

FENCERS CLUB

EST. 1883

September 2020 Phase 2 Reopening Protocol and Safety Measures

The safety of our members, coaches and staff remains of importance to all of us. In going from 10 fencers to 36, we will be implementing the following protocols, which are intended to protect people participating in these activities. To this end, people who are not in compliance will be obliged to leave.

Hours of Operation

- Monday to Friday 11:00am - 10:30pm
- Saturday 10:00am – 8:00pm
- Sunday 10:00am – 7:00pm

Fencer's Responsibilities

If you show or think you show any COVID-19 related symptoms, please do not come to the club and if you have been at the club please contact the club so that we may follow up.

Before arriving at Fencers Club please make sure to:

- Complete and return the waiver form. Waiver forms will be available at the front desk.
- Elevators may accommodate 2 people at a time. Please be considerate of other tenants at 229 West 28th Street.
- Use hand sanitizer upon entrance.
- Complete a non-contact infrared temperature check prior to entering Fencers Club.
- Wear only clean fencing uniforms and sanitize fencing masks
- Arrive no more than 20 minutes prior to your scheduled lesson, class or bouting session. You may be required to wait outside of the building initially. You will only have 10 minutes in the FC fencing salle prior to your class or bouting.
 - There will be a designated warm up area available adjacent to your coach's lesson strips
 - If the fencer arrives early, he or she must wait outside the building.
- Arrive dressed for your lesson or in clothing that will permit easy changing.
- Locker rooms will be closed except to retrieve equipment, washing hands and using the toilets.
- Only 2 to 3 people at a time, or family members, are allowed in the locker room. Mask must be worn. Social distance must be kept. **If this trust is not respected, we may have to close the locker rooms. No socializing in the locker rooms, please.**
- Tops and bottoms must be worn at all times on the fencing floor.
- Leave bags in the designated and marked areas only.

Staff and Coaches' Responsibilities

- Enforce all safety protocols, including wearing masks at all times.
- Spend the least amount of time in the coaches' room as possible. All coaches and staff will leave once they have completed their lessons and classes or work duties.
- One staff member or coach will have the daily responsibility of supervising the cleaning, disinfecting and maintaining of social distance in the locker rooms.
- Wipe down coaching equipment daily.
- Clean and disinfect high-touch areas and surfaces on a frequent basis.

Safety measures in place

- No handshakes, fist bumps or hugs. After lessons or bouts, please conclude by going to the en guard line and saluting.



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- Leave promptly after your lesson, class, or bouting session through the West stairwell or elevator.
- HEPA filtration systems will continue to operate.
- Space markers have been placed around the club to maintain social distancing of 6 feet.
- We have contracted a professional cleaning crew that services the building and they will clean the club 7 days per week.
- In addition to the daily cleaning after the club closes, staff and coaches will sanitize the club.
 - Weekdays: Electrostatic sanitizing at 3:00 and 6:30 pm. Surfaces are wiped throughout the day.
 - Saturday: Electrostatic sanitizing at 2:00 and 7:00 pm. Surfaces are wiped throughout the day.
 - Sunday: Electrostatic sanitizing at 12:00 and 2:30 pm. Surfaces are wiped throughout the day.
- HVAC is operating at full capacity.
- The gym and the lounge will remain closed to members.
- Guest wifi will not be available during this time.
- Benches are marked to keep social distance of minimum 6 ft. Everyone must wipe chairs and benches after use.

General Protocol

- Fencers Club will operate at approximately 1/3 of capacity. This will include **36 fencers** in addition to coaches and staff.
- All lessons, classes and open bouting must be reserved online using the [Member Portal](#) at least 24 hour in advance.
- **No walk-ins will be accepted.**
- Only the fencer may come into the facility. Parents, caretakers, family members and friends must wait outside the building.
- **Do not come to the club if you have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 or have been in direct contact with somebody who has tested positively.**
- **Do not come to the club if you have been any of the states with mandatory quarantine for NY State.** There will be an updated list of these states posted at the Front Desk.
- **Facial masks must be worn at all times while in the club except when drinking water from your own water bottle. Please note that bandanas may not be used for face coverings.**
- Masks with valves or vents are not advisable.
- Practice social distancing by keeping 6 feet away from others.
- There will be no eating allowed at the club during this phase of reopening.
- Hand sanitizer will be placed around Fencers Club. All fencers, coaches and staff members should use sanitizer frequently and wash hands as often as possible.
- Coaches are NOT permitted to loan or share any fencing equipment during this time.
- The Pro Shop will be open for sales and for armory beginning September 14 with limited services. Pro Shop hours will be announced later.
- Only one person at a time is allowed in the Pro Shop when it reopens. Again, masks must be worn and social distance must be maintained.
- Rental services will not be available in the Pro Shop under any circumstances. You must bring your own fencing equipment in order to fence.
- Showers in the locker rooms will be closed.
- Only the water dispenser function of the water fountain will be available. We advise that fencers and coaches bring their own beverage of choice which is not be shared except between family members. Water will be available for sale in the Pro Shop.
- Screaming is not permitted, in accordance with USA Fencing and FIE guidelines.



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Please continue to practice proper hygiene and respiratory etiquette both at and away from Fencers Club:

- Wash your hands often and wear a mask at all times, even if you are on the phone.
- Cover your sneeze or cough with a tissue and put the refuse in the garbage can.
- Practice social distancing.

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If you have any questions, please contact info@fencesclub.org or 212.807.6947.