## **INTERNATIONAL GLIDING COMMISSION (IGC) - PROPOSAL FORM**

Submit the proposal via email to IGC Secretary.

#### Date: 10 November 2019

Proposal submitted by: SC3 Annex D Sub-Committee

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Type the text changes in the space below (show deletions as strike-through and additions as bold underlined):

#### 5.5.1 Base Quality Factor of Category 1 events

| Base_quality_factor   | All Cat1 events |
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| Latest competition in a Sequence<br>From end of event until 2 years after                     | 0.80            |
| Preceding competition in a Sequence<br>From 2 years after end of event until 4 years<br>after | 0.60            |
| All other competitions in a Sequence<br>From 4 years after end of event                       | 0               |

### 5.5.2 Base Quality Factor of Category 2 events

| Base_quality_factor   | Cat 2 |
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| First year<br>From end of event until 1 year after  | 0.60  |
| Reduction per year, <b><u>starting</u></b> 1 year after the end of the event <del>or by entering the next in sequence</del> | 0.15  |

**Type the reasons in the space below:** Competitions in the IGC Ranking List can be registered as part of a sequence of re-occurring events in a certain class, for example all WGC or all National championships or all regional contests. This gives the website user the possibility to swiftly look up the results previous occasions, which is a good feature and to be preserved.

However, many of the problems the IGC Ranking List team has with wrong calculation results come from the competitions not having been entered correctly with respect to the sequence. Typical cases are

- competitions not being entered as the next one in a sequence, which incorrectly leaves the preceeding event un-devalued.
- competitions being erroneously entered as the next in a unrelated sequence, which erroneously devalues an event that has nothing to do with this
- competitions that occur more than once per year and class (for example), which devalues the first
  occasion thus making it less desirable for pilots to participate in
- a Cat 1 competition being the last of its kind (for example: WGC or 13.5m), thus not having a succeeding event, which means that this competition will have a guality factor of 0.8 for all eternity

The practical effects of the current rules are that Cat1 competitions are devalued from a base quality factor of 0.8 to 0.6 after two years and two years after that are set to 0, likewise Cat2 competitions start with a

base quality factor of 0.6 which is decreased by 0.15 each year following the end of the event – which is exactly what is also proposed above.

The difference is that it is proposed to prescribe this devaluation as a function time directly in the rules, rather than doing so indirectly through the sequence and an implied occurrence of events over time. This way the sequence can still be referred to in order to create and update a history of linked competitions but above mentioned mistakes will have no impact on the pilots' rankings. It is the conviction of the IGC RL team that this proposed ruling does not change anything in practice; rather it helps us avoiding unfortunate mistakes and thus improves the quality of the results in the IGC RL database and published on the website.

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

| The proposal should be applicable from: 1 October 2020 |  |  |  |  |
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| Sporting Code Volume:                                  | Section 3, Annex D                     |  |  |  |
| Version/Edition:                                       | 2020 Edition valid from 1 October 2020 |  |  |  |
| Heading of section:                                    | 5.5 "Competition Quality Factor"       |  |  |  |
| Number & heading of the paragraph:                     | 5.5.1, 5.5.2                           |  |  |  |
| Page number(s) if appropriate:                         |  |  |  |  |

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Approved Amendment (if applicable):

Final Wording of Proposal:

| Overall Votes Cast: | For: | Against: | Abstain: |  |
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| ADOPTED:            | Yes: | No:      |          |  |