

MEMORANDUM

To: Players & Coaches

Date: 15th February 2010

From: Margaret Hicks – BJA Performance Director

Subject: **Prize Money at IJF and EJU events**

You may be aware that both the IJF and EJU are offering prize money at certain events to players who win a medal and whoever is the designated coach for this player at the event.

It is important to note that both organisations have said it is up to the country (federation) to determine how this additional money is distributed. The prize monies are usually presented to both the player and nominated coach *separately* at the medal ceremony.

As the 'nominated' coach at one of these events is generally in the role of a British coach (either employed through British Judo or the Scottish Institute of Sport), we want to ensure that all monies go directly to the player, as originally specified by the IJF and for the player to benefit from this additional funding.

It is therefore entirely at the discretion of the player if they decide to give some of this money to their personal coach or club - there is no expectation from British Judo for this happen. Therefore the protocol in future will normally be that the coach gives the money they receive from the medal ceremony to the designated Team Leader, who then ensures the player signs for this additional money.

We would advise all players winning prize money to seek financial advice potentially through their respective Performance Lifestyle Advisor at the BJPI or SIS if guidance on investment is needed.