

NSWFA INFORMATION SHEET 2012

ROLL CALL AND ENTRIES

Entries to NSWFA competitions are to be made on-line via the NSW Fencing website at the rate of \$25.00. Entries close midnight on the Thursday prior to the event. Individual and team competition entries made in person on the day of the event will attract a \$10 surcharge. Entry fee for a second event is \$15.00, this can be done on-line or on the day without a surcharge applying. Referee Redemption entries are also asked to enter on-line.

NSW Schools State Championship and Schools League competitions must be entered prior to the day of competition on the forms supplied to Schools. To ensure eligibility to fence, all competitors **must** be entered and present at least 10 minutes before ROLL CALL shown on the annual timetable. If you are travelling a long distance, i.e. outside metropolitan Sydney, and want to ensure that the event organiser knows you are attending, you may ring on 0414 392 895 (or leave voicemail). **Please note our use of the venue finishes at 5:00pm and another booking immediately follows us, so all events not completed by 4:30 pm will be abandoned, so venue can be packed up and handed over by 5:00pm.**

For AFF competitions, all entries must be received by the closing date shown on the NSWFA Timetable. **Entries are to be made on-line at www.nswfencing.org.au**. Any entries to AFF competitions after this date will be at double the normal rate and will be made to the state association hosting the event on the day. Fencers **must** be affiliated at the time the entry is made.

SURCHARGE & LEVY

Levies and surcharges will be applied to AFF National Championships which are held in Sydney (\$60 per entry) this will go towards hosting the event. There will also be a levy for AFF National Championships which are held interstate (\$60 per entry), which will go towards paying for a referee, team managers and coaches for these events..

TIMETABLE

The 2012 Time table will be placed on the website. Since revisions occur throughout the year, members are encouraged to regularly check that they have the current revision. **Please note carefully the closing dates for AFF competition entries.**

A number of changes have been made to the NSWFA competition schedule for this year. These changes have been made in order to accommodate more age related competitions for our junior membership as well as to encourage larger participation numbers.

A number of competitions will be linked in a 'Grand Prix' points system. Not all competitions on the timetable are included in the points system. However, each age group, U11, U13, U15, U17, U20 will have a few of their own competitions in which they are able to accrue points and they are also able to gain points by fencing a "GP" competition in a higher age group. Opens have three Grand Prix competitions plus their state championship. These point scoring competitions are indicated on the timetable by a '(GP)' following the competition name. A prize will be awarded at the end of the season in each age group to the OVERALL winner in that category. Points awarded to fencers at every competition will also go towards a tally for OVERALL BEST CLUB. By competing, fencers automatically accrue points for their respective clubs. Points will also be awarded for club teams.

Points will be awarded as such:

1st – 25 pts
2nd – 20 pts
3rd – 15 pts
5th-8th – 10 pts
9th-16th – 5 pts
17th-32nd – 3 pts

Novice Competitions will have events in all THREE weapons & will NOT receive GP points.
Veteran Competitions will have three competitions & Championship in all THREE weapons & will NOT receive GP points.

AFFILIATION & REGISTRATION

All fencers wishing to compete in NSWFA & AFF competitions **MUST be affiliated**. The only exceptions are the following competitions where fencers can be **registered** for a lower charge:

NSW Schools Championships (Team and Individual)
A J Rae Invitational Schools Teams (National School Team Qualifier)

Roseanne White Invitational Schools Teams (National School Team Qualifier)
Any NSWFA U/11 or U/13 competition
Any other school competitions (except Schools Nationals)
All novice competitions

2012 Affiliation/Registration is due on 1 January. **They are to be made on-line via the NSWFA website www.nswfencing.org.au using secure credit card payment.**

UNIFORM

Conductive FOIL Bibs: Will be optional at NSW FA Foil events in 2012. However they will be compulsory at all AFF events in 2012.

All competitions: Ladies' and Girls' equipment must include **breast protection** made of metal or some other rigid surface.

Novice, U/11, U/13 and Schools Fencing Competitions: **A Fencing Jacket and under plastron must be worn.** Gloves and masks are compulsory. Masks must have elastic at the back. Breeches or long tracksuit pants (which cover the waist) must be worn, except for Novice Epee where breeches must be worn. Shorts are unacceptable. For U/11 and U/13 Foil and Epee mini size blades must be used.

Open, B Grade, U/15, U/17, U/20: Full fencing uniform, **this includes LONG socks that must stay up.** An underplastron must be worn. Tracksuit pants are **not** acceptable for these events.

OFFICIALS: These assist on a voluntary basis and if you wish to be involved please contact the Secretary or the Technical Commission.

NSWFA ENTRY FEES (2011): On-line entry fee \$25.00 per weapon, late entry fee \$35.00. Second event on the day \$15.00. On-line team entry fee \$50 per team, late entry fee \$60.00 per team.