# Organizer

The 11th Veterans European Individual Fencing Championships will be organized by the Fencing Club of Henin-Beaumont, on behalf of the French Fencing Federation, with the support of Local authorities, under the auspices and authority of European Veterans Fencing Congress (EVFC).

### Date and place

The championships will be held from 1st June to 5th June 2011 in the Espace François Mitterrand, Rue René Cassin, 62110 Hénin-Beaumont, FRANCE. <u>More</u>.

### Visas Requirements

You can find all relevant informations at: <u>http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/france\_829/venir-\_france\_4062/entrer-france\_4063/index.html</u>

#### **Events and age categories**

The events, for men and women, will be performed at the three weapons : Epée, Foil, Sabre, every one at the 4 age categories :

1. Category V1: 40 to 49 years old (birth date between 2nd June 1961 and 1st June1971)

- 2. Category V2: 50 to 59 years old (birth date between 2nd June 1951 and 1st June1961)
- 3. Category V3: 60 to 69 years old (birth date between 2nd June 1941 and 1st June1951)
- 4. Category V4: 70 years old and more (birth date before 2nd June 1941)

#### Accreditation

Accreditation is made on arrival of the participant. The purpose is to confirm identity and status (official, referee or fencer) and category. All participant will receive a personal accreditation badge.

At the accreditation, fencers will have to present passport or photo identity card with birth date and discharge of responsibility (signed letter on the day of the accreditation).

# Head of delegation

Every nation making entries will have to register a head of delegation, using the form from 1st January 2011 :<u>More</u>.

Heads of Delegation will have to attend a meeting on Wednesday 1st June and be present at the fencing venue each day in order to receive any relevant information and to settle any question about fencers or referees of their delegation. In case of absence of the head of delegation or his deputy, eventual decisions will be made by Technical Commission with no possible claim.

### Registrations

The number of entries is not limited, by federation, weapon or age categories.

According to EVFC rules, agreed at the 2010 EVF Congress in Skopje, an entry fee of 30 Euros per fencer and per weapon will have to be paid, via the fencers federation or national veterans association, when registering online and not when arriving at Henin-Beaumont. National Federation guarantee fencer's affiliation and eligibility.

► Registrations and payment can be made on-line by fencers or by each federation or the national veterans association from 1st January 2011 until 2nd May 2011 using the following link <u>More</u> Registration form to download for federations : <u>Download the form</u>

▶ Payment and subscriptions must be made before 2nd may 2011.

Each participating Federation or National Veterans Association is required to pay an EVFC Membership fee of 20euro, regardless of the number of participants, when registering head of delegation <u>More</u>. No fencer from will be allowed to participate unless the EVFC memberships fee has been paid, by his/her federation, in advance.

Fencers' registrations will be available for consultation from 1st January 2011 : More.

#### **Registration cancellation procedure**

According to EVFC rules, voted at Skopje congress in 2010, an entry can only be cancelled by a participant's federation. If this cancellation is notified before 20th May 2011, via federation, a refund of 20euro per cancelled entry will be made to the appropriate federation. There will be no refund after 20th May 2011.

# Formula

Pools (with no elimination) of 6 or 7 fencers in bouts of 3 minutes to 5 hits followed by direct elimination in 10 hits, 2 rounds of 3 minutes, with one minute pause between each round. Sabre: 1 minute pause after 5 hits.

If there are less than 10 fencers in a category : single pool without direct elimination.

No match for third place. The two fencers who will lose in semi-final will both receive bronze medal.

# **Fencers equipment**

The personal equipment of the fencers must comply with FIE rules (clothes, masks, weapons).

Transparent masks are not mandatory at sabre and not allowed at epée and foil. Foil mask must be equipped with conductive bib.

Fencer's name and Nation must be marked at the back of the jacket (epée) or lame jacket (sabre and foil) .

It's not mandatory to have clothes with National colours; however it is highly recommended.

Control of the equipment will take place the day before each of the competition events.

### Referees

Each delegation must provide referees to the organizer according following rules : 0 - 4 fencers per weapon and per day : no obligation

5 - 9 fencers per weapon and per day : 1 referee

10 - 14 fencers per weapon and per day : 2 referees

15 - 19 fencers per weapon and per day : 3 referees

More than 20 fencers per weapon and per day : 4 referees

Example : Saturday, a Nation enter 14 fencers at epée V1 and 4 fencers at epée V4. Total : 18 fencers, the Nation must provide 3 epée referees.

There is no age limit for referees but must be qualified to at least national standard, currently active and competent. The standard of the referees must be vouched for by their federations.

The names of referees must be notified by the participating Federation or National Veterans Association, using the procedure on website before 2nd May 2011 : <u>More</u>.

► VERY IMPORTANT : According to EVFC rules, agreed at the 2010 EVF Congress in Skopje:

1) 200-Euro fine per missing referee if notified and paid before 6th May2011; to be paid by defaulting Federations using the procedure described from 1st January 2011 <u>More</u>. These fines will be used by organizers to provide substitute referees.

2) 300-Euro fine per missing referee, if not notified beforehand. To be paid by defaulting Federations before the competition starts.

3) No referee and/or no fine payment : corresponding number of fencers will not fence. (example : if a delegation enter 18 fencers epée V1 and V4 and only 2 epée referees, 4 fencers among the 18 will have to withdraw , named by their head of delegation or, if he is missing, by Technical Commission with no possible claim and no entry fee refund).

4) A referee may preside on behalf of any other country. (Further to above-mentioned example, another delegation may provide an epée referee and, in this case, the 18 fencers may fence).

5) On condition of sufficient level, guaranteed by his federation, a fencer may referees, but not on his fencing day. (example : a epée V1 fence on Saturday and referees on Sunday).

Note : Referees will not receive payment from the organisers but will be supplied with drinks and refreshments during the days that they refereeing.

# **Travel and hospitality**

Travel, accommodation and board expenses are the responsibility of the participants. For further details, please contact: <u>More</u>.

# **Transportation toward Espace François Mitterrand**

Many shuttles will be available . Please have a look about routes and reservations conditions : More.

### **Subscriptions tables**

<u>Table of registered fencers</u> <u>Table of registered referees</u> <u>Table of registered Head of Delegation</u>