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PROPOSAL TO AMEND SPORTING CODE SECTION 5, 1.2 AND 1.3

CURRENT RULE

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1.3 GENERAL SAFETY CONDITIONS

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(2) Failure to observe the parachute deployment altitude or failure to practice safe parachuting is considered to be a safety violation, which will be subject to the process described in 4.8.

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The intention of this proposal is to clarify that round canopies are no longer allowed in FAI sanctioned events.