

CAPITAL CITY FENCERS CLUB
Membership Application and Release of Liability

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Name of Applicant Last First

Birthdate Month/Day/Year ____/____/____ M/F

Address..... City Postal Code

Phone Business Email

Emergency Contact Phone Relationship

List any medical or health problems

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This document is an application for membership, which is subject to acceptance or rejection by the CCFC. The information stated here by the applicant is true and complete to the best of his or her knowledge. On acceptance the member will be entitled to use the facilities of the Club. He or she will be expected to abide by the safety rules of the Club.

Signature of Applicant or Guardian if under 18 Date

Release of Liability and Indemnity Agreement (release)

By signing this release you will give up certain legal rights, including the right to sue. Please read carefully.

Re: Membership at the CCFC legally known as Capital City Fencers Club and their respective directors, officers, employees, contractors, representatives, officials, agents, and volunteers collectively called the CCFC.

Assumption of Risks

I am aware and understand that the use of the club has inherent dangers, hazards and risks collectively called risks.

The following is only a partial list of examples of these risks: negligence of other members, improper use of equipment, sustaining rigorous physical activity, travel to and from the club, collision with man-made or natural objects or other members or bystanders, equipment failure, and other hazardous materials in the club.

I understand that injuries resulting from such risks are probable occurrences of the nature of fencing. I freely accept and fully assume all risks and that possibility of personal injuries, death, property damage, or loss resulting from activities in the club.

Release of Liability, Waiver and Indemnity Agreement

I acknowledge that it remains my sole responsibility to act in such a manner as to be responsible for my own safety and participate within my own limits. I understand that the rules of safety handed down to me as copied on the back of this form are solely for the purpose of regulating myself and other members of the club. I have read and understand the safety rules (see reverse) and agree to abide by them. In consideration of my usage of the club, I together with my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, and assignees, collectively called my 'legal representatives' agree as follows: a) to waive any and all claims that I have against the CCFC. B) to release the club CCFC from any and all liability for loss, damage, injury, or expense that I or my legal representatives may suffer as a result of my use of the CCFC. C) to hold harmless and indemnify the CCFC from any and all liability for any damage or personal injury to any third party resulting from my participation as a fencer.

Before I sign this release, I read it. I state that I understand it. I am aware that by signing this release, I am waiving certain legal rights, which I may have against the CCFC.

Signature of member: Date:

Name (please print):

Co-signer (if under 18 years of age):

Witness signature: Date:

Capital City Fencers Club Safety Rules

1. Never fence at any time without a mask, even when merely practicing strokes with a friend. This may seem obvious, but a number of serious accidents have occurred in recent years (none at CCFC) when this elementary rule has been disregarded.
2. Never fence in clothing that is unsuitable for the weapon used. Foil, sabre and epee each have their own protective jackets. However, epee jackets are durable enough for fencing foil and epee.
3. Women should wear breast protectors of metal or some other rigid material at all times. A padded jacket will prevent unsightly bruises but without protectors is not sufficient to prevent the danger of injury which may cause serious complications later in life.
4. Discard a blade that has been badly kinked, as it is obviously more liable to break. If the blade does not bounce back when bent this is due to metal fatigue and it should not be used.
5. Never fence in clothing that is torn or badly worn. This applies particularly to masks which in time become rusty and may have the meshes of the trellis broken or open by dents. If you have any concern over mask safety, test with a punch tester.
6. If you are a left-hander never fence in equipment made for a right-hander – or vice versa. A fencing jacket may have the necessary reinforcement over the upper arm, armpit and breast on the sword arm side only.
7. Never walk holding the sword by the grip. Always walk holding the sword from the foible. Keep the point down!
8. Wear a good protective glove on the sword arm. Epee gloves are good for the three weapons.

M. Yonas Sadek
January 19, 2004.