South West of England Age Groups Competition FOIL
British Youth Championships Regional Qualifying Event 2027

When: SUNDAY 24 JANUARY 2027 Fencers unable to attend the RQE can apply to BF for a BYE

Where: BARRACUDA Hall, Millfield School, Street, BA16 0YD
Parking in school car park: Butleigh Road, Street, BA16 0YD
Entry to campus is via the GATEHOUSE opposite the car park.

Eligibility: (Age as of 1st Jan 2025
U18 – Year of birth 2009/2010
U16 – Year of birth 2011/2012
U14 – Year of birth 2013/2014
U12 – Year of birth 2015/2016
** "Compete" level British Fencing membership with South West as the registered region.

Check in closes:

U12 & U14 Boys	9:00 for 9:15 start
U12 & 14 Girls	9:15 for 9:30 start
U16 Boys & Girls	Afternoon to be confirmed
U18 Boys & Girls	Afternoon to be confirmed

Fencing is scheduled to start 15 minutes after check in closes.
If you are running late on the day, please phone the organiser – we cannot guarantee late arrivals will be able to fence, but we will make best efforts to accommodate you.

Entries: Online entry via Sport 80 https://bf.sport80.com
£32.00 to 14 January 2027
Early: £28.00 until 1 December 2026 **USE CODE: *SWageFOIL***
Late entry at £40.00 until 20 January at discretion of organisers. **No entry after 20 January '27**

Organiser: Jane Browne Email: competitions@swfencing.co.uk Phone: 07913636227
On day of competition: 07913636227

Kit:

All	350N jacket, 350 N breeches, foil lamé, foil mask and wire. 2 body wires, 2 working foils. Long socks.
Girls	Chest protectors
U12/U14	350N plastron. Maximum blade size 3.
U16/U18	800N plastron. Maximum blade size 5.

Format: The organisers reserve the right to change the format to ensure smooth running of the competition. The current proposed format is below:

All:	1 round of poules. All progress to DE's.
U12:	DEs first to 10 hits, 3 periods of 2 minutes with 1 minute break between periods
U14:	DEs first to 12 hits, 3 periods of 2 minutes with 1 minute break between periods
U16-U18:	DEs first to 15 hits, 3 periods of 3 minutes with 1 minute break between periods

Refreshments: Water fountains are available on site. Other refreshments will be available for purchase throughout the day from Michele Golding (fencingstuff.org.uk)

Disclaimer: The organisers accept no responsibility for loss/damage to equipment or damage to fencers. Any contact info collected may be used to contact you regarding future events in the South West. It will not be shared with anyone else.

Photography: SWEF operates an **OPT OUT** policy on photography. If you do not want your child to be photographed or videoed, please let organisers know BEFORE the competition.
Please take and use the images with consideration for all concerned.

BYCs: The South West Age Groups are also the region's British Youth Championship Qualifiers

When:	1 – 3 May 2027, general schedule will be announced by BF in January 26.
Where:	EIS Sheffield, Coleridge Road, Sheffield, S9 5DA
Qualification formula:	If 1-16 entries=8 will qualify. 17-19 entries=9 qualify. 20 – 22 entries=10 Those who qualify will be notified at the competition. Entry is by invitation from BF in March 2027