



International Mounted Games Association Rules Committee

Rule Change Request Document

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| Country: | IMGA Rules Committee |
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Summary of Change Requested:

There is a need for clarification around the Pairs Association Race rule.

If you read the extract from the current rules below carefully, the first rider stacks the first two boxes and then it states that of the three remaining boxes, each rider has to collect at least one. This means that at the very least the first rider needs to stack three boxes.

In practice however, it is common practice for the first rider to hand over to their partner after the first two boxes have been stacked. As a result I am not sure that the majority are aware of the specifics of this rule.

Current Rule Book Wording:

Rider 1 rides to the bin on the centre line, places the container upon it, rides to the changeover line, collects the next container and returns to stack this on the bin on the centre line. The remaining three containers are collected singly by either rider, provided that each rider collects at least one container.

Suggested New Rule Book Wording:

Rider 1 rides to the bin on the centre line, places the container upon it, rides to the changeover line, collects the next container and returns to stack this on the bin on the centre line. The remaining three containers are collected singly by either rider.

Reason for Change Request:

By removing this phrase from the rules it not only brings the rule into line with actual practice, it also removes the possibility of controversy with inconsistent refereeing decisions.

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| Reference: | 2009 – 01 |
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| Submission Date: | 13/03/09 |
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| Decision Date: | 15/03/09 |
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| Votes | |
| Jens Martin | In Favour |
| Younes Ahlbom | In Favour |
| Nicola Leese | In Favour |
| Melanie Scott | In Favour |
| Margaret Welsby | In Favour |
| Alun Whitney | In Favour |
| Total In Favour: | 6 |
| Total Not In Favour: | 0 |

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| Result: | Change Accepted |
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Actual Adopted New Rule Book Wording:

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| <p>Rider 1 rides to the bin on the centre line, places the container upon it, rides to the changeover line, collects the next container and returns to stack this on the bin on the centre line. The remaining three containers are collected singly by either rider, provided that the second rider collects at least one container.</p> |
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Reason for Decision:

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| <p>Removes the possibility for controversy and misunderstanding in the future.</p> |
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| Implementation Date: | 1 st January 2010 |
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