

## Use and transport of fighting mats

- The mats are kept in a storage facility with limited access hours. Anyone wanting to use them must contact the Nordskogen Quartermaster to arrange date and time for pickup and return. At least two people capable of lifting and carrying the mats must meet at the storage facility to load and unload them.
- Nordskogen has 9 mats. They are each 8'x20'. Blachemere has 8 more mats. They are two different sizes 7'x16' and 7.5'x18'. When they are rolled up they are ~8.5'x12" diameter (They never roll perfectly straight.) and weigh approximately 80 pounds each. They will not bend or fold on the rolls.
- The total weight of the mats is ~1500 pounds.
- You need a 3/4-ton truck, with an 8' bed or a trailer to haul them.
- They are used with the ridges up.
- The seams between the mats should be covered with duct tape as should the edges. Four-inch duct tape is cheaper and less work than two-inch. You will use a bit less than 2 – 60-yard rolls of tape
  - <https://tinyurl.com/ycp83b88>
- When picking up, make sure the flat side is out as you roll them around the tubes. They are easier to stack and move against each other that way.
- If you are using them in the winter months they should be brought in and rolled out on the floor for a half hour or so to allow them to warm up and flatten out. Flipping them over so that they curl down will help this process.
- Tubes that the mats are wrapped around cost approximately \$17 each to replace if one is damaged.
- Please contact both the Seneschals of Nordskogen and Blachemere in order to obtain permission to borrow the mats.
- According to Baronial Policy it is the responsibility of any group borrowing the mats to transport them to the event and back to storage in Nordskogen on a timeline agreed to with the Nordskogen Quartermaster before the mats are checked out. Nordskogen and Blachemere are not responsible for hauling them for you. Any damage to the mats is the responsibility of the group borrowing them.
- Nordskogen and Blachemere not responsible to any vehicle damage incurred by hauling the mats.