

2010/11 NGB Matrix – FENCING



Context and Rationale

What role does Competition play in terms of wider development of Fencing?

- ✓ Increasing Participation
- ✓ Development of values and ethics of game
- ✓ Development of sound fundamentals
- ✓ Development of game/event understanding
- ✓ Development of Competition Education ('How to win')
- ✓ Initiation of a performance pathway
- ✓ Feeding school to Club Links

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Resources

- ✓ Web Downloads
- ✓ Templates
- ✓ Young Leaders/officials courses
- ✓ Teachers/Schools resource packs

Wider PESSYP Links

- ✓ Club Links
- ✓ Coaching
- ✓ Leadership and Volunteering

Strategic Delivery

Cluster and SSP Round - Competition Manager and NGB.

Priority Areas

Targeted Areas
 SCM to liaise with NGB

Priority Competitions

Competition	Age/Gender	Level	Format	Cluster Round	SSP Round	County Round	Regional Round	National Round
Mini Fencing	Years 5 and 6, Mixed	Beginners	Team relay, 2 to 8 teams (preferably even numbers). Plastic only.	Local decision	Local decision	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mini Fencing	Year 7, Mixed	Beginners	Team relay, 2 to 8 teams (preferably even numbers). plastic only.	Local decision	Local decision	N/A	N/A	N/A

- The first point of contact for all SCM's should be the National Governing Body as above to establish target SSPs
- The format is easy to organise and self contained. The soft form of the sport is resource-light, hence more accessible than metal fencing and in a short time is able to bring children to a taste of competition which replicates the experience and atmosphere of a metal fencing competition (but in about 1/5 of the time and a fraction of the cost).
- It has cross-curricular benefits of developing sporting behaviour, social and personal development, language development and ABC which is transferrable to other sports. Mini fencing is very close to metal fencing, the transition to metal fencing is quick and easy.
- The competition calendar depends entirely on when mini fencing programmes are started. For example if the SSP decide to host a mini fencing tournament in July, you would need to ensure that sufficient primary schools have run their mini fencing programmes starting after Easter to allow 6 – 10 weeks of mini fencing programmes.