



NERF® FENCING Game

Fencing is a time-honored sport of skill and agility. Fencers must be able to “thrust” and “parry”—that is, to stab with accuracy, and to defensively avoid their opponent’s thrusts. A good eye and careful aim are essential, as they pick out and hit their targets.

In the NERF Fencing game, your four targets are located on the hilt of your opponent’s sword, and it’s up to you to thrust and parry and knock back all four of his targets before he can do the same to you! The NERF Fencing sword is most like the fencer’s “foil”. Light, flexible, four-sided, and with a blunted point, the foil was originally used for practice. Other types of fencing swords are the rapier (pronounced “ray-pee-er”) and épée (“ay-pay”). The heavier, often curved saber is the weapon usually associated with swashbuckling pirates.

Fencing, which was developed as sport in 14th-century Germany, evolved from actual weapons and fighting skills used in battle since Ancient times. Today fencing is included in the Olympics, and many colleges and universities have fencing teams.

So pick up your NERF Fencing sword and you, too, can be a “foilsman,” a “swordsman”—even a pirate! The legacy of the Three Musketeers lives on!

Assembly:

To assemble the hilt:

One by one, remove the backs from the pressure-sensitive labels. Apply them to the hilts, as shown in the illustration, putting one set of colored labels on each hilt.

To assemble the fencing swords:

1 Each NERF Fencing sword handle comes in two parts, one half with a larger, hollow, protruding part at the handle base, and the

other with a smaller protruding part designed to fit into the large one. Pick one of each for each sword handle.

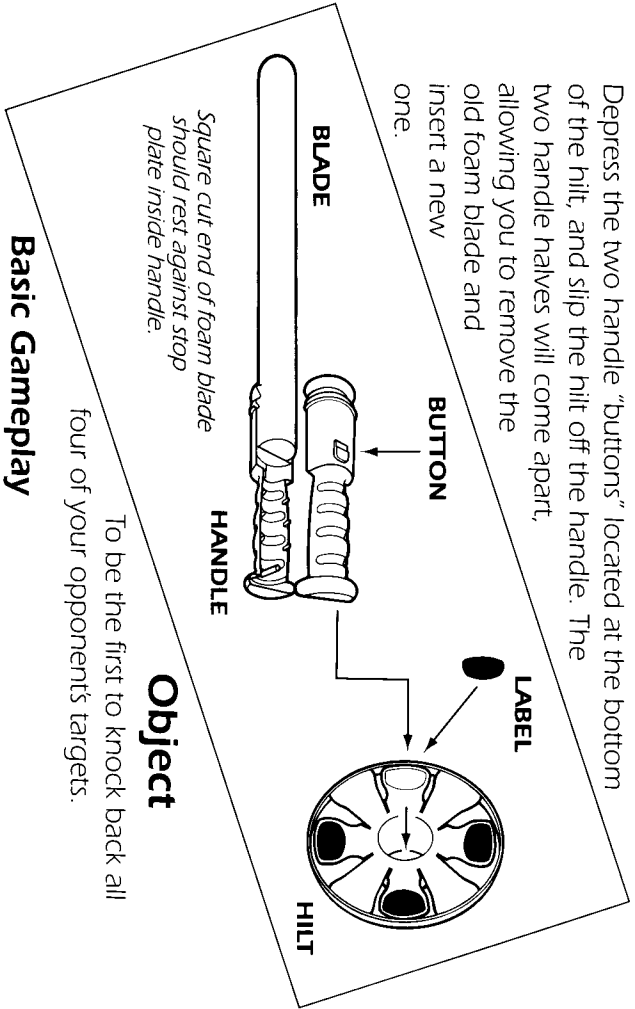
2 Lay the square-cut end of either one of the foam blades into the wider, top half of either handle half. Line up the two protruding parts at the handle base, and firmly press one into the other to join the two halves around the foam blade.

3 Complete the assembly by positioning the hilt with the labels pointing up the blade, then sliding it up over the assembled sword handle as far as it will go, until it snaps.

4 Do the same with the other foam blade and hilt.

To replace sword blades:

Depress the two handle “buttons” located at the bottom of the hilt, and slip the hilt off the handle. The two handle halves will come apart, allowing you to remove the old foam blade and insert a new one.



Basic Gameplay

- This is an active game so pick a play area with a lot of open space, away from lamps, glassware, furniture with sharp corners, etc.
- Before you begin to duel, flip up all four targets on both swords.
- In a series of quick jabs, with fancy footwork and bull’s eye aim, zero in on your opponent’s targets one at a time. Stab at each of them—that’s called a “thrust”. And defend yourself from your opponent’s thrusts — that’s called a “parry”.
- Knock back all four of his targets first—and you win!
- Play as many rounds as you wish.

