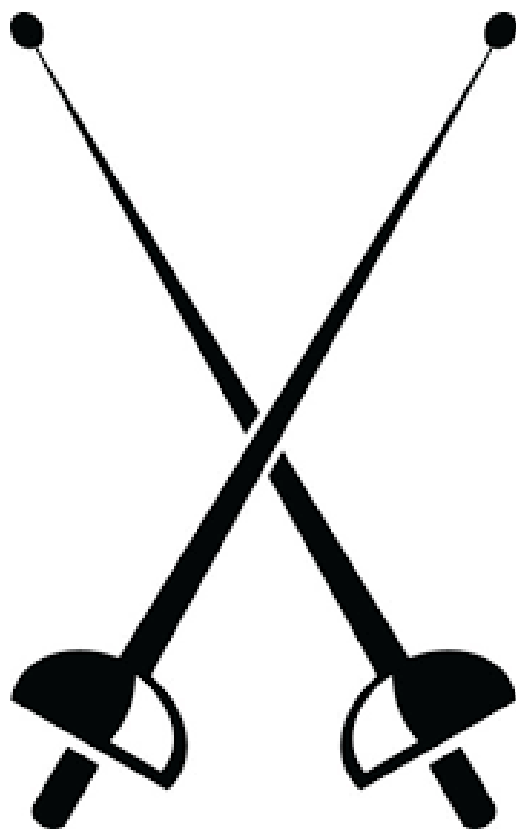




Section One
Fencing Booklet
2023 – 2024



**Section One
Fencing Calendar
2023 – 2024**

First Practice Monday, November 13, 2023

First Scrimmage/Game permitted after 6 practices

Last day to Compete Friday, February 6, 2023

Minimum Number of Contests To be eligible for sectional, intersectional or state competition, a team must have completed in six (6) school scheduled contests against six (6) different schools within section one.

Team Sports: An individual is eligible for the team if he/she has been an eligible participant on a team in that sport in that school for a minimum of six (6) scheduled contests during the regular season.

Maximum Number of Contests – 20

Super Saturdays

Rounds	Date	Site	Time
Round 1	1/06/24	Clarkstown South	9am
Round 2	1/13/24	Arlington	9am
Round 3	1/27/24	Tappan Zee	9am

Sectional Championships

Round	Date	Site	Time
Finals	2/10/24	Ardsley High School	9am

Pre-Season Meeting: Saturday, November 4, 2023 at 8:30am via zoom

Seeding Meeting: Tuesday, February 6, 2023

All League/All Section Meeting: Calculated based on league and section finishes.

Section One Fencing 2023 – 2024

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FENCING POLICIES

Rule Book:

- Fencing follows United States Fencing Association (USFA) Rules
- Rule Book link:
 - https://cdn2.sportngin.com/attachments/document/6626-1950459/2019-08-USA-Fencing-Rules.pdf#_ga=2.81740820.2006910884.1579023900-1634965767.1579023900

Fencing Weapons:

- Foil League
 - Girls & Boys Varsity
- Epee League
 - Girls & Boys Varsity
- Both weapons are recognized independent of one another.
- Athletes compete in one weapon for the season.
- **Equipment rules and regulations**
 1. All fencers must wear underarm protectors, long socks, jacket, chest protector (girls) and knickers at competition. All other equipment must adhere to USFA safety and uniform requirements (i.e., no holes, tears, masks must pass 800N punch test, etc)
 2. Foil masks require conductive bibs and mask clips.
- **Adding new schools to League**
 1. Meets criteria for league participation as established by the Fencing alignment of Section One.
 2. Apply to join the League with Section Chair by August 1st.
- **Team of One**
 - A Team of One is not eligible to compete as a Team in the League Championship or Sectional Championship Tournaments. Schools must meet current standards for participation.
- **Ruling on Team Starter Shortages**
 - Section One Fencing rules state that a full starting team in each weapon and gender is comprised of a minimum of four (4) fencers, dressed at the strip. If a school is competing in both foil and epee, it must submit distinct rosters for each weapon to bout committee at the start of each tournament.
 - Starter shortages at League Competitions:
 - Teams fielding 3 fencers for a weapon on the first offense will happen without penalty for one Super Saturday event.
 - A teams 2nd penalty of fielding 3 fencers for a weapon is subject to review by the Section.
 - A teams 3rd penalty of fielding 3 fencers for a weapon: AD of school will meet with Section AD Chairperson to validate rosters and eligibility moving forward.

FENCING POLICIES (cont.)

- Teams fielding 2 Fencers for a weapon will be permitted to compete but will forfeit any bouts that cannot be fenced due to the shortage. If the team arrives at a second competition with only 2 starters, the team will forfeit its results for the League Championship and their scores will be annulled for all schools. (The team will be allowed to fence, but the results will not count towards League standings.) Individual results will count towards All-League and All-Section.
- Teams fielding 1 Fencer: the team forfeit the match and must alert Section Chairperson ahead of match. AD of school to meet with Section AD Coordinator to validate roster for additional competitions to determine standing in schedule/league.
- Starter shortages at Sectional Competition: To compete in the Section 1 Tournament, a team must field 4 fencers the day of the competition. If a team arrives at Sectional Championships without a minimum of 4 fencers for a weapon, the team forfeits. *Repercussions do not impact all teams fielded by a school – for example, if it's the Boys Epee team in question, that is the only team that will be penalized. Girls Epee, Girls Foil, and Boys Foil are not impacted.

LEAGUE & SECTIONAL FORMAT INFORMATION

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS:

A meet consists of nine (9) 5-touch bouts. The winner is determined by whichever team wins the most individual 5-touch bouts. Final standing of teams is determined by meet W-L record, no indicators – there can be ties for placement.

Foil League

A round robin fenced as 9 rounds over 5 dates

Epee League

A round robin fenced as 9 rounds over 5 dates

SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

All schools qualify for the Sectional Tournament. Seeding in the Sectional Championship is determined by League standing (ties will be broken by indicators.)

Format:

Foil Sectional Championships

9 schools promoted to Sectionals to fence in an incomplete direct elimination tableau of 16, with fencing for placement down to 9.

Epee Sectional Championships

7 schools promoted to the Sectionals to fence in an incomplete direct elimination tableau of 8, with fencing for placement down to 7.

LEAGUE ALIGNMENT

NORTH/WEST LEAGUE

Arlington
Clarkstown
Nyack
Tappan Zee

SOUTH LEAGUE

Ardsley
Irvington
Mamaroneck
Scarsdale
Woodlands

