Below is the Selection Criteria for Touring Teams representing Victoria in National Championships for the following age Categories U15, U17 and U20.

U15 and U17/Cadet Selection

It is a requirement that to be selected to represent Victoria at U15 and U17/Cadet National Championships, fencers need first to compete in designated State Competitions. These competitions will be designated each year and published on the Fencing Victoria website.

Each year an information session will be held for those wishing attend U15/U17 National Championship. The purpose of this session is to provide information regarding both the competition and the Fencing Victoria Team arrangements for the competition. This is of particular importance to those who have not previously attended a National Competition.

Attendance at the information session is compulsory.

An Athlete need only qualify in one discipline, once on the Touring Team for that Championship event, the Athlete may enter multiple events.

Athletes can apply for exemption from these requirements in two ways.

Pre-requirement.

Athletes may request an exemption from declared competitions or the information session prior to those events.

The request must be made in writing to either the President or Communications Director. The request must be received at least 7 days prior to that event.

The Fencing Victoria Executive will consider the request and advise the athlete of the outcome in writing prior to the event.

Post-Requirement.

Athletes may request an exemption from declared competitions or the information session after those events on the following grounds.

Medical withdrawal: Medical Certificate Required.

Geographical withdrawal: Athletes will need to demonstrate they were unable to attend the event due to their location at the time of the event. This will be deemed as being more than 100 klms from the event at the time it was held. The request must be made in writing to either the President or Communications Director. The request must be received no more than 7 days post that event.

The Fencing Victoria Executive will consider the request and advise the athlete of the outcome in writing within 14 days of lodgement of the request.

Appeal Process.

If an athlete is not selected for the touring team due to non-completion of the selection requirements they can appeal the non-selection decision.

The request must be made in writing to either the President or Communications Director. The request must be received at least 14 days prior to the commencement of the U15/U17 National Championship.

The Selection Commission will consider the appeal and advise the athlete of the outcome in writing at least 7 days prior to the commencement of the U15/U17 National Championship.

* The Information Day for U15/U17 Cadet Nationals 2013

1st June at 4.30pm, State Fencing Centre, Theatrette, North Melbourne.

*2013 Designated Competitions for U15/U17/Cadet National Championships

State Competition held - March 16 & 17

And

State Championships held - May 18 & 19

U20 Selection

It is a requirement that to be selected to represent Victoria at U20 National Championships, fencers need first to compete in designated State Competitions.

These competitions will be designated each year and published on the Fencing Victoria website.

An Athlete need only qualify in one discipline, once on the Touring Team for that Championship event, the Athlete may enter multiple events.

Athletes can apply for exemption from these requirements in two ways.

Pre-requirement.

Athletes may request an exemption from declared competitions prior to those events. The request must be made in writing to either the President or Communications Director. The request must be received at least 7 days prior to that event. The Fencing Victoria Executive will consider the request and advise the athlete of the outcome in writing prior to the event.

Post-Requirement.

Athletes may request an exemption from declared competitions after those events on the following grounds.

Medical withdrawal: Medical Certificate Required.

Geographical withdrawal: Athletes will need to demonstrate they were unable to attend the event due to their location at the time of the event. This will be deemed as being more than 100 klms from the event at the time it was held.

The request must be made in writing to either the President or Communications Director. The request must be received no more than 7 days post that event.

The Fencing Victoria Executive will consider the request and advise the athlete of the outcome in writing within 14 days of lodgement of the request.

Appeal Process.

If an athlete is not selected for the touring team due to non-completion of the selection requirements they can appeal the non-selection decision.

The request must be made in writing to either the President or Communications Director. The request must be received at least 14 days prior to the commencement of the U20 National Championship.

The Selection Commission will consider the appeal and advise the athlete of the outcome in writing at least 7 days prior to the commencement of the U20 National Championship.

* 2013 Designated Competitions for U20 National Championships Selection

U20 State Championships held - May 18 & 19

And

The U20 State Competition held - <u>March 16 & 17.</u> If the fencer qualifies they may replace the U20 State Competition Event requirement with either a State Novice or B-Grade Event held prior to the U20 National Championships.

Or

The U20 State Championships held - May 18 & 19

And

1 of the 3 available State Open events held prior to the U20 National Championships.