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## ROLE SPECIFICATION

### SUMMARY:

Title:	National Academy Lead Coach 10-11
Salary range:	Short-term consultancy + agreed expenses
Hours of work:	Project as required. approx. 12 days or part
Department:	National Academy
Location:	British Fencing
Responsible to:	Project Officer + National Development Manager
Contractual status:	Consultant
Closing date for application:	8 <sup>th</sup> January 11
Selection date:	23 <sup>rd</sup> January 11 (practical coaching session in Birmingham)
Start Date:	1 <sup>st</sup> February 11

### Background:

British Fencing has now launched the National Academy with a residential training camp in Nottingham during August 2010. The programme will now roll out into regions & has started with Birmingham as the first regional centre in November 2010.

The aim of the National Academy is to provide a quality environment for those athletes with the talent and desire to succeed. It is also the delivery mechanism for future programmes of training for young fencers. It will operate at a national level and also at a Regional level using principles of Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD). The National Academy will focus on the important training to train and training to compete stages of LTAD and will have a holistic approach to the development of fencers as athletes.

The National Academy has been set up to develop the great fencers of the future. Key aims of the National Academy are to give age group fencers key building blocks and messages to take back to their home programme. Many of the building blocks are based around: training principles, strength and conditioning; injury prevention; sport science; preparing for competition; preparing for becoming an elite athlete.

The National Academy will also be used as a mechanism for training coaches, referees, armourers, team managers and other officials who support the future development of a successful British Fencing family.

Upwards of 1000 fencers will be included in the National Academy programme by 2013.

The timetable for future academy activities is available at  
[http://www.britishfencing.com/academy/national\\_academy\\_calendar/](http://www.britishfencing.com/academy/national_academy_calendar/)

### **Responsibilities:**

- Be available for the National Academy national delivery sessions as on the academy calendar on the British Fencing web site
- Work with British Fencing, the Project Officer & the Academy regional leads to coordinate the coaching team who will work with fencers on all National Academy training sessions
- Work with all other staff members involved with the academy training sessions in planning, delivery & review of the training activities.
- Work with the project officer, weapon committees, and selected expert coaches to review the selection methods and requirements of young fencers leading into the National Academy
- Work with British Fencing to recruit specialist weapon coaches for the National Academy week in August
- Work with all other staff members involved with the academy training sessions to create a timetable for the summer training camp
- Work with the coach education tutors to coordinate the coach education element of the Academy & integrate this into the training for the academy fencers
- Be a positive ambassador for British Fencing

### **Competencies:**

- Behaves at all times in a professional manner and displays the Nolan Principles: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership. (<http://bit.ly/9LrVkp>)
- Is a coach who has experience of coaching young people at the highest level & has extensive international experience
- Has a sound understanding of technical requirements and methods of training that can lead to international success at the highest level
- Drive and commitment and the ability to demonstrate this to others
- Willingness to devote the necessary time and effort
- Willingness to be an ambassador for the sport
- Able to communicate well with children and young people
- Has a sound knowledge of the LTAD model as it relates to individual growth & development in sport

### **Requirements:**

- Must be on the British Fencing coach register and have appropriate qualifications
- Evidence of recent CPD
- Available for National Academy sessions in February, March & August

For further information please contact: Neil Brown on 07590 046892 or [neil.brown@britishfencing.com](mailto:neil.brown@britishfencing.com),

For applications please complete the forms below & send to Katie Dolan at British Fencing, [events@britishfencing.com](mailto:events@britishfencing.com) or by email to Neil Brown at [neil.brown@britishfencing.com](mailto:neil.brown@britishfencing.com) by 8<sup>th</sup> January 2011. Please include a current CV.

British Fencing is committed to providing equal opportunities for all and is committed to following best practice in the welfare of young people and vulnerable adults. For further information please consult: [www.britishfencing.com](http://www.britishfencing.com)

If you would like this form in an alternative format please contact HQ to discuss your requirements.

## British Fencing – National Academy Lead Coach

### Application form

#### Confidential – British Fencing

Please complete this form clearly and in BLACK INK if written

#### PERSONAL DETAILS

Surname:

Title:

Forename(s):

Address:

Post code

E-mail(s):

Telephone number:

Mobile telephone number:

#### Professional and other relevant qualifications

Please detail any qualifications including membership of professional societies or associations. Please add any further comments

#### Information in support of your application

Please give details of any additional information in support of your application and reasons for applying (continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

What have been your best successes in your coaching?

What experience do you have of leading a team of fencing coaches?

What experience do you have of leading a team of other experts, e.g. S&C coaches, sports scientists, team managers, etc?

What do you look for in Talent Identification?

What experience do you have of coach education?

What CPD have you done in the past 2 years?

Additional Information

### References

Please give two referees to whom application for references may be made. At least one should be a previous employer. References from friends and relatives will not be accepted. References may be taken up only in respect of candidates invited for interview.

Name

Name

Position

Position

Address

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Post code

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Telephone number

Telephone number

Fax number	Fax number
E-mail	E-mail

### DATA PROTECTION STATEMENT

The information that you provide on this form and that obtained from other relevant sources will be used to process your application. The personal information that you give us will also be used in a confidential manner to help us monitor our recruitment process. If you succeed in your application and take up the voluntary opportunity with us, the information will be used in the administration of your role with us. We may check the information collected, with third parties or with other information held by us. We may also use or pass on to certain third parties information as permitted by law.

By signing the application form we will be assuming that you agree to the processing of sensitive personal data (as described above), in accordance with our registration with the Data Protection Commissioner

### Declaration

I confirm that all information given in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge, that all the questions related to me have been accurately and fully answered and that I am in possession of the qualifications I claim to hold. I give my consent to British Fencing to record, process and validate my personal information and sensitive personal data in line with the Data Protection Act 1998 and all other legislative provisions.

SIGNED: ..... DATE: .....

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You can also post the form to: British Fencing, 1 Baron's Gate, 33-35 Rothschild Road, London, W4 5HT to arrive by the 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 11