

NORMS OF THE FENCING ASSOCIATION OF INDIA FOR THE REGISTRATION OF FENCERS, COACHES, & OFFICIALS

The Fencing Association of India (FAI) is a not-for-profit organisation that promotes and governs the sport of fencing in India. The Government of India does not fund or support the administration of FAI. FAI's administration and expenses are funded with aid from the fencing community and by means of sponsorship.

FAI Registration is required by all actively participating in the sport. The centralised registration introduced in 2022 ensures that varying charges are not levied at different levels. Registered fencers, coaches and officials will be enlisted on the website of FAI – www.fencingindia.org Registered fencers can compete in competitions in India. FAI screens the credentials and licenses the registered coaches. All registered officials will have the opportunity for appointments to officiate competitions.

1. SHORT TITLE AND DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 This document titled the 'Norms of the Fencing Association of India for the Registration of Fencers, Coaches, and Officials', shall govern the aspects regarding centralised registration.
- 1.2 In these norms, unless the context otherwise requires,
 - 1.2.1 'Institutional Member' (Associate Member) shall mean a Board/ Institution/ Sports Department/ Major Academy granted affiliation as per the provisions of these Rules and Regulations. An Institutional Member has no rights to participate in the General Council, will have no voting rights, and will not be eligible to contest in the FAI elections. (E.g. SSCB)
 - 1.2.2 'FAI'/ 'Society' shall mean the Fencing Association of India.
 - 1.2.3 'Member Unit' shall mean an Association having jurisdiction throughout a State/ Union Territory, formed to conduct, control and promote fencing, having its Rules and Regulations, is registered under a State Societies Registration Act or Society Registration Act 1860, where office-bearers are elected on a periodic basis and have affiliates. The geographical boundaries of a State/ Union Territory shall be the same as recognised by the Constitution of India. Member Unit has rights to participate in the General Council, rights to vote in the General Council, and shall be eligible to contest in the FAI elections.

2. HOW TO REGISTER

- 2.1 Link of the Data Management System (DMS) https://dms.fencingindia.org/DMS/login
- 2.2 The FAI uses only online payment systems for all registrations.

3 WHEN TO REGISTER/ RENEW and TRANSFER

- 3.1 New Registration Window: 1^{st} April 30^{th} April every year. And, 1^{st} 5^{th} of every month.
- 3.2 Renewal Window with Transfer/ Edit: 1st May 15th May every year. Home Association may be changed, without additional cost, at any time. Change or transfer in Representing Association to be ideally completed in the transfer window. Change or transfer requests received after the normal window closes shall attract a late fee.
- 3.3 Renewal without any changes: 15th May 31st May every year.

4 FEES

S. No.	Category	Subcategory	Fee
4.1.1	Fencers (Renewal & Registration)	Fencer C+ (fencers in the National Competitions)	INR 2,000
4.1.2	Fencers (Renewal & Registration)	Fencer A+ (active fencer)	INR 650
4.2.1	Coaches (Renewal & Registration)	Grade A Coach - FIE/ICC Course International Course; - NIS Diploma; and - Experience of 14 years +	INR 3,000
4.2.2		Grade B Coach - Other International Coaching Course; - NIS Diploma; and - Experience of 7 years +	INR 2,000
4.2.3		Grade C Coach - NIS Diploma	INR 1,000
4.2.4		Grade D Coach - NIS Certificate Course	INR 1,000
4.2.5		Grade E Coach - Non-NIS Coaches	INR 1,000
4.3.1	Referees and Technical Officials (Renewal & Registration)	Grade A+ Referee - FIE Referee License - FCA Referee License	INR 10,000
4.3.2		Grade A Referee - Former FCA/ FIE Licensed Referees; and - National/ NIS Qualified Referees; and - Experience of 14 years +	INR 5,000
4.3.3		Grade B Referee - National/ NIS Qualified Referees; and - Experience of 7 years +	INR 2,000
4.3.4		Grade C Referee & Technical Official - National/ NIS Qualified	INR 1,000
4.3.5		Grade D Technical Official - TOs who are former fencers with experience in officiating	INR 1,000
4.4	Late Renewal Fee	Fencers, Coaches, and Referees	INR 500
4.5	Transfer Fee	Transfer Fee of Representative Association	INR 500
4.6	Late Transfer Fee	Late Transfer Fee of Representative Association	INR 1,000

5 HOME ASSOCIATION and REPRESENTING ASSOCIATION

- 5.1 Home Association
 - 5.1.1 All fencers, coaches, and officials shall be registered under a Home Association on the DMS.
 - 5.1.2 The Home Association shall be based on the place of domicile or permanent residence of the applicant, with supporting address proof in government IDs.
 - 5.1.3 For confirming the Home Association, it shall be mandatory to upload one of the following documents on DMS with the permanent address:
 - Aadhar Card
 - Passport
 - Driving License
 - 5.1.4 Even if an applicant is representing an organisation affiliated with the FAI as an Institutional Member, the Home Association of the fencer or coach, or official shall be their domicile State/ UT Association.
 - 5.1.5 For changing the Home Association, a fencer or coach or official may write to the Fencing Association of India with the new address in the documents mentioned above. Transfer requests of the Home Association shall be processed without any fee or charges. Email may be sent with the subject "Transfer of the Home Association".
- 5.2 Representing Association
 - 5.2.1
- a. If a fencer or coach or official is temporarily relocated from their domicile Home State/ UT and he/ she wishes to continue fencing activities, then the fencer or coach or official may do so under the aegis of the Association in the territory of his/ her current residence, which will then be the Representing Association. In such instances, the fencer or coach or official shall also provide information and validate the Representing Association on the DMS.

OR

- b. If a fencer or coach or official is appointed or employed with an organisation or institution affiliated with the FAI as an Institutional Member (Associate Member), then he/ she may continue fencing activities under the aegis of the Institutional Member, which will then be the Representing Association. In such instances, the fencer or coach or official shall also provide information and validate the Representing Association on the DMS.
- 5.2.2 The information on Representing Association can be added during registration, at no additional cost.
- 5.2.3 For confirming the Representing Association, it shall be mandatory to also upload one of the following documents on DMS, with the address proof of the current residence:
 - Aadhar Card
 - Passport

- Driving License
- Letter/ Certificate of Educational Institution
- Letter/ Certificate of Employer
- Letter/ Certificate about parent's/ legal guardian's/ spouse's occupation
- Any other approved ID Proof
- 5.2.4 For changing the Representing Association, after the FAI ID is issued, the fencer or coach or official may write to the Fencing Association of India with address proof in the documents mentioned above. Email may be sent with the subject "Transfer of the Representing Association".
- 5.2.5 Transfer requests of the Representing Association received after 30th June shall attract a late fee.
- 5.2.6 On returning to the domicile State/ UT, the fencer or coach or official may write to the Fencing Association of India for cancellation of the Representing Association. Email may be sent with the subject "Cancellation of the Representing Association".

6 APPLICATION OF THE REGISTRATION NORMS IN ACTIVITIES OF THE FAI

- 6.1 Fencers in the FAI National Championships
 - 6.1.1 Entries of fencers without FAI ID shall not be processed for participation in the FAI National Championships.
 - 6.1.2 State/ UT Fencing Association
 - a. A fencer from a Member Unit (State/ UT Fencing Association) who is only registered under a Home Association shall represent the Home Association i.e., If a fencer is only registered under a Home Association, where he/she is domiciled, then the fencer may represent that Home State/ UT Fencing Association in the FAI National Championship, on attaining eligibility by participating in their Championships or Selection Trials.

OR

b. A fencer from a Member Unit (State/ UT Fencing Association) who is registered under a Representing Association shall represent the Representing Association – i.e., If a fencer is now registered under a Representing Association based on his/ her current residence, then the fencer may represent that Representing State/ UT Fencing Association in the FAI National Championship, on attaining eligibility by participating in their Championships or Selection Trials.

OR

c. A fencer from a Member Unit (State/ UT Fencing Association) who is registered under a Representing Association but returns to represent the Home Association – i.e., If the rule of a State/ UT Fencing Association as approved by its Executive permits a fencer currently registered under a Representing State/ UT Fencing Association (outside of its jurisdiction) to temporarily return to the Home Association for competition, then the fencer shall first obtain a NOC from the

Representing State/ UT Fencing Association, then on attaining eligibility by participating in the Championships or Selection Trials of the Home Association, the fencer may represent them in the FAI National Championship.

The above-mentioned provision is only applicable if the fencer did not participate in the Selection Trials of the Representing Association. It is clarified that a fencer who participated in the Selection Trials of the Representing Association (State/ UT Association) is not eligible to return to the Home Association for participation in the same year.

6.1.3 Institutional Member (Associate Member) –

a. A fencer from an Institutional Member (E.g. SSCB) who is registered under it as Representing Association shall represent the Representing Association – i.e., If a fencer is associated with an organisation or institution affiliated with the FAI as an Institutional Member, then the fencer may represent that Institutional Member/Representing Association in the FAI National Championship, on attaining eligibility by participating in their Championships or Selection Trials.

OR

b. A fencer from an Institutional Member (E.g. SSCB) who is registered under it as Representing Association but returns to represent the Home Association – i.e., If the rule of a State/ UT Fencing Association as approved by its Executive permits a fencer currently registered under an Institutional Member (outside of its jurisdiction) to temporarily return to the Home Association for competition, then the fencer shall first obtain a NOC from the Institutional Member, then on attaining eligibility by participating in the Championships or Selection Trials of the Home Association, the fencer may represent them in the FAI National Championship.

The above-mentioned provision is only applicable if the fencer did not participate in the Selection Trials of the Representing Association. It is clarified that a fencer who participated in the Selection Trials of the Representing Association (E.g. SSCB) is not eligible to return to the Home Association for participation in the same year.

- 6.1.4 Only one of the above-mentioned options is applicable for the entire competition season/ one full competition year.
- 6.1.5 Any change in registration or Home Association or Representing Association should be completed fifteen (15 days) before the FAI National Championships. Thereafter, no change in representation shall be permitted.
- 6.1.6 If a fencer is choosing to represent the Home Association irrespective of being registered under a Representing Association (State/ UT Association or Institutional Member) as mentioned in 6.1.2.c and 6.1.3.b, then the Home Association shall be obliged to inform the FAI about the same a minimum of fifteen (15 days) before the FAI National Championships.
- 6.1.7 A fencer with A+ registration must upgrade his/her registration to C+ (paying INR/Rupees 1,350/-) seven days before a National competition to confirm their participation, failing which certificates will not be processed.

- 6.2 A coach without an FAI ID cannot accompany fencers/ teams to the FAI National Championships.
- 6.3 A coach without an FAI ID cannot accompany fencers/ teams representing India in international competitions.
- 6.4 A Referee/ Technical official without FAI ID cannot officiate the FAI National Championships.
- 6.5 For FAI to endorse the application for participating in international officiating certifications, the official should have an FAI ID.
- 6.6 The norms applicable for the FAI National Championships mentioned herein shall also extend to other competitions under the jurisdiction of FAI.

7 TERMS

- 7.1 The registration shall be valid only till 31st March of next year.
- 7.2 All registration payments are non-refundable.
- 7.3 Registration will be suspended if disciplinary sanctions are imposed.