

Urgent letter 21-04
28 October 2004

I. Fencing clothing

LETTRE URGENTE DE LA FIE

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The FIE has been informed by an Austrian club of the occurrence of some speculative practices in response to the application at foil of the new contact timings for the judging apparatus.

After consulting the SEMI, the Executive Committee has decided to forbid fencers from putting any hard surface directly underneath the lamé jacket (conductive over-jacket) and on top of the fencing jacket.

The Rules specify, in Article m.25, that "Ladies' equipment must, furthermore, include, in the jacket, breast protectors made of metal or some other rigid material". Obviously this Article is only applicable to women.

II. 2004-2005 Calendar

The Fencing Federation of Venezuela has requested to change the dates of the Junior Competitions (Women's and Men's Sabre) to be held on 4 and 5 December 2004.

In view of the FIE Congress scheduled on 4 December, the Federation can neither organise the competitions in an appropriate way, nor find an observer.

By consultation dated 25 October 2004, the Executive Committee has approved the requested change of dates : **the junior Competitions at Women's and Men's Sabre will therefore take place on 10 and 11 December 2004.**

The page of the official calendar on the FIE Web site has been modified accordingly.

III. 2004 Congress in Paris

The FIE will provide a shuttle bus free of charge **from the airport to the Hotel Concorde Lafayette** for the 2004 Congress participants.

Shuttle bus will be available on December 2nd and 3rd, 2004, only for the congress participants, who will have informed us of their flight details before November 15, 2004, by means of the attached form.

An hostess holding a sign with the FIE logo and the following texts «**Congrès de la FIE, FIE Congress, Congreso de la FIE**» will be welcoming you at the meeting points described below in order to guide you towards the shuttle bus :

Orly sud airport: first floor (street floor), hall A, gate B, information desk showed by the sign



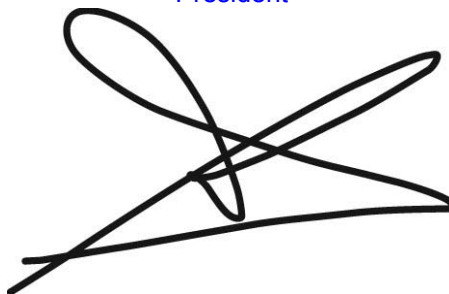
Roissy-CDG 1 airport : level 5, gate 36, information desk showed by the sign



Roissy-CDG 2 airport : hall D, between the gates 6 and 7, information desk showed by the sign



René Roch
President

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