

## **Second Edition CM Cup 2025-26**

**1. Name of the Sport/Game:** FENCING.

**2. Technical Guidelines:**

- **Rules of play:** The fencing competitions shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the Rules of the Federation Internationale d'Escrime (FIE), which are in force at the time of the competition. The events may include Epee, Foil, and Sabre, as approved by the organizing committee.
- **Match duration and scoring system:**
  - ❖ **Individual Events:** Preliminary Pool Rounds each bout is fenced up to 5 valid hits or a maximum of three (3) minutes, whichever comes first. If time expires and there is a difference of at least one hit, the fencer with the higher score is declared the winner.
  - ❖ **Direct Elimination (DE) Rounds:** Bouts consist of three (3) periods of three (3) minutes each, with one (1) minute rest between periods, or until one fencer scores 15 hits. In Sabre, the first period ends when one fencer reaches 8 hits or at the end of three minutes.
  - ❖ **Umpiring procedures and system:** All bouts shall be officiated by qualified referees recognized by FAI or the respective National/State Fencing Association. Electronic scoring apparatus approved by FIE shall be used. The decisions of the Referee shall be final and binding.

**3. Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs):**

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  - **Injury management and first aid:** First-aid facilities shall be made available at the playing arena at all times.

- **Technical Officials' roles and responsibilities:** Referees shall ensure proper enforcement of rules and fair play. Technical officials shall manage bout schedules, scoring systems, and piste arrangements.

#### **4. Play field / Court Dimensions:**

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