

OFFICIAL INVITATION

NS MATRIK FENCING FESTIVAL

DATES:

27th - 30th JUNE 2026

VENUE:

KARISMA ARENA

70200 SEREMBAN, NEGERI SEMBILAN,
MALAYSIA

Organised by



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01 Introduction

Negeri Sembilan Fencing Association (NSFA) is proud to present the NS Matrix Fencing Festival at Karisma Arena, Seremban from 27 to 30 June 2026, featuring four days of exciting action bringing together young talents, senior competitors and veteran fencers in one major multi-event celebration of fencing.

This festival brings you 3 headline events:

Negeri Sembilan Youth Challenge 2026 NSYC2026

U8/U10/U12/U14/U17 (Individual)

U12/U17 (Team)

Team Trophies

Negeri Sembilan Open Championship 2026 NSOC2026

13+ (Individual)

Negeri Sembilan Masters Challenge 2026 NSMC2026

40+ Men (Individual)

35+ Women (Individual)





CATEGORIES

- **U8 Boys and Girls Foil, Epee & Sabre** (born 2018 and after)
(Individual) (6 events)
- **U10 Boys and Girls Foil, Epee & Sabre** (born 2016 and after)
(Individual) (6 events)
- **U12 Boys and Girls Foil, Epee & Sabre** (born 2013 and after)
(Individual & Team) (12 events)
- **U14 Boys and Girls Foil, Epee & Sabre** (born 2012 and after)
(Individual) (6 events)
- **U17 Boys and Girls Foil, Epee & Sabre** (born 2009 and after)
(Individual & Team)(12 events)

Participants are allowed to compete only in one event per day. For this competition, participants can compete up to 3 events, if they wish. Competing in more than one event per day will only be allowed with specific approval from NSFA.

NSYC Team Trophies

We aim to recognise clubs or organisations that demonstrate depth, consistency, and excellence across events. Trophies are for the Best Epee, Best Foil and Best Sabre.

Team Points Allocation

- 1st Place – 10 points
- 2nd Place – 7 points
- 3rd Place – 5 points each
- 5th–8th Place – 2 points each

Tunku Besar Seri Menanti Shield (for Best Overall)

To qualify for the Best Overall, a club must score points in at least two (2) different weapons. Clubs scoring in only one weapon remain eligible for their respective Best Epee, Best Foil, or Best Sabre Team Trophies.





CATEGORIES

- **Open Mens and Womens Foil** (born 2012 and after)
(Individual) (2 events)
- **Open Mens and Womens Epee** (born 2012 and after)
(Individual) (2 events)
- **Open Mens and Womens Sabre** (born 2012 and after)
(Individual) (2 events)

Participants may compete in more than one event provided they are eligible.

The organising committee will make reasonable efforts to minimise timetable clashes; however, no guarantees can be made. It should be noted that failure to report to the piste when called may result in exclusion in accordance with competition rules.



04 Negeri Sembilan Masters Challenge (NSMC2026)



CATEGORIES

- **Masters Mens Foil** (born 1986 or earlier) (Individual) (1 event)
- **Masters Womens Foil** (born 1991 or earlier) (Individual) (1 event)
- **Masters Mens Epee** (born 1986 or earlier) (Individual) (1 event)
- **Masters Womens Epee** (born 1991 or earlier) (Individual) (1 event)
- **Masters Mens Sabre** (born 1986 or earlier) (Individual) (1 event)
- **Masters Womens Sabre** (born 1991 or earlier) (Individual) (1 event)

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Karisma Arena

Jalan Labu Lama, Taman Baiduri
70200 Seremban, Negeri Sembilan

Located in the heart of Seremban city, Karisma Arena is a multi purpose arena that is perfect to showcase the NS Matrix Fencing Festival.

Next to the venue is the Arena Square (restaurants) and the Arena Premier Hotel. This arena complex is always buzzing with fun activities, including a weekend bazaar for everyone to enjoy.

Seremban is only a 30 km or 30-minute drive from the nearest airport, Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA). It is also only a 60-minute drive from Kuala Lumpur city centre. We suggest booking a bus via <https://m.redbus.my> or to book a car via our e-hailing service Grab which will cost approximately RM70 (one way from KLIA). Should you have a larger entourage, you can contact:

Mitra Kembara Travel	Satu Hati Travel & Tours
Name: Fathana Tel: +6016 9021197 Email: fathana.samsudin@mitrakembara.travel	Name: Mervin Tel: +60142250804

Alternatively reach out to us via email at admin@nsfencing.org for assistance.



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Entry Fee & Referee Provision

Entry Fee

	Individual	Team
Malaysian Residents	RM180	RM400
International Entries	RM220	RM400

Each entry will also receive an exclusive T-shirt and 1 bottle of water.

For the individual category, a minimum of 6 participants per event is required for the event to proceed. Organisers may opt to cancel or run categories as a mixed event. For the team category, a minimum of 2 teams per event is required for the event to proceed.

Respective team managers will be notified of any cancellation of events due to lack of sufficient participation, upon the close of registration.

Referee Provision

Participating clubs must be accompanied by a number of referees with national or international level qualification and experience as follows:

No. of fencers per day	No. of referees
1-9 fencers	0
10 or more fencers	1

Note: Please ensure that all referees are smartly attired. Please bring a jacket/blazer and long pants. (shorts, jeans and slippers are not permitted)

**If the participating delegation fails to provide the required number of referees, a penalty fee of RM400 per day per referee will be imposed. The fee should be paid before the start of the competition on the day.





Preliminary Entry Form (by Numbers) - by 31 March 2026

The purpose of the preliminary entry form is to inform us of the expected number of participants, teams, and officials, allowing us to plan logistics such as schedule, space allocation and doorgifts. Kindly scan the QR code to access the PDF form. Kindly email us a PDF copy of the form to entries@nsfencing.org.my



Online Registration - by 1 June 2026

Registrations will be open on 1 April 2026 ONLINE via our website <https://nsfencing.org.my>

PAYMENTS

Once we have received your registration, you will be sent a copy of your registration and invoice which includes the entry fee and referee penalty fee (if applicable). Payment details will also be included in this email for your action. Your entry will only be confirmed once payment has been made.

LATE ENTRIES AND WITHDRAWAL

- Late entries may be accepted after the closing date under special circumstances subject to the Directoire Technique's (DT) sole discretion. The late entry may also be subject to a penalty fee equivalent to 100% of the entry fee payable. Late entries may also miss out on the door gift.
- Withdrawal of entry is allowed without additional charge up to the closing date and total entry fee will be refunded accordingly. Kindly email your request to admin@nsfencing.org.my
- Withdrawal after the closing date is allowed under extenuating circumstances such as illness, death in the family or any other reason that is deemed reasonable by the organisers. The organisers will arrange for the entry fee(s) to be fully refunded.
- Participants who withdraw or are a No-Show at the competition without adequate and proper excuse will result in the full forfeiture of their entry fees.



FRIDAY , 26 JUNE 2026

5pm

TEAM MANAGERS MEETING

SATURDAY , 27 JUNE 2026

AM

Under 10 (Individual) BF, BS, GE, BE, GF, GS

12pm

OPENING CEREMONY

PM

Under 14 (Individual) BF, BS, GE, BE, GF, GS

SUNDAY, 28 JUNE 2026

AM

Under 8 (Individual) BF, BS, GE, BE, GF, GS

AM

Under 12 (Individual) BF, BS, GE, BE, GF, GS

PM

Under 17 (Individual) BF, BS, GE, BE, GF, GS

Kindly note that the schedule above is tentative and is subject to changes due to the final number of entries for each category. **The FINAL schedule will be shared via our social media channels in due course.**



MONDAY, 29 JUNE 2026

AM	Masters MF, MS, ME, WF, WS, WE
AM	Under 12 (Team) BF, BS, GE, BE, GF, GS
PM	Under 17 (Team) BF, BS, GE, BE, GF, GS

TUESDAY, 30 JUNE 2026

AM	Open(13+) MF, MS, WE
PM	Open (13+) ME, MF, GS
5pm	Closing Ceremony

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09 REPORTING & EQUIPMENT



REPORTING

- Please note that it is compulsory for team managers and participating fencers to report to the DT to confirm their attendance at the earliest 90 minutes and latest 15 minutes prior to the start time of each event.
- Fencers who are late i.e. less than 15 minutes prior to the start time, will only be allowed to fence at the discretion of the organisers

EQUIPMENT

- FIE equipment is NOT compulsory; however, rusty weapons, torn fencing attire and short socks are NOT allowed. Fencers' uniform including jacket & breeches (350N or higher), inner plastron, lame (if applicable), footwear (long socks and shoes), mask, weapons, body and mask wires must be made of sufficiently robust material and should be in good condition.
- Inner plastron is compulsory.
- Chest protector with new FIE pad for FOIL is required (compulsory for girls foil) and for U14, U17, Masters & Open, female participants must wear gender appropriate chest protector.
- For sabre, only gloves with lamé will be allowed, overlays are not accepted
- Conductive bib for FOIL is compulsory
- Appropriate mask related to each weapon is compulsory

Weapons for:

Under 8, 10 & 12 must be SIZE 3 or smaller

Under 14 & Under 17 must be SIZE 5 or smaller

Masters & Open must be SIZE 5 or smaller

Weapon checks will be carried out on the piste before each bout.



10 COMPETITION FORMAT



The fencing competition shall be conducted in accordance with the current FIE rules. In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the rules, the latest English version shall prevail. The DT shall manage any unforeseen incidents not covered by the rules.

Category	Poules	Direct Elimination
Individual Under 8 & Under 10	4 points max 2 mins per bout	8 points max 2 min x 2 with 1 min rest 1 min break at 4 points for Sabre
Individual Under 12	5 points max 2 mins per bout	10 points max 3 min x 2 with 1 min rest 1 min break at 5 points for Sabre
Individual Under 14, Under 17 & Open (13 and above)	5 points max 3 mins per bout	15 points max 3 min x 3 with 1 min rest 1 min break at 8 points for Sabre
Individual Masters (40 and above)	5 points max 3 mins per bout	10 points max 3 min x 2 with 1 min rest 1 min break at 5 points for Sabre
Team Under 12	4 points per bout, 2 mins per bout Maximum 36 points, 9 bouts	
Team Under 17	5 points per bout, 3 mins per bout Maximum 45 points, 9 bouts	

Each team must consist of 3 fencers, with the option of adding one reserve fencer. (i.e. total maximum of 4 fencers). Ranking of teams for the purpose of elimination will be based on the aggregate of points earned by the top 3 fencers at the individual competition.



Directoire Technique (DT)

The DT shall be responsible for the technical organisation of the competition. The decision of the DT shall be final with regard to all protests unless a written complaint is lodged with the Jury of Appeal.

Protest

Competitors should immediately make appeals against decisions of a referee, before any decision is made regarding the subsequent hit. Complaints can be brought to the attention of the DT, if required.

Jury of Appeal

The Jury of Appeal comprises the DT and the President of Negeri Sembilan Fencing Association. The decision of the Jury of Appeal shall be final.

Prizes

Each participant will receive a participation certificate for this event.

Medals will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and joint 3rd places in each event. Achievement certificates will be awarded to top 8 finishers.

12 COMMUNICATIONS

Fencing Time Live (fencingtimelive.com) will be used as a platform for this event. You can check your names, poules and track fencing tournament results and scores through this portal.

NSFA will endeavour to keep all team managers updated through email or WhatsApp. We encourage you to also join our Instagram page where we will upload competition updates, photos and announcements.



[or Click Here](#)

As part of our sharing on social media channels, photographs & videos will be used in some/many postings. If, for any reason you do not wish your photographs or videos to be used, please email to admin@nsfencing.org.my



There are many accommodation options that are close to the venue and easily booked via accommodation booking channels such as Agoda, Booking.com and Airbnb.

We have made special arrangements with the **Arena Premier Hotel**, which is next to the fencing venue.

The Special Rates are as follows:-

Superior Twin Room RM192 nett/night incl breakfast for two

Deluxe Twin Room RM220 nett/night incl breakfast for two

Note: Tourism Tax of RM10 per room per night will be levied on non-Malaysian residents.

The above rates are available from 23 June - 3 July 2026. Please quote "NSFencing" when making bookings directly with the hotel.

Reservation Contact Number: WhatsApp +60179345138

Reservation Email Address: info@arenahotel.com.my

Address : Arena Seremban, Jalan Permata 1, 70200 Seremban, Negeri Sembilan

Other recommended hotels are :

1) The Royale Chulan Seremban

(11 min drive from the venue)

Address: Jalan Dato A.S. Dawood, 70100 Seremban, Negeri Sembilan

Reservation Contact Number: +606-766-6665

Reservation Email address: booking.rcs@royalechulan.com

2) Klana Resort Hotel, Seremban

(12 min drive)

*Address : Pt 4388 Jalan Penghulu Cantik, 70100 Seremban,
Negeri Sembilan*

Contact Number : +606-766-7888

Reservation Email address : reservation@klana-resort.com.my

3) D&F Boutique Hotel, Seremban 2

(21 min drive)

Address: 125, Persiaran S2/B1, 70300 Seremban, Negeri Sembilan

Contact No: +606-012000/+6019 998 6813

Reservation Email address: dfboutiquehotel.s2@gmail.com



A Gentle Blend of Heritage, Food and Nature

Seremban, the capital of Negeri Sembilan, is a vibrant city blending rich Minangkabau culture, colonial history, and natural beauty. The iconic state mosque and traditional buildings reflect distinctive curved rooflines inspired by buffalo horns – a hallmark of Negeri Sembilan architecture.

Top attractions include the stunning Masjid Sri Sendayan, scenic Seremban Lake Garden, Seremban Cultural Complex, the historic Centipede Temple (See Toh Kong), the Jelita Ostrich farm and the 1km-long Seremban Street Art Lane.

For those who enjoy hiking and nature, visit Gunung Angsi and Hutan Lipur Ulu Bendul. And just a short drive away, visit the Seri Menanti Royal Museum, revealing its royal history and craftsmanship. The beach town of Port Dickson is also a short drive away offering a coastal retreat for those who wish to relax or wind down pre or post competition.

Whilst you are in Seremban, don't miss out on trying the Siew Pao (Baked Buns) and wonderful 'Nogori' dishes such as masak lemak cili api, smoked meats and rendang.



Thank you



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