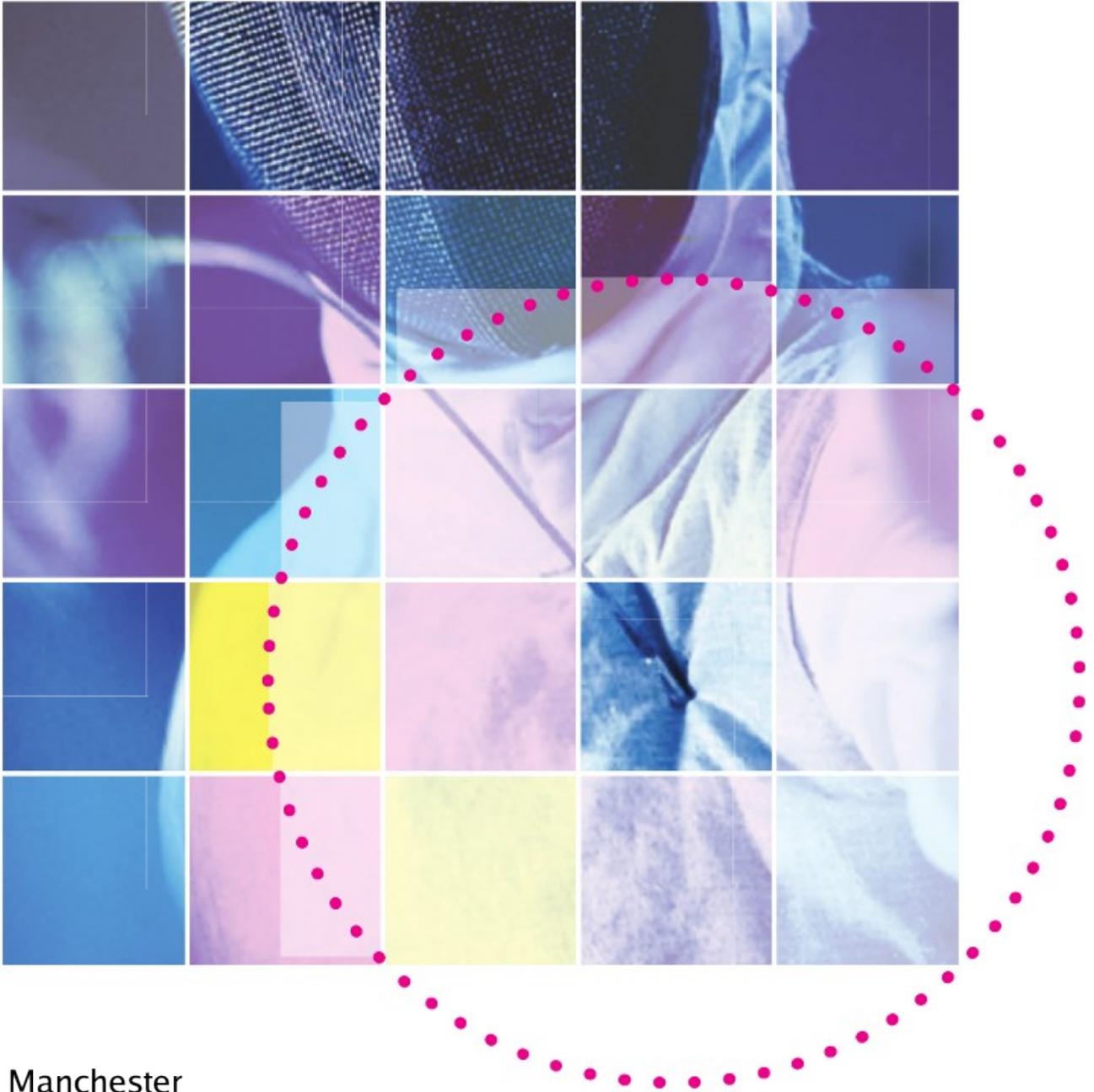


Manchester Cadet Presents



Dear Colleagues,

Please accept our most cordial greetings.

We have great pleasure in inviting you to the Manchester Cadet Foil Tournament to be held on September 22, 2012 in the Bolton Arena.

Three years ago the tournament, founded by the Manchester Fencing Club and Salle Kiss, was accepted as part of the European Cadet Circuit by the European Confederation of Fencing.

- The tournament takes place in the Bolton Arena, a state of the art sports centre designed and built for the 2002 Commonwealth Games. It has a high capacity, capable of housing up to 50 pistes. Just as importantly it has a separate area for a finals piste, allowing the final to be run *en gala* using the integrated audio-visual equipment
- The venue is close to Manchester airport and is well served with public transport, the nearest train station being only 100m from the venue and on a direct line from the airport. It can be reached easily by car, being a few hundred metres from the motorway. In addition it can also be reached from Liverpool airport which is 65Km away and Leeds/Bradford airport which is 90Km away. Besides scheduled carriers all three airports are served by low cost airlines (Easy Jet, Flybe, Ryanair, Monarch) who fly from a large number of European destinations.
- Accommodation is available within 100m of the venue and there are seven hotels within a 2Km radius. Between them they provide several hundred rooms. There are a large number of restaurants within the local area. These include Chinese, Indian, Spanish, Italian as well as classic British "pub" food.

In order to assist your federation to attend this tournament we are pleased to offer you two nights free accommodation for two of your officials.



International Foil Challenge

European Cadet Circuit



Bolton, United Kingdom

22nd September 2012

Weapon

Men's and Women's Foil

Age Category

Cadet boys and girls born in 1996 or younger

Program

Saturday, 22nd September 2012

Last check in for men's foil	08:00
Last check in for women's foil	10:00
One round of pools and direct elimination to the final	08:30-18:30

Venue

The Bolton Arena, Arena Way, Bolton BL6 6LB. The venue is located just off junction 6 of the M61. It is within 24 miles (40Km) of Manchester airport and 18 miles (30Km) of central Manchester.

Organisation

Salle Kiss, Manchester Fencing Club and the British Fencing Association

Competition Format

- One rounds of pools of 6-7 fencers, approx. 20% eliminated after the round
- Direct elimination with repechage starting from a tableau of 32
- Finals without fence-off for 3rd place
- Trophy for the top 4, medals for 5th to 8th place

EFC regulations will apply throughout the competition.

Entries

The competition is open to all countries. Entry fee: €20 per fencer to be paid at check-in. All entries must be made through the fencer's national federation via the EFC website before September 14th 2012. As per the 2010-2011 EFC regulations, not more than 20 entries per country can be accepted apart from the host nation where a maximum of 64 is allowed.

Equipment

FIE standard equipment will be required, i.e., 800N clothing, 1600N mask with a conductive bib and FIE approved blade.

Printing of the fencer's name on the back of the jacket is **not** required.

Referees

Each participating country must supply at its expense the number of qualified referees indicated in the table below:

Number of Entries	Number of Referees
1-4	0
5-9	1
10-15	2
16-20	3

Failure to comply with this rule will result in a 500 € fine for each referee short of the required number. **Please note:** All referees **must** be entered the same way as fencers, i.e. through the EFC web site.

This fee must be paid before any fencers from the offending country will be allowed to compete.

Travel to the Venue

The venue for the tournament is the Bolton Arena which is in Horwich, just outside of the town of Bolton. Close to the West Pennine moors It is just 10 miles (16 km) north west of the city of Manchester.

Travel Directions

Closest airport: Manchester, UK; Train station: Horwich.

The nearest train station is Horwich Parkway. This can be reached directly from Manchester Piccadilly or Manchester Airport stations. The station is approximately 100m from the venue.

For timetable enquires telephone 08457 48 49 50 or visit: <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/>

A number of bus companies operate in the area, for details see the Transport for Greater Manchester website at <http://www.tfgm.com/>.

Accommodation

The nearest hotel to the site is the Bolton (Reebok Stadium) Premier Inn -

<http://www.premierinn.com/en/hotel/BOLBAR/bolton-reebok-stadium?cmp=GLBC>

Other hotels, boarding house and youth hostels can be found by visiting the Bolton or Manchester tourist office web sites at <http://www.visitbolton.com> and <http://www.visitmanchester.com> respectively.