Definitions:
FIE Anti-Doping Officer: The person responsible for coordinating all testing (doping controls) at official FIE competitions.

The FIE Anti-Doping Officer is:

- the **FIE Supervisor** (at World Cups or Grand Prix), or
- a member of the **Directoire Technique** designated as such by the Organisers at competitions where there is no FIE Supervisor, or
- an FIE **Medical Commission Delegate** - at World Championships, or
- a **Medical/Anti-Doping Delegate** appointed for Senior Zonal Championships
- DCO – Doping Control Officer
- DCF – Doping Control Form
- NADO – National Anti-Doping Organisation
- TA – Testing Authority
- SCA – Sample Collection Authority
- RMA – Results Management Authority
- WADA – World Anti-Doping Agency

A Summary of Duties:

1. Be aware of (a) the **FIE Anti-Doping Rules** (ADR) and (b) the current **WADA Prohibited List**.
2. Check that organiser has met requirements for doping control
3. Coordinate selection of fencers to be tested
4. Facilitate notification of selected fencers
5. Attend sample collection procedure in the doping control station (if possible)
6. Ensure that DCFs are completed accurately
7. Ensure that copies of completed DCFs are sent to the FIE without delay.

B Explanation of these Duties

1. Documents

FIE Anti-Doping Officers should have an understanding of the current **FIE Anti-Doping Rules**, especially article 5 - see FIE website Clean Sport section.: [http://fie.org](http://fie.org)

And how to find the **WADA Prohibited List**
[https://www.wada-ama.org/en/content/what-is-prohibited](https://www.wada-ama.org/en/content/what-is-prohibited)

[Note – it is not your responsibility to give advice about the Prohibited List to fencers, however help with accessing information may be needed]

2. Doping Control requirements  See appendix 5.8.1.1

The organisers of official FIE competitions must ensure the availability of:
- a doping control station (waiting room, administration room, adjacent toilet(s));
- doping control officers (DCOs) normally from the NADO);
3. Coordinate selection of fencers for testing

**Number of fencers** to be tested:

**Individual events**
- World Cups/Grand Prix: (Senior, Junior): 2 fencers per weapon
- World Championships (Senior, Junior): 2 fencers per weapon
- Zonal Championships **(Senior only)**: 2 fencers per weapon
- Satellite World Cups: 1 fencer per weapon during Olympic qualifying period only

**Team Events**
- 2 fencers per weapon at
  - Senior World Cups
  - Senior Zonal Championships
  - Senior World Championships

- [No routine testing is required at Junior or Cadet Zonal Championships, Cadet World Championships or Veterans World/Zonal Championships.]

So there should be 24 fencers tested in total at Senior Zonals and Junior and Senior Worlds.

**Selection Protocol**

**Individual** competitions:
2 fencers are selected at random from the 4 finalists (**‘tirage au sort’**);
Except for Satellites (during the Olympic qualifying period ) when it is the winner only

**Team** competitions:
2 fencers: one fencer, selected at random from each of the first two teams.

*Note: For events with both individual and team events if a fencer selected from the individual event is drawn again from the team names, they can be tested again.*

**Selection process:**
- Selection method must be discussed with the DCO
- Selection must be performed at least before the start of the first individual semi-final or team final;
- The DCO(s) must be at the venue well before the start of the first semi-final – 1 hour is recommended, longer if chaperone training is required:
  (a) for selection of fencers
  (b) for the notification of fencer(s) selected and
  (c) to carry out sample collection

**Selection method:**
The exact method to be used is determined by the Anti-Doping Officer and the DCO
For example  Individual: use tableau positions for L4 (before any names are available)—number the positions 1,2,3,4 – draw 2 numbers from the 4 using identical folded papers or number tiles. Match to the names when L4 list available from DT.

Team: use tableau format for final– number first team 1,2,3,4 and second team 5,6,7,8 – draw one number for first team and one for second team.
- The 4th fencer can be selected even if they do not fence in the final
NB -Selection can be done early using numbers only then matching with names when available

4. Facilitate notification of selected fencers

Prior to the start of the semi-finals, the FIE Anti-Doping Officer must:
(a) clarify which official will be responsible for notifying the fencer for doping control (this would normally be the chaperone or DCO, but may be the FIE Anti-Doping Officer if necessary, as agreed with the DCO
(b) obtain from the DT a computer print-out with the names of the four semi-finalists (individual event) or the fencers in the final 2 teams to match with the selection for testing.

The DCO will prepare the notification forms

Immediately after the selected fencer has completed their last bout in the competition the notifying official locates the fencer on the field of play, tells them they have been selected for doping control and asks them to sign the form, as discreetly as possible.

From then on they must be accompanied by the chaperone until testing starts

5. Attend Sample Collection procedure in the Doping Control Station

This is to check that correct procedure is being followed and document any problems

It is also helpful to make sure the fencers and officials have all they need

Once it is clear that all is correct, including the processing of the DCFs, there is no need to stay until the end

If there are any concerns about the procedure, supervision should continue

6. DCF completion

1. Name of fencer spelt accurately
2. Test authorised by - FIE
3. Sample collecting authority (SCA) - this is normally the NADO - National Anti-Doping Agency
4. Result Management Authority (RMA) - FIE
5. Sport - Fencing
6. Discipline - weapon ie Foil/Epee/Sabre and individual/team event
7. Competition - eg Senior World Cup

And if you stay for sample collection
8. Check that the form has the sample number, specific gravity, time of sealing and volume of the sample (all this needs to be filled out), otherwise there are non-conformities with the process. (But it may not be possible for you to do this because of timing)

Note: Some countries now use an electronic DCF. The details should be checked in the same way as for the paper forms.

7. Ensure that copies of completed DCFs will be sent to the FIE without delay.
A copy of each completed DCF must be sent to the FIE as soon as possible by the NADO. Electronic forms will be submitted directly.

Please obtain the name and contact details of the person responsible for this in case of delay or missing forms. Record this in the Supervisor report.

Due to confidentiality issues the Anti-Doping Officer should not take photos of completed DCFs in normal circumstances. Doctors (who are professionally bound by confidentiality rules) may do so if there are any concerns about the NADO administration.

**fie.antidoping@ita.sport** is the email address for forms

Please inform Nathalie Rodriguez if any significant problems arise **nr@fie.ch** and also record these in your report.

Finally, thank you very much for your efforts at World Cups and your contribution to our anti-doping programme.

Appendix

Extracts from the FIE Anti-Doping Rules:

### 5.8 In-Competition Testing

**5.8.1.1** It is essential that a doping control station reasonably separated from public activities with the following minimum requirements is set up for the *Competition*:

- (a) one (1) private room (“Doping Control Station”) exclusively dedicated for use by the DCO with one (1) table, at least two (2) chairs, pens and paper, and one (1) lockable fridge;
- (b) an adjacent waiting room/area with a suitable number of chairs as well as an appropriate amount of individually sealed, non-caffeinated and non-alcoholic beverages, including a mix of natural mineral water and soft drinks; and
- (c) one (1) private, clean and equipped bathroom/toilet, adjacent or as near as possible to the Doping Control Station and waiting area.

**5.8.2.2** If a *Fencer* refuses to sign the Notification form, the Chaperone shall immediately report this to the FIE Anti-Doping Officer who shall make every effort to inform the *Fencer* of his obligation to undergo Doping Control and the consequences of his not submitting himself to the control. If the *Fencer* fails or refuses to sign this notice or fails to report to the Doping Control Station as required, the *Fencer* shall be deemed to have refused to submit to Doping Control for the purpose of Articles 2.3 and 10.3.1 of these rules. Even if the *Fencer* indicates reluctance to report to the Doping Control Station, the Chaperone shall keep the *Fencer* in view until there is no question that the *Fencer* has refused to submit to Doping Control.

**5.8.2.3** The *Fencer* is required to report immediately to the Doping Control Station, unless there is a valid reason for a delay, as determined in accordance with clause 5.8.2.7.

**5.8.2.4** The *Fencer* shall be entitled to be accompanied to the Doping Control Station by (i) a *Competition*-accredited representative from his National Federation, and (ii) an interpreter if required.
5.8.2.5 Minor Athletes shall be entitled to be accompanied by a representative, but the representative cannot directly observe the passing of the urine Sample unless requested to do so by the Minor.

5.8.2.6 The Fencer must show a valid identification document at the Doping Control Station. The Fencer’s time of arrival at the Doping Control Station shall be recorded on the doping control form.

5.8.2.7 The Fencer has the right to ask the DCO or Chaperone for permission to delay reporting to the Doping Control Station and/or to leave the Doping Control Station temporarily after arrival, but the request may be granted only if the Fencer can be continuously chaperoned and kept under direct observation during the delay, and if the request relates to the following activities:
   a) Participation in a presentation ceremony;
   b) Fulfilment of media commitments;
   c) Competing in further Competitions;
   d) Performing a warm down;
   e) Obtaining necessary medical treatment;
   f) Locating a representative and/or interpreter;
   g) Obtaining photo identification; or
   h) Any other reasonable circumstances as determined by the FIE Anti-Doping Officer and/or the DCO, taking into account any instructions of the FIE.

5.8.2.8 Only the following Persons may be present in the Doping Control Station:
   a) Anti-Doping Officer (Medical Commission member, FIE Supervisor, or designated member of DT)
   b) Staff assigned to the station
   c) Authorized interpreters
   d) The Fencers selected for Doping Control and their respective representative
   e) Other people only with the permission of the FIE Anti-Doping Officer.
   f) The Doping Control Officer/s and the Chaperone/s.
   g) The WADA Independent Observer

The news media shall not be admitted to the Doping Control Station. The doors of the station must not be left open.
No photography or filming shall be permitted in the Doping Control Station during the hours of operation.

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