



Committee Guidelines 2024

Selection process for the 2024 national team

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1 Introduction

The aim of the committee is to select a national team on the basis of a criteria-based procedure. The selection of the committee and the national team should be as transparent as possible. For this reason, this handbook sets out all the defined criteria for this process. The first committee set up to select the Swiss national team originated in the 2023 season. Based on this test phase, the procedure was recorded and optimized at the end of the season with the help of surveys. This manual will be adapted and optimized in subsequent seasons.

The basics of this manual are made up of the following components:

- Notes/Suggestions Community
- Evaluation of the 2023 committee

The following points are defined in this manual:

- Guidelines for the election of the committee
- Guidelines for the selection of national players (WM/EM)
- Mandate/commitments of the committee
- Committee communication concept

2 Selection criteria Committee

The committee can be selected in different ways. The following points serve as an overview of the different ways to apply. The time frame for the application and the final selection is also shown. The aim is for the committee to be publicly announced on April 1, 2024. The criteria for admission to the committee are listed under point 2.4.

2.1 Application

- Volunteers persons apply apply via a from the board sent by the *Application form*
- Suitable people are encouraged to apply for the committee by means of personal agreements

2.2 Election of the committee

Applications are submitted via the Swiss Roundndet Board. The board collects and discusses the applications received after the application deadline (March 10, 2024). Swiss Roundnet will then decide who will represent the committee in the 2024 season. Based on the decision made by Swiss Roundnet, the delegates of all clubs in Switzerland can issue a veto and submit counter-proposals within one week (registration deadline March 18-24, 2024). The final composition of the committee will then be decided at an extraordinary delegates' meeting (majority principle). The dates for the application and selection process can be found in the following timetable:

March 10, 2024	Application deadline via Google Forms
March 17, 2024	Final election of the Swiss Roundnet Committee. Disclosure of all candidates and those elected to the delegates (as a basis for vetoes)
March 18 - 24, 2024	Period for vetoes and counter-proposals by delegates
March 28, 2024	Final election of the committee (extraordinary Assembly of Delegates)

2.3 Composition of the committee

The committee should fulfill various conditions so that as many areas as possible can be covered. The conditions are briefly explained below:

- 5 persons (odd number)

- As many different clubs as possible should be represented (representation from the largest clubs Bern, Zurich, Basel and Schaffhausen would be desirable)
- Different genders should be represented

2.4 Criteria for admission to the committee

This chapter is about clarifying which characteristics are suitable and desirable for the activities in a committee.

General conditions:

- Top 80 ranking
- Presence at tournaments
- If possible, knowledge of international events
- Emotional independence in decisions (e.g. no relatives, no relationships)
- Participation in the national team meetings (present at at least 2)
- No Swiss Roundnet board member

Open and Women:

- Persons who wish to play in the national team may not be part of the committee.
- The exception to this rule is an unchallenged 1st placed person in the power ranking (at least 1.5 times the points of the 2nd placed person in the same ranking Women and/or Open).

3 Mandate of the committee

The following section summarizes the tasks, responsibilities and obligations of the committee. As a member of the committee, you are committed to the following areas of responsibility.

The committee meets and makes decisions independently of the Swiss Roundnet Board (in a closed circle).

Responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choice of national team (both individual and squad) ● External communication about the choice of national teams ● Participation in national team matches ● Election of two team captains ● Election of two team managers
Hours per week	May vary depending on the week. We expect a time commitment of approx. 4 hours per month.
Duration of the order during a season	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Start: April 1, 2024 (from the definitive election of the committee) ● End: Up to and including the 2024 World Cup (in London)
Process/schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● April 1: Start Office Committee ● Mid-April: Announcement of 1st preselection for IRF (see chapter 4 for details) ● April 27: first national team meeting ● May 13-17: Information on individual services for active inquiries ● June 23: second national team meeting ● June 24: each person on the committee makes their own selection for the national team ● July 1: final selection of the national team ● July 1-7: Information window (active demand) on the selection of the national team ● August 29 - September 1: World Championships London (voluntary)

<p>Public work</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Decisions on the selection of the National teams and team constellations will be announced by the committee ● Administrative matters are managed by the person responsible for the "National Team" on the Swiss Roundnet Board (Freya Levie)
<p>Offices</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meeting chair: person who searches for meeting dates and takes over the main management there ● External communication: Determine the person who carries the information to the outside world ● Internal communication: person who communicates with Freya and brings surveys or similar information about her to the committee ● Adimistratives: minutes of meetings, surveys, documentation ● Time stopper:in: person who takes care of efficiency during meetings or discussions

4 Process for selecting the national team

All aspects relevant to the selection of the national team are defined in the following chapter.

4.1 Overview

Period	Area of responsibility
Mid-April 2024	Pre-selection of 12 women and 12 men who can be reported to the IRF. This selection is based on the power ranking at the time of April 2024 (time of submission). External communication will be carried out by the committee. It is important to note that this selection does not represent a definitive selection of the national team. The selection can still change completely by July 1 and is based solely on the numerical values of the power ranking. This selection is only made for the fulfillment of IRF requirements.
April 27, 2024	First national team meeting: Observation of the extended national squad in accordance with the criteria under point 4.2. The individual members of the committee should be present at 2 out of 3 national team meetings.
May 13-17, 2024	Information window about the current status: During this time, the players in the extended national squad will have time to actively exchange information with the committee. No information about individual rankings will be provided. Only topics relating to the selection criteria under point 4.2 will be discussed. Information may be provided as to whether inclusion in the national team is on the safe or uncertain side and what is still lacking. However, these statements should not be regarded as final decisions, but rather as tendencies.
June 23	Second Nati match: Observation of the extended national squad in accordance with the criteria under point 4.2. The individual members of the committee must be present at 2 out of 3 national team meetings. It would be possible to appoint one woman and one man as team captains for the World Cup.

June 24, 2024

Each member of the committee individually draws up a list of the national team selection (including alternates). In concrete terms, this means 10 men (+ 2 alternates) and 10 women (+ 2 alternates), i.e. a total of 24 people.

The committee collates all the individual results and makes a joint decision on the final selection of the national team. On the one hand, a decision is made as to which individuals may compete as part of the national team and which team constellations will be put together by the committee.

In addition to the team constellations for the squad tournament, the committee will select 3 Open, 3 Women and 2 Mixed teams to represent Switzerland in the Individual.

The committee must contact the persons selected for the national team before July 1, 2024 and inform them of the specified team constellation.

In addition to the national team, the committee is responsible for filling the following positions (required for the World Championships):

- **Team manager: preferably** a person who is not actively playing at the World Cup. This position can be filled freely by bilateral agreement.
- **Team captain: one** woman and one man who will play in the national team at the World Championships. This selection should be made in bilateral consultation with the national team.

July 1, 2024

The final selection of the national team will be communicated transparently by the committee. A small letter of justification will support the selection of the respective persons, but can also be published in a form other than a letter. In consultation with Freya Levie, the national team must then be announced on social media, by email to all members and via the website.

July 1 - 7, 2024

Information window: Disagreements about the selection of the national team can be actively reported to the committee for one week and further information requested. No information will be given about the rankings of individuals. There will only be an exchange of information about the criteria that were taken into account when the committee made its selection.

29. August - 1. September 2024 | World Championships in London - participation voluntary

September 2, 2024 | End of activity in the committee

4.2 Criteria for the selection of the national team

The selection of the national team is basically a mixture of objective and subjective decisions. To ensure that the decisions are fair and can be selected on the basis of uniform ideas, some generally applicable provisions are set out here:

- The top 2 ranked athletes in the power ranking are automatically in the national team (women and open). If someone from the top 2 does not want to or cannot make the national team, the next best person in the Open/Women power ranking moves up.
- Borderline cases may be discussed: for example, if a person has been individually selected by several people from the committee, but other team constellations are more suitable. The choice of team constellations is based on the choice of the committee and does not have to be made primarily on the basis of the constellations applied for. If such a "new" team constellation is created, the players concerned will be consulted.
- Only persons who are either Swiss citizens or have been resident in Switzerland since at least 31.12.2023 can be elected

The following is a list of points that can be used for the classification of individual persons:

- Points in the power ranking
- Attendance at national team meetings: at least one national team meeting must have been attended (plus the 3rd meeting is compulsory for the national team). Excuses for absence from a national team meeting must be submitted to the committee. The committee decides whether the reason is acceptable or not (see also "National team regulations")
- Applications: potential national team players must actively apply to the committee (applications will start after the final selection of the committee and end on 01.05.2024). There, the players indicate 2-5 priority teams, which are agreed individually beforehand. The committee can use this information for the selection of the national team, but is not obliged to fulfill all wishes and priorities. These applications are valid for both the individual and the squad tournament. Accordingly, up to a maximum of two mixed priority teams can also be specified.
- Observation of performance: the following figure (1) is an example of an observation sheet that the committee can use for grading purposes



YOB: 1997
 Height: 181 cm
 Location: Bern
 Nationality: CH

MUSTER

ADVANTAGES

- serve pressure
- hitting
- defense

DISADVANTAGES

- "Off-hand" setting
- Serve variations
- decision making

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SERVING 13

Ham Serve	16
Cut Serve	16
Reverse Cut	12
Drop Serve	8
Off-hand serving	12
Decision Making	13
Consistency	13
Technique	13

SETTING 10

In system	12
Overhead Setting	10
Recovery Sets	11
Situational Sets	8
Off-hand setting	7
Consistency	10
Technique	12

DEFENCE 10

Anticipation	11
Body blocking	8
Footwork	10
Reactions	10
Defensive tctuch	9
Speed	10

HITTING 10

Push	14
Pull	5
Open	13
Flicks	12
Boomball	12
StepThrou gh	10
Off-Net Hits	10
Situational Hits	10
Off-hand	9
Diving Hits	0
Consistency	12
Technique	12

SERVE RECEIVE 11

Right Hand	13
Left Hand	12
Jams	10
Drops	11
Footwork	8

THIS MONTHS FOCUS

- Lateral Toss
- Reverse
- Hitting
- Shuffle Step
- Footwork

OVERALL 10.8



4.3 Information from the Committee to the outside world

In principle, Swiss Roundnet reserves the right that the committee is not subject to any obligation to provide information. However, there will be the possibility for players to exchange information with the committee during a predefined period. This period will be between May 13-17, 2024. The committee will not provide any information about the ranking. The exchange will only be limited to the discussion of strengths, weaknesses or similar criteria. The committee can also give the players tips on what to focus on in order to increase (but not guarantee) their chances of making the national team.

4.4 Alternative procedure if a committee is not formed

If it is not possible to put together a committee for various reasons, the alternative procedure described here applies. As it will not be possible to integrate a subjective perspective into the selection process without a committee, the alternative variant is limited to an objective/numbers-based perspective. In this case, the *power ranking* on *June 23, 2024* will decide which women and men will be allowed to represent Switzerland as a national team. The women and men ranked 1st-10th will form the national team. The 11th and 12th placed women and men form the alternative players. If a place is declined, the right to a national team place moves backwards in rank. The 1st ranked person (woman/man) is the team captain. The team captains are responsible for ensuring that the national team forms the team constellations by mutual agreement. In the event of disagreements, Swiss Roundnet can be involved and make a decision at an extraordinary meeting. The team constellations must be agreed on
be defined by *July 1, 2024*.

7 Contact person and contact

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Below are the details of the Swiss Roundnet contact person for the national team and the committee:

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