



# Local Regulations 7th FAI Paragliding Accuracy European Championship

28 August - 5 September 2020, Sibiu, Romania

**Event ID 12794** 

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Organized by:

Paragliding club "AIR ADREANALINE SIBIU"

Romanian Aeronautical Federation

These Local Regulations are to be used in conjunction with the most recent versions of:

General Section of the FAI Sporting FAI Sporting Code

Section 7 Common of the FAI Sporting Code

Section 7C of the FAI Sporting Code

And the:

Organiser Agreement (including the bid documents)

# 1. Contacts & Officials

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Safety Director: Grigorescu Leonard (Romania)

Chief Judge: Jun Zhang (China)

Chief Launch Marshal: Istrate Minnea (Romania)

Event Judge: Butyka Zsolt (Romania)

Target Judge Brigitta Gergely (Hungary)

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Nicoleta Constantinescu (Romania)

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HQ Location: Sibiu. Hotel Continental Forum

https://continental-forum-sibiu.continentalhotels.ro/

# 2. Programme

## **Event programme:**

Official registration and equipment check: Fri, 28th August, (12:00 - 19:00)

Official registration, equipment check and training day: Sat, 29th August, (9:00 - 16:00)

Opening ceremony: Sat, 29th August (19:00)

Mandatory safety briefing: Sun, 30th August, (09:00-10:30)

Team Leader briefing daily: (08:15 -08:45)

Contest flying days: Sun, 30<sup>th</sup> August to Sat, 4th Sept Prize-giving and closing ceremony: Sun, 5th Sept (18:00)

## Typical daily schedule

- 08:00 Headquarters open
- 08:30 Deadline for complaints/protests of the previous day (see 19.3. & 23.)
- 08:30 Team leader briefing
- 09:00 Transportation to Take off
- 10:30 Pilot briefing/Start of competition day
- 18:00 End of competition day
- 19:00 HQ closes
- 20:00 Complaints resolution published

Rest day: In accordance with Section 7C.

The daily schedule is subject to change. Any changes to the schedule will be announced by the Meet Director at the Daily Team Leader Briefing or Pilot Briefing and posted on the noticeboard.

## 3. Entry

#### 3.1.Numbers

- The maximum number of pilots in the championship is 120.
- The maximum number of pilots that may be entered by a NAC is 10.
- The maximum number of pilots constituting a national team is 7, max 5 of one gender.
- After registration deadline and final allocation the remaining places will be allocated non-European countries.

The registration system (online <a href="http://www.europga2020.ro/">http://www.europga2020.ro/</a>) will be closed in 30th April.

## 3.2 Selection Procedures

- Pilot qualification criteria for the Championship is: reference ranking is April 2020 ranking published on 1st April 2020. Therefore the rankings to be used will be April 2018 to April 2020 inclusive. The pilot has to have ranked in the top 350 European WPRS competitors and top 500 WPRS for non-European competitors.
- The pilot has to be confirmed as competitor by his/her own NAC.

- The nations' priority table will be set according to the WPRS nation ranking published on 1st April 2020. All allocations will be done based on that table.
- All applications made through the official web site must be made by the pilot. The
  entry deadline will be 30th April 2020. The list of pilots who are representing NAC
  must be sent by the NAC or their official representative to the organiser. The
  deadline is 25th May 2020. Only pilots that are approved by their NAC will be
  considered for allocation.
- The list of pilots who apply for the competition will be checked on May 26th, 2020. Applications from pilots who are not eligible will be disregarded.
- First allocation round will be made May 30th 2020. Each team will be allocated a maximum of 7 pilots (at least 2 female pilot). Subsequent passes will allocate to each team another pilot in sequence according to the nation priority table until a total of 120 pilots are reached or no more applications are left.
- Results from the first allocation round will be published on the official web site and the entry fee payment process will start. The deadline for payments will be June 20<sup>th</sup> 2020.
- After the payment deadline the team allocation table will be updated. Any unpaid places will be re-allocated in the second round on June 30th 2020. The second round will run until a total of 120 pilots are reached or no more applications are left
- The deadline for the second payment will be July 10th 2020.
- In the case where 120 pilots are not allocated in time, the allocation deadline may be extended to 28th August 2020.

# 4. Entry fee

The entry fee will be:

- 350 euros per pilot
- 100 euros per team leader/assistants

Team leaders who are also pilots in the competition will pay only the pilot entry fee.

# 5. Payment

All pilots must to pay their entry fees to the following bank account (Please indicate CIVL IDs of the pilots you are paying for, or country):

Transilvania Bank Sibiu, Romania

In favour of:

**CS AIR ADRENALINE** 

Str. Tipografilor no. 18, Sibiu, Romania

Account Number (IBAN): RO86BTRLEURCRT0364293901

Bank code (BIC): BTRLRO22

#### The Entry Fee includes:

- Transport to the take-off and retrieve.
- Emergency rescue and first aid medical service.
- Tow launches.
- · Pilot identification number.

- ID card & safety/contact information.
- · Lunch package, refreshments.
- Competition T-shirt.
- Free access to all competition events and parties.
- Free internet (Wi-Fi) access at the HQ.
- Transport to the take-off and back after end of each competition day.

# The Entry Fee does not include:

- · Accommodation.
- · Breakfast and evening dinner.
- Airport transfer (transportation)
- · Daily transportation to HQ.

#### Refund policy:

In the event of pilot withdrawing from the competition before 15th July 2020 and who cannot be replaced by a qualified pilot, a 50% refund will be offered. Cancellations received after this date will not be eligible for a refund except at the organiser's discretion.

# 6. Prize fund

All podium winners (overall, female, team) will get medals, diplomas and gifts.

# 7. Registration

Pre-registration of the pilots and teams must be done at the official web site: <a href="http://www.europga2020.ro/">http://www.europga2020.ro/</a> (available from 1st March 2020)

Registration shall be in accordance with Common Section 7-5 and Section 7C-2.

The official registration will be on: Friday, 28th August, (12:00 - 19:00) and Sat, 29th August, (9:00 - 16:00)

Entry Forms will be completed during the registration.

# The following is required from all pilots at registration:

- Valid Pilot Licence (if provided by NAC)
- Valid FAI Sporting Licence (will be checked on-line before the event)
- IPPI SAFE PARA level 4 A (or equivalent demonstration of competency)
- A valid insurance certificate, in English, covering public liability risk.
- A Personal accident/hospitalisation/repatriation to home country insurance.

FAI Licences validity will be checked prior to the competition.

## Each competitor will be requested to sign:

- The Waiver Declaration (agreement on release of liability).
- The Certified Glider/Equipment Statement.
- The Entry Form.

## Attention!

The Safety briefing will be in the Competition headquarters on Sun, 30th August, at 09:00 hours and attendance *is mandatory* for all competitors. Pilots who do not attend this

meeting will not be permitted to fly in the competition. Only pilots approved by Meet Director can have a Safety Briefing before the start the competition, in case of special circumstances.

#### **Important Note:**

Pilots are responsible for making sure that they have an on-line FAI Sporting Licence that is valid for the whole competition.

# 8. Insurance

The organizers will not be able to provide insurance. It is therefore essential that all pilots must organize their own insurance for the competition before their arrival.

The organisers require that documentary proof in English must be presented to the registration team before the start of the championship of:

- Valid insurance covering public liability risk to the value of minimum €30,000.
- Valid paragliding competitions personal accident insurance. This must include repatriation to the country of origin and medical treatment if required.

# 9. Equipment

All equipment must comply with FAI Sporting Code Section 7C-8.

The organizer reserves the right to check the equipment and, if it is not in the technical parameters, is modified to the constructive formula or used outside the weight limit, it may disqualify the pilot. Equipment will be checked during the registration process by specialized tehnical staff and supervised by Safety Director. Equipment can also be checked at any time during the competition.

Pilots must have a tow release system. If they do not own this system, the organizer will provide a certified tow release system for 30 euros.

In addition, pilots are required to fly with: contest number these will be provided by the event organizer and must be attached to the leg.

#### 9.1. Contest numbers

The pilot ID numbers supplied by the organiser must be visible and placed on leg of pilot, as specified at registration.

# 9.2. Radios

The organiser may require pilots to carry a radio able to receive and transmit on the safety frequency. The radio frequency is 144,950 MHz. Voice activated microphones (VOX operated) are strictly forbidden.

# 10. Safety committee

The Safety Committee will be elected at the first Pilots briefing and will include 3 competition pilots. (See Common Section 7-4).

The Safety Committee will include: Meet Director, Launch Marshal (or Deputy), senior member of Judging Team, and three experienced competing pilots of which one must be a local pilot.

# 11. Competition locations

#### 11.1. Hill take-offs:

#### Valare 2:

Take-off type: grass Altitude: 1155m ASL

Height difference to landing: 597m Take-off main direction: N-NE

Favorable winds to take-off: N, NE, NW, W, E Start coordinates: 45<sup>o</sup>42'1.83" N 23<sup>o</sup>58'37.23"E

#### Stanca Lupului:

Take-off type: grass Altitude: 1117m ASL

Height difference to landing: 559m

Take-off main direction: W-E

Favorable winds to take-off: W, SW, SE, E Start coordinates: 45<sup>o</sup>42'2.88" N 23<sup>o</sup>59'26.36"E

#### Poiana Marajdie:

Take-off type: grass Altitude: 880m ASL

Height difference to landing: 322m

Take-off main direction: N

Favorable winds to take-off: N, NE, NW

Start coordinates: 45<sup>0</sup>42'49.96" N 23<sup>0</sup>59'29.36"E

#### 11.2. Tow take-offs:

### Magura Cisnadie Aerodrome:

Take-off type: grass Altitude: 463m ASL Track length: 980m

Take-off main direction: N-S

Favorable winds to take-off: all directions

Start coordinates: 45<sup>0</sup>44'16.76" N 24<sup>0</sup>09'53.02"E

#### Sibiu Aerodrome:

Take-off type: grass Altitude: 448m ASL Track length: 1200mls Take-off main direction: N-S

Favorable winds to take-off: all directions Start coordinates: 45°46'53"N 24°5'13"E

Other appropriate sites may be used by the Meet Director.

#### 12. Take-off area

During the competition, the take-off area will be reserved for the pilots, the media and identified staff personal. The public in general will be kept outside the take-off area.

## 13. Launch

Method: Hill Launch & Tow Launch

For tow launch we will use G8 system

## 13.1 Hill Launch procedure:

- The pilot will prepare his equipment in the special designated area.
- The pilot will wait full equipped.
- The start marshal will announce the name of the pilot to come the starting point.
- The glider will be arranged in U shape by the start assistants.
- The start marshal will check helmet and radio.
- The pilot will wait in the starting position for the start marshals signal.
- When ready the pilot will takeoff.
- The pilot will fly on the indicated route to the landing spot.
- During the flight the pilot will avoid thermalling or soaring in order to maintain the timing of the landings.

## 13.2. Towing procedure:

# 13.2.1. Preparation

- The pilot will prepare his equipment in the special marked area.
- The pilot will wait fully I equipped.
- The start marshal will announce the name of the pilot to come the starting point.
- The glider will be arranged in U shape by the start assistants.
- The start marshal will overcheck the helmet and the radio.
- The towing car will stop 15 m in front of the pilot.
- The start assistant will bring the towing line from the car and asist the pilot during the connecting procedure.
- The start marshal will check the connection before launch.

## **13.2.2.** The towing

- When ready, the pilot will wave his hand and the start marshal will order the lunch.
- The car will start gaining speed.
- In 2 seconds will signal to the pilot to start (two short horn signals)
- The pilot will raise his glider as usual
- The tension in the line will be around 30 40 kg, just enough to help a little.
- When the glider is above the head in a stable position and aligned with the towing direction, the driver will increase the pressure.
- In 2 seconds, the tension will be around 60% from maximum.
- This pressure will maintain a moderate climb rate until a safety height of 20 m.
- After that, the pressure will increase to the maximum (80% of the takeoff weight)
- The glider will climb at trim speed (no brakes)
- The pilot should keep the glider aligned to the towing direction
- To maintain the alignment, short brake inputs are required.
- If the pilot is not able to correct the alignment, the driver will decrease the pressure until the problem is solved
- In order to avoid any interferences at the landing spot, the start marshal will control the moment of release after the towing.
- When the required altitude is reached the launch marshal will announce "Ready for release".
- In the next moment after this announcement the tow marshal will decrease the line pressure.
- Then the start marshal will inform the pilot "Release"
- After that, the pilot will action the release device.
- The decision to release belongs entirely to the pilot
- If there is no command from the start marshal, the pilot will wait for the towing car to stop.
- Just after the line pressure will decrease the pilot will release.
- The pilot will not release when the line is in full pressure!
- For releasing during the towing procedure with no reason, the pilot will have 200 for the round.
- Releasing during the towing part is permitted only in emergency situations when the start marshal will announce "Release" or there is a danger of collision with other aircrafts.
- After release, be sure the line is disconnected!
- Sometimes the line remains hooked!
- In that situation, just shake the release system little.
- If the line breaks during the towing release immediately!

#### 13.3. Relaunch

• in accordance with Section 7C 3.5

# 14. Number of rounds

Twelve (12), in accordance with Section 7C -5.

# 15. Wind speed

The maximum permitted wind speed at each target area, for the purposes of competition is 7m/s.

The Competition will use a wind recording and scoring system at the target, with visual and acoustic warnings of exceeding limits.

# 16. Scoring

According to Section 7C 5.3.1, 5.4.1 and 5.4.2.

#### 16.1. Individual score

According to Section 7C 5.4.3. and 5.4.5.

#### 16.2. Team score

According to Section 7C 5.4.4. and 5.4.5.

The team score for each round will be calculated as the aggregate score of the best three pilots in the team. If any team has fewer than three competitors, then for each round a maximum score will be awarded to the team for each of the scores for which there is no competitor.

## 16.3. Result publishing

As soon as is practical possible at the end of the round, the recorder will post the scores on the main notice board. These will be marked Provisional, with the posting time and date clearly visible. Any complaint against the Provisional scores must be lodged within 1 hours of the scores being posted. (Except for the last round, see 23 below.)

If provisional scores are posted more than 1 hours after sunset and before 6.00 am next day, then the deadline for a complaint is 8.30 AM the next day.

# 17. Landing According to S7C

Competitors will be scored according to the distance in centimetres between the first point of ground contact and the edge of the dead centre (2 cm) disc to a maximum score of 200 cm.

The measuring field will have clearly marked circles set at 1 m, 2 m and 10 m.

The landing area will be of non-slippery material.

The pilots constituting a team (7 pilots) are chosen at the latest before the first competition round. Once chosen, pilots cannot be replaced for any reason.

## 18. Video evidence

Organiser will provide video recording on the landing. In the case where amateur video evidence is available when an official complaint is made, the Chief Judge reserves the right to choose whether and when to view that video evidence. The decision will be made on a case to case basis. Further information on the policy on video evidence will be provided at the first pilot briefing.

A lack of video evidence is not a valid reason to award a re-launch.

# 19. Free flyers

Free flyers won't be allowed to take-off, except with the permission of the Meet Director. Official pre-fliers will take-off as requested by the Meet Director or Safety Director.

# 20. Penalties

In accordance with Section 7C -6

# 21. Task Information

A task board at the take-off will show:

- the results.
- the meteorological information,
- information related to competition and/or social events.

# 22. Complaints and Protests

Complaints and protests Refer to General Section, Common Section 7 and Section 7C.

Decision to complain shall be taken by a Pilot individually immediately after landing and before discussing a problem with others.

Initial complaints will be dealt with by the Chief Judge.

If the complainant is not satisfied with the outcome, the team leader may make a protest in writing to the Meet Director or his deputy. The time limit for protests is 2 hours (1 hour after last round) after notification of the result of the complaint.

The Protest fee is 50€ and will be returned if the protest is upheld.

The Official Protest forms and printed copies of S7c will be available at the Recorder table, and with the Launch Marshal and Chief Judge.

# 23. Emergency procedures

A specialized first aid team, and ambulance will be present at take-off and landing.

The nearest hospital is Municipal Hospital (Sibiu), which is approximate 20 minute drive from the landings points. The Hospital has full medical equipment and caters for serious medical cases.

## RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF LEGAL RIGHTS

Please read carefully. This is a release of liability, waiver of legal rights:

- 1. I am a participant in the 7th European Paragliding Accuracy Landing2020 Pre European Championship held at Sibiu, Romania from 29th of August to 5tSeptember 2020(collectively, the "Competition"). I acknowledge that participating in the Competition or any other activity related thereto (collectively, the "Events") involves INHERENT DANGERS, may be HAZARDOUS and involves RISK OF PHYSICAL INJURIES OR DEATH. I expressly assume all risks associated with participating in the Events, including, without limitation to direct participation in the Competition or in training sessions, accessing restricted areas, sharing area facilities with people not directly involved in the Events and travelling in and between the Events' venues. Despite all the risks, I voluntarily choose to take part in the Events. (Signature:......)
- 2. In consideration of receiving permission to take part in the Events, I agree to release and hold harmless the contest organisers, the Romanian Aeronautical Federation, the property owners of the operation areas (including launch and landing areas), the Federation Aéronautique Internationale and its Commission Internationale de Vol Libre, their respective affiliates, agents, officers, directors, owners, commission or jury members, contractors, volunteers, employees and insurers (collectively, the "Released Parties") from any and all claims I might make as a result of physical injury, including death, or property damage sustained in connection with the Events. I promise not to sue the Released Parties and agree that if anyone is physically injured or property is damaged while I am engaged in the Events, I will have no right to make a claim or file a lawsuit against the Released Parties. The provisions of this paragraph 2 shall not apply to misconduct determined to have been undertaken intentionally or recklessly. (Signature:......)
- 3. This Release of Liability, Waiver of Legal Rights supersedes any other agreements or representations by or between the parties and is governed by the laws of Romania. I intend this document to be interpreted as broadly as possible. I agree that exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any legal action shall be in romanian courts and such courts have personal jurisdiction. (Signature:.....)
- 4. If any part of this agreement is determined to be unenforceable under the applicable law, all other parts shall still be given full force and effect and the agreement shall be completed in respect of the aspects covered by the part which is declared unenforceable as to give effect to the intent herein expressed to the fullest extent permissible by law. (Signature:.....)

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS DOCUMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I A AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF LEGAL RIGHTSAND I SIGN IT MY OWN FREE WILL.	
Signed on this date:	
Signature of Participant Printed name of Participant	

Local regulations for PGAEC, 28<sup>th</sup> August - 5<sup>th</sup> September 2020, Sibiu, Romania

	Address of Participant _	
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