



Technical Manual Fencing



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Welcome

The 3rd European Games Krakow-Małopolska 2023 will welcome more than 7,000 athletes, 3,000 supporting Team Officials and about 1,200 Technical Officials from across Europe to participate in elite-level sport competition.

We aim to provide all participants with optimal conditions so that they are able to perform at their best.

This Technical Manual will help with preparations and Games-time operations as it provides key information including the relevant competition rules and format, medal events, competition schedule and key dates.

The Technical Manual also includes details of the relevant venue, medical, anti-doping, training and competition related services, as well as the key policies and procedures that will be in place during the Games.

We hope that this Manual helps with your planning in the weeks remaining before the European Games 2023. Hard copies of this Technical Manual will be provided upon arrival in Poland. We look forward to welcoming you to European Games Krakow-Małopolska 2023 for 12 days of competition that puts sport first and sets a tradition for the European Games.

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1. General Information

Fencing Competition at the 3rd Europeans Games 2023 will be held from the 25 June 30 June at the Tauron Arena in Cracow. More than 440 athletes will compete in 12 medal events during Fencing Championships. The best European Fencers will battle for the title of European Games Champion, European Champion, and precious points for the Olympic Qualification Ranking for Paris 2024 – therefore we are sure to host the best of the best.

1.1. Key dates

Date	Event
2 June 2023	Sports Entries submission deadline
18 June 2023	Athletes' Village official opening
21 June 2023	EG2023 Opening Ceremony
22 June 2023	Arrival day
23 June 2023	Start of Official Training
24 June 2023	EFC COMEX Meeting
24 June 2023	EFC Congress
24 June 2023	Technical Meeting and Official Draw
25 June 2023	Start of the Competition
30 June 2023	End of the Competition
1 July 2023	Departure day
2 July 2023	EG2023 Closing Ceremony
4 July 2023	Athletes' Village official closing

1.2. Competition Management

Position	Name
Fencing Competition Manager	Bogna Jozwiak
Fencing Venue Manager	Robert Gaweda

1.3. European Fencing Confederation

Position	Name	NOC Code
President	Giorgio SCARSO	ITA
Secretary General	Jacek SLUPSKI	POL
Technical Delegate, EFC Sports Director, DT Member	Julius KRALIK	SVK

1.4 International Technical Officials (ITOs)

The total number of ITOs is 39

Position	Name	NOC Code
President of Directoire Technique	Nikolaj MATEEV	ISL
Member of Directoire Technique	Majjorie GINOUIER	FRA
Member of Directoire Technique	Jonathan WILLIS	GBR
EFC Semi Commission Delegate	Peter HUGGINS	GBR
EFC Semi Commission Delegate	Margherita GNACATO	ITA
EFC Medical Commission Delegate	Jan BARDENHAGEN	GER

FIE Referee's Commission Delegate	Papa TOURE	SEN
EFC Referee Commission Delegate	Martina GANASSIN	ITA
EFC Safeguarding Officer	Georgina USHER	GBR
FIE Press Officer	Camilla FONDI	ITA
Media and Promotion Commission Delegate	Ana VALERO – COLLANTES	SWE
Referee	Roman BEREUTER	AUT
Referee	Fikrat VALIYEV	AZE
Referee	Jeffrey DELATTRE	BEL
Referee	Yulian STOYCHEV	BUL
Referee	Vilem MADR	CZE
Referee	Mirna BOROSAK	CRO
Referee	Mads Vetli HEJRSKOV	DEN
Referee	Vanesa CHICHON	ESP
Referee	Denis OSTROVSKI	EST
Referee	Pascal MAGE	FRA
Referee	Adrian SPEAKMAN	GBR
Referee	Marcus SCHULZ	GER
Referee	Zaza MCHEDLIDZE	GEO
Referee	Andreas DOUVIS	GRE
Referee	Miklos KOSA	HUN
Referee	Luigi MARTILOTTI	ITA
Referee	Mihail PAGHIEV	MDA
Referee	Miguel MACHADO	POR
Referee	Andreea DOANA	ROU
Referee	Ana KOVRLIJA	SRB
Referee	Ambre CIVIERO	SUI
Referee	Tomasz GORAL	SWE
Referee	Pavol CELLER	SVK

Referee	Ilgin Güçlüer Sürekcigil	TUR
Referee	Hwa Jung DOO	KOR
Referee	Evgenij DYAKOKIN	KAZ
Referee	Andrei KOVRIJNYKH	RSA
Referee	Laura DECKER	UDA

1.5 National Technical Officials (NTOs)

The total number of NTOs is 9

Position	Name
Member of Directoire Technique	TBD
National Technical Officials – Referee LOC	Jaroslav MOJSKI
National Technical Officials – Referee LOC	Grzegorz DOMINIK
National Technical Officials – Referee LOC	Andrzej WITKOWSKI
National Technical Officials – Referee LOC	Marek GNIEWKOWSKI
National Technical Officials – Referee LOC	Michal DUL
National Technical Officials – Referee LOC	Mateusz WICHER
National Technical Officials – Referee LOC	Dariusz NOWINOWSKI
National Technical Officials – Referee LOC	Dominika KUROWSKA

1.6 Medal Events

MEDAL EVENTS (12)

Women (6)	Men (6)
Individual Epee	Individual Epee
Individual Foil	Individual Foil
Individual Sabre	Individual Sabre
Team Epee	Team Epee
Team Foil	Team Foil
Team Sabre	Team Sabre

1.7 Competition Format

1.7.1 Individual events

Individual events will be held by a mixed system consisting of one round of eliminating pools, followed by a direct elimination table to qualify 4 fencers for a direct elimination final. All bouts in the individual pool round will consist of 5 hits (a maximum of three minutes).

All bouts in the individual direct elimination tableau will consist of three periods of three minutes, with one minute between periods, or until one fencer has scored 15 hits. If the third period is completed before either fencer has scored 15 hits, the fencer with the most hits will be declared the winner. If the scores are tied after the third period, there will be a further one minute of competition. One fencer will be randomly given priority. The winner will be the first fencer to score a valid hit; if no hits are scored, the winner will be the fencer with priority. The saber match is composed of two bouts wherein two fencers would have one minute rest time when eight hits are scored at the first bout, the second bout will compete and end with 15 hits scored by the winner.

1.7.2 Team Events

In the team events, each match will consist of nine bouts, to a maximum of 45 hits. Each bout will last three minutes, or until one team's score has reached the next multiple of five hits: a score of five hits after the first bout, a score of 10 hits after the second bout, a score of 15 hits after the third bout, and so on. If the ninth bout is completed before either team has scored 45 hits, the team with the most hits will be declared the winner. If the scores are tied after the ninth bout, there will be a further minute of competition. One team will be randomly given priority. The winner will be the first team to score a valid hit; if no hits are scored, the winner will be the team with priority.

1.8. Competition Draw

Posting of pools will take place each day before the competition, starting on 24.06.2023 at 18:00.

1.9. Competition Rules

Duration and Scoring

The Fencing competition will be held in accordance with the current edition of the following document that is in force at the time of the Games:

The International Fencing Federation (FIE) Rules, available in English at www.fie.org

The EFC will be responsible for the technical control and direction.

Appeals and Protests

Protests and Appeals will be carried out in accordance with official FIE Rules for Fencing, which can be found at <https://fie.org/fie/documents>

1.10. Clothing and equipment

Competition Uniforms

Subject to compliance with applicable IF/EF rules and the decision as to what clothing their athletes should wear for competitions during the Krakow & Małopolska 2023 European Games is left to the discretion of the participating NOCs. No other restrictions exist.

The aim of the above provision is to allow teams to use competition clothing that is already available (e.g., world cup uniforms), both for the sake of sustainability and the cost.

Out of Competition Clothing

Subject to compliance with the applicable EOC rules and regulations, NOCs have the sole and exclusive authority to prescribe the out of competition clothing worn by the members of their delegation. Two (2) manufacturer's identifications and one (1) NOC sponsor logo of no more than 30 cm² each can be displayed on each piece of out of competition clothing.

No alcohol or tobacco product producers' logos, no betting companies' logos will be allowed.

No sponsors' logos can be displayed on the uniforms worn by the members of the delegations during Opening and Closing Ceremonies, as well as during Medal Ceremonies.

1.11. Late Athlete Replacement Policy (LAR)

Starting on 3 June 2023, 00:00 CEST, the Late Athlete Replacement Policy becomes active and will be strictly enforced. NOCs should note that replacement Athletes should have been included in the accreditation long list by 5 May 2023.

The LAR policy is only applicable to those sports/disciplines in which the quota place has been allocated to the NOC.

Two procedures* are available for NOCs to replace confirmed Athletes after the Sports Entries deadline:

- Medical or injury-related LAR – to replace an athlete if he/she is injured after 2 June 2023. The deadline for submission of medical or

injury-related LAR is two hours before the technical meeting or weight draw as appropriate in the related discipline;

- Non-medical LAR – each NOC is given a quota for the replacement of Athletes for other reasons. The deadline to submit non-medical LAR is 24 hours before the Technical Meeting as appropriate in the related discipline.

NUMBER OF ATHLETES IN NOC DELEGATION	QUOTA FOR NON-MEDICAL LAR
1-10	1
11-20	2
21-50	5
51-100	10
101-150	15
151+	20

*The LAR form and detailed procedure and approval process will be communicated to all NOCs by 16 May 2023.

1.12. Doping Control

Athletes selected for doping control will be notified in person and escorted to the Doping Control Station by a Doping Control Chaperone as soon as possible after the former have finished competing. It is the responsibility of the Athlete to remain under continuous observation of the Doping Control Chaperone after notification. The notified Athlete may invite a team representative or team doctor to Doping Control Station along with them.

During doping control, competitors will be instructed by the doping control officer about the procedure and rights and obligations related to the control. All tests should be carried out without advanced notice, the athlete should be the first person to be informed about the selection for doping control. During doping control, athletes should report what medicines they have used in the last 7 days and should submit their comments on the testing process.

Where the Athlete already has a TUE granted by their National Anti-Doping Organization or International Federation for the substance or method in question

and provided that such TUE has been reported in accordance with Article 5.5 of the International Standard for Therapeutic Use Exemptions, EOC will automatically recognize it for purposes of the EG2023 without the need to review the relevant clinical information.

In cases of emergency related to the need to use medicine which contains prohibited substances or methods considered as prohibited for medical purposes during the EG2023, please contact the ITA with a request for further instructions. The ITA is the organization that, on behalf of the EOC, is responsible for the review of TUEs during the EG2023.


1.13. Sports Information

Sports Information Center (SIC) is located in Athletes Village. The desk will provide a variety of services for the NOCs as follows:

- the dissemination of General Sports Information;
- the distribution of start lists, draw lists and results;
- Training Schedule Information for open and pre-allocated training;
- sign up for bookable Training Sessions;
- sport-specific requirements (e.g., forms submitted for several sports in relation to uniform checks or music submission);
- assistance regarding authorised identifications;
- application for training access passes (TAP);
- schedules of shuttle-bus transfer.

The operating hours are as follows:

Period	Operation Hours
Pre-Opening: from 15 to 17 June 2023	06:00 – 22:00
Official Opening Period: from 18 June to 2 July 2023	06:00 – 22:00



The sports Information Desk (SID) will be available at Venue in Tauron Arena while the venue is open and will provide a variety of services for the NOCs as follows:

- the dissemination of General Sports Information;
- the distribution of Start Lists, draw lists and results;
- Training Schedule information for open and pre-allocated training;
- sign up for bookable training sessions;
- sport-specific requirements (e.g., forms submitted for several sports in relation to uniform checks or music submission, registration of filming devices);

Lost and Found (at Competition Venues only)

1.15. Competition Schedule

During the Games, there may be delays, postponements, or cancellations of competition. Should this occur, NOCs will be informed of the revised competition schedule through SIC in AVL and SID at the Competition Venue.

Changes will also appear on the Games-time website www.european-games.org


For detailed information, please see Appendix 1.

1.16. Weather Information

At the turn of July and June the highest average temperatures of the year and the most sunlight hours during the day. The city in the south of Poland sees an average daily temperature of 19°C (around 65°F). The highs for the month reach all the way to 25°C (about 77°F) and the lows drop down to 12°C (about 54°F).

There are rainfalls an average of 69 mm over 17 days. Precipitation on a day is 50 percent.

A cloudy day is 33 percent, and a windy day is also 33 percent. There's also a 50/50 fog.



For sports that are directly impacted by weather conditions information will be available at SIC in AVL and SID at the Venue. This will include a forecast for the current day as well as a summary forecast for up to three days in advance. The weather forecast will be regional and will be updated throughout the day as required.



2. Competition Venue Information

2.1 Key information

The Fencing competition will be held at Tauron Arena in Krakow. It is one of the biggest and most modern sports and entertainment complexes in Poland. Tauron Arena is located 4 km away from Main Market Square, and 8 km from Athletes' Village and it is easily accessible by transport. It is surrounded by the picturesque Polish Aviators' Park.

The compound consists of two halls – a large one with a Field of Play and a small one that will be used as a Warm-up Area.

2.2 Venue access

During the event, competitors depending on their discipline will be provided with shuttle buses or dedicated cars. The K&MEGOC will provide a regular shuttle service between Athletes' Villages, Main Accreditation Centre, Media and Volunteers Centre, Competition Venues / Training Venues, Official Hotels, airports, and train stations as well. The shuttle service will run every 30-45 minutes and during rush hours every 15-20 minutes. The shuttle service will start operating two days before the first game starts and will end one day after the last game ends at each Sports Venue. On an operating day the shuttle service will start running two hours before the first activities at the venue (K&MEGOC will provide an individual transfer service for earlier hours if requested) and the last shuttle vehicle will leave 90 minutes after the last game.

K&MEGOC will provide a shuttle service between Krakow and other locations 2-3 times a day, except the route Krakow – Tarnow, where the vehicles will operate more often.

The Athletes' transport system (T-A) will drop off and collect athletes at the athletes' entrance to Tauron Arena.

2.3. Field of Play (FoP)

The field of play for the Fencing competition will contain 24 pistes and the final piste used only for the final bouts.

- Field of play 1: Final piste + 4 colour pistes + pistes numbered 5-8. All of them are equipped with a video refereeing system.
- Field of play 2: 16 numbered pistes.

The competition area and all equipment will be presented in accordance with the FIE Rules.

2.4. Venue Services and Facilities

Athletes' Changing Rooms

Athletes changing rooms, one (1) for women and one (1) for men are located just across Call Room on level 1 of the competition venue. There are showers in the changing rooms, the towels will not be provided.

Athletes' Refreshment Station

Access to snacks and beverages will be provided to Athletes in the Athletes' Refreshments Areas at the Competition Venues. Snacks and beverages at the Sports Venues will be available on both Competition Days and Official Training Days. All snack stations will be designed for self-service, but the catering staff will be responsible for replenishing them.


Snacks will be available at official sports facilities:

on Competition Days: 1h before the start of the first bouts to 30 mins after the end of the last bouts

on official Training Days: 30 mins before the start of the first training up to 30 mins after the end of the last training of the day.

Athletes' refreshments station in Tauron Arena will be located behind the entry from the drop-off point on the way to warm up.

The following Refreshments & Snacks will be available at sports venues and in Athletes' lounges:

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- Still water in 0.5l bottles at room temperature and chilled;
 - Hot beverages- coffee and tea;
 - Whole fruits - primarily bananas, but also apples, pears, and oranges;
 - 100% apple and orange juice;
 - Fruit and natural yogurts, also a vegan option;
 - Granola bars;
 - Isotonic drinks in bottles of 0.5l or 0.75l.

Broadcast Mixed zone

All Competition Venues will include the Mixed Zone split between the Rights Holding TV Channels (Flash Zone), radio reporters, news agencies, press, and Games News Service. There will be also Interview Zone provided for all the non-right TV and radio crews.


The Mixed zone will be located near the Field of Play and all Fencers after finishing bouts in DT will pass on the way back to the call room and Warm-up Area. There will be a special space for TV representatives and experienced journalists. The way to mixed zones will be clearly marked. Volunteers will be at the service to assist journalists in organising their interviews with athletes.

Call Room Area

The Call Room is located on level 0, next to the Field of Play, close to Directoire Technique Area and Referees Room. Entry to Call Room is in the hallway situated opposite Changing Rooms.

Doping Control Station

At each Competition Venue, there will be an anti-doping control station, which meets criteria established by ITA and WADA. Doping control stations consist of waiting rooms, processing rooms, and toilets where the samples will be collected. The station's premises should be clean and provide comfort and privacy to the Athletes and Doping Control Personnel. At doping control stations, competitors will have access to sealed drinks in the form of bottled still water.



The Doping Control Station is located near the Call Room on level 0. Medical Delegate will supervise the anti-doping control.

Lost and Found

All reports of lost items at the Venue should be directed to SID. This is also the location where all found at the Athletes Area and Field of Play items should be delivered. Items will be kept at the Venue until the end of the competition at which point they will be transferred to SIC in AVL.

Medical Services and Facilities

At the competition venue medical services will be provided. The medical room with available doctors or paramedics equipped with Advance Life Support is located close to Call Room on the level 0. Ambulances with paramedics will be stationed at the parking venue. The medical desk will be located at the Field of Play. Medical services will be available from one hour before the start of the competition until one hour after the competition ends. The Medical Delegate will verify the medical services and oversee their operation.

Athletes injured in the field of play during the competition will be evacuated on-site. If necessary, they will be retrieved from the field of play and transported to the athletes' medical room, clinic, or hospital as appropriate. All medical decisions will be evaluated and treatment supervised of any injury or cramp in accordance with FIE rules by Medical Delegate.


Medical Services such as a 24/7 dispensary, and physiotherapist services will be available at the athletes' village. At the training hall, we will not provide paramedics during training hours, therefore before officially scheduled training Fencers should get familiar with the Medical Services location.

Warm-up Area

The warm-up Area is located in the small hall on the left of the athletes' entrance. Will consist of 8 pistes and boxes for teams.

Training for the Fencing will take place at the Fencing Training Venue in the Athletes Village (6 pistes) at AGH. All training equipment will be approved by FIE and will comply with the FIE Rules for Competitions.

Venue Evacuation and Emergency procedures



In the unlikely event of a venue evacuation, a public announcement message will be broadcast within the venue that will provide directions.

On hearing the evacuation message, athlete groups onsite should follow the directions of the K&MEGOC workforce and leave the venue via indicated routes, and report to the designated evacuation assembly points. Details on the locations of the assembly points for each venue will be provided.

3. Team Leaders Information

3.1. Pre-competition Procedures

Team Leaders' Meeting

Date: 24 June 2023

Time: 18:00

Location: Tauron Arena Krakow – Referees Room

Short description: The EFC will conduct the Team Leaders' Meeting. Officials present at the meeting: EFC President, EFC General Secretary, Technical Delegate, Referee Commission Delegates, SEMI Delegates, Medical Delegate, and Fencing Competition Manager. The meeting will immediately be followed by Team Managers' Venue tour conducted by K&MEGOC Fencing Competition Manager and Fencing Venue Manager.

Venue (Field of Play) familiarisation

Date: 24 June 2023

Time: 10:00 - 18:00

Venue (Field of Play) familiarisation will take place one day prior to the start of the competition on the day of initial weapon control.

Official Draw

In the individual tournament pools, in team event table will be published at 18:00 the day before the competition in each weapon.

Weapon Control

The Weapon Control will be located at the Tauron Arena and will be open from 24 July until 30 July. Weapon Control opening hours and availability is in point **1.13**

Competition Schedule

WEAPON CONTROL

Date and Opening Hours	Availability
24 June 2023 8:00-18:00	Women's Foil and Men's Sabre
25 June 2023 8:00-18:00	Women's Epee and Men's Foil
26 June 2023 8:00-18:00	Women's Sabre and Men's Epee
27 June 2023 - 30 June 2023	To all

A secondary weapon control will operate in the Call Room, where electric equipment will be tested again between rounds.

3.2. Competition Procedures

NOC Technical Filming

NOC filming is permitted in the Athletes' Stands for the Team Leaders and Athletes who have access to this area. The Team Leaders and Athletes may film the Athlete's performance by using non-professional cameras (including tablets) only. Extra attention should be paid to the height and position of tripods to ensure the viewing of spectators and broadcasting cameras.


The Team Leaders and Athletes are requested to follow instructions from EG2023 Staff and Home Broadcasters when required.

The Teams may also film the training sessions by using non-professional cameras from the Athletes Stands.

Warm-up

A warm-up Area will be available for all the Fencers competing in the European Games. All 8 pistes can be used only for warm-up until 16:00 during the day of competition. All training in other weapons should be scheduled in the training hall in Athletes Village. The Fencers who compete have a priority to use the warm-up area, after 16:00 coaches can provide lessons for other weapons.

Call Room procedures



The fencers, completely equipped, with all equipment conforming to the regulations, must appear in the call room for secondary verification of equipment. The weapons will be brought to the pistes, in coloured bags, by volunteers and remitted to the fencers under the surveillance of the Referee. Standing on the pistes fencers must present themselves fully dressed.

3.3. Post-Competition Procedures

Doping Control

Athletes selected for doping control will be notified in person and escorted to the Doping Control Station by a Doping Control Chaperone as soon as possible after the former have finished competing. It is the responsibility of the Athlete to remain under continuous observation of the Doping Control Chaperone after notification. The notified Athlete may invite a team representative or team doctor to Doping Control Station along with them.


During doping control, competitors will be instructed by the Doping Control Officer about the procedure and rights and obligations related to the control. All tests should be carried out without advanced notice, the athlete should be the first person to be informed about the selection for doping control. During doping control, athletes should report what medicines they have used in the last 7 days and should submit their comments on the testing process.

Broadcast Mixed Zone and Flash-Zone

All the Athletes must exit FoP via the Mixed Zone.

After the competition or Medal Ceremony, all the Athletes will be guided through the Mixed Zone as they leave FoP, but they are not obliged to speak. Volunteers will take care of the interview time in each section of the Mixed Zone. Team Coaches who are normally positioned on FoP may also be asked to pass through the Mixed Zone for interview possibilities.

After passing through the Mixed Zone, Athletes will be free to return to the Changing Room or go to Medical/Doping procedures unless they are requested for interviews in the Interview Zone (outside the Mixed Zone) or press conference.



Journalists wanting to interview someone would make a request to Press Operations Volunteers who will escort the athlete. By default, all three medalists and all Polish Athletes will be accompanied by volunteers for interviews. Press Attaches, DCOs, and LANS Team members will be able to escort Athletes into the Mixed Zone if needed. Once in the Mixed Zone, the Athlete would be interviewed by the member of the press who requested the interview.

There will be a time limit for the interviews that will be clearly explained by the volunteer before the start of the interview. The volunteer has the right to interrupt the interview if it significantly exceeds the time. There will be no guarantee that it would be exclusive, meaning one (1) or two (2) journalists might want to interview the same Athlete.

The Mixed Zone will be managed by Press Operations Volunteers to help facilitate introductions or questions and ensure the Interview Zone remains an informal area and that no media 'scrum' is created.

All the medalists will be asked to attend a short press conference after the Medal Ceremony and pass through the Mixed Zone. Volunteers or Press Operations representatives will make their way to the official transport which will take them to City or Main Press Centre. After the press conference, athletes will not come back to the FoP.


Following a competition in the direct elimination phase or Medal Ceremony all athletes will pass through the Broadcast Mixed Zone as they leave the field of play, but are not obliged to speak. Coaches may also be asked to pass through the Broadcast Mixed Zone for the interview possibilities. After passing through Mixed Zone athletes will be free to return to changing room or go to Medical/Doping.

Result Distribution

Competition-related information for all sports, including results reports, will be available on the Games-time website www.european-games.org.

Delivery of printed results information is available only at Competition Venues and time-critical services. Selected reports will be available for collection from SID at the Venue and SIC in AVL.

After the completion of all competitions, all results will be compiled in PDF files and will be available for downloading from the www.european-games.org website.



All the documents issued by the Directoire Technique such as compositions of the pools, direct elimination table, and rankings will be posted online first and displayed on scoreboards and TVs on Tauron Arena. Then printed versions will be posted on walls with scores and information next to the Directoire Technique on Field of Play. The delivery of printed results information will be available at Directoire Technique for the Head of Delegations – printed only if asked.

Medal Ceremonies

All Medal ceremonies at the European Games Krakow - Małopolska 2023 will occur on or next to FoP.

Before each Medal Ceremony all the medalists are gathered in the waiting area accompanied by volunteers (people responsible for each kind of sport assigned by Competition managers).

Medal Ceremony Staff will be on hand to advise and guide all Athletes before, during and after their Medal Ceremony.


As a rule, medal ceremony is held right after the finals.

All announcements for the Medal Ceremony will be made in two languages – English and Polish.

It is not allowed to ascend the podium wearing hats, sunglasses, carrying national flags or any other symbols or memorabilia with the exception of the Games' mascots. Signs, mobile phones, cameras, electronic devices, bottles, items of sport equipment, items with political statements will not be allowed on the podium. If any Athlete is in possession of any of these items, the latter be handed in to the Medal Ceremonies Manager for the duration of the Ceremony.

During the Ceremony no commercial, political, religious or racial propaganda or demonstration is permitted. Any action of this kind entails penalties foreseen by the EOC.

No one, but the winners can be awarded medals or allowed to ascend the podium.



If any Athlete is chosen for Doping Control, he/she will be escorted through the Broadcast Mixed Zone by a Doping Control Officer or Doping Control Chaperone and will then be chaperoned to the Doping Control Station.

Athletes will be required to wear their NOC official uniform throughout the Medal Ceremony.

It is the responsibility of each Athlete/Coach to ensure that the Athlete has their full tracksuit with them and that it is ready to be worn at the Venue in time for the start of the Medal Ceremony.

Failure to adhere to this rule may result in the delay or postponement of the Medal Ceremony.

During the Medal Ceremony, in addition to the medals, K&MEGOC plans to present the winning Athletes with official mascots of the European Games Krakow-Małopolska.

Medals will be awarded in individual event of the competition as follows:

- 1st place: gold medal,
- 2nd place: silver medal,
- 3rd place: two bronze medals.

Team Competition:

- 1st place: four gold medals;
- 2nd place: four silver medals;
- 3rd place: four bronze medals.

The rewarding the prize-winners goes as follows:

The ceremony begins with the medal (-s) and the mascot (-s) awarded to the athlete (team) ranked third.

The next is to be awarded the silver medalist (-s). The gold medalist (-s) is to be awarded the latter.

In case two athletes (teams) won the medals of the same value, they are awarded as follows – first, who lose with gold medalist.

EG2023 Fencing Competition are equivalent to the European Fencing Championships. The European Championships 2023 medals for the 1st, 2nd and two 3rd places will be awarded by EFC to the Athletes right after the official EG2023 Medal Ceremony.



EFC will provide the medals.

The national anthem of the gold medalist is played, the national flags of the prize-winners will appear electronically on the led display. While the anthem is played over, the medalists remain on the podium facing the led display with the electronic Flags view.

Diplomas for the Athletes ranked from 1st to 3rd will be distributed in the AVL NOC Services Centre.

4. Training Information

4.1. Key Information

Training for Fencing

Will be located at the AGH Training Hall within a short walking distance from the village.

4.2. Training Information and Regulation

Official training will start on the 23rd of June from 9:00-18:00 and it will be open in training hour blocks for which teams must sign up. Registration for training must be made by the Head of the Delegation or Team Leader. There may be a maximum of 60 people in the training venue during the training block. Registration for training will take place at the SIC in the Athletes Village. Organisers will print the full schedule for each day, and only those teams that are on it will be submitted to the training venue. Training will take place at AGH Training Hall on 6 pistes and individual lessons can be given after 16:00 at the Venue in the warm-up area each day, making sure that fencers who still participate in the tournament have the priority to use pistes. The training Schedule can be changed before the competition.

Training access:

TAPs allow registered members of an NOC delegation, who are considered essential to the athletes' preparation for the European Games, to have access to training venues (and competition venues which are used for training).

-This pass allows access to training venues and competition venues, only on the days when there is no competition taking place at that specific venue.

NOC applies for a TAP through the EGOC's Guest Pass system. On arrival guest/visitor presents at the venue an EGIAC and/or official document valid for the TAP process (e.g. passport or official travel document for foreigners, ID or driver's license for nationals, etc.), if not accredited, to establish identity.

TAP can only be requested for sports venues and competition days where the NOC has competitors.

For every twenty (20) athletes (the number shall be rounded up), one (1) TAP will be allocated per day, for example:

- 1-20 athletes 1 TAP per day
- 21-40 athletes 2 TAP per day

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- 41-60 athletes 3 TAP per day
 - 61-80 athletes 4 TAP per day
 - 81-100 athletes 5 TAP per day
 - 101-120 athletes 6 TAP per day
 - 121-140 athletes 7 TAP per day
 - 141-160 athletes 8 TAP per day
 - 161-180 athletes 9 TAP per day
 - 181-200 athletes 10 TAP per day
 - 201-220 athletes 11 TAP per day
 - 221-240 athletes 12 TAP per day
 - 241-260 athletes 13 TAP per day
 - Etc.

4.3. Venue Facilities

Changing rooms

Athletes changing rooms are located at the training facility. There are showers in the changing rooms, the towels will not be provided.

Medical Service

Medical Services such as 24/7 dispensary, and physiotherapist services will be available at the Athletes Village. At the training hall, we will not provide paramedics during training hours, therefore before officially scheduled training Fencers should get familiar with the Medical Services location.

Appendix 1. Event Competition Schedule

DATE	TIME	EVENT
23 June 2023	10:00-15:00	Accreditation
	9:00-18:00	Scheduled training (all day)
	8:00-18:00	Start of initial weapon control (only women's foil and men's sabre)
	9:00-18:00	Scheduled training (all day) AGH training Hall
24 June 2023		Delivery of accreditation cards and athletes presence confirmation on the venue
	10:00-11:00	DT Meeting
	18:00	Posting of pools (women's foil and men's sabre)
COMPETITION DAY 1		
	8:00-18:00	Weapon control (only women's epee and men's foil)
	9:00-18:00	Scheduled training (all day)
	18:00	Posting of pools (women's epee and men's foil)
INDIVIDUAL EVENT (women's foil and men's sabre)		
25 June 2023	08:45	Fencers Call
	09:00	Women's Foil Round of pools
	11:20	Women's Foil Direct elimination
	13:00	Men's Sabre Round of pools
	14:20	Men's Sabre Direct elimination
	18:00	Women's Foil Semi-finals
		Men's Sabre Semi-finals
	19:10	FINALS
		Women's Foil Gold Medal Bout
		Men's Sabre Gold Medal Bout
	20:15	Medal Ceremony

COMPETITION DAY 2

8:00-18:00	Weapon control (only women's sabre and men's epee)
9:00-18:00	Scheduled training (all day) AGH training Hall
18:00	Posting of pools (women's sabre and men's epee)

INDIVIDUAL EVENT (women's epee and men's foil)

26 June 2023

08:45	Fencers Call
09:00	Women's Epee Round of pools
11:20	Women's Epee Direct elimination
10:00	Men's Foil Round of pools
12:30	Men's Foil Direct elimination
18:00	Women's Epee Semi-finals Men's Foil Semi-finals
	FINALS
19:30	Women's Epee Gold Medal Bout Men's Foil Gold Medal Bout
20:30	Medal Ceremony

COMPETITION DAY 3

8:00-12:00	Weapon control if needed
9:00-18:00	Scheduled training (all day) AGH training Hall
18:00	Posting Team Event Table (women's sabre and men's epee)

27 June 2023

INDIVIDUAL EVENT (women's sabre and men's epee)

08:45	Fencers Call
09:00	Men's Epee Round of pools
11:20	Men's Epee Direct elimination
13:00	Women's Sabre Round of pools
14:20	Women's Sabre Direct elimination
18:00	Men's Epee Semi-finals



	Women's Sabre Semi-finals
	FINALS
19:10	Men's Epee Gold Medal Bout
	Women's Sabre Gold Medal Bout
20:30	Medal Ceremony

COMPETITION DAY 4

9:00-18:00 Scheduled training (all day) AGH training Hall

28 June 2023

TEAM EVENT (women's foil and men's sabre)

09:00	Beginning Women's Foil Team Event
10:00	Beginning Men's Sabre Team Event
18:00	FINALS
20:30	Medal Ceremony

COMPETITION DAY 5

9:00-18:00 Scheduled training (all day) AGH training Hall

29 June 2023

TEAM EVENT

09:00	Beginning Women's Epee Team Event
09:00	Beginning Men's Foil Team Event
18:00	FINALS
20:30	Medal Ceremony

COMPETITION DAY 6

9:00-18:00 Scheduled training (all day) AGH training Hall

30 June 2023

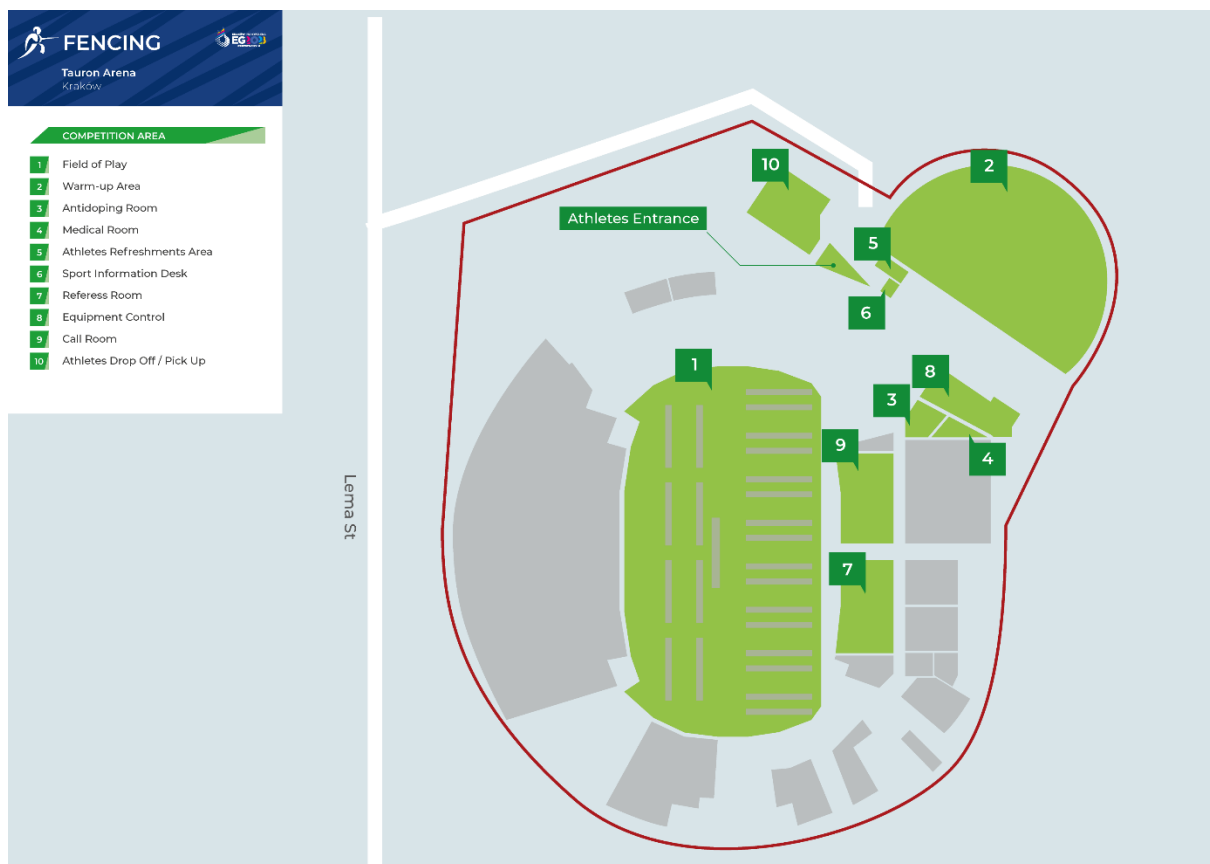
TEAM EVENT

09:00	Beginning Men's Epee Team Event
09:30	Beginning Women's Sabre Team Event
18:00	FINALS
20:30	Medal Ceremony



Appendix.3. Venue Maps

Competition Venue



Athletes' Village

Training Hall





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