

BOSTON FENCING CLUB RYC DECEMBER 2023

We look forward to welcoming you to our event and facility. Below is information that you may find helpful. Please feel free to email me if you have additional questions.

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- **Please note:** some start times have changed, please refer to the event site to verify your close of registration time

- No parents or spectators are allowed on the fencing floor. **There are no exceptions.**

Spectators may sit/stand at either end of the venue, in the waiting/dining area, or near the bag storage area. There will be security monitoring the floor to ensure only athletes, officials, and coaches are in the strip area and all spectators are compliant with this policy.

- Only USFencing registered and compliant coaches that are officially on staff at a USFencing member club may coach at strip.

Please inform your coach that only one coach per four fencers will be allowed in the strip area and they must check in at Bout Committee to obtain a wristband.

- Membership cards are required to scan for registration check in.

Scanner is located at the end of the entrance hallway BEFORE you enter the fencing room. Have a clear print out of your membership card or clear image on your phone.

Please have your card ready so you do not create a line. You can find a printable membership card on your USFencing profile. You must check in for each event you have entered. You may not check-in Saturday for an event on Sunday.

Reminder: you must check in before your event close of registration. We suggest you arrive an hour before your close of registration, but at least 30 minutes. Don't wait until 5 minutes before your event to check in and get equipment checked as we will not hold up your event because you are still in the equipment check line. Events start very shortly after close of registration. Late arrivals will not be accommodated so ensure you allow plenty of time to arrive at the venue to park, check in and get equipment checked. If you need to park away from the parking area in the front, drop your child, with their equipment, at the door so they can check in and get equipment checked.

- Early equipment check will be available on Friday from 3 – 6 pm. Equipment check is located at the far left corner of the facility near the red panels on the wall.

Equipment check will open Saturday and Sunday at 6:30 am. Equipment check is open all day until the end of the last event. You only need to get equipment checked once for the weekend.

Equipment to be checked at armory includes: mask, glove, body/head cords, lames (foil/sabre), etc. Proper fencing uniform must be worn including LONG SOCKS. All women's foil fencers are required to wear a padded chest protector. Men are not required to wear a chest protector; however, **if they do**, it must have acceptable padding. All chest

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protectors must be worn under the plastron. The onsite store will be open and staffed for equipment needs but we recommend you check all your equipment before you leave home and make sure it's clean and packed in your bag.

- Y10 fencers MUST use 0 or 2 blades.
- Snacks/drinks will be available for sale at the front desk near the equipment store.

If you require more substantial food, there is a full-service grocery store directly across the street with a Starbucks right inside the door as well as prepared foods. It is a 5 minute walk from the venue. There are other local restaurants within walking distance, some deliver.

You may bring food into the facility, but it must be eaten in the dining area. Please use trash receptacles and avoid leaving plastic bottles or other food waste on the fencing floor.

- Bag storage area is at the back of venue near the armorers.

Please do not put bags in front of the finals strip or on the walkway.

- Tournament will be posted on fencingtimelive.com by Friday, December 29 and will be continuously updated throughout the events
- Medals are awarded to top 8 in a presentation ceremony immediately following the end of each event. Please respect your fellow competitors and stay for the presentation if you finish in the top 8.

If you are unfamiliar with our venue, please refer to the parking map that can be found on the Boston Fencing Club website ([BFC Tournaments | boston-fencing-club \(bostonfencingclub.org\)](http://BFC Tournaments | boston-fencing-club (bostonfencingclub.org))). Some parking has changed and an updated parking map as well as this info will be posted to the club website asap. We have multiple areas for parking in addition to the main lot in the front. Areas highlighted in green are allowable parking areas.

Thank you very much and see you soon. If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to email me.

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If you need to park in Brighton Mills lot, drop fence with equipment at front door and then park

overflow parking in shopping plaza

Brighton Mills Shopping Plaza (back side of Star Market, full-service grocery with prepared foods) Starbucks inside. Japanese restaurant onsite (and McDonalds)

Studio Allston hotel directly across from Brighton Mills

On street parking

Holton St

One way

On street parking

GREEN denotes acceptable parking areas

Telford t St

two

way

Everett St

two

way

No parking in fenced area. There may be availability in non fenced area (do not block cars)

Drive Entrance

Main Parking Lot

Do not block loading docks

Entrance

Other Business

Other Businesses

(dance studio, boxing gym, jumpy house)

BFC

Other Business

Extra Parking Lot Enter via Everett St
Weekend/holiday

Back Lot PARKING (on dirt)/cut through road

Blackbird donut shop

Reserved gym

Parking here do not use

No permit parking signs may be ignored parking is permitted