



## Swiss National Senior Men Selection Criteria

To qualify for the Swiss National Side, a player must meet the same criteria as are required by the International Cricket Council (ICC) i.e.:

**2.1.1** the Player was born in the country whose domestic cricket governing body is the National Cricket Federation; NOTE: The relevant information and documentation required to evidence satisfaction of the Nationality Qualification Criteria must, when requested, be provided in a timely fashion to the ICC.

**2.1.2** at the date of submission of the relevant information to the ICC, the Player can demonstrate (by his/her possession of a valid passport issued by the relevant country) that he/she is a national of the country whose domestic cricket governing body is the National Cricket Federation; or

**2.1.3** at the date of submission of the relevant information to the ICC, the Player is a Resident of the country whose domestic cricket governing body is the National Cricket Federation. For the purposes of this Article, a Player will be deemed to be a 'Resident' of a particular country if the Player has had his/her primary and permanent home in the relevant country for the immediately preceding three years, and Residence and Residency shall be construed accordingly.

Please refer detailed player eligibility regulations here:

<https://images.icc-cricket.com/image/upload/prd/torzwbwzb4rzqmer8hfk.pdf>

After a player meets the ICC's requirements, the Swiss National Side will be selected on following set of criteria:

### **Player's Ability:**

A player's ability, his expertise and experience for the role he is being considered for in the national side are paramount. The players can present different attributes to convince the selectors about their abilities.

### **Domestic Performance:**

Cricket Switzerland has different competitions throughout the year. A player's performance in domestic cricket is of high importance when considered for the national selection. It can happen that a player has a bad patch during one season or so, but overall, the domestic performance will have a significant impact on national team selection.

If a player does not take part in domestic cricket without a valid reason (e.g., work or study) then he can be disqualified from selection upon selection committee's discretion.

**Past International Performance:**

As Cricket Switzerland is relatively new to the international cricket under ICC, the past international performance of players (if applicable) will be considered during future selection processes.

**Fitness:**

To compete at the highest-level, minimum fitness level is required as described here. The players must be able to demonstrate that they have the required fitness level needed to perform the role for which they are selected.

The players must be able to run 2km in 9:30 (9 mins and 30 seconds). A player who runs between 9:30 and 10:00 mins would be in the 'orange' limit and will be 'on notice'. A player who cannot meet the 10:00 mins time, will not be selected.

In addition to this, during the selection process, physical fitness will be assessed by team physio and his/her recommendations will be considered.

Fitness levels will be assessed generally for all available players on trials and depending on the timing of the international matches further tests will be conducted regularly.

**Discipline:**

All players are expected to show exemplary behaviour as part of the national team setup. Players who have exhibited disciplinary problems in domestic cricket or on previous tours, will not be considered for selection until the Disciplinary Committee's sanctions have been formally cleared.

**Training and Practice Games:**

All players who are invited are encouraged to attend training sessions. If players cannot attend training sessions, they must inform the trainers and team manager about the situation. A player who continues to miss training sessions without justified reasons, can lose his place in the team. A player who misses 30% or more sessions without any valid reason, would lose his place in the squad.

All players who want to be considered for selection must prioritise National Team Practice and Games over Domestic Cricket matches.

**Non-discrimination and non-biased:**

It is the goal of Cricket Switzerland that players are selected based on their talents and regardless of their race/religion or any other bias.

**Overseas Players:**

Players who are Swiss Nationals but who are not living in Switzerland can also be considered for selection in the national team. However, to be considered, they are recommended to join a club and play as many domestic games as possible. The selection committee will take the final decision.

This can be waived in extreme circumstances, for example if a player is professionally playing in another country or other extreme cases which can be approved by the selection committee.

### **Commitment to national team:**

It is essential to highlight that Cricket Switzerland is largely a voluntary organization. As such, not all activities for participating players can be fully funded. Therefore, players putting their name forward must be willing to accept the following:

1. Financial Contribution: Players should be prepared to contribute financially towards their participation, including travel, accommodation, and other related expenses.
2. Willingness to Travel: Players must be willing to travel within Switzerland for training sessions organized at different grounds, which may not necessarily be close to their place of residence.
3. Time Commitment: Players must be ready to commit time for training sessions, matches, and team meetings, understanding that schedules may vary.
4. Voluntary Support: Participation may require players to engage in voluntary support roles, such as helping with coaching, administration, or event organization.
5. Fundraising Participation: Players may be expected to participate in fundraising events (example: showcase of cricket for local events, events organised by Swiss Olympics for promotion of cricket etc.) to support team activities and initiatives.
6. Team Spirit and Collaboration: A willingness to foster a positive team environment, respect & support for management, fellow players, and work collaboratively towards shared goals.
7. Personal Responsibility: Players must take personal responsibility for their performance, conduct and representation of Cricket Switzerland at all events.

### **Selection Committee:**

The following members will have the voting rights for selection:

- Head of Selection Committee
- Selectors
- National Senior Coach

(in case of disagreement, there will be voting, and in case of a draw, the vote of Head of Selection Committee will be decisive)

Following members will act as advisors to the selection committee:

- Assistant National Coach (in a specialist advisory capacity)
- Physiotherapist (in an advisory capacity on fitness and player suitability)
- U19 representative (in an advisory capacity, who will give inputs from juniors)

The inputs of the Captain will also be considered for selection.

**Announcement of Squad:** The squad will be announced as early as possible in advance of an upcoming tour.

**Team Selection for matches:** The team will be selected from the squad by the Head Coach, and the Captain.