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**INVITATION LETTER** 

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# Official greetings

# 2025 Manama Veteran Fencing World Championships Welcome

Dear Friends.

It is my privilege to extend an invitation to you to attend the 2025 Veteran Fencing World Championships in Manama. On behalf of the global fencing community, we eagerly anticipate welcoming distinguished men's and women's athletes representing four age categories who will demonstrate their skills in both individual and team competitions.

Fencing truly transcends age, and these Championships exemplify its enduring appeal and accessibility. For many veteran athletes, fencing represents not just a sport but a lifelong pursuit. Their unwavering commitment serves as an inspiration to younger generations, exemplifying the qualities that define a true "fencer."

The Veteran Fencing World Championships offer more than just competition; it is a unique occasion for fostering international camaraderie, renewing old friendships, forging new connections, and showcasing athletic excellence on a global platform. This prestigious event continues to enhance the worldwide reputation of fencing as one of the foundational Olympic disciplines.

I wish to commend the Bahrain Fencing Association for their outstanding efforts in organising this significant tournament, which marks the culmination of the 2024-2025 FIE competition season. We are sincerely grateful for the dedication and contributions of coaches, volunteers, officials, staff, and the many enthusiasts and supporters following the event globally across social media platforms.

Manama, as a dynamic and welcoming city, offers much for international guests to discover, and I encourage all participants to explore and enjoy its many attractions.

I wish everyone safe travels, memorable experiences, and a truly exceptional World Championships. We look forward to your presence in Manama.

#### **Abdelmoneim El Husseiny**

FIE Interim President



# To All the National Fencing Federations Welcome to Manama!

On behalf of the Bahrain Fencing Association, I am delighted to extend a cordial invitation to your federation to participate in the 2025 Veteran Fencing World Championships from November 10 to 20, 2025.

We value the opportunity to share with you the upcoming emotions of joy and excitement which all of us expect from this event.

Being here, we all serve a common goal - uniting cultures through sport and advertising the power of the mind, body. We hope you enjoy your stay in Manama, experience the magic of its touristic destinations, and the hospitality of its people.

We also hope you bring back home only wonderful memories. Good luck to everyone!

Sincerely,

#### Shaikh Ebrahim bin Salman Alkhalifa

President - Bahrain Fencing Association



# **General information**

# Welcome To Bahrain International Airport

The Bahrain International Airport is the only international airport located in Muharraq, Kingdom of Bahrain. When the delegations arrive in Manama, they will be welcomed by staff holding banners with the championship logo.



## Tourism in Bahrain

## **Welcome to MANAMA!**

Tourism in Bahrain offers a blend of ancient culture, modern attractions, and warm Arabian hospitality. As one of the Gulf's most liberal and historically rich countries, Bahrain attracts visitors for its archaeological sites, beaches, luxury shopping, motorsports, and unique island experiences.

#### вн Why Visit Bahrain?

#### 1. Rich History & Culture

- Bahrain National Museum: Showcases 5,000 years of history.
- Qal'at al-Bahrain (Bahrain Fort): A UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Dilmun Burial Mounds: One of the largest prehistoric cemeteries in the world.
- Al Fateh Grand Mosque: One of the largest mosques in the world open to non-Muslim visitors.

#### 2. Modern Attractions

- Bahrain International Circuit (BIC): Host of the annual Formula 1 Grand Prix.
- Luxury Malls: The Avenues Bahrain, City Centre Bahrain, and Moda Mall.
- Manama Souq: Traditional market for spices, textiles, perfumes, and gold.

#### 3. Island & Beach Life

- Amwaj Islands and Diyar Al Muharraq: Man-made islands with resorts, cafes, and marinas.
- Jarada Island: A tidal island that appears during low tide—popular for boating and picnics.
- Scuba Diving: Explore shipwrecks and pearl diving heritage.

#### 4. Cultural Events & Festivals

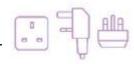
- Spring of Culture Festival
- Bahrain International Music Festival
- Bahrain Grand Prix (F1)
- Muharraq Nights celebration of heritage in historic neighborhoods.

#### 5. Pearl Diving & Heritage

- Bahrain was once the world's top pearl diving center.
- Visitors can join pearl diving excursions and keep the pearls they find.

#### Best Time to Visit

- November to March: Pleasant weather (15–25°C). Ideal for sightseeing and outdoor activities.
- April to October: Hot and humid, but great for beach resorts and indoor shopping.
- Emergent contacts: 999
- Time zone: GMT+3
- Electrical Voltage: 220 V and 60H (Type G) plug is officially used.



# **Spots in Bahrain**

## **Bab Al Bahrain**

is a historical building located in the Customs Square in the central business district of Manama. It marks the main entrance to the Manama Souq. Opened in 1949 and designed by the British adviser to the emir, Charles Belgrave, Bab Al Bahrain once stood on the Manama coastline.





## **The Bahrain National Museum**

Is the largest and oldest public museum in Bahrain. It is situated in Manama, adjacent to the National Theatre of Bahrain.





# **Bahrain Bay**

is an opulent mixed-use development boasting three exceptional areas: The Wharf, The Gardens and The Park. With stylish dining spots, waterfront activities and stunning art and architecture, Bahrain Bay boasts an unparalleled city living.

A futuristic development of vibrant culture and iconic luxury in the heart of Manama.





## **Bahrain International Circuit**

Located in the heart of the Sakhir desert, Bahrain International Circuit is a unique and contemporary sports and entertainment venue that is synonymous with the highest levels of global motorsport. Featuring five different track layouts, the circuit first saw life in 2004 when the first ever Formula 1 Grand Prix took place in the country, making it the first-ever track in the Middle East to host the Formula 1 World Championship.





# **Schedule**

10 & 11 November Weapon Control & Open Accreditation

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	Epee Men 40+	Pools - DE - Final					
12 November	Epee Men 70+	Pools - DE – Final					
	Sabre Women 50+	Pools - DE – Final					
	Sabre Women 60+	Pools - DE – Final					
	DAY 2						
	Epee Men 50+	Pools – DE – Final					
13 November	Epee Men 60+	Pools – DE – Final					
13 November	Sabre Women 40+	Pools - DE – Final					
	Sabre Women 70+	Sabre Women 70+ Pools - DE – Final					
	DAY 3						
	Epee Men Team Veteran	DE – Final					
	Epee Men Team Grand Veteran DE – Final						
14 November	Sabre Women Team Veteran	DE – Final					
	Sabre Women Team Grand Veteran	DE – Final					
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	Foil Men 40+	Pools – DE – Final					
	Foil Men 70+	Pools – DE – Final					
15 November	Epee Women 50+						
	·	Pools – DE – Final					
	Epee Women 60+ Pools – DE – Final  DAY 5						
	Foil Men 50+	Pools – DE – Final					
	Foil Men 60+						
16 November		Pools – DE – Final					
	Epee Women 40+	Pools – DE – Final					
	Epee Women 70+	Pools – DE – Final					
		AY 6					
	Foil Men Team Veteran	DE – Final					
17 November	Foil Men Team Grand Veteran	DE – Final					
	Epee Women Team Veteran	DE – Final					
	Epee Women Team Grand Veteran	DE – Final					
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	Sabre men 40+	Pools – DE – Final					
18 November	Sabre Men 70+	Pools – DE – Final					
18 November	Foil Women 50+	Pools – DE – Final					
	Foil Women 60+	Pools – DE – Final					
	D	DAY 8					
	Sabre men 50+	Pools – DE – Final					
19 November	Sabre Men 60+	e Men 60+ Pools – DE – Final					
	Foil Women 40+	Pools – DE – Final	Final				
	Foil Women 70+	Pools – DE – Final					
	DAY 9						
20 November	Sabre Men Team Veteran	DE – Final					
	Sabre Men Team Grand Veteran	DE – Final					
	Foil Women Team Veteran	DE – Final					
	Foil Women Team Grand Veteran	DE – Final					
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<sup>\*</sup>The detailed competition schedule with times will be provided in the information for the delegation one month before the tournament.

## Venue Information

#### **COMPETITION VENUE**

#### Isa Bin Rashid Hall in Isa Town

Like culture, art and recreation, leisure and sports activities play an important role in communities. Their many benefits include improving the health and well-being of individuals, contributing to the empowerment of individuals, and promoting the development of inclusive communities.

The Kingdom of Bahrain boasts a wide range of sports activities and facilities that provide a full access platform for nationals and residents to lead a healthy and active lifestyle and also for tourists to enjoy. From motor racing to golf and equestrianism to football, the Kingdom caters to diverse sporting interests with an expansive selection of private and public Clubs and venues.

The state-of-the-art facility places Bahrain on the international sports map, enabling the Kingdom to host regional and international competitions. It also aims to help boost the sports movement in the country and create a generation of athletes capable of competing globally.

For the Manama 2025 Veteran Fencing World Championships, we will be installing 16 pistes for the preliminary, 8 color pistes, 1 podium for finals and 8 pistes for training.

The door is open to participants from November 10 to 20, 2025 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.



## **Accreditation**

Accreditation will start on the 10th of November and finish at the end of the World Championships. It will be held in the competition venue and according to the bellow schedule:

#### **Days and Opening Hours**

November 10 to 11	09:00-18:00
November 12 to 19	07:00-19:00
November 20	07:00-12:00

- Participants will not be allowed to use equipment control, the training venue, competition halls, or any other facility without accreditation.
- The head of the delegation can collect the accreditation showing proof of bank transfer or receipt of payment of the required fees and the passports of the participants.
- A personal photo of the accompanying persons or family of the athletes should be sent via email by October 10, 2025, at the latest.
   via email to accreditationvwcbrn@gmail.com

## **Participation**

All participating athletes are required to have an FIE License, valid for the season 2024-2025 per the FIE Statutes and Administrative rules.

The registration of athletes and officials from the delegations must be done through the FIE website, <a href="www.fie.org">www.fie.org</a>, respecting the deadlines specified in the FIE Rules and the quotas of delegations. Photos of athletes and officials from the delegations registered on the FIE website must be uploaded on the FIE website. Also, entries must be sent to the organizers by the competitors' national federation. Entries must be sent no later than one month before the beginning of the championship.

#### **ENTRY FEES**

- Individual Registration Fees are 90.00 Euros per fencer, per event,
- Team Registration Fees are 185.00 Euros per team, per event.

# **Entry Visa**

# **Important Information**

- Visa requests will be processed online through the Organizing Committee.
- Visa fee will cost 60 Euros per person

## **Visa Application Process**

National Federations are advised to apply for their e-visa following this process:

Send an email to the organizing committee, attaching the following documents:

- A duly filled-out visa form. (<u>VISA FORM Veterans Fencing World Championships</u>, 2025 Manama, Bahrain) Link
- A clear copy of each delegation member's passport
- A recent passport photo of each member of your delegation saved with delegate and name (example: BRN\_ athlete \_last name \_first name)
- Once visa processing is completed, the visa will be sent to the National Federation by email.

#### Deadline for visa applications: October 10, 2025

It is extremely important that all requests are received by the stated date to ensure that the required visas are obtained on time.

Any requests received after this date will not be accepted.

#### Please note:

Passports must be valid for at least six months beyond the date of entry into Bahrain.

Passport photographs should be taken over a white background with no glasses, hats, or accessories that may obstruct your face.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact: visavwcbrn@gmail.com



## **National Anthem and Flag**

All the National Anthems that will be used during the FIE Veteran World Championships shall not exceed 75 seconds in length. They must be sent to the LOC, in addition to an image of the flag, at the email inquiriesvwcbrn@gmail com before **October 25, 2025**.

When heads of delegation collect the accreditations, they will kindly be asked to sign a form to confirm that the anthem and flag emailed to us match the ones that will be used during the World Championships.



# **Equipment Requirements**

All the equipment must comply with FIE regulations and will be checked under the control of the FIE SEMI commission. All fencers must have equipment compliant with the Material Rules of the FIE.

It is mandatory to put the logos of the countries on both legs of the breeches. The surname of the athlete and the name of the country must be printed on the back of the jacket and/or electric jacket. All advertising and manufacturer logos must be in conformity with the FIE Publicity Code requirements and will be checked. For additional information, please see Material Rules of the FIE.

# **Transportation**

We are providing transport buses from the airport to hotels for participants who will be residing at our official hotels during the event.

This will cost about **100 euros per person** (airport - hotel - airport) (Hotel - sports Venue - Hotel)

### How to reserve transportation:

- Fill out the reservation form and submit it via email (Hotel and Transport Booking Form FIE Veterans World Championships, 2025 Manama, Bahrain) LINK
- The team will review your reservation
- If accepted, we will send you an invoice for payment
- Make payment via bank transfer (in Euro)
- Cash on arrival is accepted if the delegation experiences difficulties to make bank transfers.
- Please note: Competition venue transportation is guaranteed only if you stay at official hotels
- In case of any change of transportation details by the participants less than 48 hrs. before transportation date, service will not be guaranteed.
- The Transport reservations must be made before October 20, 2025.

### **Payment Information**

Account Name BAHRAIN FENCING ASSOCIATION

Bank Account Number 0094112533

Name of Bank NATIONAL BANK OF BAHRAIN

Address Branch Awaly Swift Code NBOBBHBM

IBAN BH07 NBOB 0000 0094 1125 33

Please make sure that bank transfers cover the amount of the invoice to the commissions and bank charges.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact: <a href="mailto:transportationvwcbrn@gmail.com">transportationvwcbrn@gmail.com</a>

## **Accommodation**

The Bahrain Fencing Association has collaborated with some of the best hotels to ensure that participants have access to comfortable accommodation during the event. Each hotel selected is within close proximity to the event venue.

Hotel Name	Stars	SGL BB Price	DBL BB Price	Distance to Venue	HB Supplement	
5****Hotel						
Intercontinental Hotel (official hotel for the competition)	5	200€	220€	25 Min	40 €	
Rotana Downtown	5	200€	220€	20 Min	40 €	
Radison Blu	5	190 €	210 €	25 Min	40 €	
Crown Plaza	5	190 €	210 €	25 Min	40 €	
4**** Hotels						
Novotel Resort	4	150 €	190 €	25 Min	30 €	
Elite Resort	4	150 €	190 €	25 Min	30 €	
Barcelo	4	150 €	170 €	20 Min	30 €	
Ramada Resort	4	120 €	170 €	20 Min	30 €	
Wyndham Garden	4	120 €	170 €	25 Min	30 €	

Notes: BB = Bed and Breakfast,

SGL = Single room/occupancy
DBL = Double room/occupancy

## How to book a hotel:

#### Choose a hotel

- Fill out the accommodation (form) for the hotel you chose (Hotel and Transport Booking Form FIE Veterans World Championships, 2025 Manama, Bahrain) LINK.
- Send the form to us via email <u>accommodationvwcbrn@gmail.com</u>
- Once you receive confirmation and invoice, send a copy of the payment bank transfer to confirm your reservation.
- Payments must be made by bank transfer (in euros).
- Cash on arrival is only accepted if the delegation has difficulties to make bank transfers.
- Reservations must be made by 25 October 2025.
- The rates offered and the availability of the rooms are not guaranteed after the deadline mentioned above.

#### **GENERAL RULES:**

- Meals will be served in the hotel restaurant (breakfast/dinner)
- Rate including transportation (Hotel Venue Hotel)
- Tourism fee is not included; for arrangements, please contact WhatsApp +973 33940430
- Taxes are included in all above-mentioned rates.

#### CHECK-IN & CHECK-OUT:

- Check-in time is at 15.00 hours, and Check-out time is at 12.00 hours.
- Early check-in will be provided upon the hotel's availability.
- Early check-in before 08.00 am, one night will be charged automatically.
- Check-out from 12:00 18.00, 50% of room night will be charged automatically.
- Check-out after 18.00, one night will be charged automatically.
- CANCELATION RULES (As per hotel's instruction):
  - Cancelation: before 72 hours will be free of charge.
  - Cancelation: before 48 hours 50% of the room rate will be charged as cancellation fees.
  - Cancelation: before 24 hours one night payment will be charged as a cancellation fee.

#### NO SHOW

- In case of no-show, full stay will be charged.

### **TERMS & CONDITIONS OF PAYMENT:**

- All payments to be received before arrival (transfer via bank account).
- Please make sure that the amount received through the transfer is equivalent to the invoice's total, and all commissions and charges are covered from your side.
- Registration and accommodation fee must be paid before the accreditation

Cash, All visa card available.



#### **BANK DETAILS:**

Account Name BAHRAIN FENCING ASSOCIATION

Bank Account Number 0094112533

Name of Bank NATIONAL BANK OF BAHRAIN

Address Branch Awaly Swift Code NBOBBHBM

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Please make sure that bank transfers cover the amount of the invoice to the commissions and bank charges.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact:

accommodationvwcbrn@gmail.com

Deadline for entries and accreditation:	October 10, 2025
Deadline for Visa:	October 10, 2025
Deadline for accommodation:	October 25, 2025.
Deadline to book transportation:	October 20, 2025

# **Contact Details**

Department	Email
Official Email	<u>brnfencing@gmail.com</u>
Visa entry	<u>visavwcbrn@gmail.com</u>
Transportation	transportationvwcbrn@gmail.com
Accommodation	accommodationvwcbrn@gmail.com
Accreditation	accreditationvwcbrn@gmail.com

