

Rule Clarification No. 22: Issued 1 November 2010

Section 2.3 – Amateur Competition

AFA's current version of Rule 2.3 Amateur Competition has been in its existing form for many years. In practice it cannot be implemented because the AFA does not know the arrangements between clubs and their sponsors and does not have powers to investigate such arrangements. It is also very difficult to compare different forms of sponsorship. A visit to the NAFA website indicated that NAFA had rewritten their version of the rule at some time in the past, and the AFA Committee felt that it was more workable than the AFA's existing Rule 2.3. This has been adapted below to the Australian situation. The amended wording as shown below is adopted as an On Trial Rule effective from 1st November 2010.

Delete:

Heading and all current wording of 2.3

Insert:

“2.3 AFA Amateur Competition

The purpose for which the AFA was formed is to promulgate rules for amateur Flyball competition in Australia, to train and approve judges, to sanction amateur Flyball competitions and demonstrations, to promote interest in the sport of Flyball, to encourage amateur Flyball competition and to recognize excellence. The Association is a not-for-profit amateur sports organization.”

Section 9.2 (i) Interference

There was an accidental change to a sentence in rule 9.2 (i) between the time a Rule Change was approved by the 2009 AGM and when the rulebook was reprinted in September 2009. The wording is to be restored to the approved version. This change has already been approved by Members at the 2009 AGM and will be included in the next reprint of the Rules.

Delete:

The following current (2010 edition) wording from Section 9.2 (i) ii):

A dog chasing its team's loose ball into the other team's area is not necessarily the only basis for interference

Insert:

Replace it with:

A dog chasing its team's loose ball into the other team's area is not necessarily Interference or Crossing