BSIS Policies

1. Contravention of these Policies may have consequences including suspension and expulsion from BSIS.
2. Definitions:
3. Admin Team will refer to those who attend administration meetings; being mainly instructors, desk administrators, Student Wellbeing Officers.
4. “BSIS” is an acronym for Brisbane School of Iberian Swordsmanship.
5. Grades referred to in this document are grades within BSIS. Eg. Novice, Apprentice, Scholar, Free Scholar and Provost.
6. “ALHF” will stand for Australasian Living History Federation
7. Instructors will refer to those responsible for running lessons and coaching students.
8. All changes to policy documents will be approved by the Admin team.
9. All members should consider the risk of actions, and should be conscious of matters of safety, both for themselves and others.
10. The admin group reserves the right to deny members and visitors permission to undertake selected activities, for safety considerations.
11. To join BSIS a member must sign a waiver and complete a membership form.
12. To remain a member of BSIS a member must join and remain a member of ALHF.
13. Inclusiveness:
14. BSIS attempts to maintain an inclusive environment.
15. At BSIS every member should be committed to treating people equally regardless of race, religion, age, sex, gender, disability and injury.
16. There is zero tolerance for harassment.
17. Disputes:
18. Members have the right to seek out arbitration on disputes and issues.
19. Arbitrator should be a member of the Admin team designated wellbeing officer.
20. The arbitrator should ideally be an acceptable choice to both parties.
21. The arbitrator should ideally both be and be seen to be independent.
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10. Authenticity:

a. BSIS aims to safely reconstruct the practice of historical martial arts.

b. The Martial Arts practiced at BSIS are primarily modelled on martial arts from the Iberian Peninsula.

c. The key focus is on the Iberian swordsmanship school of La Verdadera Destreza.

d. BSIS teaching is based on historical documents and will identify when using other sources.

11. When participating in BSIS approved activities (this does not include cross training at other clubs), members will comply with this and other policy documents issued, including

a. BSIS Protective Equipment & Safety Standards.

b. BSIS Pedagogy – Instructor Principles Policy

c. BSIS Test Cutting Safety Guidelines (not yet issued).

d. BSIS Risk Management Plans.

e. BSIS Group Child and Youth RMS (currently only in draft form).

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