

Information Letter n°17-07

4 December 2007

1) Refereeing

LETTRE D'INFORMATION DE LA FIE

Dear President,

Further to the meetings of the Executive Committee of 23 November 2007 in Madrid (ESP) and of the Refereeing Commission of 30 November and 1st December 2007, please find below the decisions that were taken:

a) **For the 2008 Junior/Cadet World Championships in Acireale** (ITA), we ask the national federations to appoint **either a trainer or the head of delegation** in order to participate in the meeting of referees which will take place over two days, before the Championships. The name of this trainer or head of delegation must be sent to the FIE either by fax (+41 21 320 31 16) or by e-mail (info@fie.ch) before 15 March 2008. You will be informed of the date of the referee meeting with the competition programme.

b) **The President of the Refereeing Commission** of each national federation will be invited to participate in a meeting, that will be held in October 2008, with the FIE Refereeing Commission. Further details will be given to you at a later date.

c) The **refereeing exams** will take place once a year, exclusively in the continental centres of the FIE : after the 2008 Olympic Games for Beijing and Mexico City, before the 2008 Olympics for Dakar and Fontainebleau. The exams schedule, which is in the process of being put together, will be sent to you at a later date.

Each exam will be preceded by a 5-day training seminar, run by Mr Arthur Cramer. The board of examiners will be made up of a member of the Refereeing Commission and the International Technical Director or the Assistant International Technical Director.

A maximum of 12 candidates per weapon will be accepted for each exam. National federations can present only one candidate per weapon. The selection of candidates will take into account their registration date for the FIE Refereeing exams.

The candidates will be given their exam results immediately.

With the help of Mr Arthur Cramer, a sub-commission made up of Messrs Ioan Pop, Claus Janka, Mohamed El Motawakel and Serge Plasterie is responsible for up-dating the videos used for the exams as well as making new DVDs for the 3 weapons.

2) Zonal qualification competitions for the 2008 Olympics

The zonal qualification competitions for Asia-Oceania, America, Africa and Europe are in the 2007-2008 calendar.

Entries for these competitions may only be done via the FIE website, menu 'Competitions', sub-menu 'Inscriptions', 'Official' in the drop-down menu 'Type'.

The complete rules concerning these qualification competitions will be sent to you at a later date, **but the federations concerned will only be allowed to enter one fencer per country,** even if the website informs otherwise. Any entry that does not conform to this rule will automatically be deleted, without prior notice.

3) Senior Zonal Championships

Entries for the Zonal Championships may only be done via the FIE website. Even though some of these Championships will take place before July 2008, the points will only be included in the rankings on 31 July 2008, in accordance with Information Letter n°15-06.

Sincerely,

René Roch
President

