

MEMORANDUM

TO: Club Owners, Coaches & Fencers of the Columbus, Ohio Division USFA, Inc.

FROM: Board of Directors, Columbus, Ohio Division USFA, Inc.

DATE: May 28, 2014.

RE: ADOPTION OF STRIP COACHING POLICY.

Please be advised that the following Strip Coaching Policy was adopted by the Columbus, Ohio Division USFA, Inc. This policy will apply to fencing tournaments held within the Columbus, Ohio Division.

STRIP COACHING POLICY: Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and passed, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board finds it in the best interests of fencers in the Columbus Division to experience a broad range of competition, including practicing at clubs other than the one(s) to which they are registered with USFA or on AskFred.net, and;

WHEREAS, some conflicts have arisen at fencing tournaments regarding strip coaching of fencers who fence at multiple clubs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for fencing competitions held within the Columbus Division, strip coaching of fencers shall be done by coaches or club members of the club(s) to which the fencer is registered with USFA and/or AskFred prior to the tournament, if such persons are present at the tournament, and coaches from other clubs shall refrain from coaching fencers who are not registered to their clubs. When a fencer is registered through USFA and/or AskFred to a primary and secondary club, coaching from the primary club shall have priority. Further, tournament organizers shall make every effort list the club affiliations of fencers on the initial seeding lists posted prior to the start of fencing. Nothing in this rule is intended to prevent fencers from changing club affiliations between fencing tournaments, but club affiliation for purposes of this rule shall not be changed on the day of any fencing tournament. Coaches and/or fencers who violate this rule may be sanctioned, including without limitation, in accordance with USFA Fencing Rules t.82, t.92 and t.120 (Group III violation).

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