

Don't Miss Fencing on July 24th & 28th!

Fencing Tournament: July 24 – August 1



○Who to watch: **Max Hartung**



○Introduction

Began fencing at 8 years old, and won his first ever tournament. Advocates for the importance of teamwork and friendship in the seemingly individual sport of fencing. He serves as the chairman of the Athletes Commission of the German Olympic Sports Confederation (DOSB), and founded independent organization Athleten Deutschland e.V., which seeks to improve support for athletes.

○Sport: Fencing – Sabre

○Career Highlights

World Championships: Individual – Bronze, Team – Gold, Bronze

European Championships:

Individual – Gold x2, Bronze x2 Team – Gold x2, Bronze x3

London Olympics: Individual – 7th, Team – 5th

Rio de Janeiro Olympics: Individual – 10th

World Ranking: 5th

○SNS: Instagram

Personal: @derhartung

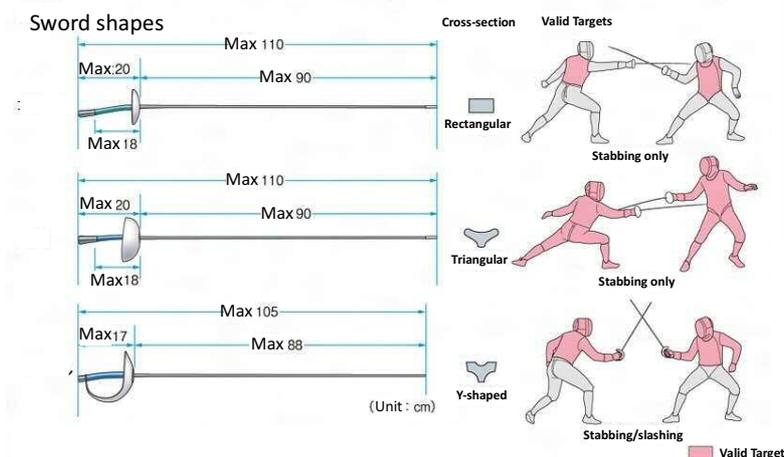


German Fencing Association: @dfbfechten



The sport of fencing

Fencing is a combat sport using swords. Two athletes compete on a special court known as a piste, which measures 14 meters in length, and 1.5 meters in width. If an athlete steps off either side of the piste, they are penalized and must move back one meter from their opponent. If an athlete steps off the back of the piste, their opponent is awarded a point. Matches consists of three sets of three minutes each, and athletes compete to earn the most points through valid “touches.” Every valid touch results in one point. The first to 15 points is the victor. The three types of sword used in fencing are the epee, foil, and sabre. Each weapon type has its own distinct characteristics, and its own rules for competition.



Max competes in sabre. Foil and epee are limited to stabbing attacks, but in sabre, athletes are also able to use slash attacks. This results in a more dynamic fighting style!



○International exchange: Numata City, Germany, German Fencing Association

1995 – Became sister cities with Fussen, Germany

2017 – Registered as a Host Town for Germany, formed training camp agreement with the German Fencing Association

○Training Camp before the World Fencing Championships in China (July, 2018)

(Training exhibition)



(Athlete introductions)



(Exhibition match & Cultural exchange)



○German Fencing Association President Visit (December, 2019)

(Middle school student exchange event)



(Tea ceremony experience)



○Host Town Activities (2020 -)

(Host Town Frame Stamps)



(Postcards to Germany)



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