



**European Fencing Confederation  
Confédération Européenne d'Escrime**

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Dear Member Federation,

following a recent request from our SEMI Commission, we gladly forward you their recommendation with regard to safety in U-14 competitions.

Hoping that you also forward this to your clubs who are organising such tournaments, please take special note of the attachment.

Best regards,

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## Recommendation: (issued by EFC-SEMI)

Weapon and equipment control at fencing events is organized to assure the safety of all participants. Its primary target is to detect flaws and problems in the equipment.

**Fencers should strictly and systematically insist on buying only clothing, masks or blades with the marks as foreseen by the FIE.**

SEMI is aware that FIE-equipment represents a higher cost-factor compared to non-FIE (so called 350N) equipment.

However considering that fencers participating in an international event are clearly among the most combative it appears logical to insist on implementing the full FIE-standards for safety.

Therefore EFC-SEMI strongly recommends the exclusive use of FIE-rules for all EFC-Circuits as well as all international competitions. This should include every category from U14 to Veterans.

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### About SEMI

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