

Wheelchair Fencing Material Rules Amendments Jan 2018		
	Original rule	Modified rule
m.25.3.g)	Spoke protectors: For Paralympic Games, World Championships and Zonal Championships, the use of IWF approved national strips/logos is compulsory on both rear wheel spoke protectors. No Athlete name is permitted on the spoke protector. Name of country/NPC National code is optional. If used, letters must be in capitals, between 8 cm and 10 cm high, and between 1 cm and 1.5 cm wide, according to the length of the of the name.	Spoke protectors: For Paralympic Games, World Championships and Zonal Championships, the use of IWF approved national strips/logos is compulsory on both rear wheel spoke protectors (cf. m.25.9.15). No Athlete name is permitted on the spoke protector. Name of country/NPC National code is optional. If used, letters must be in capitals, between 8 cm and 10 cm high, and between 1 cm and 1.5 cm wide, according to the length of the of the name.
m.25.4.d)	Non-existent	A vertical line 10 cm long by 2.5 cm wide should be marked in the centre of the back of the Epee jacket, 5 cm above the lower edge. This line should be marked in dark blue. (cf. m.25.9.2; t.17.4. and t.17.6)
m.25.9.2	All of the back of the wheelchair must have a minimum height of 15cm from the seat of the chair or the cushion when the fencer is seated upon it, and must be 90° to the horizontal. (+2°). For wheelchair fencers who have a physical need for the back and the material be changed from 90° to the horizontal. (+2°), it is the decision of the wheelchair controller and a classifier.	All of the back of the wheelchair must have a minimum height of 15cm from the seat of the chair or the cushion when the fencer is seated upon it, and must be 90° to the horizontal. (+2°). For wheelchair fencers who have a physical need for the back and the material be changed from 90° to the horizontal. (+2°), it is the decision of the wheelchair controller and a classifier. A vertical line 10cm long by 2.5 cm wide should be marked in the centre of the back of the wheelchair on the outer side with the top of the line coinciding with the top edge of the seat back. This line will be marked in a contrasting colour to that of the seat back. (cf. m.25.4.d, m.28.7 and m.34.6; t.17.4. and t.17.6)
m.25.9.4	The side guard on the non-fencing arm of the wheelchair must have a minimum height of 10 cm from the seat of the wheelchair or the cushion, when the fencer is seated upon it, and a minimum length of 20 cm beginning at the back of the chair. This side guard must be securely and correctly fixed and of rigid material. (Tapes to secure the side guard will not be accepted).	The side guard on the non-fencing arm of the wheelchair must have a minimum height of 10 cm from the seat of the wheelchair or the cushion, when the fencer is seated upon it, and a minimum length of 20 cm beginning at the back of the chair. This side guard must be securely fixed and of rigid material. (Tapes to secure the side guard will not be accepted).
m.25.9.7	The maximum height of the wheelchair must be 53cm from the floor to the full area of the seat rail, the width of the seat must not exceed 3 cm from the fencers' hips when the fencer is seated in the centre of the wheelchair. Only for Cat. A fencers: the sitting platform on the frame has to be parallel to the floor. The height of the wheelchair is measured at all four corners, where a maximum difference of 10mm between the four measured values is allowed.	The maximum height of the wheelchair must be 53cm from the floor to the full area of the seat rail, the width of the seat must not exceed 3 cm from the fencers' hips when the fencer is seated in the centre of the wheelchair. The seat width must not exceed the width of the seated fencer's hips by more than 6 cm. Only for Cat. A fencers: the sitting platform on the frame has to be parallel to the floor. The height of the wheelchair is measured at all four corners, where a maximum difference of 10mm between the four measured values is allowed.

<b>m.25.9.10</b>	The grab handle for the unarmed hand is optional.	The grab handle for the unarmed hand is optional. If a grab handle is fitted then this should be mounted vertically above the side guard on the non-fencing arm side of the wheelchair. The mounting can take the grab handle away from the fencer but under no circumstances can this fitting extend towards the fencer.
<b>m.25.9.11</b>	If a belt/strip is used to fasten the unarmed hand, it must not be elastic and it must not cover the valid target.	If a belt/strap is used to fasten the unarmed hand it must not be elastic or loose and should bind the hand to the grab handle, unless a exception approved by a Classifier exists. It must not cover any part of the valid target.
<b>m.25.9.15</b>	Non-existent	Spoke protectors are required to be fitted to both rear wheels of the wheelchair. (cf. m.25.3.g)
<b>m.28.6</b>	The conductive jacket must be so made that when it is laid flat there is a straight line between the point of junction of the lines of the groin and the two points corresponding to the tops of the hip bones (ilium).	The conductive jacket must be so made that when the fencer is sat in the on guard position the entire surface of the target area should be covered.
<b>m.28.7</b>	The band of non-conductive material passing between the legs must be at least 3 cm wide (see Figure 14).	The band of non-conductive material passing between the legs must be at least 3 cm wide (see Figure 14). A vertical line 10 cm long by 2.5 cm wide should be marked in the centre of the back of the jacket 5 cm above the lower edge. This line should be marked in dark blue. (cf. m.25.9.2; t.17.4. and t.17.6)
<b>m.31.3.c)</b>	the pin 20 mm from the centre pin to the épée's earth circuit and to the conductive piste.	the pin 20 mm from the centre pin to the épée's earth circuit and to the conductive piste. An extra wire, minimum 50 cm in length, one end fitted with a crocodile clip as described in article m.29 b) and c), may be permanently fitted to this pin to ensure good contact with the conductive apron. (see also m.62).
<b>m.34.6</b>	Non-existent	A vertical line 10 cm long by 2.5 cm wide should be marked in the centre of the back of the jacket 5 cm above the lower edge. This line should be marked in dark blue. (cf. m.25.9.2; t.17.4. and t.17.6)
<b>m.36.2</b>	To carry out this supervision, three members of the above-mentioned Committee must be appointed and put in charge of this work. However, when the organising country possesses somebody competent, two members of the above Committee will be appointed.	To carry out this supervision, a minimum of two members of the above-mentioned Committee must be appointed and put in charge of this work. However, when the organising country possesses somebody competent, only one member of the above Committee need be appointed.
<b>m.56.2</b>	Conductive pistes should be earthed at the centre of the piste.	Remove

<p><b>m.56.3</b></p>	<p>Those in charge of checking equipment during competitions must have a simple and practical device at their disposal to allow them to check quickly that there are no breaks or short-circuits in the three wires of the spools.</p>	<p>now 56.2</p>
<p><b>m.57.1</b></p>	<p>The conductive piste must be made from metal, metallic mesh or some substance with a base that is conductive. The resistance of the piste, from one end to the other, must not exceed 5 ohms.</p>	<p>The conductive piste must be made from metal, metallic mesh or some substance with a base that is conductive.</p> <p>a) The piste should have minimum length of 4 metres and a minimum width of 1.5 metres.</p> <p>b) The resistance of the piste, from one end to the other, must not exceed 5 ohms.</p> <p>c) Except when fencing sabre, conductive pistes should be earthed at the centre of the piste.</p>