

Armourer Interviews

An Aid to Armourer Candidates

Introduction

The armourer selection process requires an individual interview. These interviews will be about 10 minutes in length and will be conducted by Aaron and Henry. Sign-ups for interviews will be announced at the beginning of the open-call for candidates.

No previous armouring experience or tools are required. We do expect a basic knowledge of fencing (the names of the three weapons, be able to identify them, etc.). Secondly, we have a list of four topics below. If you are not familiar with these topics, please learn a little about each before the interviews. All topics but the last are quick and easy to pick up. The last one may take more research on your part.

If you have any questions, feel free to e-mail Aaron at amcta579@uwsp.edu or talk to him during practice.

Topics

1. Be able to disassemble and assemble a dry foil with a French grip. Tools will be provided.
2. Be able to explain how to properly adjust a fencing mask.
3. Be familiar with how to measure for glove, jacket, and mask size. Also, be able to recognize left-handed and right-handed jackets on sight.
4. Be familiar with the parts of a Leon Paul (British) Electric Foil Point. The components are the mushroom cap with brass contacts, barrel, pressure spring, contact spring, tip, and grub screws.

Literature & Videos

UW-SP Library

- Armory Basic Clinic DVD by Bailey & Zay. Call Number IMC U850.A76 2006

For Purchase or Interlibrary Loan

- Volkman, Rudy. Magnum Libre d'Esgrime (Big Book of Fencing). 2nd Edition. Georgia, 1997. ISBN: 0-9668038-0-9 About \$30

Websites

- <http://www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/fencing/glossary.html>
- http://www.leonpaul.com/fencing_support/support_armoury/fencing_armoury.htm
- <http://www.fencing.net/forums/>
- <http://grove.ufl.edu/~fencing/docs/epeeguide.pdf>
- http://www.busywebdesign.com/saskfencing/foil_repair.htm
- <http://www.greenwitch.u-net.com/fencing/armour.htm>
- <http://shop.fencing.net/Articles.asp?ID=108>