

## Article t.120

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	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	<b>Elimination from the competition</b>		
0.2	Absence of name of back due to changing a conductive jacket that does not conform to the rules	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 during the competition when ordered by the Referee, with three calls at one-minute intervals	t.86.6	<b>1st call Yellow</b>	<b>2nd call Red</b>	<b>3rd call Elimination</b>

	1 <sup>st</sup> group	Articles	1 <sup>st</sup> offence	2 <sup>nd</sup> offence	3 <sup>rd</sup> and + offences
1.1	Leaving piste without permission	t.18.6	<b>Yellow</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>Red</b>
1.2	Simple corps à corps at foil and sabre (*)	t.20.2			
1.3	Corps à corps to avoid being hit (*)	t.20.3; t.63.2			
1.4	Turning back on opponent (*)	t.21.2			
1.5	Covering/substitution of valid target (*)	t.22.2; t.49.1; t.72.2			
1.6	Touching/taking hold of electrical equipment *	t.22.3			
1.7	Crossing lateral boundary of the piste to avoid being hit	t.28.3			
1.8	Interruption of bout without valid reason	t.31.2			
1.9	Clothing/equipment not working or not conforming to the rules. Curvature of blade exceeding permitted limits. Absence of regulation weapon or bodywire	t.45.1/2/3.a) ii; t.86.4			
1.10	Placing the weapon on the conductive piste to straighten it	t.46.2; t.61.2; t.70.6			
1.11	At foil and épée, placing, bending, dragging weapon point on conductive piste	t.46.2; t.61.2			
1.12	Bringing weapon into contact with conductive jacket (*)	t.53.3			
1.13	At sabre, hit made with the guard (*), any forward movement crossing the legs or feet (*)	t.70.3; t.75.5			
1.14	Refusal to obey the Referee	t.82.2; t.84			
1.15	Hair not conforming to the Rules	t.86.2			
1.16	Jostling, disorderly fencing (*); taking off mask before the Referee calls 'Halt!'; undressing on the piste	t.86.3; t.87.2/7/8			
1.17	Irregular movements on the piste (*); hits made with violence or during or after falling (*)	t.87.2			
1.18	Unjustified appeal	t.122.2/4			

	2 <sup>nd</sup> group	Articles	1 <sup>st</sup> offence	2 <sup>nd</sup> offence	3 <sup>rd</sup> and + offences
2.1	Use of non-sword arm/hand (*)	t.22.1	<b>Red</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>Red</b>
2.2	Interruption of bout for claimed injury/cramp deemed unjustified by Doctor	t.33.3			
2.3	Absence of weapon check 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			

	3 <sup>rd</sup> group	Articles	1 <sup>st</sup> time	2 <sup>nd</sup> time
3.1	Fencer disturbing order when on piste (2)	t.82.3; t.83; t.96.2	<b>Red or (2)</b>	<b>Black</b>

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	t.82.3/4; t.83; t.96.3; t.118.3; t.118.4	Yellow or (3)	Black and/or (1)

4 <sup>th</sup> group		Articles	1 <sup>st</sup> time	
4.1	Fencer equipped with electronic communication equipment permitting them to receive communications during the bout	t.43.1.f; t.44.2; t.45.3.a).vi	Black	
4.2	Fraudulent equipment; control marks that are imitated or transferred	t.45.3.a) iii), iv)		
4.3	Equipment that has been altered in any way 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 properly entered (individual or team)	t.85.1		
4.5	Offence against sportsmanship	t.87.2; t.105.1		
4.6	Refusal of a fencer to salute their opponent, the Referee and the public before the beginning or at end of bout	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	Penalties
<b>Annulment of any hit scored by the fencer at fault.</b>	*
<b>Warning</b> valid for the bout (whether one or several encounters). If a fencer commits an offence in the 1 <sup>st</sup> group after having been penalised with a RED CARD, for whatever reason, they receive a further RED CARD.	Yellow Card
<b>Penalty hit.</b>	Red Card
<b>Exclusion from the competition</b> , suspension from the remainder of the tournament and for the following two months of the active season (1 October – World Championships for the Juniors and 1 January – World Championships for the Seniors), whether current or forthcoming.  A fencer only receives a BLACK CARD in the 3 <sup>rd</sup> group if they previously committed an offence in this 3 <sup>rd</sup> group (demonstrated by a RED CARD).	Black Card
(1) Expulsion from the competition venue.	(1), (2), (3)
(2) In the most serious cases, the Referee may exclude (BLACK CARD) the offender immediately.	
(3) In the most serious cases, the Referee may exclude (BLACK CARD) and/or expel the offender immediately.	