

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

Phase	Date/s	Notes
Letter from DG MEYR	By Monday 26 th September 2022	Notification letter to all schools in Malta regarding NSS applications
Online Informative Meeting for Parents of Applicants into Year 7	Thursday 6 th October 2022 at 9.30 am	Head of School to address meeting Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 310 913 687 015 Passcode: A8Gd4A Download Teams Join on the web
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Informative Meeting at the National Sport School for Parents of Applicants into Year 7	Thursday 6 th October 2022 at 6:15pm	NSS Multi-purpose Hall Head of School to address meeting
Informative meeting for all Sports Associations/Federations	Tuesday 11 th October 2022 at 9:00am	NSS Multi-purpose Hall Head of School to address meeting
NSS applications open:	Monday 20 th February 2023	Applications will be available online from the school website or from Customer Care/One Stop Shop, Directorate for Educational Services, Floriana: Monday to Saturday: 8:00am to 1:00pm Wednesdays only: 4:30pm to 7:00pm or at the Innovation Hub, Triq il-Pitkalija Xewkija, Gozo: Monday to Friday: 8:30am to 5:00pm.
NSS applications close	Monday 13 th March 2023	Applications must be submitted by noon at the Customer Care/One Stop Shop Office, Directorate for Educational Services, Floriana or at the Innovation Hub, Triq il-Pitkalija, Xewkija, Gozo.
Teams Sport Trials Basketball Waterpolo Handball Other Team Sport	Monday 20 th March 2023 and Friday 24 th March 2023 Time and Venue to be communicated by email by the	Team Sport Panel Board approved by the Secretary of the Selection Process NSS (SPNSS). Weighting of Assessment Marks is as follows:

	Secretary of the Selection Process NSS (SPNSS).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foreign Expert* 50% • Coach/es nominated by NSS 25% • Coach/es nominated by Association/Federation 25% <p>Test includes: Test 1 Trial – games Test 2 Trial – games Test 3 Individual Skills</p> <p>Pass Mark 65%</p> <p>This represents 50% of the global mark</p>
Fitness Tests	Monday 17 th April to Friday 28 th April 2023 Time to be communicated by email by the Secretary of the Selection Process NSS (SPNSS).	Fitness Tests criteria will be published on the school website for reference information. Fitness Tests will be conducted by qualified personnel endorsed by the Secretary of the Selection Process NSS – SPNSS. Those who fail in the fitness test will not be eligible to join NSS. Certain Sports may have specified fitness tests. This represents 26% of global mark
Player/s recommended for the Wild Card	Submission of Wild Card Application: Tuesday 2nd May 2023 to Tuesday 9th May 2023	Wildcard is only open to an outstanding player/s recommended by the Team Sport Panel Board in line with the wild card regulations. 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 Sport and Fitness tests. Application will be available online from the school website and must be submitted by noon by the Team Sport Board at the Customer Care/One Stop Shop Office,

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

NSS Entry Criteria Marks	
Main Sport Test	50%
Fitness Test	26%
Benchmark Exams	24%

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