

Terms & Conditions

Athlete Agreement - Adult (18 and over)

Athletes age 18 or over are ultimately responsible for their conduct and actions and related legal and financial consequences while participating in Youth Trips and Events. The following agreement is between the athlete and British Fencing:

(Parents of athletes 18 or over who wish to retain responsibilities and/or communicate with British Fencing on behalf of their child with regards to Youth Trips and Events must also sign the agreement.)

I, _____ (insert name here)

Agree that I will abide by the following Terms and Conditions:

These Terms and Conditions will apply to all British Fencing Youth Trips and Events for the current season. For the avoidance of doubt, the term Events apply to all group activities organised by British Fencing including those run by the Talent Program.

Payments

I am responsible for all payments due and any damages incurred by myself

Unless I have been explicitly informed in writing by an employee of British Fencing, I am liable for the costs incurred on my behalf in attending the event, including and not limited to,

- a. Entry fees & fines
- b. Transport
- c. Hotel and
- d. Share of Officials expenses

I understand that the Officials' expenses will be incurred and shared according to the

- a. British Fencing Expense Policy including the Officials addendum and
- b. GB Trip Management Policies and Procedures

I accept that I am not entitled to access details of individual officials' claims.

If I am unable to attend the event (after the point that I have accepted selection) I am liable for any fines or costs arising as a result of cancellation. This applies irrespective of the reason for non-attendance. (eg illness, travel delays, disciplinary action).

I understand that at any time, if a Performance Team Manager or British Fencing Official of the trip deems it necessary, following a serious breach of the BF Code of Conduct, they will make arrangements for me to be sent home. I will be 100% liable for all costs incurred by or on behalf of British Fencing in relation to these alternative arrangements.

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I understand that from time to time British Fencing may appoint an agent to act on its behalf to manage the financial administration of trips and events.

I confirm that I have a valid travel insurance policy with confirmed cover for travelling as part of a British Fencing team and representing Great Britain at sporting events.

I understand that in the event of flight cancellation or travel disruption, British Fencing will make alternative arrangements for my safe return. I will be 100% liable for all costs incurred by or on behalf of British Fencing in relation to these alternative arrangements.

Code of Conduct

I have read and understood the British Fencing Young Athlete's Code of Conduct and the related sanctions.

I am capable of upholding and adhering to the Code of Conduct.

I understand that on trips where there are a mixture of 18+ and under 18s there will be rules in place designed for the additional protection and safeguarding of minors. I understand that I am also expected to adhere to these rules.

I will accept the authority of British Fencing Officials and agree to comply at all times from entry point to departure point and understand that any breach of this code will have consequences according to the relevant sanctions.

Medical and Anti-Doping

I accept that fencing activities carry the risk of injury.

I confirm that I will only participate in British Fencing activities if I am in good health and can be considered fit to participate.

I warrant that I have disclosed all relevant medical conditions in the current fencer information form on the fencingtrips system. NB Any condition that needs to be kept confidential should be disclosed to the British Fencing Medical Officer only, who will disclose with permission to the appropriate officials.

I give permission for the British Fencing Officials to give authority on my behalf for any medical treatment recommended by competent medical authorities, where, in the doctor's opinion, I am incapable of giving informed consent myself.

I have read and understand the current British Fencing Anti-Doping Policy, as published on the British Fencing website, and confirm that I agree to abide by this and the event drug testing regulations.

I warrant that I am not taking or have taken any form of medication or substance which may result in a positive drug test, other than those explicitly identified in writing to British Fencing's Medical and Anti-Doping Officer clarehalsted@blueyonder.co.uk

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I acknowledge that British Fencing Officials can administer official British Fencing breathalyser tests and understand that any positive tests, or refusal to take such a test, may result in automatic sanctions.

Fencing in General

I understand that fencing is a competitive, physical, combat sport involving the use of swords, and warrant that I am mentally and physically fit to participate.

I warrant that I am capable of dealing with a competitive atmosphere which may include but not be limited to loud noise, vocal support and/or shouting from onlookers.

I understand that selection to be part of a team competition confers no rights on any individual to actually fence in the team at the competition.

I understand that British Fencing is not responsible for any missed entry deadlines for any activity including ranking and selection competitions. NB Fencing competitions may have maximum entry limits and closing dates.

General

I agree that it is my responsibility to check that my relevant fencing licences, passport, required visas and EHIC is up to date, and that all information on my profile on the relevant British Fencing system is correct. I will be liable for any costs arising out of a failure to keep this information up to date.

I agree that it is my responsibility to check emails and the British Fencing website regularly. I understand that British Fencing is not required to chase unanswered emails and British Fencing take no responsibility for any de-selections, or other consequences of a failure to respond to emails.

I will treat all the volunteers, staff and officials with respect. I will communicate reasonably and in a timely fashion. In particular, I understand that the majority of people (team managers, weapon coordinators) involved in running trips have other 'day jobs', and are paid nothing to provide services to fencers and parents on behalf of British Fencing.

I understand that selection to represent GB at fencing is not a right or an entitlement.

I understand that selection to represent GB at fencing confers no rights or entitlement on me, particularly to expect additional services from British Fencing with regards to me or my family/coach accompanying or supporting. Should I choose to use any such services I will be liable for any payments due.

I have read and understood the Trip Process Document and related FAQs and accept that this forms the basis of the expected interaction with British Fencing, volunteers and appointed agents with respect to selection and travelling abroad as part of a GB squad.

I consent to the taking of photographs and video footage during the season for promotional and training purposes and for this to be used in any promotional material. I understand that I may request that a member of British Fencing (or staff) refrains from videoing or photographing me if I am being

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made to feel uncomfortable.

I understand that British Fencing have no control over the taking of photographs and video footage and subsequent distribution by people at events out-with the jurisdiction of British Fencing.

I agree that should any of the circumstances change, such that I am no longer able to abide by this agreement I will inform British Fencing in writing. I understand that this does not absolve me from any financial liability.

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To be completed by the Athlete

Delete as applicable:

A: All financial liabilities as a result of this agreement will remain with my parents until such time as I or my parent/guardian as identified below inform British Fencing to the contrary. Financial liabilities incurred prior to this will remain with the parent/guardian as identified below. I understand that all other responsibilities as laid out in this document fall to me.

Signed by Parent/Guardian: _____

Name: _____

BF Number: _____

Date: _____

AND/OR (delete as applicable)

B: I permit any individuals as listed below to continue to communicate with British Fencing on my behalf. This **includes** communication on any disciplinary matters, and matters that might otherwise be assumed as personal and confidential.

Please note that for athletes aged 18 or over, whilst British Fencing will make every effort to copy in the requested people to all communications this cannot be guaranteed. The responsibility for forwarding these communications lies with the athlete.

List of individuals (including the parent or guardian) that I wish to be able to communicate with BF on my behalf on all issues including personal, confidential and disciplinary matters.

Name

Relationship to Athlete

Email address:

I agree that I will abide to the above Terms and Conditions:

Signed: _____

Name: _____

BF Number: _____

Date: _____

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Version History

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