Invitation

EFC U14 Circuit

individual & team epee

31 Jan – 1 Feb, 2026

Espoo, Finland

Friday 30th January, 2026
18:00 Weapon control and registration open
21:00 Weapon control and registration close

Saturday 31st January, 2026	
Boys U14 individual	**Girls U14 individual**
8:00 Venue, weapon control and registration open 9:00 Boys' registration closes 9:30 Start of boys' pools	10:00* Weapon control and registration open 11:00* Girls' registration closes 11:30* Start of girls' pools
17:30* Boys' and girls' finals	

Sunday 1st February, 2026	
Team competitions for boys and girls U14	
8:00 Venue, weapon control and registration open 9:00 Team registration closes 9:30 Start of team competitions	
13:30* Girls' team final & bronze match	14:30* Boys' team final & bronze match

*This schedule is preliminary and subject to change depending on the number of participants. See this page for an updated schedule once registration has ended.

Organizers

- Finnish Fencing and Modern Pentathlon Federation, fencing-pentathlon.fi
- Espoon miekkailijat (Espoo Fencing Club), espoonmiekkailijat.fi

Organizer contact details

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Participants

U14 (born 2012 or later)
All participants must have an active EFC license.

Registration

Through the EFC website before Sunday 25th January, 2026 by the national fencing federations.
Late entry surcharge: EUR 50 per fencer.

Entry fees

- EUR 25 per fencer
- EUR 75 per team

To be paid on-site by card (preferred) or cash

Competition formula

- **Individual:** 1 round of pools followed by direct elimination with approx. 80% promoted. No fence-off for third place.
- **Team:** Direct elimination with all places fenced in top 8.

Competition venue

Matinkylän liikuntahalli
Tynnyrintie 2, 02230 Espoo, Finland
Google Maps

Equipment

NB: Notice the updated EFC equipment rules!

Mask	1600N
Uniform	800N
Under plastron	800N
Glove	FIE rules
Body cord	FIE rules
Epee	FIE maraging

Equipment control

Equipment control for **masks, gloves, bodycords and epees** will take place at the competition venue **on Friday 30th January from 18:00 to 21:00** as well as on Saturday and Sunday before the start of the competitions. Uniforms and under plastrons will be checked on piste.

Fencing equipment vendor Allstar Finland will be present with limited inventory on Friday evening only.

Referee quota
Based on total number of entries for the day.

Individual:
- 1–3 entries: not required
- 4–9 entries: 1 referee
- 10–15 entries: 2 referees
- 16 and above entries: 3 referees

Team:
- 1–2 teams: 1 referee
- 3 and above teams: 2 referees

EUR 500 sanction per every missing referee.
All referees must be registered through the EFC website, must be at least national referees and have an active EFC licence.

Mandatory referee meeting at the venue at 9:00 on both competition days.

The referees are expected to Be available the entire day.

Prizes
Individual:
- Medals, diplomas and gifts for the top 4.
- Diplomas and gifts for the 5th to 8th places.

Team:
- Medals, diplomas and gifts for the top 3.

Medical assistance
Medical staff will be present at the competition venue during the tournament.

Accommodation
See our accommodation offer on the next page

HOTEL MATTS

Hotel Matts
<1 minute walk to the venue
Hotel website
+358 29 308 0440
Google Maps

Transport from Helsinki-Vantaa airport:
- 30 minutes by train I or P to Helsinki central railway station
- Change to metro M1 to Kivenlahti
- 20 minutes by metro to Matinkylä
- From Matinkylä metro station <5 minute walk

Info and tickets: Helsinki Region Transport (HSL) website

Hotel Matts accommodation offer 30 Jan – 1 Feb, 2026

The competition hotel partner Hotel Matts offers the following room types and prices:

Room type	Price per room per night
Standard hotel room	EUR 94
1-bedroom apartment	EUR 145
2-bedroom apartment	EUR 194
3-bedroom apartment	EUR 234
1 extra guest on a sofa bed in 2- or 3-bedroom apartment	EUR 25

The prices include high quality accommodation, versatile breakfast, and VAT.

Room and apartment descriptions:

- **Standard hotel room:** For 1–2 guests, twin beds.
- **1-bedroom apartment:** One bedroom with a double bed and a sofa bed for one adult or child in the living room.
- **2-bedroom apartment:** Two bedrooms with twin beds, two bathrooms, a sofa bed for one adult or child in the living room.
- **3-bedroom apartment:** Three bedrooms and a sauna. One bedroom with double bed, two bedrooms with a single bed, two bathrooms, a sofa bed for one adult or child in the living room.

Read more about the hotel rooms and apartments.

Bookings

Book your stay on the Hotel Matts booking website using the booking code **FENCING2026**. The code is valid from **24th November, 2025 to 16th January, 2026**.

The prices are subject to availability and valid for bookings made at least two weeks before arrival and at the latest on **16th January, 2026**. There is a limited number of rooms and apartments available at partner prices.

The booking is confirmed by entering a payment card number and paid upon arrival. The booking can be changed and cancelled without any fees until **6 pm on the day of arrival**.

For changes and cancellations made after that the hotel will charge the price of the first night as cancellation fee. Changes and cancellations must be made in writing to **matts@kassiopeia.fi**.