

t.120. Table of Offences and Penalties

This table is intended to be a convenient summary: it is not a substitute for the full texts of the articles concerned which should be consulted in any case of doubt.

| OFFENCE | ARTICLES | PENALTIES | | | |
|---------|--|-------------------------|---|----------|-------------------------|
| 0.1 | Absence of name on back, absence of national colours when compulsory, at World Championships/Team World Cup competitions | t.45.4 a), b) i and iii | Elimination from the competition | | |
| 0.2 | Absence of name on back due to changing a non-conforming conductive jacket | t.45.5 | | | |
| 0.3 | Non presentation when first called by Referee ten minutes before time indicated for start of pool/team match/bouts of direct elimination | t.86.5 | | | |
| 0.4 | Non presentation on the piste ready to fence when ordered by the Referee, after three calls at one-minute intervals | t.86.6 | 1st call | 2nd call | 3rd call Elimination |

| 1st group | | 1st offence | 2nd offence | 3rd offence and subseq. |
|-----------|--|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 1.1 | Leaving piste without permission | t.18.6 | YELLOW | RED |
| 1.2 | Corps à corps to avoid being hit * | t.20.2 ; t.63.2 | | |
| 1.3 | Turning back on opponent * | t.21.2 | | |
| 1.4 | Covering/substitution of valid target * | t.22.2 ; t. 49.1 ; t.72.2 | | |
| 1.5 | Touching/taking hold of electrical equipment * | t.22.3 | | |
| 1.6 | Crossing lateral boundary of the piste to avoid being hit * | t.28.3 | | |
| 1.7 | Interruption of bout without valid reason | t.31.2 | | |
| 1.8 | Clothing/equipment not conforming. Curve of blade exceeding that permitted. Absence of regulation/spare weapon or bodywire | t.45.1/2/3.a)ii ; t.86.4 | | |
| 1.9 | Placing weapon on the conductive piste to straighten it | t.46.2 ; t.61.2 ; t.70.5 | | |
| 1.10 | At foil and épée, bending, dragging weapon point on conductive piste | t.46.2 ; t.61.2 | | |
| 1.11 | Bringing weapon into contact with conductive jacket * | t.53.3 | | |
| 1.12 | At sabre, hit made with the guard *, any forward movement crossing the legs or feet * | t.70.3 ; t.75.5 | | |
| 1.13 | Refusal to obey the Referee | t.82.2 ; t.84 | | |
| 1.14 | Hair not conforming to the Rules | t.86.2 | | |
| 1.15 | Jostling, disorderly fencing * ; taking off mask before the Referee calls 'Halt!'; dressing or undressing on the piste | t.86.3 ; t.87.2/7/8 | | |
| 1.16 | Irregular movements on the piste * ; hits made with violence or during or after falling * | t.87.2 | | |
| 1.17 | Unjustified appeal | t.122.2/4 | | |
| 1.18 | Entering the Piste enclosure without the Referee's permission + | t.92.6 | | |

| 2nd group | | 1st offence | 2nd offence | 3rd offence and subseq. |
|-----------|--|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 2.1 | Use of non-sword arm/hand * | t.22.1 | RED | RED |
| 2.2 | Demanding a break for claimed injury/cramp deemed unjustified by doctor | t.33.3 | | |
| 2.3 | Absence of weapon control marks * | t.45.3.a).i | | |
| 2.4 | Absence of name on back, absence of national colours when compulsory, at individual World Cup competitions and Zonal Championships | t.45.4 a), b) ii | | |
| 2.5 | Deliberate hit not on opponent * | t.53.2 ; t.66.2 | | |
| 2.6 | Dangerous, violent or vindictive action, blow with guard or pommel * | t.87.2 ; t.103 ; t.105.1 | | |

| OFFENCE | | ARTICLES | PENALTIES (Cards) | |
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| 3rd group | | | 1st time | 2nd time |
| 3.1 | Fencer disturbing order when on piste. In the most serious cases, the Referee may award a black card immediately (t.118.4). | t.82.3 ; t.83 ; t.96.2 | RED | BLACK |
| 3.2 | Dishonest fencing * | t.87.1 | RED | |
| 3.3 | Offence against Publicity Code | Publicity Code | | |
| 3.4 | Any person not on piste disturbing good order. In the most serious cases, the Referee may award a black card immediately (t.118.4). | t.82.3/4 ; t.83 ; t.96.3 ; t.118.3 ; t.118.4 | YELLOW | BLACK |
| 3.5 | Warming up or training without wearing fencing clothing or equipment that conforms to the FIE regulations. | t.15.2 | | |
| 3.6 | Anti-sporting behaviour | t.87.2 | | |

| 4th group | | PENALTIES (Cards) | |
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| 4.1 | Fencer equipped with electronic communication equipment permitting him to receive communications during bout | t. 43.1.f ; t.44.2 ; t.45.3.a).vii | BLACK |
| 4.2 | Fraudulent equipment, control marks that are imitated or transferred | t.45.3.a) iii) iv) v) | |
| 4.3 | Equipment altered to allow the recording of hits or the non-functioning of the apparatus at will | t.45.3.a) v) | |
| 4.4 | Refusal of a fencer to fence another competitor (individual or team) properly entered | t.85.1 | |
| 4.5 | Offence against sportsmanship | t.87.2 ; t.105.1 | |
| 4.6 | Refusal of a fencer to salute his opponent, the referee and the spectators before the beginning of the bout or after the last hit | t.87.3 | |
| 4.7 | Profiting from collusion, favouring an opponent | t.88 ; t.105.1 | |
| 4.8 | Deliberate brutality | t.105.1 | |
| 4.9 | Doping | t.127 | |

| EXPLANATIONS | |
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| * | Annulment of any hit scored by the fencer at fault |
| + | Special YELLOW CARD for the whole team and valid for the whole team match. If, during the same team match, a fencer commits an offence of the 1 st group the Referee penalises with a RED CARD each time. |
| YELLOW CARD | Warning valid for the bout (whether one or several encounters). If a fencer commits an offence of the 1st group after having been penalised with a RED CARD , for whatever reason, he receives a further RED CARD . |
| RED CARD | Penalty hit |
| BLACK CARD | Exclusion from the competition , suspension from the remainder of the tournament and for the following 2 months of the active season (1st October – World Championships for |

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| | the juniors and 1st January – World Championships for the seniors), whether current or forthcoming. |
| | A fencer only receives a BLACK CARD in the Third Group if he previously committed an offence in this Third Group (demonstrated by a RED CARD). |