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1) 2007-2008 Calendar

LETTRE D'INFORMATION DE LA FIE

Dear Mr/ Madam President,

The FIE has been informed by the Korean Fencing Federation that following the collapse of the Olympic Park roof due to the snowfalls of this winter, the venue would not be repaired in time and cannot be used for the Women's and Men's Foil competitions scheduled on 16, 17 and 18 May 2008.

The Korean Fencing Federation therefore asked the FIE for its authorisation to organise the competitions in Jeju, a city 50 minutes by plane from Seoul.

The Executive Committee was consulted and rejected the Korean Federation's request, pointing out that the participating federations had not budgeted for the expense of an additional trip.

The Korean Fencing Federation then announced that it had not been able to find an available sports hall in Seoul and, faced with the alternative of cancelling the organization of its competitions, it proposed to entirely cover the plane ticket costs between Seoul and Jeju of all the participating national federations.

The Executive Committee of the FIE was consulted again and agreed to this solution.

The Individual and Team Women's Foil, as well as the Individual Men's Foil competitions, will therefore take place in Jeju (KOR) on the dates initially scheduled. The Korean Fencing Federation will entirely cover the plane ticket costs between Seoul and Jeju (return tickets) of all the participating national federations.

2) New homologation procedure for fencing pistes

To obtain the homologation of their pistes by the FIE, manufacturers must contact the SEMI Commission, send their contact details, the technical specifications of the pistes, the documents and manufacturing procedures, a description of the materials and the contact details of their suppliers and manufacturing plants. They must also answer any questions SEMI might have.

In the case of a metallic, aluminium or carpet piste, a sample must be provided so that the connection can be examined.

A homologation by the FIE implies that the manufacturer produces at least 15 units of the piste for which he requested homologation. Each homologation will cost the manufacturer 1,500 euros (+ 100 euros for each additional piste).

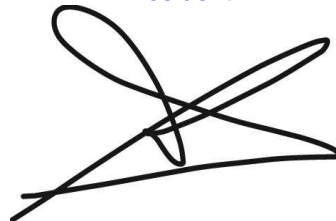
Payment will be made to the FIE upon receipt of an invoice. The homologation certificate will then be sent by SEMI to the manufacturer, who must keep the copy of the certificate and send the original to the organisers who bought the pistes, in view of controls by the organizer or the FIE representative.

Each unit will have a certificate number and a serial number which will be kept permanently. This serial number will include the initials 'FIE' + the manufacturer + the year of homologation (2007-001, 2007-002, etc).

Homologations obtained with the previous procedure remain valid.

Sincerely,

René Roch
President

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