YEAR 2 PROPOSAL TO 2022 IGC PLENARY

from the IGC Sporting Code committee

Same day record claims

Discussion:

When there is widespread good weather on a given day, a NAC (or NACs) may receive more than one claim for the same distance or speed record type. Each pilot will have exceeded the record by the required margin of 1 km/hr or 1 km, but this margin might not be present between the competing claims. A parallel situation could also occur for altitude claims.

Example: (this occurred with claims for national records in Germany in 2020)

Two pilots fly the same course, both exceed the current speed value by the necessary amount. The second pilot to finish is faster than the first one but not by an **additional** 1 km/h. As a result, under the current rule, the first pilot to finish gets the record although the second pilot was faster.

Proposed:

For fairness, the record should be awarded to the pilot having the best performance on that day, regardless of the small margin between claims.

The change to the Code would be:

In SC3, insert new paragraph in 3.1,

Record margins on same-day claims If more than one claim is received within 24 hours of each other (UTC time) for the same record type, the record will be awarded for the best result, disregarding the requirement for the minimum excess between these claims given in 3.1.5, 3.1.6, and 3.1.7.