



Required Fencing Gear

All fencing equipment (except socks and shoes) is provided by the team.

West Morris Mendham High School, Fencing Booster Club fundraising, and your annual family booster club dues make it possible to supply all fencers with the specialized gear they need. There are no additional uniform fees.

Fencers need the following equipment to practice and compete:

1. A clean **jacket** in good repair.
2. A **mask** (free from rips, tears, holes, or dents).
3. A **glove** for the weapon hand that covers at least half way up the forearm.
4. Fencing **knickers** (sweat pants, warm-up pants, or jeans are NOT allowed).
5. An **underarm protector** for the weapon arm. Female fencers need an additional **rigid breast plate** worn under their jackets.
6. **Tall socks** that overlap with the bottom of the knickers (Team socks available for purchase from the Booster Club, or you can wear any tall, thick sock).
7. **Shoes** – Fencing shoes can be expensive and are not required on the strip. The safest footwear options are *Fencing Shoes*, *Volleyball shoes* or *Court shoes*. Avoid Running shoes as they increase risk of rolled ankles.
8. Two working "electrical" **weapons**
9. Two working **body cords** (electrically connect the weapons to the scoring machine).
10. For foil and saber: a **lame** in working order (the metal jacket that goes over the fabric jacket).
11. for saber: a metallic **over-glove** (may be built in to the regular glove).

You will be supplied with all of the above equipment except socks and shoes (#6 and #7). Depending on your weapon selection, new fencers may not have two electric weapons until later in the season (it takes time to assemble new weapons) but will have a practice weapon.

