

2020 IGC Plenary, 6-7 March, Budapest, Hungary

Agenda item 6.1.3 - External Aid to Competitors (UK)

Amended proposal

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 Communication

Radios are for voice transmissions between pilots, teams and Organisers only. Any other data communication between competitors, or between them and the ground, is prohibited except as required:

- (i) for safety purposes
- (ii) for anticollision warning
- (iii) Or as specifically allowed by the organisers*

**iii is to allow organisers to specify data that may enhance flight safety or be required for the conduct of the flight.*

a. Voice transmissions may only be made on frequencies prescribed by the Organisers.

b. The Local Procedures shall designate common radio frequencies that shall always be used by competitors for flight safety.

A single frequency should be designated for the launch, start, finish, and landing. One frequency should be designated for each Class flying within a common task area. To improve safety, competitors should maintain a listening watch on the designated frequencies, especially during the launch, prior to starting, while finishing and landing, and when thermalling with other sailplanes.

5.3.2 Other Types of Aid Leading, guiding, or help in finding lift by any noncompeting aircraft is prohibited.

Competing sailplanes abandoning their task or still airborne after cancellation of their task must land or return to the competition site and land without delay and may not lead, guide or help in any way competitors in other classes still flying their assigned task.

Any contravention of rules in section 5.3 is considered to be cheating.