

NVA SELECTION RULES

The Selection Rules were last updated on 3rd August 2003

A) General

1. Selection for all representative team and individual places will be in keeping with the rules of eligibility for the selection event under consideration.
2. In exceptional circumstances not covered by existing selection rules, the NVA Committee will be the decision-making body.
3. Selection of teams and/or individuals will be announced in time for an appeal to be processed prior to the selection event.
4. Any fencer wishing to appeal should send a written outline of their case to the NVA Chairman. A closing date for appeals will be announced with all selections.
5. Any selector having a personal interest in the selection procedure must declare same and withdraw from that part of the selection process. The Chairman or other disinterested officer of the NVA Committee will be substituted.
6. Any fencer who at the time of selection has no result in either the most recent NVA Championships or the most recent NVA Age Group Qualifiers must state their interest in writing to the Chairman before the date of selection in order to be considered.

B) Selection of representative teams and reserves

1. The first place is allocated to the highest ranked fencer in the NVA Championships who is available for selection.
2. Other places (with the exception of the last place) will be selected based primarily on the rankings in the NVA Championships. There are no formal selection criteria, but the overall strength of the team will be taken into account.
3. The last place is allocated at the discretion of the selectors, and will not necessarily be based on the rankings in the NVA Championships. There are no formal selection criteria, but the overall strength of the team will be taken into account.
4. Reserves will be selected in accordance with clauses 2 and 3.

C) Selection for individual events (age categorised)

1. The first place is allocated to the highest ranked fencer in the NVA Championships who is available for selection and who qualifies by age according to the rules of the selection event.
2. The second place is allocated to the highest ranked fencer in the NVA Age Group Qualifiers who is available for selection and who qualifies by age according to the rules of the selection event.
3. Other places, with one possible exception (see next point), will be selected from the highest ranked available fencers from the NVA Championships and the NVA Age Group Qualifiers, taking into account the relative strength of the two events.
4. One place may be allocated at the discretion of the selectors to allow for any unusual circumstances, in which case results from other Veterans' events, including earlier seasons, will be taken into account. Otherwise, Clause 3 will apply.
5. Reserves will be selected in accordance with clauses 3 and 4.

D) Selection for individual events (open)

1. Places are allocated based on rankings in the NVA Championships, with one possible exception (see next point).
2. One place may be allocated at the discretion of the selectors to allow for any unusual circumstances, in which case results from other Veterans' events, including earlier seasons, will be taken into account. Otherwise, Clause 1 will apply.
3. Reserves will be selected in accordance with clauses 1 and 2.

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