

# Setting up Fencing With Your Scouts

## What's unique and different about fencing?

Fencing is a great activity to run for your Scouts and is different to many traditional sports and activities that you may already deliver, below are some of the reasons why:

- Young fencers are more likely to take part in non-mainstream sports alongside fencing, emphasising its appeal to young people with an **individual streak**.
- Young fencers have extremely positive perceptions of the sport and view it as a way to **have fun, channel stress, challenge themselves and stay active**. For many (73%), the sport is either the **only sport** (49%) or the **priority sport** in their lives.
- Young fencers are highly committed – **94%** fencing **once a week or more**.
- British Fencing (BF) have developed a bespoke programme that allows Scout Leaders to deliver fencing in a **safe and fun way**, as well as being able to integrate it into the Master at Arms Badge.



### What does the programme look like?

#### Upskilling Scout Leaders

- Bespoke 1 day Coaching Course
- Capacity of up to 12 Scout Leaders
- Heavily discounted price of £35pp
- All bookings managed through British Fencing

#### Awards, Badges & equipment

- BF Bronze Award, has been aligned to the Master at Arms Badge
- Badges and Certificates are available to purchase
- Heavily discounted kit bag (for 12 people) £640 incl.VAT (normally £947 incl. VAT)
- \*We recommend that you deliver a minimum of 6 sessions to achieve the BF Bronze Award

### Making it happen!

- Find a venue, ideally a Scout hut or place where your group would meet and confirm a date for the course
- Click on [this link](#) to book your course
- BF will book a Coach Developer, create an online booking form and send it to you for you to promote the course!

#### Club Links

- BF will provide you with support linking with local clubs who can provide support and further fencing opportunities for Scouts

*"It's a sport I have always fancied trying but had the preconception that it was elitist and the kind of thing if you'd not done at a private school you had no chance of getting into. Today blew those misconceptions out the water and I am going to join a club for my own enjoyment as well as the Scouts"*

*Scout Leader, Gateshead*