent qualifying event.

## **WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SELECTION**

### **Individual Selection**

The first 4 fencers in the Selection Ranking Table will be selected for the World Championships.

In the case of equality of points for 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> place etc in the Selection Ranking Table, the Selectors will choose the fencer they consider to be the strongest to be ranked above the other fencer(s).

If any of these 4 selected fencers are unavailable, then the selectors will select the replacement fencers at their complete and unfettered discretion.

### **Team Event Selection**

For each weapon a team will be selected from those fencers who have been selected for the individual events in that weapon.

The team at each weapon consists of up to two fencers from each of the age categories:

- A (50-59)
- B (60-69)
- C (70+)

For the team event, the Selectors will, at their absolute discretion, select the 2 fencers for the team from the fencers taking part in championships. They will select the fencers who in their opinion will produce the strongest team

Usually the team selected will be announced at the same time or very shortly after the Individual selections are announced. However there may be circumstances where it is deemed appropriate to defer all or part of the selection until after the Individual competition has taken place. The Selectors reserve the right to consider this if necessary and feasible.

### **For each team event**

The Selectors will appoint a Team Captain, who may or may not be one of the fencers in the team. The Team Manager may also act as team captain.

The Team Captain will choose which of the selected fencers fence in each match.

Any decision made at the Worlds to change the fencers entered for the team due to circumstances such as injury, withdrawal etc will be made by the Team Captain in conjunction with the Team Manager

## **EUROPEAN TEAM SELECTION**

### **Veteran Team Selection**

For each weapon 5 fencers will be selected using the following criteria:

- One place allocated to the highest placed eligible and available category 1 (40-49) fencers from the Selection Ranking Table.
- Two places will be allocated to the highest placed eligible and available category 2 (50-59) fencers from the Selection Ranking Table.
- The two remaining places will be awarded at the discretion of the Selectors chosen from the Veteran category as a whole i.e. 40-59.
- In the event of parity of scores on the Selection Ranking Table the fencer will be chosen at the discretion of the Selectors.
- In the event of a category being unable to provide its minimum allocation of fencers the Selectors can allocate places from the other category.
- As this is a team event, overriding all qualification results will be the Selectors' judgement of team suitability.

### **Grand Veteran Team Selection**

For each weapon 5 fencers will be selected using the following criteria

- One place allocated to the highest placed eligible and available category 3 (60-69) fencers from the Selection Ranking Table.
- Two places will be allocated to the highest placed eligible and available category 4 (70+) fencers from the Selection Ranking Table.
- The two remaining places will be awarded at the discretion of the Selectors chosen from the Veteran category as a whole i.e. 60+.

- In the event of parity of scores on the Selection Ranking Table the fencer will be chosen at the discretion of the Selectors.
- In the event of a category being unable to provide its minimum allocation of fencers the Selectors can allocate places from the other category.
- As this is a team event, overriding all qualification results will be the Selectors' judgement of team suitability.

### **Team Captain**

The Selectors will appoint a Team Captain, who may or may not be one of the fencers in the team.

The Team Captain will choose which of the selected fencers fence in each match.

### **APPEALS**

The Selectors will notify each selected fencer as soon as possible after the last selection event. The selection will also be announced on the BVF website. One week will be allowed for appeals which can only be based on a mistake in the points calculation.

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