

FENB presents:



## **Fencing Refereeing - The Referee's role and responsibility**

**Saturday March 28 from 8-10 pm**  
**Location: TBD**

FENB would like to invite fencers, parents and coaches to an information session aimed at educating the competitor, coach and spectator in the exact role that the referee plays in a fencing bout.

Fencing can be difficult to watch, particularly for those who are unfamiliar with the sport or for those unfamiliar with the rules. The goal of this seminar is to provide those interested with the knowledge needed to fully understand what is happening on the strip and how/why the referee makes the decisions they do.

The information session will focus on the role of the referee in a fencing match in particular, but also in the competition as a whole. This seminar will also cover how the referee analyzes the fencing action, what specifically they are looking for in a match, a brief overview of some of the main rules (general fencing rules as well as weapon specific rules), responsibilities of the referee (and in turn the responsibilities of fencers), and finally how to interact with a referee (as a fencer, coach and spectator). Fencers and coaches who plan on attending this information session should be familiar with the skill sets outlined in the Armband program at the Yellow armband level. Attending parents should have a child/children who have competed in competitions at the Provincial level.

This seminar will also provide a solid base of information for those who are potentially interested in becoming certified fencing referees.

This seminar will be conducted in English. FENB apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.

**For further information and to reserve a seat, please email Michael Ivankovic, FENB Executive Director at [michael.ivankovic@gmail.com](mailto:michael.ivankovic@gmail.com) by March 21.**

*\*Location will be determined based upon need for space, no later than March 23*