Canada Winter Games Team Selection Procedures

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- Athletes selected for the Canada Winter Games team will be announced no later than December 15, following the last qualifying event of the qualifying period (Alberta Cup 2). Fencing events will take place during Week 2 of the Canada Winter Games, from February 27 – March 5, 2023.
- Athletes will be selected from the current appropriate age group - Those who qualify for the Cadet age group for the 2022-2023 season (born 2006 or later).
- Qualifying events will be held between March 2022 and November 22, 2022.
- In the event any selection events are cancelled for one reason or another, the AFA: reserves the option to designate, with reasonable notice, a substitute event; if another sanctioned event is not available as an option, the Alberta Fencing Association will organize and host an unsanctioned Canada games selection tournament event.
- Selection will be based on **Canada Winter Games Qualification Points**, which will be tracked independently of AFA Provincial Ranking points and updated on the AFA website and through official communication channels.
- Athletes will be given points on their best 3 results in the Cadet event of the 5 qualifying tournaments. Qualifying tournaments include:
    1. CWG Selection Event 1 (March 13, 2022);
    2. Leslie Palmai Open 2022;
    3. Alberta Provincial Fencing Championships 2022;
    4. Alberta Cup 1 (October 1 & 2, 2022);
    5. Alberta Cup #2 (November 5 & 6 2022)
- No out-of-province tournaments will count towards selection points.
- Points will be assigned to CWG eligible aged athletes based on results at qualifying tournaments listed above. Point values will be determined as per chart below, with **points for Alberta Provincial Championships 2022 doubled**. All tournaments aside from Provincial Championships 2022 will be weighted equally, unless specifically stated otherwise.

	Result	Points
Top 4	1	40
	2	30
	3	20
Top 8	5	16
	6	14
	7	12
	8	10
Top 16	9 - 16	7
Top 32	17 - 32	5

- The fencer with the highest number of CWG Qualification Points for each event will be selected to be on the team, assuming they meet all other qualifications. In the event that two fencers have an equal number of points, selection will be based on the following:
    1. Fencer with the highest number of First Place results at qualifying tournaments (Cadet event only)
    2. If still tied, best result at 2022 Provincial Championships (in Cadet event)
    3. If further tiebreaker is necessary, it will be handled by the Athlete Selection Committee
- Athletes have the option of declining their selection. The next highest-ranked fencer on the Official Selection rankings will then be selected for the team.
- Pending exceptional circumstances, athletes must participate in mandatory training camps as noted by Canada Winter Games coaches.
- Athletes must also adhere to all requirements in the Canada Winter Games 2023 Technical Package, available here.