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REPORTING COMMITTEE – EXECUTIVE OTHER COMMITTEE – MATCH RACING

Match Racing Event Fees and Payments

Regulation 18.16

A submission from the Chairman of Match Race Committee

PROPOSAL:

That regulations 18.16 be amended as follows:

When there is prize money for a series of events, then regulation 18.16.2 will apply to the series in addition to regulation 18.16.1 applying to the individual events.

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.

That the exception for event fees currently specified in regulation 18.16 (d) shall not apply to Women's Match Racing events where the prize money is comparable to that at other Open Grade 1 events.

CURRENT POSITION:

See regulation 18.16

REASON:

When prize money is offered for a series of match racing events, there is no current regulation that permits ISAF to apply a fee. This is inequitable.

A number of event are combining a Women's event with an Open event. While this is stongly supported it makes it difficult to determine how many race days are associated with the Open event and how many with the Women's event. As the umpires are required to service the entire event it is logical that the fees cover all racing days.

A number of Women's events are now attracting prize funds similar to those of some Open Grade 1 events. It is inequitable if they are not subject to similar fees, while other Women's Grade 1 events are still struggling to attract sufficient funding and require the protection offered by the current exemtion

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