

OFFENCE		ARTICLES	PENALTY	
3rd group			1st time	2nd time
3.1	Fencer disturbing order when on the piste. (2)	t.82.3, t.83, t.96.2	RED or (2)	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	t.82.3/4; t.83 ; t.96.3; t.118.3; t.118.4	YELLOW or (3)	BLACK &/or (1)

4th Group		Penalty
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
4.2	Fraudulent equipment, control marks 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 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 fencer to salute their opponent, the Referee and the public before 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

BLACK

EXPLANATIONS	
(*)	Annulment of any hit scored by the fencer at fault
YELLOW CARD	Warning (valid for bout, whether one or several encounters). If a fencer commits an offence in the 1st Group after having been penalised with a RED CARD, for whatever reason, they receive 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 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 3rd Group if they previously committed an offence in this 3rd Group (demonstrated by a RED CARD).
(1), (2), (3):	(1) from the competition venue (2) In the most serious cases, the Referee may exclude the offender (black card) immediately. (3) in the most serious cases, the Referee may exclude (black card) and/or expel the offender immediately