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To: All Foil Fencers

Notice For Using Foil Mask With Conductive Bib (Revised)

Effective from January 2009, the foil mask with conductive bib will be used in accordance with the latest technical rules of the FIE. The Hong Kong Fencing Association (HKFA) will implement this rule in the local competitions listed as below.

Effective Date: 1st January 2010

Competitions:
1. Age Groups Fencing Championships (All Foil Events)
2. Hong Kong Open Fencing Championships (All Foil Events)
3. Festival of Sport Under-14 Fencing Championships (All Foil Events)
4. Under-20 Fencing Championships (All Foil Events)
5. Challenge Cups Fencing Championships (All Foil Events)
6. LCSD Open Fencing Championships (All Foil Events)
7. Junior Fencing Championships (All Foil Events)
8. Beginners' Fencing Championships (All Foil Events)
9. President Cups (All Foil Events)

For other local competitions, please contact the respective organizer for details.

Specifications:
1. Apart from conforming to the general material and safety rules, fencers' masks would be required to comply with the standard EN13567:2002 i.e. the personal protective equipment should comply with at least 350N of penetration resistance.
2. Valid Conductive Bib Area: It includes the part of the bib beneath a horizontal line 1.5 to 2cm below the chin (see Figure 1) and which, in any case, may not be lower than the line of the shoulders (see Figure 2).
3. The connection of the valid bib area to the electrical jacket is to be made by a "Mask Wire" comprised of a single conductor electrical isolated cable with 2 crocodile clips (see Figure 3 to 5). The length of the wire can be with a length between 30 cm and a maximum of 40 cm, and a length of 25 cm for coiled cable. The mask wire has to be in white colour.
4. Any fencer who has found not complying with this rule will be penalized according to Article t.120 of the FIE technical rules. The ground supervisor has the discretion to disqualify any participant who doesn't comply with the rule.

Enquiry: Please visit to the website of the FIE at http://www.fie.ch or suppliers to obtain further technical information. The HKFA will announce in July 2009 a list of the brand names accepted. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us for enquiries.

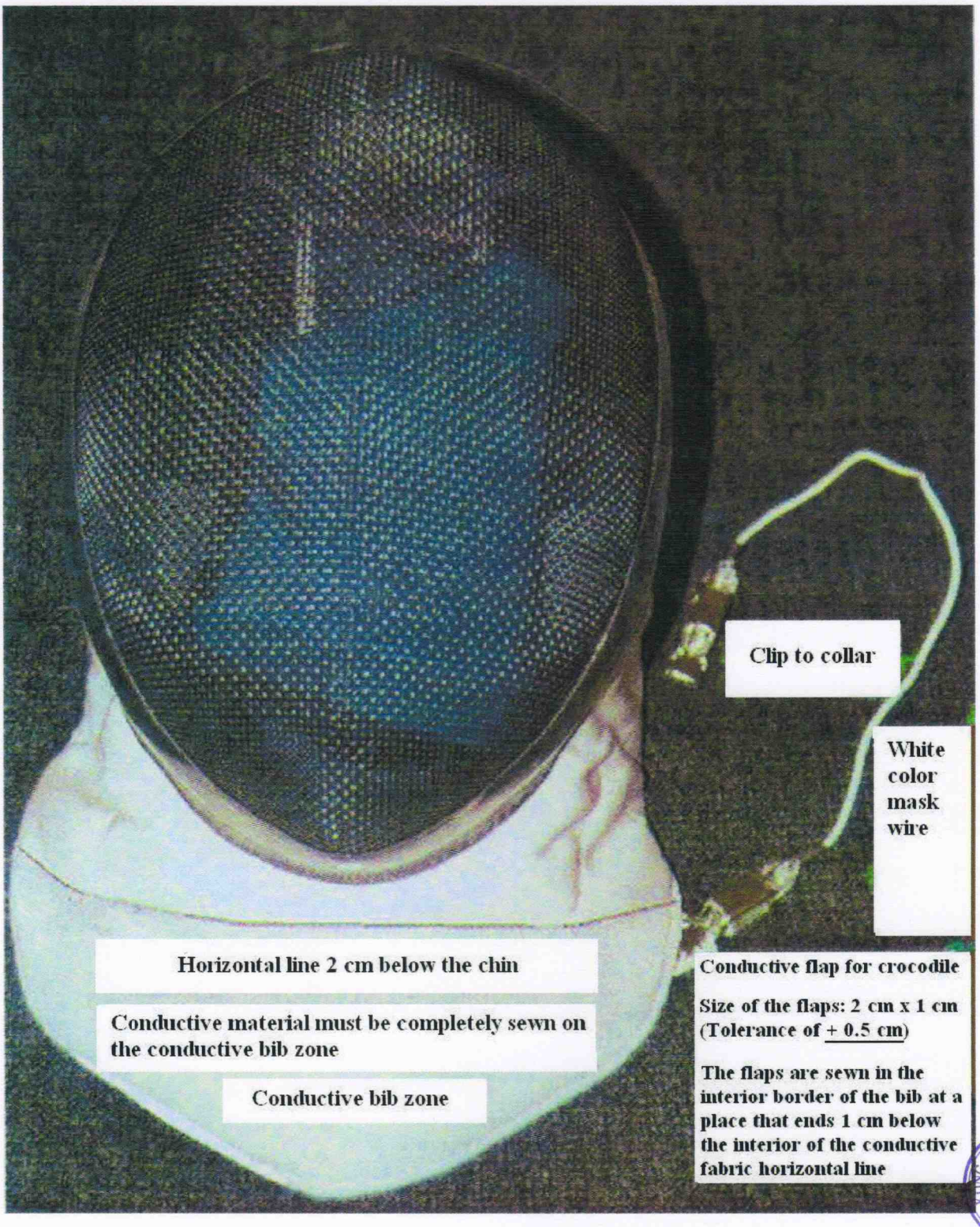
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Figure 1



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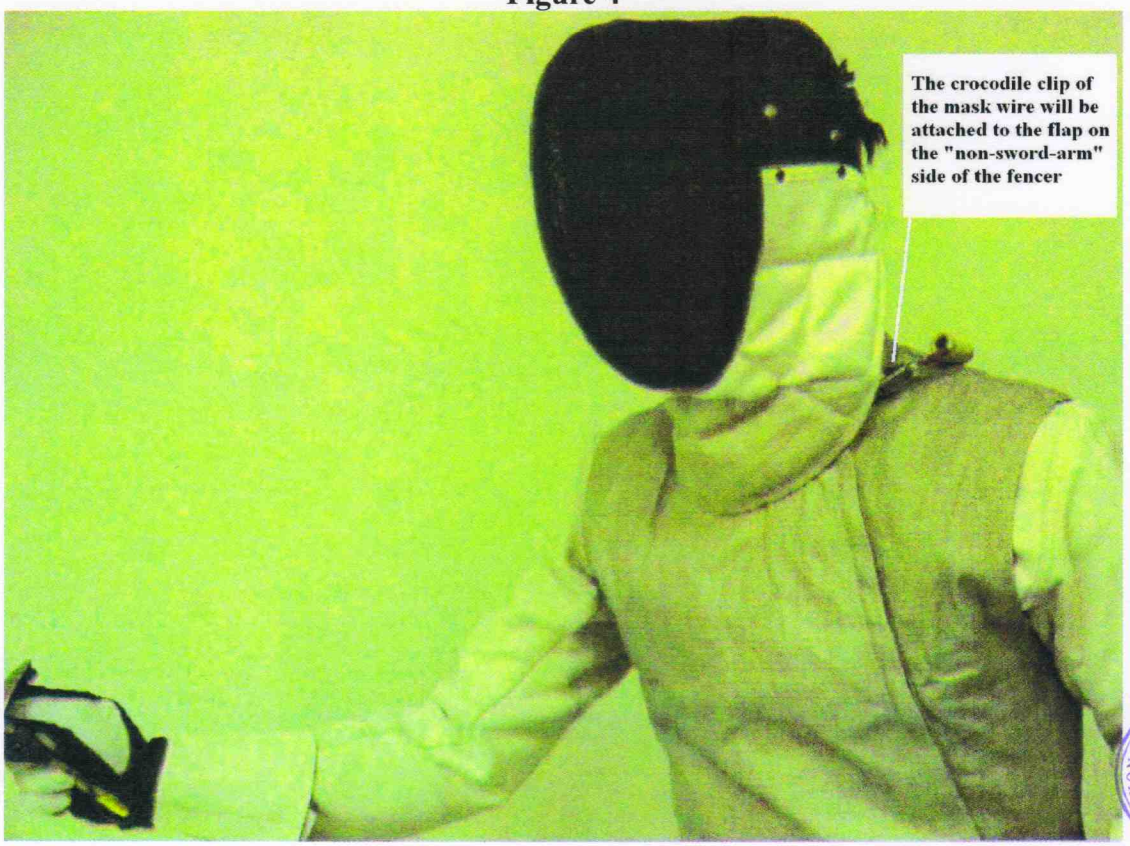
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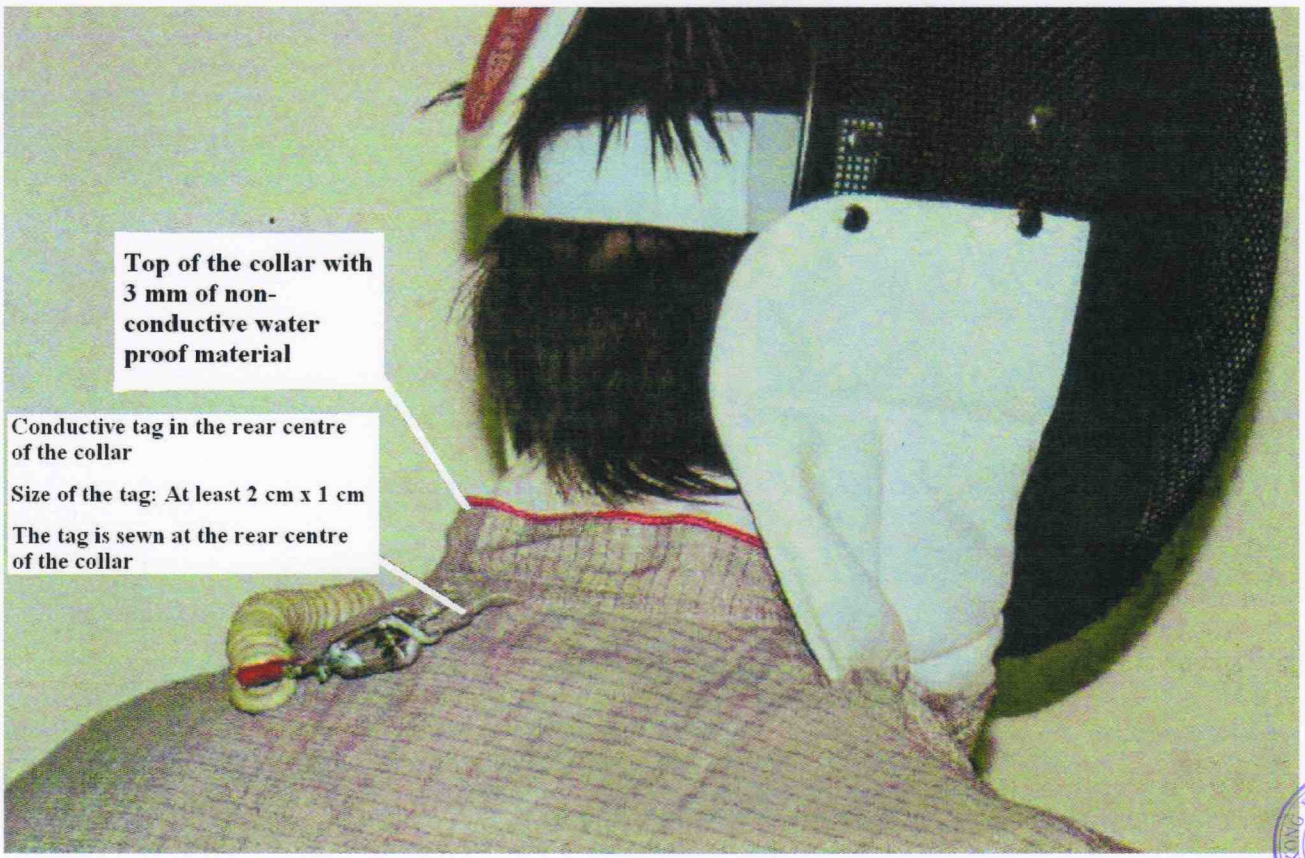
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