

Division Circuit of Events Proposal

Purpose: To promote inter-club competitions at a Division Level to enhance the level of fencing within the Central Florida Division. To offer an opportunity to clubs to generate revenue for their club and to generate revenue for the Division.

Circuit of Events: The following circuits will be established all circuits will include foil , epee, and saber events. Events will be broken by gender whenever possible. A minimum of 3 tournaments will be comprise a circuit. Individual awards will be given at each tournament as well as points earned at each tournament to determine the end of the year Division Awards. The following circuits will be established:

Division Youth Circuit: Y10, Y12 & Y14

Division High School Circuit: U19 (Open to High School Fencers Only)

Division Senior Circuit: Seniors

Division Veterans Circuit: V40/50 & V60/70 (Could be broken down additionally or combined as needed)

Scheduling & Bidding of Events: In the month of April the Division Officers will set a calendar for the circuits for the upcoming year and publish it on the website. Bids will be accepted from USFA member clubs May 30th. The Division Officers will review the bids and award bids per the guidelines before June 30th. In awarding bids an emphasis will be placed on bids that have a history of running events well and providing a circuit of events that does not put an extra burden of travel on any one geographical area whenever possible. Clubs can only be awarded one tournament per circuit per year (exceptions can be made if not enough acceptable bids are submitted). A bid packet will be available (similar to the USFA bid packet for RYCs) for clubs to complete and submit.

Fees & Expenses: All circuit events will have the following fee structure. \$10 registration fee & \$20 event fees. Each host club is responsible for all costs of the tournament including but not limited to venue, awards, referees, and supplies. Each host club will receive all money earned from the tournament except for the Circuit Fencer Fee of \$2 per participant that goes to the division. Referees and Bout Committee workers must be paid at a minimum of the Division Referee Rates. All monies for the tournament will be collected by the division on Askfred with all events being pre paid. After the tournament the Division will pay the host club the monies collected minus the Circuit Fencer Fee of \$2 per participant.

Division Year Winners: At the end of each circuit the Division will establish winners for each age category/weapon and a Gold, Silver & Bronze winner will be named for the year. This is in lieu of our current end of the year Championships. Points will be earned towards the Division Jim Campoli Club trophy. Central Florida Division Award patches will be given out to the winners.

Points System: The best 2 results count towards the point total. DYCS points are not used in any National Point Standings, for seeding or team selection purposes. Using the formula below, DYCS tournaments will award points to all participants: (# entries – place + 1) /#

entries) x 100 points When there is a mixed gender Youth competition, points are not separated out by gender. The winner of each DYCS, regardless of size of field, will earn 100 points. The size of the participant field is based on all athletes in the event. RYC. At least 5 fencers must compete in a given DYCS event for points to be awarded.

Example:

Fencer places 6th out of a field of 14 fencers = 64 points

$$(14-6+1)/14 \times 100$$

$$9/14 \times 100$$

$$.64 \times 100$$

$$64$$

Fencer places 6th out of a field of 8 fencers = 38 points

$$(8-6+1)/8 \times 100$$

$$3/8 \times 100$$

$$38 \times 100$$

$$38$$