Sporting Code Committee Report for 2023

The committee continues to address discrepancies that arise in the Sporting Code and to close holes of logic or fairness as they become evident.

Two new members have been appointed to our committee: Luke Walker from the UK and Jean-Michel Horrenberger from France. Both are the Claims Officers for their respective NACs. During the process of adding these two colleagues to our committee the FAI/IGC insisted that we formally appoint a chairman. Despite being happy with our collaborative work without a named chairman we agreed to name Howard E. Mills as our chairman.

The focus of our effort in 2023 was to continue clarifying the existing body of rules, editorially where possible; these clarifications are listed on page ii of the Code.

We implemented two decisions from the 2023 Plenary meeting that affected the Code:

- 1 The first was the deletion of the requirement to have National or Continental record approval limited to NAC-listed OOs. The FAI record forms were also updated to reflect this and to further clarify who is responsible for signing off each section of the forms.
- 2 The second was to reflect the changes concerning the periodic calibration of FR pressure sensors for FAI Silver, Gold, Diamond Goal & Diamond Distance claims as given in the amended SC3-2.4.6.

The committee makes on-going edits to Annex C to improve its clarity.

One of our members created a 25-minute training video for Official Observers. It is available on the FAI Air Sports Channel (YouTube).

The members of the committee are pleased to continue their duties in 2024. They are: Tony Burton (Canada), Beryl Hartley (Australia), J-M Horrenberger (France), Howard Mills (UK/Germany), Judy Ruprecht (USA), Luke Walker (UK), and Wojciech Scigala (Poland).

Regards,

Howard E Mills, chairman