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20 - Membership Form

NAME: Last _____ First _____
Date or Year of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Past Fencing Clubs: _____
Level: _____ Weapon: _____ USFA Rating (if any): _____ Years of Experience: _____
Home Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Parents' Names (if student under 18): _____
Cell # of parent(s): _____
Email(s) for important notices only: _____
Emergency Contact Name & Phone: _____
Medical Conditions (if any): _____

MEDEO MEMBERS' CLUB RULES:

- 1) Every fencing participant must be a current member of the USA Fencing Association (also known as USA Fencing).
- 2) **Annual & Monthly Members** of Medeo must represent Medeo Fencing Club at every competition and must list Medeo Fencing Club as their primary club with the USFA and within the AskFRED.net competition database; except for college members who can list Medeo as their secondary club according to NCAA rules. Medeo competitive members should affix a Medeo patch on their uniform either on the non-dominant shoulder area or thigh. Medeo club-mates should not be coached when fencing against each other (by friends, teammates or coaches) at sanctioned events. Those who do not comply with these rules will be considered a non-member and will be charged as such.
- 3) **Monthly Members must report to the Medeo office on their first visit of each calendar month (or email before their first visit of the month) if planning to attend Medeo as a non-member for that calendar month.** As such, floor fees, class fees, and/or lesson fees MUST be paid on the day attended. Otherwise, a monthly membership fee will apply irrespective of lesson frequency and/or quantity during said month.
- 4) **All guest fencers must report to the Medeo office prior to fencing.**
- 5) **All fencers must wear full uniforms and safety under-armor** as per USA Fencing rules while bouting.
- 6) The fencing floor is a restricted area. All non-fencers must stay in designated seating or waiting areas. Bags, personal items and other items must not be left near fencing strips or on walkways. Bags should be kept on shelves across from mirrored wall. Eating and drinking on or in the strip areas is prohibited. Fencing bags should not be left on shelves overnight, since we need to be respectful of storage space for the next day's fencers.
- 7) Fencing weapons must be carried by the point or by the handle, point down (not with hand in fencing position) if not in a fencing bag. Body cords should not be dragging on the floor. When unhooking from a strip, fencers cannot pull cords apart by the wires and must walk plugs back to reels. Any/all weapon straightening measures taken during bouting must occur only on the **blue or wooden areas** of the fencing floor. Anyone not walking cords back to reels carefully, causing reel or cord to break, may be held responsible.
- 8) **Use of weapons is a privilege, not a right.** The raising of a weapon nearby and in the direction of an unmasked person is **never** allowed. **This includes playful hitting to any part of a person's body.** Such potentially dangerous and disrespectful acts including horseplay, any kind of abuse, and unnecessary roughness may result in expulsion from the club for a period of time determined by Medeo staff. All fencers and spectators are expected to report any unsafe activity to the staff.
- 9) All fencers **must** wear masks when using any targets; blades that break during target practice have been known to fly back into the student's face which could cause serious injury to eyes and/or face.
- 10) Students and fencers that are not beginners are urged to purchase their own mask, uniform, electric weapons and cords.
- 11) All members (and parents of students under 18) are expected to read the current edition of the Medeo FC Handbook. Initial here when received: _____.

12) All students who wish to cancel private lessons can do so without being charged if canceled on the online schedule or with Medeo office or coach **at least 12 hours before the appointed time. If cancelled within 12 hours of appointment you will be charged a fee for the coach's time.** Please note that this could also

13) All fencers and students must respect and support fellow club fencers, coaches and members no matter what level or age. No fencer can refuse to fence another fencer during open-bouting practices unless medically unable, resting or packing to leave.

14) Group class participants must sign that day's attendance sheet properly. Any partial classes must be indicated by the fencer on the sign-in sheet. All class students have strip priority. Open bouting participants must yield to students in a group class.

15) Medeo members cannot take private lessons with non-Medeo coaches outside of Medeo Fencing Club; and cannot accept coaching by non Medeo Staff at any competitions; except for their High School team coach during school fencing season.

16) Coaching fees for major, Regional, National and International events are expected to be paid & shared by attending club members (see Medeo handbook for details). If a student and/or parent refuse to share these calculated fees, they may not be coached by our staff and risk being coached against when fencing those that have abided by our club rules and competitive expectations as well, this may be reason to consider such a student to be a non-member.

17) All fees are non-refundable and subject to change.

18) Any outstanding balances due are subject to late fees.

Adult members (or Parents & Guardians) must sign below after reading:

I, (print name) _____, Medeo member (or parent and/or guardian of the fencer listed on the previous page), have read rules 1-18 of this document and agree to abide by them. Any member (or parent of member) not adhering to the rules may be considered a non-member and charged as such.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

■ For Members under 18 to read & sign:

A) All fencers must be members of USA Fencing.

B) All guest fencers must report to the Medeo office **before** fencing.

C) All fencers must wear full uniforms including knickers and safety under-armor as per USA Fencing Association rules while bouting.

D) Fencing bags must be storage on the shelves along the wall and not be leaving overnight. All personal items and other items must not be left near fencing strips or in walkways for safety purposes. All garbage must be placed in the proper receptacle

E) Fencing weapons must be carried by the point or with point down if not in a fencing bag. Body cords should not be dragging on the floor. When unhooking from a strip, **fencers cannot pull cords apart by the wires and must walk plugs back to reels.** Any and all weapon straightening measures taken during bouting must occur only on the **blue or wooden areas** of the fencing floor.

F) **Use of weapons is a privilege, not a right.** A person is **never** allowed to raise a weapon nearby and in the direction of an unmasked person (which includes any playful hitting to any part of someone's body). Such potentially dangerous and disrespectful acts including horseplay, any kind of abuse, and unnecessary roughness can result in expulsion from the club for a period of time determined by Medeo staff. All fencers and spectators are expected to report any unsafe or abusive activity to the staff.

G) **All students must wear masks when using any targets;** blades that break during target practice have been known to fly back into the student's face which could cause serious injury to eyes and/or face.

H) All fencers and students must respect and support fellow club fencers no matter what level or age. No fencer can refuse to fence another fencer during open-bouting practices unless tired or unable.

I) Students in group classes must sign the attendance sheet and indicate next to name if they took a partial class.

J) Medeo members cannot take private lessons with coaches outside of Medeo Fencing Club. Anyone doing so can be considered a non-member.

I, (print first name) _____, **have read the above rules (A-J) and agree to abide by them.**

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

OFFICE USE ONLY: USFA () Competitive () Non-Competitive USFA exp.: _____ () Waiver on file

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