

## USE OF XML FILES AND FORWARDING RESULTS ON THE FIE INTERNET WEB SITE

**1) Before the competition,** enter the FIE web site with the organiser user name and password in order to download the XML file XML that you will use for the running of your competition. **This operation is obligatory and no other type of file will have to be used.** 

Go into the menu **"competitions",** sub-menu **"Download XML files".** Using the selection boxes, bring up the required competition (for example, ask for '**senior**', '**Epée**', '**Women**', '**individual**', '**Europe**'). The competitions defined by these criteria will appear.

At the end of the line for each competition, the letters "**XML**" will appear. Click on the XML box on the line of the competition required. A window will open. Download onto the hard disk.

The XML files contain, among other elements, the following information: **information on the competition (city, date, etc),** those fencers who can participate in the competition (attention their number is large), if any, the ranking of the fencers concerned, dates of birth, licence number valid for the current year for fencers, licence number valid for the current year and category for referees.

2) With the software Engarde, go into the file, "open", "new competition", "from an XML file". All the information contained in the XML file is downloaded and is now available. <u>Attention: the file XML already contains all the</u> information on the competition (city, date, competition ID, etc.) and you can show them with Engarde. This information must never be entered by hand nor modified. The fencers who had sent their entries but who do not participate actually in the tournament, must be deleted at the beginning of the competition, so that they do not appear in the tournament file.

**3)** Once the competition is over, the organisers create an XML file for the competition. In Engarde for example, it is necessary to go into the file "competition", "open", then "results files", "other files". Select "XML file", "overall ranking". Then save the XML file onto the hard disk.

**4)** Connect with the FIE web site using the organiser user name and password. Go into the "**competition**" menu, sub-menu "**forwarding of results**". Click on

"**parcourir"** and search for the **XML file to be imported** on your hard disk. Then click on "**import"**.

5) If one of the following information, inside the file XML, was modified by you (city of the competition, dates of the competition, weapon, season, competition ID, etc.), the import will not be possible. This cannot happen if the organisers have initially downloaded the XML file intended to run the competition and did not modify the above mentioned information.

Otherwise the transmission will show as having been successful.