

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on Kingdom Waiver Policies for Marshals

*New FAQs should be submitted to the Kingdom Waiver Secretary, Lady Alienor de Narbonne
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Where can I get copies of the waiver forms?

The Consent to Participate and Release Liability (Adult Waiver and Adult Roster Waiver) and Minor's Consent to Participate and Hold Harmless Agreement (Minor Waiver and Family Minor Waiver) forms are available at <http://seneschal.atlantia.sca.org/> under the heading "Waiver Secretary."

If more than one adult is signing a waiver, you can use any form with the full text of the Adult Waiver on it and more than one entry that includes printed name, signed name, and date. The Adult Roster Waiver is a pre-made form for multiple adults only. I recommend using the adult roster waiver at events for general ease of handing and filing.

If a family is signing in more than one minor, the family can use the Family Minor Waiver form, which includes entries for multiple children from a single family. This form may not be used for children from more than one family.

Where can I get copies of the waiver submissions forms?

These forms are available from the Kingdom Seneschal's website, under the heading "Waiver Secretary", at <http://seneschal.atlantia.sca.org>. You can also find these forms in the back of the Seneschal's Handbook, also found on the Kingdom Seneschal's website, under the heading "Atlantian Seneschals' Handbook".

When is the group marshal responsible for collecting and submitting signed waivers?

Any fighting that takes place at an official group activity (announced in a meeting or newsletter) is conducted by a Marshal-in-Charge (MiC) of that activity. This generally includes fighter practices, demos, etc. The group's knight marshal is responsible for collecting waivers from the MiCs of the various activities, and submitting all waiver materials on a quarterly basis. These activity waivers are generally referred to as "fighter practice waivers." If there is a problem with the submission of fighter practice waivers, the seneschal of the hosting group will be notified.

What fighting activities require the collection of signed waivers?

At the moment, signed waivers are collected for all forms of heavy fighting, all forms of rapier fighting, equestrian activities, siege weapons, combat archery, and youth combat. Waivers are NOT required for target archery and thrown weapons practices.

Does everyone at the fighter practice or demo need to sign a waiver?

No. Only those fighters who can't provide proof of signed waiver on file at the SCA Corporate Headquarters need to sign a waiver. See the Waiver FAQs for Participants for a further discussion on what constitutes proof of signed waiver on file at SCA Corporate Headquarters.

Do I need to check everyone for proof of signed waiver on file at SCA Corporate Headquarters every time I hold a demo or fighter practice?

Yes. If Your King and Queen have forgotten Their proof of signed waiver on file at SCA Corporate Headquarters (in most cases, translated as 'forgot Their blue cards'), ask Them to sign waivers as a good example to Their populace. Some group marshals have reported recording the expiration date of proof of signed waiver on file at SCA Corporate Headquarters (in most cases translated as blue card expiration date) in their permanent files for each fighter routinely coming to fighter practice. Then for each practice, the marshal checks to see if a fighter has expired, and asks expired fighters for renewed proof. This is an acceptable practice, especially for small practices.

When do I submit fighter practice waivers?

Fighter practice waiver materials will be submitted on a quarterly basis with the following schedule: April 15 (for the period January 1 - March 31), July 15 (April 1 - June 30), October 15 (July 1 - September 30), and January 15 (October 1 - December 31). If I don't receive / have them in my mailbox by this date, I will notify the group seneschal and Kingdom Earl Marshal. If the group seneschal requests it, I may grant a fourteen calendar day grace period.

How do I submit fighter practice waivers?

Separate waivers into two stacks: adult and minor. (If you're really cool, you'll clip the two stacks separately.) Complete a Fighter Practice Waiver Report form, and put the whole thing in the mail to me. My name, face, and address will change periodically, so look in The Acorn for the current Kingdom Waiver Secretary's contact info.

I've got waivers in my files for old fighter practices. What do I do with them?

Please mail them in to me, and be certain to include a note indicating that the enclosed waivers are backlog fighter practice waivers, and what group sponsored the activities, even if that particular group is no longer in existence.

During the quarter, no fighting activities were held outside of events in our group. Do I still need to submit something?

Yes. I need you to certify that no waivers were signed during the quarter at fighting activities. Submit a Fighter Practice Waiver Report form or an Electronic Fighter Practice Waiver Report form indicating this. If I don't receive something from your group, I won't know whether you are in compliance or not.