



Gear Requirements - Dutch Lions Cup 2018

This document outlines the minimum gear requirements to participate in the Dutch Lions Cup 2018 longsword tournament. These gear requirements exist to ensure maximum safety for all participants. All participants are responsible to comply with the gear requirements. All gear will be checked prior to the tournament by crew on site. If any piece of equipment is found not to meet the minimal gear requirements and no suitable replacement can be found in time, the tournament manager reserves the right to deny the participant access to the tournament.

All gear should provide adequate protection in its current state. Any damage to gear should not impair its protective qualities. If the protective qualities of a piece of equipment is debatable, the tournament manager has the authority to decide whether the equipment still meets the minimum gear requirements. No skin should be exposed at any time. Equipment must not contain any large metal parts (i.e. no metal gauntlets or gorgets).

The gear of all participants needs to be in order and checked for a poule to begin. If a participant does not comply to the minimum gear requirements and is unable to replace it in time, the participant will be disqualified. If all your gear is found to be in order, you are officially cleared to compete in the tournament.

In the case that any equipment is damaged or breaks over the course of the tournament, the referee will re-examine the damaged piece. When the piece of equipment is too damaged to be used any further, the participant is allotted 5 minutes to replace it.

The participant forfeits the match if no suitable replacement can be found in time.

The gear requirements are similar to those of other large HEMA/longsword tournaments. In order to prevent any misunderstandings, this document will list all minimum gear requirements as specifically as possible. Should any questions arise, please contact us at lionscup@zwaard-steen.org.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

The following protective equipment is mandatory for all participants:

- Mask (and back-of-head protection)
- Throat guard
- Protective jacket
- Chest protection
- Gloves
- Elbow protection
- Leg protection
- Groin protection (for men and women)
- Shoes

The following protective equipment is highly recommended for all participants:

- Padded or rigid protection for the upper legs.
- Rigid protection for the forearms.
- Mouthguard.
- Ankle protection.



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GENERAL NOTE

Each category will list a number of gear manufacturers whose products are generally of a standard that meets the minimum requirements. However, be aware that even gear of these brands is not automatically approved; it must first undergo a gear check. These manufacturers are mainly listed in order to provide a frame of reference as to what sort of gear is required. These lists are not exhaustive; products of other manufacturers may also be approved.

MASK

Mask: PBT, Allstar

Mask overlay/back-of-head protection: PBT, Allstar, SPES

- The mesh and structure of the mask must have no large dents or other damage that reduces its protective qualities;
- The mask must be well-fitted and not be too loose or too tight;
- The mask must offer adequate protection regardless of head rotation;
- The bib of the mask should be 1600N. The bib must stay in place when worn, and not roll up;
- The mask must be augmented with some kind of occipital protection that covers the back of the head and neck.

THROAT PROTECTOR

PBT, Absolute Force

- The throat protector must at the very least protect the front and sides of the throat and neck.
- Throat protector must have a solid/rigid component

PROTECTIVE JACKET

SPES, PBT, Neyman Fencing

- The jacket must completely cover the torso; this means no holes in the armpits or anywhere else;
- When the arms are lifted, the jacket must still cover the entire torso;
- The jacket must be reasonably padded;
- The jacket must offer adequate protection in case of a broken blade.

CHEST PROTECTION

Allstar, PBT, SPES

- The chest protector must be rigid enough to provide adequate protection in case of a broken blade.

GLOVES

Sparring Glove, Koning Gloves, Neyman Fencing, SPES

- The entire hand (fingers, back of hand, wrist) must be covered by the glove;
- An inner glove is recommended for any gloves, but required for open-palm gloves.
- LaCrosse or Red Dragon gloves are not allowed unless adequately modified, this is always up to the referees or tournament management.

ELBOW PROTECTION

SPES, Reebok

- Elbow protection must be rigid and should cover the elbow on the joint and to the sides.



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LEG PROTECTION

SPES, Neyman Fencing

- The upper legs should be protected by a puncture-resistant material, such as fencing pants or rigid upper leg protection;
- The hips must be covered by some kind of protection (i.e. fencing pants or jacket);
- Knee protection must be rigid and should cover the front and sides of the knee;
- Shin protection must be rigid and should cover the front and sides of the shin.

GROIN PROTECTION

Shock-Doctor, Reebok

- Both men and women must wear groin protection;
- Groin protection must be worn underneath other clothing.

WEAPONS

This year the Dutch Lions Cup will provide tournament fencers for our participants!
The supplied fencers are the Regényei Armory Trnava Light

Specifications:

6 mm thick blade;

Straight edged schilt;

Weight: ~1600 grams;

Length: 100cm blade, 32 cm handle