

## The Selection Process Timeline – Year 7 - 2023/2024 – Individual Sport

Phase	Date/s	Notes
Letter from DG MEYR	By Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Notification letter to all schools in Malta regarding NSS applications
Online Informative Meeting for Parents of Applicants into Year 7	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 9.30 am	Head of School to address meeting <a href="#">Click here to join the meeting</a> Meeting ID: 310 913 687 015 Passcode: A8Gd4A <a href="#">Download Teams</a>   <a href="#">Join on the web</a>
<b>or</b>		
Informative Meeting at the National Sport School for Parents of Applicants into Year 7	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 6:15pm	NSS Multi-purpose Hall Head of School to address meeting
Informative meeting to all Sports Associations/Federations	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 09:00am	NSS Multi-purpose Hall Head of School to address meeting
NSS applications open:	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Applications will be available online from the school website or from Customer Care/One Stop Shop, Directorate for Educational Services, Floriana: <b>Monday to Saturday: 8:00am to 1:00pm</b> <b>Wednesdays only: 4:30pm to 7:00pm</b> or at the Innovation Hub, Triq il-Pitkalija Xewkija, Gozo: <b>Monday to Friday: 8:30am to 5:00pm.</b>
NSS applications close	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Applications must be submitted by <b>noon</b> at the <b>Customer Care/One Stop Shop Office, Directorate for Educational Services, Floriana</b> or at the <b>Innovation Hub, Triq il-Pitkalija, Xewkija, Gozo.</b>
<b>Individual Trials</b>	From Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March To Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April  2 trails for every sport except for Athletics and Swimming	Individual Sport Panel Board approved by the Secretary of the Selection Process NSS (SPNSS).  Weighting of Assessment Marks is as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Foreign Expert* 50%</li> </ul>

	<p>For Athletics and Swimming the best performance is taken till the National Championships – May 2023</p> <p>Time and Venue to be communicated by email by the Secretary of the Selection Process NSS (SPNSS).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coach/es nominated by NSS 25%</li> <li>• Coach/es nominated by Association/Federation 25%</li> </ul> <p>Pass Mark 65%</p> <p><b>This represents 50% of the global mark.</b></p>
<b>Fitness Tests</b>	<p>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023</p> <p>Time to be communicated by email by the Secretary of the Selection Process NSS (SPNSS).</p>	<p>Fitness Tests criteria will be published on the school website for reference information.</p> <p>Fitness Tests will be conducted by qualified personnel endorsed by the Secretary of the Selection Process NSS - SPNSS.</p> <p>Those who fail in the fitness test will not be eligible to join NSS. Certain Sports may have specified fitness tests.</p> <p><b>This represents 26% of the global mark.</b></p>
Athlete/s recommended for the <b>Wild Card</b>	<p>Submission of Wild Card Application:</p> <p>Tuesday 2nd May 2023 to Tuesday 9th May 2023</p>	<p>Wildcard is only open to an outstanding athlete/s recommended by the Individual Sport Panel Board in line with the wild card regulations.</p> <p>Those who will earn a wild card must still sit for the benchmark exams. They are eligible to join NSS if they fail the benchmark exams but excel in their respective Individual and Fitness tests.</p> <p>Application will be available online from the school website and must be submitted by <b>noon</b> by the Individual Sport Panel Board at the Customer Care/One Stop Shop Office, Directorate for Educational Services, Floriana or at the Innovation Hub, Triq il-Pitkalija Xewkija, Gozo.</p>

<b>Benchmark examinations</b>	<b>First session:</b> To be held between Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> of May 2023. <b>Second session:</b> To be held between Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June and Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2023.	Applicants will sit for the National Benchmark Exams: Maths, Maltese, and English. Specific dates to be confirmed by the EAU. Students will pass if attain a minimum threshold of <b>45%</b> in any <b>two core subjects</b> and <b>35%</b> in <b>one</b> of the <b>three core subjects</b> .  <i>This represents 24% of global mark</i>
Publication of Wild Card Results Awarded	by Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Results will be published at the <b>Customer Care/One Stop Shop Office, Directorate for Educational Services, Floriana</b> or at the <b>the Innovation Hub, Triq il-Pitkalija Xewkija, Gozo</b> .
Publication of Results	by Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Results will be published at the <b>Customer Care/One Stop Shop Office, Directorate for Educational Services, Floriana</b> or at the <b>at the Innovation Hub, Triq il-Pitkalija Xewkija, Gozo</b> .

<b>NSS Entry Criteria Marks</b>	
<b>Main Sport Test</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>Fitness Test</b>	<b>26%</b>
<b>Benchmark Exams</b>	<b>24%</b>

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\*In case that the foreign expert is unavailable to attend, the Secretary of the Selection Process NSS (SPNSS) will nominate a replacement.