



HAWK-EYE
INNOVATIONS

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Hawk-Eye can confirm that an operational error occurred during an offside VAR review in the Maribor vs. Olimpija Slovenian PrvaLiga match on the 19th of February 2023, which affected the correct use of the technology.

The Hawk-Eye virtual offside line system is thoroughly calibrated on three different cameras throughout the match to ensure that each match has the highest quality technology available. However, just before the incident occurred in the 79th minute, an insufficient calibration affected the relevant camera that had captured the incident. We have operational processes in place to ensure an insufficient calibration is immediately rectified, however unfortunately on this occasion, these processes were not followed by the operator. This resulted in the offside lines being placed incorrectly for this incident. We will ensure that these operational processes are reviewed and improved to avoid such issues occurring in the future.

The virtual offside line technology was fully functional throughout the rest of the match.

We would like to apologise to both clubs and the Slovenian Football Association for the issue that occurred. We have built an excellent working relationship with the Slovenian Football Association over the past three years and together we will ensure Slovenian Football receives the best officiating technology possible for many years to come.