Boston Fencing Club COVID-19 Response

January 9th, 2021

The Boston Fencing Club continues to monitor the COVID-19 public health crisis and the Massachusetts guidance on operating during these times:

* Boston Fencing Club is open for classes, lessons, and open fencing, **for youth only**, ages 18 and under
  + Open fencing is only available to club members. We cannot allow non-members at this time
  + Private lesson slots are now 30 minutes to allow passing time between each lesson
    - Lessons can be scheduled through our website
* Long-term equipment rentals are available for learn to fence students
* Adults (19+) may continue to take private lessons. Please keep an eye out for communication regarding private lesson rules from your coach or the front desk
  + Until further notice, adults may not participate in classes or open fencing, as a result of Boston Mayor Marty Walsh’s executive order, which bans adults from attending gyms and rec centers
    - The mayor is set to re-assess this ban by the end of January, and we will update accordingly
* For coaches and athletes, the following rules apply
  + **If you are ill, stay home and notify your coach or the Club**
  + **If you have been potentially exposed to novel coronavirus, stay home and notify your coach or the Club**
  + **Masks must be worn within the facility except when bouting**
  + **No physical contact between athletes or between athletes and coaching staff other than weapon hits**
  + **Appropriate personal hygiene and social distancing should be practiced at all times**
  + **All personal fencing equipment is to be brought to the Club by the athlete and taken out of the Club and cleaned after the lesson/class.**