

National Ranking 2022

2022 Free State Open

City	Bloemfontein Exercise and Sport Sciences Centre, University of the Orange Free State Exercise and Sport Sciences Centre, UOVS (this is the "usual" hall with a new name). Enter the university campus via main gate and follow signs. https://goo.gl/maps/nvdbUq2KpJdFMjU6 Reminder that all persons attending the competition need to register this vaccination or pcr status vis the university portal prior to arrival. www.ufs.ac.za/coronavirus 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	May 7, 2022 - May 8, 2022		
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 Cost for a Youth license for those under 12 on 31 December 2023 is R150.		
Licence required	national licence	License level 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	Free State Fencing		
Contact	Jurgen Schroder 0814094780 jurgen@kopanosigns.co.za		
Further information	https://fencing.ophardt.online/en/widget/event/23701 View entries and results		
Entries	Entries to: https://fencing.ophardt.online/ until Apr 26, 2022, 12:00:00 AM South Africa Standard Time only by: Athlete , Club , Cancel until May 6, 2022, 12:00:00 AM South Africa Standard Time E-Mail: Penny.Thompson@uct.ac.za		

Day	Entry desk close	Begin	Continued	Finals	Competition	allowed	Quota	Entry fee
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07.05.	07:30	08:00	Foil	Women's	I U20	2002 - 2009	ZAR400.00
			Epee	Men's	I U20	2002 - 2009	ZAR400.00
	09:00	09:30	Foil	Women's	I U17	2005 - 2009	ZAR400.00
	10:00	10:30	Foil	Women's	I Senior	1924 - 2004	ZAR400.00
	10:30	11:00	Epee	Men's	I U17	2005 - 2009	ZAR400.00
	12:00	12:30	Sabre	Women's	I Senior	1924 - 2004	ZAR400.00
	13:00	13:30	Epee	Men's	I Senior	1924 - 2004	ZAR400.00
	15:00	15:30	Epee	Women's	I Veterans	1922 - 39 ¹⁾	ZAR400.00
08.05.	07:30	08:00	Epee	Women's	I U20	2002 - 2009	ZAR400.00
			Sabre	Men's	I Senior	1924 - 2004	ZAR400.00
	08:00	08:30	Foil	Men's	I Senior	1924 - 2004	ZAR400.00
	10:00	10:30	Epee	Women's	I U17	2005 - 2009	ZAR400.00
	12:30	13:00	Foil	Men's	I U20	2002 - 2009	ZAR400.00
			Epee	Women's	I Senior	1924 - 2004	ZAR400.00

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

Equipment check

Day	Time	Day	Time	Competition
07.05.	06:30 - 14:00			Foil Women's U20 Individual
				Epee Men's U20 Individual
				Foil Women's U17 Individual
				Foil Women's Senior Individual
				Epee Men's U17 Individual
				Sabre Women's Senior Individual
				Epee Men's Senior Individual
				Epee Women's Veteran Individual
08.05.	06:30 - 14:00			Epee Women's U20 Individual
				Sabre Men's Senior Individual
				Foil Men's Senior Individual
				Epee Women's U17 Individual
				Foil Men's U20 Individual
				Epee Women's Senior Individual

Referee meeting

Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time	Discipline
07.05.	07:30	08.05.	07:30			Epee

Payment	Payment	Surcharge	Remarks
	Rand	+ZAR0.00 +0.00%	
Late entry surcharge	ZAR400.00	Per late entry	
Competition manager	Penny Thompson		
Head of referees	Louise Lombard		

Format	1 round of poules followed by Direct Elimination
Rules and legal	<p>National Rules & FIE Apply.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>AGE GROUPS: FIE Season 2023/2024 Minimum Age: No fencer under the age of 12 years on the 31st December 2022 may enter National Open Competitions. Fencers over 8 years on the 31st December 2023 may enter Junior Nationals. Only Fencers who are eligible for the 2024 Cadet World Championship will be allowed to enter Cadet (u17) competitions. Only Fencers who are eligible for the 2024 Junior World Championship will be allowed to enter Junior (u20) competitions.</p>
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 & Fencing Western Cape
Anti Doping	<p>Fencers must be aware of doping regulations. Any fencer may be tested. Therapeutic Use Exemptions are required (See FIE.ORG for more information)</p>
Medical	Medical personnel will be available
Equipment	<p>Minimum 350 N</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 5. Electric jackets, mask bibs, sabre gloves & manchettes will be tested for dead spots. <p>Minimum 350 N</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 5. Electric jackets, mask bibs, sabre gloves & manchettes will be tested for dead spots.
Awards	<p>Medals per event:</p> <p>Gold Silver 2x Bronze</p>
Supplier	<p>Banking details for payment of entry fee of R400: Use fencer surname and FS Open as reference Jurgen Schroder Capitec</p>

Acc no: 182 617 7319

Catering
Remarks

Proof of payment to jurgen@kopanosigns.co.za

The Cafeteria is run by our club.

Please sign-in for each event at Competition.

Please sign Indemnity Forms (either at venue or the copy with programme)

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