

Payment for International Umpires

Regulation 18.16.1

A submission from the Deutscher Segler Verband

Proposal:

1. The Council is requested to reconsider whether the amount of the Payment for International Umpires under Regulation 18.16.1 is still appropriate.
2. The Council is requested to reconsider whether it is appropriate to change the currency in Regulation 18.16.1 from US\$ into € (alternatively into GB Pound)

Current Position:

Payment for Umpires

18.16.1 For Graded Match Racing Events, the following fees apply:

- (a) ISAF Match Racing World Championships and Grade 1 Events
US\$100 per race day + US\$200 for each International Umpire
US\$150 per race day + US\$300 for the Chief Umpire

- (b) Grade 2 - 5 Events

For events with:

Cash or cashable prizes, appearance payments, individual sponsorship payments by the event organizers or otherwise, any/or other benefits of a similar nature totalling more than US\$20,000 or the equivalent, the following fees apply:

US\$100 per race day + US\$200 for each International Umpire
US\$150 per race day + US\$300 for the Chief Umpire

- (c) The ISAF Executive Committee may adjust the fees under special circumstances.
- (d) When a Women's Grade 1 or 2 Match Racing event is combined with an Open Match Racing Grade 1 or 2 event then the event fees payable to the umpires include all race days of the combined event.*

Reason:

Proposal 1

1. Match Racing has developed in the grade 1 events to a professional sport. Because of this also the umpires must have the same professional level as the competitors. Therefore umpires need to be paid accordingly and appropriate.

2. With the current payment nobody can be attracted to become a professional umpire. Especially younger people who are still in business cannot afford to become professional umpires because the income is much too less to live on it.
3. With the current payment only those can afford to umpire professionally who have other income.
4. The umpire payment is still the same as it was implemented many years ago. But all living costs have increased in the meantime tremendously.
5. Because all of these circumstances the Council shall reconsider the amount of the umpire payment

Proposal 2

1. Most of the events to which 18.16.1 refers are held in the €-zone.
2. Most of the IUs live in the €-zone.
3. Only fewer events take place, and only fewer IUs live in the US\$-zone.
4. If the Umpire Payment shall not be in €-currency than only the GB-Pound is the appropriate currency, because ISAF is seated in the GB-Pound zone.