South West of England Age Groups Competition **SABRE**

British Youth Championships Regional Qualifying Event 2027

When:	SUNDAY 17 JANUARY 2027 Fencers unable to attend the RQE can apply to BF for a BYE NOTE: THIS IS THE SAME DAY AS EPEE. The timetabling will all entry to both weapons.
Where:	BARRACUDA Hall, Millfield School, Street, BA16 0YD Parking in school car park: Butleigh Road, Street, BA16 0YD Entry to campus is via the GATE HOUSE 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: ***Times to be confirmed***	U12 Boys & Girls – After 12 U14 Boys & Girls – After 12 U16 & U18 Boys – 9:30 am for 9:45 start U16 & U16 Girls – 9:30 am for 10:00 start 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 www.bf.sport80.com £32.00 to 6 January 2027 £28. until 1 December 2026 **USE CODE: *SWageSABRE*** Late entry at £40.00 until 13 January at discretion of organisers. **No entry after 13 January 2027**
Organiser:	Jane Browne Email: competitions@swfencing.co.uk Phone: 07913636227 On day of competition: 07913636227
Kit:	All: 350N jacket, 350N breeches, sabre lamé, sabre mask and wire. 2 body wires, 2 working sabres. Long socks. Sabre glove - long sleeves to cover gloves not permitted. Girls: Chest protectors U12/U14: 350N plastron. Maximum blade size 3. U16/U18: 800N plastron. 800 N glove. 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: DE is first to 10 hits, 3 periods of 2 minutes with 1 minute break between periods U14: DE is first to 12 hits, 3 periods of 2 minutes with 1 minute break between periods U16&U18 DE is 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: 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.
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