



**2020-2021 Age/Classification Eligibility**

**Special Note: The Junior & Cadet Age Categories for this (20-21) season will not change in February 2021\***

**For 2020-2021 Local/National Tournaments**

CATEGORY	DIVISION I	DIVISION IA	DIVISION II	DIVISION III	SENIOR (OPEN) See 2.11.2	PARAFENCING & CLASSIFICATION TOURNAMENT	SENIOR TEAM	VETERAN (40 & Older) / VETERAN TEAM	VETERAN 40-49	VETERAN 50-59	VETERAN 60-69	VETERAN 70 & Older	VETERAN 80 & Older	JUNIOR & JUNIOR TEAM	CADET & CADET TEAM	YOUTH 14 & YOUTH 14 TEAM	YOUTH 12	YOUTH 10
CODE	DV1	D1A	DV2	DV3	SR Open	PARA	STM	VET/VTM	V40	V50	V60	V70	V80	JNR/JTM	CDT/CTM	Y14	Y12	Y10
BIRTH YEARS	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 1981 or earlier	1972-1981	1962-1971	1952-1961	Born 1951 or earlier	Born 1941 or earlier	2001-2007	2004-2007	2006-2009	2008-2011	2010-2013
CLASS	A, B, OR C	N/A	C, D, E OR U	D, E OR U	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**July Challenge, USA Fencing National Championships & Associated REGIONAL & DIVISION Qualifying Competitions ONLY**

CATEGORY	DIVISION I	DIVISION IA	DIVISION II	DIVISION III	PARAFENCING	VETERAN 40-49	VETERAN 50-59	VETERAN 60-69	VETERAN 70 & Older	VETERAN 80 & Older
CODE	DV1	D1A	DV2	DV3	PARA	V40	V50	V60	V70	V80
BIRTH YEARS	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	Born 2007 or earlier	1972-1981	1962-1971	1952-1961	Born 1951 or earlier	Born 1941 or earlier
CLASS	A, B, OR C	N/A	C, D, E OR U	D, E OR U	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

CATEGORY	JUNIOR	CADET	YOUTH 14	YOUTH 12	YOUTH 10	SENIOR TEAM
CODE	JNR	CDT	Y14	Y12	Y10	STM
BIRTH YEARS	2001-2007*	2004-2007*	2006-2009	2008-2011	2010-2013	Born 2007 or earlier
CLASS	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**EXCEPTION TO AGE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (All other qualification criteria remains):**

1. Youth 12 – A fencer born after 2011 can fence in Y12 IF the fencer is on the National Youth 10 Point Standings at the time of the entry deadline for that tournament.
2. Youth 14 – A fencer born after 2009 can fence in Y14 IF the fencer is on the National Youth 12 Point Standings at the time of the entry deadline for that tournament.
3. Cadet (through JO's) – A fencer born after 2007 can fence in Cadet local and regional competitions, NAC Cadet tournaments and Junior Olympic Cadet Fencing Championship and qualifying tournaments IF the fencer is on the National Youth 14 Point Standings at the time of the entry deadline for that tournament.
4. Junior (through JO's) – A fencer born after 2007 can fence in Junior local and regional competitions, NAC Junior and Junior Olympic Fencing Championships and qualifying tournaments IF the fencer is on the National Cadet Point Standings at the time of the entry deadline for that tournament.
5. Cadet (After JO's) – A fencer born after 2008 can fence in Cadet competition for the 2021 July Challenge IF the fencer is on the National Youth 14 Point Standings at the time of the entry deadline for that tournament.
6. Junior (After JO's) – A fencer born after 2008 can fence in Junior competition for the 2021 July Challenge IF the fencer is on the National Cadet Point Standings at the time of the entry deadline for that tournament.
7. RJCCs held between JOs regular entry fee deadline and the Junior Olympic Championship will allow fencers that meet either the Junior Olympic birth year criteria or the July Challenge birth year criteria. Those who meet only the Junior Olympic birth year criteria may only earn new classifications, but will not receive regional points.
8. Division I – For national (e.g., NAC) competitions, those born after 2007 must be on the National Junior Point Standings; for the 2021 July Challenge for Division I, those born after 2007 must be on the National Junior Point Standings.
9. Division IA, II, III – For all local, regional (including ROC) and national (e.g., NAC) competitions, those born after 2007 must be on the National Junior Point Standings; for the 2021 National Championships and qualifying competitions for Division IA, II, III; those born after 2007 must be on the National Junior Point Standings.
10. A fencer who is on the National Junior Rolling Point Standings (NRPS) and is younger than 13 may compete in Senior (Open) competition