



Scottish Fencing is recruiting 3 x Lead Weapons Coaches - Foil/Sabre/Epee -to our Youth 5 Nations Squad travelling to the event in England in June 2020.

The main goal of the Lead Weapons Coach (LWC) is to assist the Team Manager (TM) to create a positive learning environment that best prepares young athletes to perform to the best of their abilities whilst upholding Scottish Fencing's culture, values and relevant policies. The Lead Weapons Coach will work with Youth 5 Nations Squad members to ensure they are best prepared to perform at Youth 5 Nations in June 2020. The LWC will take responsibility for designing and delivering technical fencing sessions for those athletes who specialise in their chosen weapon.

Lead Weapons Coach (LWC) Duties:

At training sessions (TBC):

- To design and deliver fencing training that best prepares athletes for Youth 5 Nations 2020.
- To work with other LWC and TM to create a positive, “development-first” learning environment for athletes, staff and parents.
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At Youth 5 Nations 2020:

- Provide coaching advice and support to individuals, other coaches and teams as required, this may include providing warm ups and lessons to unaccompanied athletes.
- Assist athletes and, if appointed, weapon captains to specify team orders and substitutions.
- Assist the Team Manager with their role, undertaking any other duties as required to ensure the Health, Safety and wellbeing of athletes.
- Promote the Scottish Fencing's best practice guidance/code of ethics and behaviour including anti-discriminatory practice,
- Assist Scottish Fencing to fulfil its responsibilities to safeguard young people including maintaining confidentiality,

Essential requirements:

- Commitment to attend all training sessions (TBC) and Youth 5 Nations 2020.
- Have a minimum Level 2 - preferably Level 3 (or working towards) -qualification in at least one weapon.
- Understanding of Long-Term Athlete Development and Growth Mindset.
- Great communication skills.
- On the British Fencing Coaches Register.
- Knowledge of Scottish Fencing's role and responsibilities to safeguard the welfare of children.