



## INSTRUCTOR TRAINING BY THE NORTH AMERICAN MANGIAROTTI SOCIETY

The North American Mangiarotti (NAMS) Society was founded in 2016 by Maestro di Scherma (ANS) Stuart Kaufman and Maitre d'Armes Walter Green (AAI) to preserve and teach Maestro Edoardo Mangiarotti's Modern School of the Italian Sword. Maestro Kaufman was a personal student of Maestro Mangiarotti and Maitre Green is endorsed by the Circolo della Spada Mangiarotti of Milan to teach Mangiarotti's technique tactics.

NAMS fully supports the professional certification programs conducted by the United States Fencing Coaches Association. The Society's training courses are conducted as approved United States Fencing Coaches Association (USFCA) courses for fencing coach professional development. NAMS endorses the professional USFCA credentials of individuals completing a NAMS course to teach the Modern School of the Italian Sword.

NAMS has a three-level professional instructor training program with a progression of levels as shown in the table below:

Level	Purpose	Weapon	Duration	Certificate
1	Instruction in the theory, tactics, and techniques of the Mangiarotti system in a single weapon	Foil course	5 hours	Level 1 Fioretto (Foil)
		Sabre course	5 hours	Level 1 Sciabola (Sabre)
		Epee course	5 hours	Level 1 Spada (Epee)
2	A review and written and/or oral examination to verify knowledge of the Mangiarotti system	Single weapon, two weapons, or three weapons	4 hours	Level 2 in a single weapon, two weapons, or full certificate (three weapons)
3	Advanced applications in teaching the Mangiarotti system	Single weapon, two weapons, or three weapons	3 days	Level 3 in a single weapon, two weapons, or full certificate (three weapons)

The normal progression of training is one month or more between Level 1 courses to allow time for the coach to develop his technique and practice introducing elements of Mangiarotti technique into his or her lessons for students. Level 2 should be completed between three to six months after Level 1. That period should allow the coach to develop an understanding of how best to apply the technical and tactical knowledge in the context of his or her program. The Level 2 examination is based on the senior coach level knowledge in the Fencing Master examination question bank included in Mangiarotti and Cerchiarì's highly regarded fencing manual *La Vera Scherma*. The Level 3 course may be taken any time after the Level 2 examination is successfully completed.

NAMS requires a minimum of 12 hours of annual continuing professional education for individuals who hold Level 1, 2, or 3 certificates.

Further information on NAMS programs may be found at <http://mangiarottisociety.org>.