PROPOSAL TO 2021 IGC PLENARY

Year 1

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 get 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.

Example:

Peter flies a record 300 km triangle task in Europe at 180.0 km/h while Jack flies the same task in the USA at 180.5 km/h. Under the current rules in SC3-3.1.5 or 5.1 6, Peter gets the record – Jack does not as he did not exceed the (now) current result by the required 1 km/h.

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 the FAI receives more than one claim for the same record type that has been flown on the same day, the FAI will award the best result, disregarding the requirement for the minimum excess given in 3.1.5 and 3.1.6. The claimed dates shall be that given in local time.