

New Financial systems connected to the IFF Events

The IFF Central Board started a discussion already in 2008 concerning the need to renew the way the participation fees for the IFF Events are built. This is clearly visible, when it comes to the difficulty in finding organisers for the different qualification tournaments. Furthermore the need to find one similar system for the financial compensation of all IFF volunteers participating at the Events has increased.

The CB decided in its meeting held in Budapest on the 13th of September, 2008 to form a working group consisting of the IFF Treasure Mr. Tomas Jonsson and the IFF secretary general Mr. John Liljelund to come with a proposal before the end of January 2009.

The work was done based on two general premises, the first being that it has to be made clear that participating in an IFF Event, will in the future mean that the association in question has committed to the IFF Licence system approved by the General Assembly in Prague 2008. Furthermore the IFF needs to be able to support the organisers of IFF Events, in order to have a larger number of organisers organising the growing number of qualifications and other events. The need to upgrade the compensation level to the IFF volunteers (referees, referee observers and jury members) is critical, in order to have enough of motivated volunteers for the coming years.

Based on the thorough analysis of the number of participants and the prediction of coming years the working group proposes to make the following changes to the participation fees for the IFF Events:

- 1) To increase the participation fee for the Major Events (Adult WFC and EFC)
- 2) To divide the cost for referees between all teams in the qualifications and the U19 WFC's
- 3) The teams qualifying for the WFC final round shall pay the difference between the full fee and the qualification fee (between 2500 – 3000 CHF), keeping in mind the referee costs. A division key shall be calculated for the referee costs.
- 4) The teams qualifying for the EFC final round shall pay the difference between the full fee and the qualification fee, which is approximately 500 CHF.
- 5) IFF shall pay a small support to the organiser, including the organiser of the qualifications. The support shall not exceed 500 CHF per team participating where a certain flexibility connected to the cost level in the organizing nation will be considered; this will be separately negotiated in the agreement for the event.
- 6) The proposed new participation fees are:

WFC	5000 CHF	(A-div: 4000 CHF, B/C: 2000 CHF)	Start 2010
WFCQ	2000 CHF + referee costs	(2000 CHF)	Start 2010
EFC	3000 CHF	(2000 CHF)	Start 2009
EFCQ	2000 CHF + referee costs	(2000 CHF)	Start 2009
U19WFC	3000 CHF + referee costs	(2000 CHF)	Start 2010
U19WFCQ	2000 CHF + referee costs	(2000 CHF)	Start 2010

The international referees have discussed the need to change the daily allowance of international referees during the last years and handed in a letter proposing some changes in the system.

The working group has based on the present system and the proposed financial changes made in the participation fees made a proposal to change the compensation system of all IFF volunteers according to the following:

- 1) There is just one daily allowance paid to all IFF volunteers, including food money
- 2) The organisers are entitled to organise a place for the IFF volunteers where they have a possibility to eat keeping in mind the match schedule
- 3) The daily allowance shall be paid only for the competition days, not for the travel days. If the referees are to arrive two days prior to the start of the WFC tournament the last day before the tournament is compensated.
- 4) The Referee Observers and Jury will accordingly have the same daily allowance, i.e. 80 CHF per competition day.
- 5) The new proposed daily allowance for are:

	2009	2010	2011	2012
WFC	80	100	110	120
WFCQ	80	80	80	80
EFC	80	80	90	100
EFCQ	80	80	80	80
U19WFC	80	80	90	90
U19WFCQ	80	80	80	80
Friendly Int.	70	70	70	70