

Specific Safety Procedures – Fencing

FE1 Description:

FE1.1 An on-site taster session of fencing using plastic foils.

FE2 Learning Outcome:

FE2.1 Development of fencing skills, hand eye coordination, personal development and fun.

FE3 Instructor:

FE3.1 Have a level one fencing qualification from Scottish Fencing or equivalent.

FE3.2 Must have an understanding of the process of group dynamics and reviewing

FE3.3 Must be aware of possible hazards on site and indicate these to participants

FE3.4 Must hold a valid first aid certificate and have an understanding of Netherurds emergency procedures.

FE4 Site Knowledge:

FE4.1 The instructor should be familiar with the area going to be used as the salle.

FE5 Participant Requirements:

FE5.1 Long sleeved top must be worn and the legs need to be covered at least to the knees.

FE5.2 Receive a clear brief detailing safe participation, these must be listened to, understood and followed.

FE5.3 Adequate footwear i.e. trainers should be worn.

FE6 Equipment:

FE6.1 Masks must be worn at all times when in the fencing area indicated.

FE6.2 Foils, masks, bibs and chest protectors should be checked prior to use, any defective equipment should be removed.

FE6.3 Chest protectors should be worn if required.

FE7 Ratios:

FE7.1 One instructor to twelve participants. (1:12)

FE8 Weather:

FE8.1 Although the wet weather shelter is an indoor area, it can get cold.

FE8.2 Understand signs and symptoms of exposure to heat and cold.

Risk Assessment – Fencing

Hazards Identify significant hazards which could cause harm:

1. Facilitator.
2. Facility.
3. Participants.
4. Equipment.

5. Ratio.
6. Weather.

How

How will people be exposed to hazard?

1. Lack of knowledge of safety procedures / increase risk of injury.
2. Lack of knowledge of facility / failure to communicate hazards.
3. Group behaviour and approach / increase risk to participant
4. Equipment malfunction or misuse / increase risk to participant
5. Staff member cannot control situation.
6. Weather conditions inappropriate or deteriorate during session.

Risk

Evaluate risks arising from each hazard (High, Medium, low)

1. Medium.
2. Low.
3. Medium.
4. Medium.
5. Low.
6. Low

Action

Prescribed risk management strategies to remove hazard or reduce risk

1. Qualification. (L3,FE3.1)
2. Knowledge of facility and hazards. (L4.1,FE 4)
3. Group Safety briefing. (L5,FE5)
4. Equipment Checks. (L6,FE6)
5. Effective group management. (L7,GFE5.2,FE7)
6. Ensure suitable clothing is worn. (L8,FE1, FE8)

Monitor

How are risk management strategies monitored?

1. Qualifications checked.
2. Staff meetings and amendments to safety document clipboard.
3. Client Feedback / co-tutor / observation
4. Inspections and equipment checks, Tick box.
5. Near-miss and Incident forms.
6. Weather forecast supplied.

Review

Review date of this assessment: June 2018: