

Foil League Rules
2014 / 2015 Season
Organiser: Sam Parish

- This competition is open to Sarnia Sword Club members only
- This competition is organised on a league basis
- Each month the fencers are listed in the order of ranking from the previous competition. Any person who wishes to enter a foil league event but has not partaken in the previous competition will be added to the end of the ranking on a first come first serve basis
- The ranking will then be sorted into a number of poules dependant on the turnout at each event and in line with the table below:

Number of Competitors	Competitors in each Poule
8	4,4
9	4,5
10	5,5
11	5,6
12	6,6
13	7,6
14	7,7
15	5,5,5
16	6,5,5
17	6,6,5
18	6,6,6
19	7,6,6
20	5,5,5,5

- The poules will be sorted at the discretion of the organiser based on the ranking as discussed in Rule 2. The top ranked fencer will be placed in poule 1, ranks 2 and 3 will be in the next poule, and ranks 4 and 5 will then either be placed in poule 1 or a third poule as governed by the table in rule 3
- The lists will be closed on any night at ten minutes past the normal starting time of the session. In unusual and special circumstances this time may be extended by a further five minutes (e.g. difficult parking conditions). Thereafter no entry can be accepted under any circumstances
- Fights will be fought for the best of nine points. Each fight will last for three minutes. If one fencer is ahead at this end of the three minutes they will win. If the score is equal priority will be determined and fencing will continue for a further minute. The first hit thereafter will win the fight, but if still equal after one minute, the fencer with priority will be adjudged the winner, with a hit added to his total for the bout
- During the competition no coaching will be allowed of any fencer competing in the current bout. Any coaching observed by the referee will be penalised with a yellow card for the fencer. Subsequent infringement of this rule within the same bout will result in a red card and a point being awarded to the opposing fencer.
- The league points scored in any month for an individual fencer will be determined by their ranking following the input of the poule results into Engarde based on a standard competition ranking system. The top fencer in the list will be awarded 100 points, the second 99 and so on until all fencers have been allocated a points total for the month

- The winner of the competition will be the person who has the highest number of points in the best four of the five sessions which are fenced. In case of equality of the final score the winner will be determined by V/L ratio over the entire season, in the event of an equal ratio HS/HR for the entire season will be compared
- British Fencing's clothing regulations stipulate that equipment must conform to the standards specified below:

Jackets: min 350 N resistance; Underplastrons: min 800 N resistance;
Breeches: min 350 N resistance; Masks: min GEN 1 standard with 350 N lamé bib;
Socks which cover the legs right up to the breeches

These regulations will apply to this league at all times. There will be no exceptions. Should a fencer be injured while not wearing approved kit any insurance held by the fencer or the Club will be invalidated. Please be advised that failing to comply with the above will lead to exclusion from this competition.

- Any changes to the programme or any changes to the Rules as detailed above will be issued to the membership of the club via the email address supplied on the membership form and published at www.sarniaswordclub.com.
- Anything not covered by these Rules is at the entire discretion of the Organiser, who has the duty of publishing the scores for the entire season to date as soon as feasible after each competition is concluded. The Organiser must explain the Rules to anyone and explain how their scores have been arrived at, and correct any mistakes that have been brought to his attention.