



Nordic Sabre Fencing Championship 2016

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Page 1-2 is the original invite. Please see page 3-5 for updated information with further details – and answers to the most common questions received

The Danish Fencing Federation and Roskilde Fencing Club are very thrilled and honoured to invite for the greatest regional sabre fencing party of the year - the Nordic Sabre Fencing Championship 2016 – to take place on October 22nd & 23rd at [Roskilde Congress Centre](#) in Roskilde, Denmark.

Venue:	Roskilde Congress Centre, Roskilde, Denmark (43 km from Copenhagen Airport, 1.4 km from Roskilde Railway Station)
Entry Fee:	20 EUR per individual for individual competitions, 60 EUR per registered team.
Individual Competitions:	Youth: U11, U13 and U15, Cadet (U17), Junior (U20), Senior and Veteran.
Team competitions:	Cadet, Senior
Participant entry:	No later than October 16, 2016, online by Ophardt, or by mail (RoskildeFaegteklub@gmail.com)

The tournament is an open tournament. We will carry out all competitions (individual/team, age and gender). Nordic Champions will be the highest ranking fencers in the competition selected according to the NFU rules.

Program: see page 3-5 for updated or additional information

October 21	Registration and weapon control opens
October 22-23	Competitions
October 23	Dinner

Equipment requirements: see page 3-5 for updated or additional information

Senior/Veteran/Junior/Cadet	800N-FIE: jacket, breeches and plastron. 1600N-FIE mask
U15/U13	350N jacket, 800N-FIE plastron (or plastron 350N, jacket 800N-FIE) 350N mask, breeches
U11	350N jacket, breeches, plastron, mask

If any questions please contact Lars Roark: RoskildeFaegteklub@gmail.com



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Mission

Starting at the Nordic Sabre Championship 2015 in Iceland and continuing the dialogue in the network of Nordic sabre fencing clubs, it has been clear that the Nordic sabre community wish for the tournament to equally pursue several goals

- Of course to proclaim Nordic Champions in a tournament of a high level.
- Bring together as many *sabre* fencers as possible, to experience the volume difficult to obtain within each Nordic country alone – and thus encourage further cooperation between the countries.

And especially to ensure that fencers on all levels get as much fencing experience as possible.

Formula and schedule **see page 3-5 for updated or additional information**

Nordic Sabre Championship has had quite varying number of participant during the years – the preliminary feedback from clubs in the network suggests that we could have more participants than usual this year.

Before finalizing the schedule we need the different known stakeholders to give a noncommittal overview of the expected number and distribution of fencers in advance, to enable detailed planning.

Based on that, the invitation will be updated with the detailed schedule (and formula for each competition).

The schedule will be planned to accommodate that many fencers would like to fence one class up. Fencing two classes up will in general also be possible for the individual competitions¹ upon approval.

Registration and weapon control **see page 3-5 for updated or additional information**

Fencers must have registered no later than 1 hour before competition start, weapon control is mandatory prior to start fencing. To ensure a smooth and timely process all fencers are encouraged to complete registration and weapon control on Friday before the competition. The preliminary schedule for this is between 17:00 and 19:30 on Friday October 21st.

Dinner

We think it would be great for all interested fencers, and supporters interested join for dinner (each at own expense) after the championship has closed.

Accommodations **see page 3-5 for updated or additional information**

Roskilde Fencing club is investigating options to coordinate for discounts on accommodation. Please contact us by mail (RoskildeFaegteklub@gmail.com) if interested.

In the town of Roskilde we would suggest e.g.

[Hotel Scandic](#): 850 m. from the venue

[Prindsen/Zleep Hotels](#): 1.400 m. from the venue

[Comwell](#): 4.8 km. from the venue

Within 15 minutes by car or by train other accommodations are feasible.

¹ The schedule is not expected to allow for fencing two classes up when participating in teams, i.e. not allowing cadets to fence senior team.

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NFU = Nordic Fencing Union

Competitions:

All competitions (classes) will be carried out if a *minimum of two fencers are registered for start*².

Depending on the number of starters, *U11 may be mixed gender*. All other individual competitions will be for each gender. *Teams with members from more than one federation are allowed*²

The competition schedule in general will *try* to accommodate for fencers fencing one class up (or two classes upon approval). *Exempted* from this is the senior team competition, expected to be only for junior and seniors.

As the tournament is open (we expect entries from more than 15 fencers from non-NFU federations):

- We will in each competition have Open Competition Semi-finals and Final
 - We may have additional elimination and finals to settle Nordic Championship
- In this case both "Open Tournament"-gold/silver/bronze" and "Nordic Champion"-gold/silver/bronze.

The NFU rules of "The highest ranking fencers from any Nordic [= NFU member] federation is the Nordic Champion..." will be implemented as follows:

- If more than one NFU fencer/team has the same ranking³ in the open competition and applies to the same Nordic Champion medal, additional Nordic final (and if needed Nordic semi-final etc.) will be conducted.

Competitions planned (based on year of birth)

Youth: U11 (-2005), U13 (2003-2004), U15 (2001-2002)

Cadet=U17 (1999-2000)

Junior=U20 (1996-1998)

Senior (-1995)

Veteran: V40 (1967-1976), V50 (1957-1966), V60 (1947-1956), V70 (1937-1946)

Formula for competitions

To pursue the mission of the competition – the part about maximizing the fencing experienced by all fencers, within the limits of the tournament (time and referees) – we will *if possible* prioritize more bouts to seniors⁴

Registration and weapon control

Fencers must have registered no later than 1 hour before tournament start.

Fencers arriving late and only fencing Sunday e.g. Veterans – can only be exempt from this rule by mail approval from lars@roark.dk.

Weapon control is mandatory prior to start fencing.

² NFU statutes apply to claim "Nordic Champion". E.g. if only 3 V50 and 3 V40 (same gender) is registered for start, an open V50 competition will be pursued for 3 fencer. And a V40 Nordic Championship for all 6 (V50 offered to join V40) veterans will be pursued as defined in NFU statutes.

³ "Same ranking" is defined as "in same stage of elimination" (1, 2, 3-4, 5-8, 9-16,).

⁴ As seniors can't benefit from participating in older classed (as e.g. juniors can)

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Equipment requirements:

The official (NFU) requirements are:

Senior/Veteran/Junior/Cadet	800N-FIE: jacket, breeches and plastron. 1600N-FIE mask
U15/U13	350N jacket, 800N-FIE plastron (or plastron 350N, jacket 800N-FIE) 350N mask, breeches
U11	350N jacket, breeches, plastron, mask

Please note that the requirements of course apply NOT to the fencer, but to the competition. Thus e.g. a U15 fencer participating in Cadet Competition MUST have all 800N-FIE clothes and 1600N-FIE mask.

Blade sizes:

U11: Size 0-3

U13, U15, and Cadet: Size 0-5

older: Size 5

There are *no specific requirements* regarding print on lame.

There are *no specific requirements* to have flags on clothes.

Accommodations

Christian Kurir (cka@kurir.dk) has persuaded one of the hotels to give a special off for this tournament:

We have made an agreement with hotel Scandic which is nearby the competition hall.

If you book on Scandic Roskilde we have reserved rooms from October 21-24 for our participants who can book for this price:

Single room: DKK 650,- per night per room

Double room: DKK 750,- per night per room

Price includes breakfast, parking, Wi-Fi, fitness and sauna.

The reservation of rooms will be released to others 30 days before October 21st, but you can still reserve rooms if available hereafter. Beware it is holiday season in Denmark at the time we have the competition, so there might be more bookings at the hotel at that time. If you will like to book you must send an email to roskilde@scandichotels.com or call them directly on +45 46 32 46 32 and use the booking code 45959864. You cannot book online.

Contact Christian if you have any questions or need help for booking.

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Tentative schedule:

DISCLAIMER: This schedule is based on some of the clubs filing preliminary entries, and then extrapolating from the received preliminary entries. If some competitions get substantial more fencers than expected, or if the clubs do not bring the expected referees, the schedule might change.

Friday October 21:

17:00-19:30 Registration
17:00-20:00 Weapon Control

Saturday October 22:

07:15-08:00 Registration – please note that registration closes as 08:00, 1 hour before tournament start

07:15- Weapon Control. Please observed that after Saturday 08:45 Weapon control is not continuously manned – and thus only available upon request

08:30-09:00 Tournament welcome

09:00-17:00 Competitions

9:00 Senior Male

9:00 Senior Female

9:30 U15 Female

13:00 U13 Male

13:00 U13 Female

14:30 Cadet Team

(14:30 U11 training event)

Sunday October 23:

08:00-08:45 Weapon control. Please observed that after Sunday 08:45 Weapon control is not continuously manned – and thus only available upon request

08:45-16:30 Competitions

8:45 U15 Male

9:00 Junior Male

9:00 Junior Female

9:15 Veteran

12:30 Cadet Male

12:30 Cadet Female

13:00 U11 Mixed gender

13:30 Senior team

16:30 Medals

19:00 Optional Dinner for all fencers, officials, referees, coaches and families