

# **2022 REGISTRATION**

From 1 January, registration for 2022 membership of the NSW Fencing Association for fencers, coaches and clubs is open here:

https://nswfencing.org.au/home1/register/

### **Individual Membership**

Please check the fee schedule below to select the membership category appropriate for you or your child.

Essentially, Junior and Senior <u>Affiliated</u> membership is for fencers who intend to compete in State, National and International competitions.

Junior <u>Registered</u> membership is for fencers under 18 who compete in the Minime Series for U14s, Schools Championships and NSW Fencing Centre programs. Senior Registered is for adults who attend regional championships.

Membership can be upgraded – for example, a school fencer who wants to participate in State competitions can upgrade from Junior Registered to Junior Affiliated.

Parents, please note that if your child is aged under 18, you should do the registration for them and you will be the point of contact.

Junior and Senior Affiliated Members (eligible to compete in State, National and International events) are automatically affiliated to the Australian Fencing Federation.

On registration, members will be asked to confirm their COVID vaccination status with an option not to state this if preferred.

#### **Club Affiliation**

Also from 1 January, fencing clubs can be associated with NSWFA with Affiliated or Registered status. This provides insurance cover for club members, coaches, club officials and volunteers. Clubs should be aware that if they are not Affiliated or Registered with NSWFA they will NOT be covered by NSWFA's insurance policy and should seek their own insurance advice.

Qualifying Clubs are listed on the NSWFA website and included in the Grand Prix Awards listing.

Clubs should Affiliate/Register before they start operations for the year to ensure they, their officers and members, are covered by insurance.

Affiliated Club: 10 or more club members who are eligible to enter NSWFA competitions.

**Registered Club**: Fewer than 10 club members who are eligible to enter NSWFA competitions.

When clubs register they will be asked to provide their attendance numbers, including casual or 'come and try' fencers. These numbers are needed so NSWFA can report to the insurer and to the NSW Office of Sport on overall participation in fencing.

Clubs will also be asked to nominate a Member Protection Information Officer (qualified via the Australian Sport Integrity/Play by the Rules free online course for MPIOs and a Club Safety Officer:

#### https://www.playbytherules.net.au/online-courses/mpio-online-course

Having a Member Protection Officer is not obligatory for clubs however under the NSWFA Child Safeguarding Policy we want to encourage a network of qualified MPIOs in NSW fencing. Please encourage one or more members or volunteers to take on this important role.

#### Register your club here:

https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=37123

### Insurance

All NSWFA members and Affiliated/Registered clubs are covered by an insurance policy arranged by the AFF for Member States. The policy covers personal injury, travel, public liability and professional indemnity. Details are here: <a href="https://www.ausfencing.org/insurance/">https://www.ausfencing.org/insurance/</a>

## **NSW Team Levy**

A team levy applies to all NSWFA members entering Australian Championship events. The levy is \$60 for Junior, Open/Veteran Championships; \$40 for Under15/Cadet Championships.

The levy is applied only to the first entry in championship events. A fencer entering the U15/Cadet or Open/Veterans will pay the levy once, regardless of how many weapon/age categories they enter.

The levy has applied for the past 10 years and is used to fund team entry costs and the attendance of State Coaches at national championships.

## Membership renewal and fees

### NSWFA membership and competition entry fees have remained the same since 2019.

Categories	2022 Fee	Notes
NSWFA Membership		
Senior Affiliated (over 18 on 1 Jan).	\$220	Entry to Regional/State and National/International (via AFF) Competitions. NSW Fencing Academy & other Fencing Centre programs. Voting status. Insurance cover.
Junior Affiliated (under 18 on 1 Jan)	\$137.50	Entry to Regional/State/National/International Competitions. NSW Fencing Academy and other Fencing Centre programs. Non-voting status. Insurance cover.
Senior Registered (over 18 on 1 Jan)	\$55	Entry to Regional Competitions. Voting status. Insurance cover.
Junior Registered (under 18 on 1 Jan)	\$45	Entry to NSW School Age Championships, Australian Schools Champs, NSW Under 14 Minime Series, including tours. School holiday camps. Regional Competitions. Non-voting status.
Coach	\$170	Voting status. Insurance cover. Non- competitive category. Coaches who also fence competitively must join as Senior Affiliated members.
Honorary Member	\$0	Voting status. Insurance cover.
Associate Member	\$45	Non-fencing supporter. Non-voting status.
Affiliated Club	\$208	Clubs with 10 or more members who are Affiliated (Senior & Junior) with NSWFA. Insurance cover. Website listing.
Registered Club	\$104	Clubs with fewer than 10 members who are Affiliated with NSWFA. Insurance cover. Website listing.
NSW Competition Entry		
Senior & Junior Affiliated	\$40	All NSWFA State Competitions
Senior Registered		Entry fees set by Regional Competition organiser.
Junior Registered	\$38.50	NSWFA School Age and Minime (U14, U12, U10, U8) Comps. Gladiator Tours.
Second entry in same competition U15 - Veteran	\$25	Same or different weapon/age category

Second entry in same competition U8-U14	\$20	Same or different weapon/age category
Schools Championships		To be advised
Late entry fee	\$10 added to the entry fee	The late entry fee applies to entries received after 6pm on the Friday prior to a Sunday comp. It does not apply to schools competitions nor the F1 events.
Club Teams	\$60	Charged to clubs
		An online credit card transaction fee applies to all registrations.

#### **IMPORTANT**

When you register (or register your child):

- Keep a record of the **exact name** in which you registered as a member of NSWFA. If you enter an even slightly different name for a competition entry, the *Register Now* system will not recognise it. This is particularly important for members with Chinese names which can be expressed in different ways. By always using the **exact same name** as first registered you will save frustration on your part and administrative effort on ours.
- The NSW *Register Now* system is linked to the AFF system so when you are registering for national events, use the **exact same name** or your entry will not go through.
- When you register for membership, wait at least 75 minutes before you then register a competition entry. This gives the NSW online registration process time to align with the AFF system.
- The Club you nominate on registration will be your designated club for the whole 12 months. Your competition results and rankings will show you as a member of the club you nominate. Grand Prix points will be credited to your nominated club. You can only fence for that club in club team events, unless mixed club team events are allowed by the DT.

After following the above process, if you still encounter a problem please contact: <u>entries@nswfencing.org.au</u>

Most problems happen because the **exact same name** is not entered or the 75 minute pause between registering as a member and registering for a competition is not followed.