



2018 National Schools Fencing Competition Programme

DATE: Friday, 18th May 2018

VENUE: Arnold Classic Africa 2018, Sandton Convention Center, Maud Street, Sandton.

ENTRY: ENTRIES CLOSE ON 9.5.2018

The Competition is set to Club Entry – please ask your club administrator to enter you.

NB: In addition to the Normal Ophardt Entry, All fencers are to complete the online Google Form, found at this url: <https://goo.gl/forms/qKBEL5O3rWJqjAYi2> with their Name, Surname, age (dd/mm/yy), Weapon Category/ and School Details: School Name : Name of Director of Sport : Email address of Director of Sport – as the GFA will issue a formal invitation to each school on receipt of the Google entry.

Should you experience issues with entering please email Jo Ann Saner at fencing@li.co.za.

Please obtain and pay for your 2018 **FFSA Licence** from your Provincial Fencing Association, if you have not done so already.

The Annual FFSA National Licence is R150 for the Year 2018. If you have already paid for Junior Nationals you do not need to pay again.

Please send proof of license payment to your provincial administrator.

Competition Entry Fee: R180

Development Fencers: Fencers who have been declared by Province and approved by FFSA - R50.

Only EFT payments will be accepted. No cash will be accepted at the venue.

Payments to be made by Saturday 5th May 2018 (Entry Closing Date).

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Bank Details for Host Province:

Account Name: Gauteng Fencing Association
STANDARD BANK Account number: 420101527
Beneficiary branch: 051001

Please use the reference code FENCER'S INTIAL AND SURNAME-FRI. For example JBLOGGS-FRI2018
Email proof of payment to fencing@li.co.za

Late entry after the cut-off date will result in paying a fee of double the competition entry fee. As circumstances vary, the acceptance of late entries will be at the discretion of the Organiser, which will not be unreasonably withheld. Payment cut-off date and method are at the discretion of the competition organiser.

COMPETITION RULES:

1. Eligibility: Fencers who are aged U11 to U20 and who attend school.
2. Parents of U18 Fencers are to sign the attached Indemnity Form.
3. An event will take place if there are 4 and more fencers per age group.
 - If there are only 4 entries in an event only a final DE will be fenced for Gold and Silver medals.
 - For events with five or more competitors, a gold medal, a silver medal and one bronze medal will be awarded. A competition with only five entries will fence off for third place.
5. If there are insufficient entries to hold separate gender events, a mixed event will be held. One set of medals will be awarded if there is a mixed event.
6. This is an Open Competition.
7. The competition may not be delayed by waiting for fencers – fencers must sign the attendance register before the competition, and if a fencer is not present at roll-call they will be excluded.
8. Weapons are to be checked before the event, and during pool and DE bouts.
9. A certified 350N Plastron is to be worn by a fencer at any National event.
10. No tracksuit pants may be worn while fencing. Breeches and long socks only.
11. All fencers on the piste must have access to at least one spare working weapon, body wire and mask clip at the side of the piste.
12. Electric jackets and mask bibs may be tested for resistance.



13. Fencers must be aware of doping regulations. Any fencer may be tested.
14. Weapon repairs done at the Competition are at a cost and payable to the person/s doing the repair.
15. Medals will be presented shortly after the end of an event, but bearing in mind that other bouts are to continue and may not be interrupted unless agreed to by the Referees.
16. **All Fencers receiving medals are required to be dressed accordingly in Fencing attire (Jacket zipped closed) or their School Track suit. No t-shirts or branded attire is permitted.**
17. Spectators, Fencers & Coaches are reminded to refresh their understanding of rules t82, t83 & t92 & t93 with regard to behavior.
18. Provinces must confirm the names of their **AVAILABLE** Referees to Mike Stafford / Louise Lombard and the organizers via email, by the 30.4. 2018. Referees sent by their province may not refuse if called upon to referee.
19. Provinces are required to supply necessary scoring equipment to the competition as requested.
20. The Organising Committee reserves the right to change the order of the programme. Finishing times can only be estimated once all entries have been received. Such times are dependent on the number of entries, availability of Referees and the promptness of Fencers to present themselves on the Piste.
21. Fencers must present themselves at the piste 10 minutes before the announced starting time of an event. Any fencer not present at the piste and ready to fence (may not still be fencing in another event at that time), will be scratched from the event.
22. Fencers are therefore cautioned against entering events that are likely to partially overlap. This particularly applies to fencers entering more than one weapon.
23. The progress of the schedule depends on the availability of referees and pistes.



About the Arnold Classic Africa 2018:

The Arnold Classic Africa is the biggest multi-sport event on the Africa continent, now one of 6 events happening worldwide. It is to be held in the sunny and healthy city of Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa at the Sandton Convention Centre.

The iconic personality Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, will attend this annual event in the city internationally well known for its care and dedication for sport. The Arnold Classic Africa will host more than 50 sports and events with more than 12 000 participants over 3 days.

See the **Official Website** for more details of the Programme and Sponsors

Venue Entrance Fee: webtickets.co.za/performance.aspx?itemid=1478524156

All Fencers, Administrators, Officials & Referees are required to have an official armband to enter the competition venue.

Friends and Family are requested to purchase their tickets (R150 per day for Adults, R20 per day for Children), from the Event website. Note: Proceeds from the ticket sales are donated to the FFSA by the ACC Organisers.

Parking: As we begin our events early, access and parking should not be a problem. You can park at Sandton City or Sandton Square.

Accommodation: Please see the Arnold Classic website
www.arnoldclassicafrica.com

for deals on Accommodation, or request hosting from the GFA community.

<http://www.arnoldclassicafrica.com/fencing.html>

Issued on behalf of the FFSA by the GFA
5.04.2018

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES:

GFA Committee 2018: Chris Mostert, Hawkins Mkhathshwa, Geoff Saner, Tracy Staegemann, Jaco Van Der Merwe, , Manyane Sefularo, Jo Ann Saner.
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2018 NATIONAL SCHOOLS FENCING CHAMPIONSHIP PROGRAMME

FRIDAY 18 th of May 2018					
Event No.	Roll Call	Start	Epee	Foil	Sabre
		8:00 8:30	Weapons Check Referee Meeting		
1 & 2 3 & 4 5 & 6	8h15	9h00	U11 Men's Epee U11 Women's Epee	U15 Men's Foil U15 Women's Foil Or Mixed	U20 Men's Sabre U20 Women's Sabre Or Mixed
7 & 8 9 & 10	9h45	10h30	U17 Men's Epee U17 Women's Epee	U11 Men's Foil U11 Women's Foil Or Mixed	
11 & 12 13 & 14 15 & 16	11h45	12h30	U15 Men's Epee U15 Women's Epee	U13 Men's Foil U13 Women's Foil Or Mixed	U17 Men's Sabre U17 Women's Sabre Or Mixed
		14h00	Medals Presentation		
17&18	13h45	14h30	U13 Men's Epee U13 Women's Epee	U17 Men's Foil U17 Women's Foil Or Mixed	Team Draw U20 Men's Sabre Team
19 & 20	14h45	15h30			Team Draw U20 Women's Sabre Team Event
21 & 22	15h45	16h30		Team Draw U20 Men's Foil Team Event U20 Women's Foil Team Event	
23 & 24	16h45	17h30	Team Draw U20 Men's Epee Team Event U20 Women's Epee Team Event		
		19h30	Medals Presentation		