

URGENT DECISIONS
MODIFICATIONS OF THE RULES
2026 CONGRESS

Motivation: requests from the Medical Commission and the Veterans' Council, based on experience from previous Veterans' World Championships and the increase in the number of events and categories.

PART E - VETERANS

BODIES RESPONSIBLE FOR ORGANISATION AND CONTROL

o.112

Appointment of Refereeing, SEMI and Medical Delegates

Two Refereeing delegates, one SEMI delegate and ~~two~~ **three (3)** Medical delegates must be the members of the FIE Commissions and be appointed by the FIE Executive Committee following the recommendations of the respective commissions.

For the Veteran World Championships, of the ~~5~~ **six (6)** designated delegates there must be at least ~~one~~ **two** delegates of each gender, if the availability of the delegates and continental representation allow it.

Application: immediate

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INVITATIONS

Invitation of international officials

Veterans

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- 1 Any proposed candidature for organising the Veteran World Championships must be studied at the venue concerned by an ad hoc delegation designated by the Executive Committee, at the invitation of the candidate federation.
- 2 The organising committee of the World Championships, who will receive all the entry fees from the participating delegations, must, at their own expense, invite the following international officials (tourist-class return air fare, accommodation and daily allowances):
 - a) The President of the FIE or his representative, who presides over the World Championships and, in particular, controls the smooth running of the Directoire Technique.
 - b) Four members of the Directoire Technique appointed by the Executive Committee of the FIE, one of whom must belong to the organising country (see also o.111).

- c) One member of the SEMI Commission, appointed by the Executive Committee of the FIE.
- d) Two members of the Refereeing Commission, appointed by the Executive Committee of the FIE.
- e) ~~Two~~ **Three** members of the Medical Commission, appointed by the Executive Committee of the FIE.
- f) The referees appointed by the Executive Committee of the FIE.

The officials a) to e) should preferably be selected from the Zone in which the Championships are being held.

APPLICATION: immediate

Motivation: final update.

t.122

Before the beginning and at the end of a bout, the two fencers must perform the **fencer's salute** to their opponent, to the referee and to the spectators, as defined in article t.1.

When the final hit of the bout has been scored, the two fencers stand still on their on-guard line while the referee is making his/her decision.

The two fencers then perform the **fencer's salute** (cf. t.1) to their opponent, to the referee and to the spectators. The bout has then ended.

If either or both of the two fencers refuse to comply with these rules, the Referee will penalise him/them **as specified for offences of the 4th group** (cf. t.158-162, t.169, t.170).

Application: ~~until the end of the 2025–2026 season~~ current and from the 2026–2027 season

Motivation: request from the Veterans' Council to avoid the risk of injury.

m.57

1. The **conductive piste** must be made from metal, metallic mesh or some substance that is conductive. The resistance of the piste, from one end to the other, must not exceed 5 ohms.
2. The conductive piste must **cover** the whole of the length and breadth of the piste including its extensions, in order to neutralise floor hits.
3.
 - a) When the piste is mounted on a **platform** the conductive piste must cover the whole width of the platform.
 - b) The platform must not exceed **50 cm in height**, and must be wider than the fencing piste itself by at least 25 cm on each side. Each end of the podium must be equipped with a **gentle slope** right down to ground level.

At the Veterans World Championships, the piste is not mounted on a platform.

Application: immediate