



CROSS ROADS FENCING CENTER, LLC CODE OF CONDUCT

The athlete shall:

1. ALWAYS follow the coach's directions and instructions.
2. Understand that this is a sport that uses a weapon which, when mishandled, and in certain circumstances, can inflict serious and permanent injury and recognize that your participation in the sport requires serious respect for the sport, the instructor and the equipment.
3. Act in the spirit of fair play and true sportsmanship.
4. Be fully committed including arriving on time for clinic sessions and adhering to all rules.
5. Carry weapons by the grip or the tip. If carried by the grip, the tip must be pointed down, slightly off the floor.
6. Stop if your opponent waves unarmed hand or gives any sign of wanting to stop.
7. Treat all people with respect and refrain from using offensive language.
8. Promote the well being of teammates by positive counseling and encouragement or by reporting any unhealthy or dangerous conduct to coaches.
9. Have all the required equipment: mask, jacket, glove, sweat pants or knickers w/long socks, and lace-up sneakers. Ladies must also have a chest protector.
10. Wear only shoes free of dust, dirt, mud, snow, and water on the fencing floor.

The athlete shall NOT:

1. Raise the tip of your weapon against an unmasked opponent, or in any manner not consistent with coach's instructions and directions.
2. Fence with a broken blade.

3. Turn your back on an opponent or hit your opponent in the back.
4. Engage in any actions or movements that are violent or out of control
5. Start fencing or continue fencing if an unsafe condition exists (Examples: broken blade, unzipped jacket, untied shoe, etc....)
6. Engage in any fencing actions for which you have not been trained (Examples: fleche, counter-attack).
7. Engage in disrespectful conduct including the use of profanity, obscene gestures, and offensive remarks, horse playing, taunting, or other actions that demean individuals or the sport.
8. Fight or show excessive displays of anger or frustration.

The Coach's decisions are complete and final relating to:

- pairing of players
- determining the participation level of any player
- determining any player's progression to the next level and a player's usage of advanced equipment

Any misbehavior will not be tolerated. A player's violation of any rule can result in the Coach's issuing a **warning, suspension or termination of participation in the sport**, and the penalty imposed will be at the Coach's sole option. No refunds will be given for a player who has been asked to leave for violating the Cross Roads Fencing Center Code of Conduct.

I have read and understand the requirements of this Code of Conduct. I understand that I am expected to perform according to this code and I understand that there may be sanctions or penalties if I do not.

Athlete Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date