

2024 Gauteng Open

National Open

City	Gauteng Wits West Campus Hall 29 Yale Avenue entrance, off Empire Road Braamfontein Johannesburg
	Directions: https://www.wits.ac.za/maps/-26.186474404743546, 28.02629474176187
	* Note* *Schedule is draft and will be confirmed after entries close* Advise that competitors arrive the day before their event and plan to depart as late as possible on the day of their event or the next day
Nation	South Africa
Date	Dec 7, 2024 - Dec 8, 2024
Timezone of venue	Africa/Johannesburg (GMT 2)
Participation	INTERNATIONAL OPEN The number of participants is unlimited. Licenses - all fencers must be in possession of a valid FFSA license which must be purchased via their provincial administration. Cost is R400 for 2024 Licenses - all fencers must be in possession of a valid FFSA license which must be purchased via their provincial administration. Cost is R400 for 2025
Licence required	National licence License level 1 • Participants
Classification	National Ranking
Quota	None
Referees	Referees are not required. Provinces are required to make a referee available in terms of the 2018 Referee Supply Policy. Alternatively, a fine of R2000 may be paid to the organizers by the closing date. Referees must be entered by the supplying Province on Ophardt by the closing date of entries for the Competition.
Federation	Fencing Federation of South Africa
Organizer	Gauteng Fencing Association
Contact	Jo Ann Saner fencing@li.co.za 0825735739
Further information	https://fencing.ophardt.online/en/widget/event/28918 View entries and results
Entries	Entries to: https://fencing.ophardt.online/ until Dec 2, 2024, 12:00:00 AM South Africa Standard Time only by: Athlete , Club , Cancel until Dec 2, 2024, 12:00:00 AM South Africa Standard Time E-Mail: Jo Ann Saner: fencing@li.co.za

Day	Entry	Begin	Continued	Finals	Competition	allowed	Quota	Entry fee
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07.12.	08:00	08:30	Foil Women's I Senior	1927 - 2007	ZAR400.00		
			Epee Women's I Veterans	1925 - 39 ¹⁾	ZAR400.00		
	09:30	10:00	Epee Men's I U20	2005 - 2012	ZAR400.00		
			Foil Women's I U17	2008 - 2012	ZAR400.00		
			Foil Women's I U20	2005 - 2012	ZAR400.00		
			Epee Men's I U17	2008 - 2012	ZAR400.00		
	13:30	14:00	Epee Men's I Veterans	1925 - 39 ¹⁾	ZAR400.00		
			Foil Women's I Veterans	1925 - 39 ¹⁾	ZAR400.00		
08.12.	08:00	08:30	Foil Men's I Senior	1927 - 2007	ZAR400.00		
			Epee Women's I U20	2005 - 2012	ZAR400.00		
	10:30	11:00	Sabre Women's I U20	2005 - 2012	ZAR400.00		
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	Sabre Men's I Senior	1927 - 2007	ZAR400.00				

¹⁾ Real age at start of tournament - not year of birth

Equipment check

Day	Time	Day	Time	Competition
07.12.	07:00 - 10:00			Foil Women's Senior Individual
				Epee Women's Veteran Individual
	- 11:00			Epee Men's U20 Individual
				Foil Women's U17 Individual
				Foil Women's U20 Individual
	- 12:00			Epee Men's U17 Individual
				Epee Men's Veteran Individual
08.12.	07:00 - 10:00			Foil Women's Veteran Individual
				Epee Men's Senior Individual
	- 12:00			Foil Men's Senior Individual
				Epee Women's U20 Individual
				Sabre Women's U20 Individual
07.12.	07:00 - 12:00			Sabre Men's U20 Individual
				Foil Men's U17 Individual
08.12.	07:00 - 15:00			Epee Women's U17 Individual
				Sabre Women's Senior Individual

Sabre Men's Senior Individual

Referee meeting

Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time	Discipline
07.12.	07:30	08.12.	07:30			Epee
07.12.	07:30	08.12.	07:30			Foil
07.12.	07:30	08.12.	07:30			Sabre

Payment	Payment	Surcharge	Remarks
	Rand	+ZAR0.00 +0.00%	

Late entry surcharge ZAR400.00 Per late entry

Observer Chris Mostert

Competition manager Jo Ann Saner / Suzette van Eijk

Tournament officials Chris Mostert – GFA Chairman
Hawkins Makhathshawa - GFA Vice Chairman
Geoff Saner – GFA Treasurer
Jo Ann Saner
Suzette van Eijk
Marie Bester

Head of referees Andrei Kovrijnykh

Format 1 round of poules followed by Direct Elimination

Rules and legal National Rules & FIE Apply.

ENTRY: A Fencer will only be permitted to enter his/her own age group, and ONE up - Except where there is no event offered in the Age Group of the Fencer.

Fencers must sign-in for each competition at the Registration Table.

Fencers are to sign the provided Attendance Register & Indemnity Forms with registration, at the registration desk.

The Organising Committee reserves the right to change the order of the programme.

Finishing times can only be estimated once all entries have been received. Such times are dependent on the number of entries, availability of Referees and the promptness of Fencers to present themselves on the Piste.

AGE GROUPS: FIE Season 2024/2025

Minimum Age: No fencer under the age of 12 years on the 31st December 2024 may enter in the official Ophardt categories.

Only Fencers who are eligible for the 2025 Cadet World Championship will be allowed to enter Cadet (u17) competitions.

Only Fencers who are eligible for the 2025 Junior World Championship will be allowed to enter Junior (u20) competitions.

Liability Whilst every effort is made in respect of our events, FFSA can not be held liable for force majeure including but not limited to acts of god, affecting date, time or location of events.

Jurisdiction FFSA & Eastern Cape Fencing

Anti Doping Fencers must be aware of doping regulations.
Any fencer may be tested.
Therapeutic Use Exemptions are required (See FIE.ORG for more information)

Medical Medical personnel will be available

Equipment Minimum 350 N

1) Weapons, Masks, Electric Jackets, Body Wires, Mask Clips, Sabre Manchettes & Gloves are to be submitted to weapons check before the event, and will be checked again by the officiating referees before pool and DE bouts.

2) Plastrons must be worn

3) No tracksuit pants may be worn. Breeches and long socks only

4) All fencers on the piste must have access to at least one spare working weapon, body wire and mask clip at the side of the piste

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Awards

Medals per Age Group

Gold

Silver

Bronze

Supplier

All fencers must have a 2024 FFSA license purchased via their province

Entry fee is R400 for two events and R50 for each additional event

ACCOUNT HOLDER:

Gauteng Fencing Association

STANDARD BANK

Account number 420101527

Branch Code : 0051001

Reference: Fencer surname and Gauteng Open

Proof of payment to:

fencing@li.co.za and suzette.veijk@dhs.gov.za

Accommodation

Wits is offering accommodation in Residences close to the Hall at R750 per person per night, including breakfast.

Please see the email below. Enquiries / Bookings: Central Accommodation Office, 011-717-9171/2 or accommodation@wits.ac.za.

Catering

The Cafeteria is run by our club.

Remarks

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