

REPORTING COMMITTEE - RACE OFFICIALS  
OTHER COMMITTEE - EXECUTIVE, CONSTITUTION

**Submission: 087-02P**

Requirements for Re-Appointment

ISAF Regulation 34.5

A submission from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee

**RECOMMENDATIONS, NOVEMBER 2002:**

Recommendation of the Race Officials Committee

The Race Officials Committee recommends that Council accept the submission, and requests that it be applied to all areas of the Race Officials programme simultaneously.

It is essential for the smooth and consistent administration of the Race Officials programme that this submission is adopted not only by the International Umpires Administration, but by the International Judges, International Race Officers and International Measurers Administrations also.

Opinion of the Constitution Committee

The Constitution Committee recommend Council approve the proposal.

**CURRENT ISAF COUNCIL POSITION ON SUBMISSION 087-02P:**

Council Decision

- (i) On a proposal by David Tillett, seconded by David Irish, on a unanimous vote in favour, Council approved Submission 087-02P, with regulation 34.5.2 amended to read:

**"34.5.2 Candidates for re-appointment that do not meet all the criteria for re-appointment, especially with regards to events, may, in special circumstances or medical grounds, be assessed on an individual basis. The Race Officials Committee may re-appoint candidates for a full 4 year term or may extend the existing appointment for 12 months or may consider an application for re-appointment under regulation 34.5 up to 12 months after the expiry of the term of appointment."**

**ORIGINAL PROPOSAL:**

Amend Regulation 34.5 as follows:

**"34.5.1** *A candidate for re-appointment shall:*

*(a) apply directly to the ISAF. The candidate's MNA shall be informed of the renewal application*

*(b) send the application on the official form, to be received by the ISAF Secretariat by 01 September.*

*For re-appointment, the requirements to attend an ISAF Umpiring Seminar in the last four years (Regulation 34.6(b)) and pass the on-the-water assessment (Regulation 34.6(c)) do not apply. Applicants for re-appointment will be required to pass the current written examination. No earlier than 4 years prior to 01 September of the year of re-application and no later than 31 December of the year of re-application. If an applicant has not passed the examination by 31 December but does so by 01 May of the following year, they will still be considered a re-applicant and re-instated immediately as an IU if all other criteria are satisfied. An applicant that does not pass the test by 01 May the following year will, unless there are exceptional circumstances, only be considered for appointment at the following Annual ISAF Meeting, and then, only as a new applicant.*

*The applications shall be considered at the time of the Annual ISAF Meeting.*

*Applicants who fail the written examination may take a new examination, but not normally within six months after the first one.*

*Applicants who fail the examination more than once shall be assessed on an individual basis.*

*34.5.2 Candidates for re-appointment that do not meet all the criteria for re-appointment, especially with regards to events, may, in special circumstances, be assessed on an individual basis. The Race Officials Committee may re-appoint candidates for a full 4 year term or may extend the existing appointment for 12 months or may consider an application for re-appointment under regulation 34.5 up to 12 months after the expiry of the term of appointment.*

**CURRENT POSITION AS AT NOVEMBER 2002:**

See above.

**REASON:**

The requirements for the re-appointment of International Umpires give no licence to the Race Officials Committee to use judgement. A re-applicant that does not meet the criteria cannot be re-appointed or be treated as a re-applicant in the future. They can only be treated as a new applicant, requiring attendance at an IU seminar and a performance assessment.

There have been occasions when, due to illness or other commitments for example, an umpire has not been able to complete the required 8 principle events in 4 years and yet they are known to be of the required standard.