

Payment to International Umpires

Regulation 18.16.1(c)

A Submission from the Chairman of Race Officials Committee

Proposal

Payment for Umpires

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

- (a) The Executive Committee shall specify Umpire Daily Fees and Chief Umpire Daily Fees from time to time and such fees shall be payable to umpires as provided in this regulation.
- (b) The fees payable for any event shall be the most recent that have been specified by the Executive Committee not less than 12 months before the start of the event.
- (c) The fees receivable shall be calculated as follows:

For ISAF ~~Open~~ Match Racing World Championships and ~~Open~~ Grade 1 events:

Chief Umpires	1 Chief Umpire Daily Fee for each day of the event scheduled for racing and other days of required attendance plus 2 additional such fees
Deputy Chief Umpires	1 Chief Umpire Daily Fee for each day of the event scheduled for racing and the other days of required attendance plus 2 additional such fees
Other Umpires	1 Umpire Daily Fee for each day of the event scheduled for racing and other days of required attendance plus 2 additional such fees.

For ~~Open~~ Grade 2 – 5 Events and ~~all Women's Match Racing 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 €15,500 or the equivalent, the following fees apply:

Chief Umpires	1 Chief Umpire Daily Fee for each day of the event scheduled for racing and other days of required attendance plus 2 additional such fees
Deputy Chief Umpires	1 Chief Umpire Daily Fee for each day of the event scheduled for racing and the other days of required attendance plus 2 additional such fees
Other Umpires	1 Umpire Daily Fee for each day of the event scheduled for racing and other days of required attendance plus 2 additional such fees.

- ~~(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.~~

Current Position

As above.

Reason

In 2003, Council introduced payment for International Umpires (IUs) at World Championship and Grade1 match racing events, which require a high level of training and experience for the IUs.

As Women's Match Racing was in a development stage it was felt that these events should, for the time being, be exempted from this requirement. With the introduction of Women's Match Racing and an Olympic event this is no longer the case. This has increased the demand for high level, trained umpires at Women's Match Race events, much the same as at Open Match Race events. There is no longer any justification for the disparity in IUs payments at Women's and Open Match Race events

The IUSC believe that eliminating this disparity will facilitate the availability of high level IUs at Women's Match Race events.