BOSTON FENCING CLUB ROC – MAY 2024

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. (merritt55@comcast.net)

• 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 officially on staff at a USFencing member club may coach at strip.

Please inform your coach that they must check in using CHECKIN monitor before stopping 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 at least an hour before your close of registration. 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 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.

• Snacks/drinks will be available for sale at the front desk near the equipment store.

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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 don't leave plastic bottles or other food waste on the fencing floor. There is a water bottle filling station in the hallway between the restrooms.

• 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, May 3 and results are continuously updated throughout the weekend
- 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, there is an updated parking map on the next page of this document. There may be security officers onsite to direct you to overflow areas. Please check the map to ensure you are familiar with all overflow parking lots. Areas highlighted in green on the map are allowable parking areas if available.

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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