

PENNSIC LII YOUTH ARMORED/RAPIER COMBAT RULES OF THE LIST

- No Youth Armored/Rapier Combat may occur without the presence of a warranted Youth marshal.
- The word “HOLD” is to be used by marshals, fighters, parents or spectators to stop combat activities when they see a problem. You should use “HOLD” when you witness a behavior, weapon or armor condition that is unacceptable or dangerous.
- Any combatant who refuses to obey the commands of the marshals shall be removed from the field.
- Parents, guardians, mentors and other observers are expected to act with courtesy and behave in a responsible manner when in the list area. Adults demonstrating inappropriate behavior will be asked to leave the Youth Martial area. This may result in their child having to withdraw from that day’s activity.
- Shields must be appropriate to the size, strength and control of the fighter. A fighter may be asked to demonstrate control with a shield if it appears to be too heavy or too large to handle properly.
- Shields may not be used as offensive weapons. NO contact between a shield and the opponent’s body is allowed.
- At no time shall there be tournament combat between different divisions. “Death From Behind” conventions will not be used.
- Rules of Engagement shall be the same as for adult armored combat at Pennsic

YOUTH ARMORED COMBAT SPECIFICS

ARMOR AND WEAPON INSPECTION

Prior to participating in youth combat activities, and at the beginning of each session, all equipment must be inspected and shall meet all safety and armor requirements of the appropriate division.

ARMOR STANDARDS

Armor standards are as per the SCA Youth Combat Rules (pages 12-14), with these additional notes:

- All helmets must be padded with closed-cell foam.
- Helmets with EPP foam are not allowed.
- Helmets with Seven Technology ring-style padding are not allowed.

A helmet with a lengthy open slot across the face, such as a catcher's mask eye slot which does not have a nasal guard, will NOT be permitted in Divisions 2 or 3.

WEAPON SPECIFICATIONS

Weapons standards are as per the SCA Youth Combat Rules (pages 15-17), with these additional notes:

- The use of butt spikes is not allowed in Division 1.
- Throwing weapons (axes and javelins) may only be used in melees with the approval of the marshal in charge of the list, who may choose to exclude thrown weapons from specific scenarios or during given sessions at their discretion.

SHIELD STANDARDS

Shield standards are as per the SCA Youth Combat Rules (pages 14-15), with the additional note that Society rules require a minimum edge thickness of one-half inch

YOUTH RAPIER COMBAT SPECIFICS

ARMOR AND WEAPON INSPECTION

Prior to participating in youth rapier activities, and at the beginning of each session, all equipment must be inspected and shall meet all safety and armor requirements of the appropriate division.

ARMOR STANDARDS

Armor standards are as per the SCA Youth Rapier Combat Rules (page 22).

WEAPON SPECIFICATIONS

Weapons standards are as per the SCA Youth Rapier Combat Rules (pages 20-21).

SHIELD STANDARDS

Shield standards are as per the SCA Youth Rapier Combat Rules (pages 14-15).