

**School Sports Programme**  
**2017 Easy Sport Competition – Fencing (Foil) Competition**  
**【Prospectus】**

1. Purpose: To offer participants of the Easy Sport Programme – Fencing under the School Sports Programme (SSP) more opportunities for exchanges of skills and experience with a view to cultivating their interest in Fencing, enhancing their skills and enriching their competition experience.
2. Targets: Only primary schools participating in the Easy Sport Programme – Fencing under SSP between 1/9/2015 and 31/12/2016 are eligible for the Competition. Participants should still be current students of the schools during the Competition.

3. Date, time and venue of competition:

Date	Time	Venue
11/3/2017 (Sat)	9:00am – 6:00pm	Activity Room, Shek Kip Mei Park Sports Centre

4. Division and Quota:

Division (Age as at 2017)			Quota
Group	Age	Year of Birth	
Boys	13 or below	2004 or onwards	36
Girls	13 or below	2004 or onwards	36

5. Application Notes:

- a. Each student should represent for one school only. Enrolment in higher division is not allowed.
- b. Each school may enrol a maximum of 8 students in each division. The priority of these students should be marked on the application form.
- c. The Organiser is entitled to adjust the quota of each division in the light of the enrolment situation. The quota of each division will be finalised on the ballot date. All participating schools and participants shall raise no objection.
- d. Places will be evenly distributed to the schools in accordance with the priority shown on the application form. If still has quota left after evenly distributed, the remaining quota will be allocated to the applicants by ballot according to the priority.
- e. Please submit completed application forms to the School Sports Programme Unit Office by post or fax (Fax Number: 2684 9076 or 2697 5087)
- f. The balloting results and details of payment will be sent to the successful applicants in

due course.

- g. Any change of the participant list is not allowed once payment was completed.

6. Fees: 34 dollars each participant

7. Importance Dates :

Application submission period: 21/11/2016 to 9/12/2016 (postmarks will be deemed as the submission dates)

Ballot: The ballot will be held at the Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters at 2:30 pm on 14/12/2016. Representatives of schools are welcome to attend. The balloting result will also be posted on the LCSD website on 6/1/2017. Please access to our website:  
[http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition\\_info/competition\\_info.html](http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html)  
If no 'Acknowledgement Receipt' is received from the LCSD two days before the ballot date (i.e. 12/12/2016), please contact our staff at 2601 7952 or 2601 7602. Otherwise we may not be able to process your application.

Payment period for successful applicants: 6/1/2017 to 26/1/2017

Payment period for applicants on waiting list: 3/2/2017 to 14/2/2017

Fixture Draw: Fixture draw will be held on spot on the competition day. Please access to our website for reporting time of competition on 3/3/2017:  
[http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition\\_info/competition\\_info.html](http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html)

8. Format:

- a. Boys and girls shall play in their respective groups in the preliminary rounds. The single round robin system on a group basis shall be adopted. The top 24 participants shall proceed to the single knock-out matches. A single round robin match or a single knock-out match shall end when a participant racks up the required hits or when the regulation time ends.
- b. For the single round robin matches, a draw shall be conducted on the spot on the competition day. Participants shall be divided into groups of four to five each. The participant who first scores five points by making five hits on the valid target area shall win the match. The valid foil target is the opponent's torso below the shoulders and above the waist, excluding the head, hands and legs. The target must be hit with the tip of the foil. The regulation time is three minutes and the game clock shall not be stopped. If no one has scored up to five hits when the regulation time ends, the one who has scored the greater number of hits shall win. If the score is tied, a coin shall be flipped, the match shall continue with an extra period of one minute and the game clock shall not be stopped. The one who scores the first point shall win. If the tie persists, the earlier coin flip shall determine the winner. The top 24 participants shall proceed to the single knock-out matches. If equal points are scored, their position shall be determined by drawing lots.

- c. In a single knock-out match, the one who first scores fifteen hits shall win. The regulation time is nine minutes (three periods of three minutes each) with a half-time interval of one minute and the game clock shall not be stopped. If no one has scored up to ten hits when the regulation time ends, the one who has scored the greater number of hits shall win. If the score is tied, a coin shall be flipped, the match shall continue with an extra period of one minute and the game clock shall not be stopped. The one who scores the first point shall win. If the tie persists, the earlier coin flip shall determine the winner. **Electronic equipment shall be used in all matches. The valid target area shall be determined by the metal vest.**
- d. Any participant who fails to finish all matches shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the competition.
- e. Unless explicitly stated in this prospectus, the rules and regulations currently used by the Hong Kong Fencing Association will be adopted.
- f. The Organiser has the right to change the format of competition in consideration of the actual situation.

## 9. Equipment & Safety Regulations

- a. **All participants should bring their own equipment and uniform and non-marking rubber-soled shoes during the matches. (No equipment will be provided by the Organiser.)**
- b. The standard competition uniform which included glove, foil mask with conductive bib, full-set fencing suit (including of jacket, breeches and underplastron), fencing socks, electric jacket, electric foil blade, foil wire, mask wire, etc.
- c. Apart from confirming to the general material and safety rules, participants' mask and uniform would be required to comply with the standard EN13567:2002 i.e. the personal protective equipment should be comply with at least 350N of penetration resistance. (For details please refer to Hong Kong Fencing Association website (<http://www.hkfa.org.hk>) on the equipment notice.)
- d. The foil mask with conductive bib must be tightly adhered and covered by the flat band, good in quality and every metallic part of the mask cannot be rust.
- e. Referees will have a general inspection and visual check of the labels on the participants' mask and uniform before starting the bout. (For details please refer to Hong Kong Fencing Association website (<http://www.hkfa.org.hk>) on the equipment notice.)
- f. Any participant who has found not complying with the equipment and uniform standard, the Organiser has the right to request the participant to change immediately and warning will be given to participant. If the participant has not changed, the Organiser reserves the right to forbid any participant from taking part in the competition.
- g. Non-participants shall not entry the competition area and must follow the competition regulations.

## 10. Marshall:

- a. Participants shall report to the Organiser 10 minutes before the schedule of time for the match. Those who fail to turn up for the match 5 minutes after the roll call made by the Organiser will be regarded as having withdrawn from the match.

- b. Participants shall produce their proofs of identity bearing explicit photos, e.g. student cards or student handbooks, etc. to the personnel of the Organiser before the match for identity verification.
- c. The Organiser has the absolute rights to announce all competition schedule that will be followed and adopted on spot.

#### 11. Inclement Weather Arrangements

- a. If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above or Rainstorm Signal Red or Black is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory, or the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) reaches 10+ (i.e. the “serious” health risk level) at the affected district where the match is being held announced by Environmental Protection Department, or Education Bureau had made announcement on closure of schools 2 hours before the commencement of the first match on the competition day, all matches on that day will be **cancelled**. Participants will be notified of the subsequent arrangement separately. Other than the above mentioned adverse weather conditions, all participants are required to report to the Organiser as scheduled. The referees on the spot shall decide if matches should proceed as scheduled or not.
- b. If the AQHI reaches 10+ (i.e. the “serious” health risk level) at the affected district where the match is being held, all matches in progress at that district should be **stopped immediately**.

#### 12. Remarks:

- a. Participants participate in consecutive matches may take a break of 5 minutes. The Organiser reserves the right to determine on such issues in consideration of the actual situation. The participants should not request for postponing any matches on the ground of fatigue.
- b. Schools shall advise their students to bring along their lunches and enough drinks for the competition, if needed.
- c. Should participants breach any regulations or rules of the Competition or have any ungentlemanly conduct, the referee shall have the right to disqualify the participants concerned.

#### 13. Awards:

- a. A commemorative certificate will be presented to each participant.
- b. A certificate and trophy will be given to the Champion and the 1st to 3rd runners-up of each division. In addition, merit awards will be presented to 4 participants. (The actual number of awards may be subject to change due to the number of participants.) The prizes will be presented to the winners on the spot after finals completed.
- c. If any participants withdrawn or fail to complete all matches, they will be disqualified. All competition results and awards will be cancelled.
- d. Trophies for ‘School’s Excellent Performance Award’ on 2017 Easy Sport Competition will be given to the Top 3 schools with overall highest scores obtained in 13 Easy Sport Competitions on Badminton, Fencing, Athletics, Mini-tennis, Mini-squash, DanceSport,

3 on 3 Basketball, Dragon Dance, Mini-Volleyball, TRY Rugby, Handball, Cricket and Baseball. For details of the scoring mechanism, please refer to the below website:

[http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition\\_info/competition\\_info.html](http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html)

The Awards will be presented at the School Sports Programme Prize Presentation Ceremony to be held in June 2017. Detail arrangements will be sent to the winning schools three weeks before the ceremony.

14. Appeal: No appeal will be accepted. The decisions of referees/umpires on the spot are final. Participants shall raise no objection.
  
15. If there is any inadequacy in this prospectus, the Organiser reserves the right to amend it at any time without giving any prior notice.
  
16. Office address and telephone enquiry number:  
School Sports Programme Unit  
1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3, Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin.  
(Telephone number: 2601 7952)