



National U15 and Cadet Championship

Fencing New Zealand and Fencing Central invite you to attend the 2020 New Zealand National Under 15 and Cadet Championships

Key Information

Date: 25th April 2020 to 27th April 2020

Venue: [Upper Gym, Wellington High School, Taranaki Street, Wellington](#)

Eligibility: The U15 competition is open to all fencers who were under 15 years of age on 1st January 2020.
The Cadet competition is open to all fencers who were under 17 years of age on 1st January 2020.
Fencers must be at least 11 years old on the day of the event - refer to the FeNZ Minimum Age Policy.

Contact: tournaments@fencingcentral.org.nz

Affiliations

Please note that all competitors must be affiliated members of Fencing New Zealand or if you are an overseas competitor you must be affiliated to your national body. Go to dev.fencing.org.nz to affiliate with your relevant region. Affiliations of all competitors will be checked at time of entry.

Competition Format

All events will be a round of Pools followed by Direct Elimination round.

Under 15 and Cadet Sabre are combined. Men's and Women's Sabre will be fenced separately. U15 Men's and Women's Épée will be fenced separately.

Non-combativity: FIE rule t.124, non-combativity will be implemented at this competition.

Multiple discipline entry: If you are entered in multiple disciplines and the next discipline is scheduled to begin while you are still competing, you will be scratched from the then starting discipline and expected to continue competing in the ongoing discipline. No refunds will be provided.

Medals: Medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd equal placings. For U15 & Cadet Sabre which will be fenced together medals will be given as follows:

- U15 gold to the highest ranked U15 fencer, U15 silver to the second highest ranked U15 fencer, U15 bronze to the third & fourth highest ranked fencer.
- Cadet gold to the highest ranked Cadet fencer, Cadet silver to the second highest ranked Cadet fencer, Cadet bronze to the third & fourth highest ranked fencer. In the event two fencers are eliminated in the same round then the gold & silver medal will be decided by a DE bout to determine who will win the gold medal.

Trophies: The national U15 and Cadet trophies will also be awarded.

Podium protocol: All fencers must wear either their club jacket, regional or FeNZ tracksuit jacket, breeches or tracksuit pants, fencing socks and shoes while on podium. No hats, sunglasses or other similar attire are to be worn on the podium during presentation.

Video refereeing: The use of video refereeing is yet to be determined. If used, video referees will be used for the final bout of all events. In all cases, it will be used at the discretion of the Head DT and Head Referee. Video footage will be used purely to review decisions and will not be released post competition.

Competition Fees

First event: \$60.00

Additional events: \$30.00 for each additional event (maximum \$210.00 for six events)

Late entry fee: \$50.00

Payment can be made by direct deposit to 02-0500-0025212-00. Please reference as fencer's name and "CADET20". Please ensure that the amount paid is accurate and includes late fees if applicable. Payment is required in advance, and cheques and cash will not be accepted at the venue.

Entries due: 10:00pm Monday 30th March 2020. Late entries close Friday 17th April and will attract a \$50 late fee. Entries received after this date (17th April) are at discretion of the Head DT and Head Referee.

Equipment Standards

All clothing and equipment must be in a good state of repair and cleanliness.

Torso: 350N (CEN 1) or 800N (CEN 2) (jacket & plastron 1150N total)

Breeches: 350N (CEN 1)

Gloves: 800 N (CEN 1) (sabre only)

Chest protector: Compulsory for women's events.

Foil: Lamé bibs (curly mask wires are not permitted) and FIE blades required, Bayonet and 2 pin body wires accepted. FIE no. 3 size blades are acceptable.

Épée: FIE blades required. Leon Paul SR-71 blades that are stamped 2013 to 2015 will not be accepted. Leon Paul V blade without a unique serial number will not be accepted.

Sabre: FIE blades S2000 or later blades required. Curly mask wires are not permitted.

Masks & Bibs: 350N (CEN 1)

All masks must fit well and be in good condition. The elastic strap shall be in good working order with elasticity and be able return to its original position after stretching, without deformation. The hook and loop securing the elastic shall be capable of retaining the elastic and resisting removal. Leon Paul X-Change masks must have a secondary strap/bar. Visor masks are strictly prohibited for all 3 weapons

Weapons control: Open on Friday 24th April 6:00pm to 9:00pm. Weapons control is also open for one hour before the start of each event.

Control marks: It is the fencer's responsibility to ensure that all equipment that goes through weapons control has control marks. It is the fencer's responsibility to ensure control marks are still present every time they go to the piste.

Anti-doping: By participating in this event, you agree that you have been warned of the potential of being selected for anti-doping testing and you will comply with anti-doping testing if required. The testing process and your rights and responsibilities as an athlete are outlined in the [Drug Free Sport NZ website](#).

Competition Timetable⁺

Saturday 25th April

Event	Registration opens	Registration closes	Start time
U15 Men's Foil	12:00pm	12:30pm	1:00pm
U15 Women's Foil	12:00pm	12:30pm	1:00pm
U15 & Cadet Men's & Women's Sabre	3:00pm	3:30pm	4:00pm*

Sunday 26th April

Event	Registration opens	Registration closes	Start time
Cadet Men's Foil	8:15am	8:30am	9:00am
Cadet Women's Épée	8:45am	9:00am	9:30am
U15 Men's & Women's Épée	12:00pm	12:30pm	1:00pm [^]

Monday 27th April

Event	Registration opens	Registration closes	Start time
Cadet Men's Épée	8:15am	8:30am	9:00am
Cadet Women's Foil	10:15am	10:30am	11:00am

*Starting time may vary subject to completion of U15 foil

[^]Starting time may vary subject to completion of Cadet Men's Foil and Women's Épée

⁺We cannot guarantee the finish time of any events or days. We strongly advise that return flights are booked after 7:00pm on the day of fencing or day after.

Competition Entry

Entry conditions: By registering as a participant in this tournament, you are agreeing to abide by the rules of fencing as set out by the FIE, OFC, Fencing New Zealand, and any directions given by the organisers in relation to the running of the tournament. You agree that you fence at your own risk, and that should emergency medical care need be sought, that this is at your own expense in the event of sudden accident or illness. You agree to abide by all applicable Fencing New Zealand rules including the FeNZ Health and Safety Policy and the Fencers Code of Conduct.

Withdrawals: In the event that you must withdraw from the competition or an event, you must notify the tournament organiser or Head DT either by emailing tournaments@fencingcentral.org.nz or calling (+64)27-229-6102 a minimum of one hour before registrations for the event open.

Entry form: [Click here to enter](#). Please note that entries are due by 10:00pm Monday 30th March 2020. Late entries close Friday 17th April and will attract a \$50 late fee. Entries received after this date (17th April) are at discretion of the Head DT and Head Referee.

General Information

Hutt Valley Fencing Club will be running a food stall with a variety of different food and drink options available for purchase.

Due to the current climate crisis, Fencing Central is taking a step towards reducing the amount of waste produced at our tournaments. Therefore, we will no longer be selling bottled water and instead encourage everyone to bring their own reusable drink bottle that can be refilled using the water fountain at the venue.

We also will not be providing disposable coffee cups and will offer reusable mugs that need to be returned to the Food Stall, we encourage people to bring their own reusable travel mug to the tournament if they intend to purchase hot drinks.

All information contained in this document was correct at time of publication. Competition details are subject to change at the discretion of the tournament organiser. Please visit fencingcentral.org.nz for the most up-to-date competition information.