

Amendment to 6.1.3

Current proposal.

Existing rule.

5.3 EXTERNAL AID TO COMPETITORS The following limitations are imposed so that the competition shall, as far as possible, be directly between the individual competitors, neither controlled nor helped by external aid.

5.3.1 Use of Radio

Additional rule for this section.

5.3.2 Data communication or use of data downloaded whilst in flight is prohibited except to contact the organisers or emergency services for safety purposes. Data transfer and usage relating to Flarm, ADSB and transponder devices is excepted.

Pilots utilising mobile or other devices for communication or to access or use data downloaded during flight will be considered as cheating and subject to disqualification.

Existing rule 5.3.2 would become 5.3.3

Amended text in red.

Additional rule for this section.

5.3.2 Data communication or use of data downloaded whilst in flight is prohibited.

Data transfer and usage relating to Flarm, ADSB and transponder devices or as allowed in the local procedures is excepted.

5.3.3 Use of mobile devices for communication during flight is prohibited and will be considered as cheating. Except to contact the organisers or emergency services for safety purposes

A mobile device is any device not satisfactorily mounted in the glider and approved during scrutineering.

Existing rule 5.3.2 would become 5.3.4

Type the reasons in the space below:

To prohibit the use of mobile devices in flight whilst competing. Use of mobile devices whilst flying result in reduced lookout and attention to other competitors. This creates a significant safety issue and presents a hazard to other competitors.

Use of mobile devices for accessing information online or communicating should not be accepted, in the same way as texting whilst driving has been proved to significantly increase accident risk and is not allowed.

Provide supporting data or reference to external documents for the proposed technical amendments in the space below: