**Notice from FIE Anti-Doping Commission**

**Subject** Whereabouts information and Filing Failures

**For** All fencers in the Registered Testing Pool (RTP) (24 fencers)

 FIE website Clean Sport section

**Reason for notice**

Not all fencers in the RTP are submitting this information as required by the FIE and WADA Anti-Doping regulations. This leaves them open to Filing Failures and the risk of sanctions.

**Important Message**

The regulations to do with supplying whereabouts details are complicated and it is essential that fencers in the RTP are fully aware of what is required.

The 60 minute period to be specified every day is well understood.

The requirement to include details of all regular activities every day is not.

The relevant rules are to be found here: <http://static.fie.org/uploads/16/80401-2016-09-30_-_isti_final_january_2017.pdf>

Annex I of The International Standard for Testing and Investigation Jan 2017

Please read sections I .1.1 a; I.3.1 e ; I.3.4

I.3.1 e states: *(to be included in the details submitted)*

. for each day during the following quarter, the name and address of each location where the Athlete will **train, work or conduct any other regular activity** (e.g. school), as well as the usual time-frames for such regular activities;

*Note - This requirement applies only to activities that are part of the Athlete’s regular* routine*. For example, if the Athlete’s regular routine includes training at the gym, and regular physio sessions, then the Athlete should provide the name and address of the gym and physio in his/her Whereabouts Filing, and then set out his/her usual routine,*

So - a fencer in the RTP may be tested at any time and if they are not at the place specified in their whereabouts information – as described above (outside the 60 minute period) this is likely to be a Filing Failure.

**Who is responsible for ensuring the details are accurate?**

FIE Anti-Doping Regulations

5.6.5 states:

Each National Federation shall use its best efforts to ensure that Fencers in the FIE Registered Testing Pool submit whereabouts information as required. However, the **ultimate responsibility for providing whereabouts information rests with each Fencer**

If you are not clear about any of your obligations, please ask your local anti-doping advisor, either from fencing or from the National Anti-Doping Organisation.

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