***Introduction***

*This document is part of the documentation required to ask for a FAI/CIA Sanction for an official event.*

*It helps the Organizer with the event planning, provide detail information to CIA Delegates to approve the event at the CIA Plenary, provide information to competitors and officials so they would be interested in attending the event, etc. so it is important that all information is completed.*

*Before starting to fill in the Sanction Application Form, you may wish to read the following documents to clarify any issues:*

* *FAI First Category Event Sanction Procedures or CIA Sporting Event Sanction Procedures*
* *FAI Sporting Code - Section 1*
* *FAI Sporting Code - General Section*
* *Protocol for FAI and CIA Sanctioned Events*
* *CIA Competition Operation Handbook*

*The NAC Letter of Approval needs to be sent together with this application and no later than the Plenary where the Sanction will be granted.*

*Please, take into consideration that not all information is needed for all types of events. So when the information doesn’t concern your event, please write « not apply » in the respective field.*

*Please use the DDMMYYYY format for all dates in the form.*

*When the Sanction Application Form is completed, please send it to the FAI/CIA Event Development Service –EDS to start the Sanction Process.*

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| **Section 1 - Main Information***All the information in this section is mandatory and need to be updated before the CIA Plenary where the event will be asking for a FAI/CIA sanction. No changes are allowed after the sanction is granted.* |
| Date of initial submission: 25/03/2014 | Date of last modification: 05/08/2014 | Date of final version: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_ |
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| Event Title & Sub-Title | **59e Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett 2015 – FAI World Championship** |
| Event Location *(country, region, city)* | Pau - France |
| Event Dates *(dd.mm to dd.mm.yyyy)* | August 27th 2015 – September 4th 2015 |
| FAI / CIA Sub-class | [ ]  AX – Hot Air Balloons [ ]  BX – Hot Air Airship | [x]  AA – Gas Balloons [ ]  AA – WLD - Gordon Bennett | [ ]  BA – Gas Airships[ ]  AM – Rozier Balloons |
| FAI Type of Event | [x]  FAI World Championship[ ]  FAI Continental/Regional Championship[ ]  CIA Category One International Event | [ ]  CIA Sporting Event[x]  Other: Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett |
| FAI / CIA Category | [x]  General | [ ]  Women | [ ]  Junior |
| Registration Starts *(date & time)* | August , 27th 2015 PM | General Briefing *(date & time)* | August, 27th 2015 at 17:00 |
| 1st Competition Flight *(date & time)* | August , 28th 2015 PM | Last Competition Flight *(date & time)* | August, 31st 2015 AM |
| Extra Flight if needed *(date & time)* |  | Resting Period *(if some, date & time)* |  |
| Opening Ceremony *(date & time)* | August, 27th 2015 at 19:00 | Closing Ceremony *(date & time)* | September, 4th PM |
| Invitation Process Starts *(date)* | December 2014 | Entry Closing Date *(1st round)* | 31/03/2015 |
| Organising National Airsport Control – NAC | AEROCLUB DE FRANCE |
| Organising NAC’s CIA Delegate *(name, email, phone)* | Martine Besnainou martine.besnainou@wanadoo.fr Phone: +33 6 09 72 03 33 |
| Organising Body*(Entity / Club / Company)* | Pyrénées Aérostats9 rue Forster  64140 Billère and the Federation Francaise d’aerostation6, rue Galilée 75116 Paris - France |
| Main Contact / General Manager *(name, email, phone)* | Martine Besnainou - e-mail : martine.besnainou@wanadoo.fr Phone: +33 6 09 72 03 33 |
| Official Mailing Address *(postal address, email, fax, phones)* | Federation Francaise d’Aerostation6, rue Galilee – 75116 Paris – France - ffa@ffaerostation.org |
| Organiser’s previous event organisation experience*(list of main events and all FAI events with year, place, number of competitors, number of flights and tasks flown)* | 58th Gordon Bennett 2014 Vichy 57th Gordon Bennett 2013 : Nancy 55th Gordon Bennett 2011 : Gap Tallard : Sept 20119th FAI World Hot Air Airship Championship : Dole July, 201016th FAI European Hot Air Balloon Championship 2009 : Brissac Aug 200948th Gordon Bennett 2004 : Thionville47th Gordon Bennett 2003 : Arc et Senans46th Gordon Bennett 2002 : Chatellerault15th World Hot Air Balloon Championship : 2002 (Châtellerault)2nd European Hot Air Balloon Championship : 1980 (Arc et Senans)8th European Hot Air Balloon Championship : 1992 (Belfort)European Hot Air Airship (BX) Championship : 1989 (Besançon)World Hot Air Airship (BX) Championship : 1994 (Besançon)Etc… |
| Event with Observers*(The Organizer is invited to present two proposals for the Event to be held with or without Observers)* | [ ]  Yes [x]  No [ ]  Up to the Plenary to decide |
| GPS Loggers | Type of GPS Logger to be used : No loggers but Trackers (way.aero – Ebert & Voigt GbR)Details:  |
| Event Director*(name, country, email, attach CV)* | Stefan HANDL - GER |
| Deputy Director*(name, country, email, attach CV)* | Martine Besnainou, France |
| Safety Officer*(name, country, email, attach CV)* | Sabrina Handl, Germany |
| PR Officer / Media Officer*(name, email)* | **Patricia Lamy – Arc en Ciel.com**  |
| Main Common Launch Area *(CLP coordinates & description)* | Pau - Hippodrome |
| Entry Fee for Competitors*(amount, currency and what is included)* | 750 - Euros for 4 people including : accommodation for 4 nights, 4 meals, opening and closing ceremony, hydrogen, pilot pack  |
| Maximum number of entrants | 25 |
| Number of eligible NACs | FAI Countries Members | Equal number of competitors / NAC | 3 |
| Dates for Invitation process*(dd.mm.yyyy)* | Letter to NACs will be sent on  | 31/12/2014 |
| Deadline for NACs to send nominations | 15/02/2015 |
| Individual Invitation to Competitors will be sent on  | 15/02/2015 |
| 1st round deadline for Competitors application and entry fee | 31/03/2015 |
| 2nd round deadline for Competitors application and entry fee | 31/05/2015 |
| Reserve List and/or Standby List will be used? |  |
| Remarks:  |
| Additional Invitations Procedure | ----- |
| Eligibility Conditions | Members of FAI |
| Registration Method and Details*(mail, fax, email, online)* | On line |
| Official Language | English  | Protest Fee *(amount, currency)* | 100 EUR |
| Proposed Jury members*(at least 6 names for the Plenary at the year of the event)* | 1. Claude Weber2. Sabu Ichiyoshi | 3. Garry Lockyer4. David Levin | 5. Hans Akerstedt6. Jean- Claude Weber |

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| **Section 2 - Additional Information***The information in this section is important for the evaluation of the event in the Sanction Process. Additionally it provides competitors information on how they can plan their participation. Therefore, please fill in all information as complete as possible.* *Changes are allowed after the Sanction is granted only in order to improve the event.* |
| Official Event Website | http://www.gordonbennett2015.org |
| Event President *(name, email)* | Benoit Pelard benoit.pelard@gmail.com |
| FAI Authority shown on | [x]  Rules [x]  Logo [x]  Program [x]  Official documents [ ]  Other:  |
| Courtesy Invitations sent | FAI President: [x]  Yes [ ]  No Date: March 2015CIA President: [ ]  Yes [ ]  No Date: March 2015Remarks:  |
| Event Prizes Offered and Details | TBA |
| Opening Ceremony *(Location & Coordinates)* | Hippodrome 462 Boulevard du Cami Salié 64000 Pau Coord. 43.334604, -0.373895 |
| Closing Ceremony / Prize-giving *(Location & Coordinates)* | Palais Beaumont Pau - France Coord: 43.294625, -0.361957 |
| CIA and FAI Protocol will be followed? | [x]  Yes [ ]  No Remarks:  | The organisers will respect the FAI Environmental Code of Ethics? | [x]  Yes [ ]  No Remarks: |
| Entry Fee Method of Payment and Details | [x]  Money order [ ]  Cheque [ ]  Cash [x]  Credit card [ ]  Other: Details:  |
| Country Admission Conditions*(Visa’s required, etc.)* |  |
| Preferred Place of Entry &Closest Major Cities*(Special custom clearance & directions and distances to main cities)* | Served by the airports of Pau (8kms), Tarbes (43 km), Bordeaux (207 kms) and Toulouse (197 kms).  |
| Local language  | French |
| Location Description & Characteristics | General Description  |  |
| Geographic Position*(coordinates of competition map center)* | City of PauHippodrome de Pau, located outside the city at an altitude of 200m QNH.  |
| Topography*(mountains, sea, lakes, rivers* | .North of the Pyrenees Mountains |
| Landing Areas*(open fields, wooded area, farming, crops, cattle)* |  |
| Main villages around the flying area |  |
| Other Description |  |
| Additional Common Launch Areas *(coordinates & description)* |  |
| Landowner Restrictions |  |
| Meteorological characteristics*(as expected for the period of the event)* | Prevailing winds (speed / directions):      Statistics winds direction : Mostly from West. Speed 5kts (Windfinder.com)Temperatures: 20°C (Windfinder.comSunrise & Sunset time for the first competition day: 07:30 – 20:30            |
| Airspace Structure & Limitations | NOTAM Description NOTAM (like 2014: Notam: LFFA-B4130/14 A) LFLV VICHY CHARMEILB) 2014 Aug 29 18:00 C) 2014 Sep 06 23:59E) 58EME COUPE GORDON BENNETT 2014 :ENVOL DE 17 BALLONS A GAZ LIBRES DEPUIS L'HIPPODROME DE VICHYPSN 4600700N 0032400E POUR UNE COURSE LONGUE DISTANCECES BALLONS VONT TRANSITER DANS L'ESPACE AERIEN FRANCAIS DE JOUR COMME DE NUIT.BALLONS EQUIPES DE FEUX REGLEMENTAIRES POUR VOL DE NUIT |  |
| Flight Limitations Europe (open Countries TBA 60 days prior to the event – acc. Rules) |  |
| Number of PZs expected & Descriptions |  |
| Competition Area Altitude Limitations |  |
| Competition Area Dimensions*(based on CLP, in km – north/south & east/west*) |  |
| Competition Map Details | DATUM | Europeans Open Countries |
| Scale |  |
| Grid lines |  |
| Paper Size |  |
| Electronic Version Available | [ ]  No [ ]  Yes – expected on date:  |
| Electronic Version File Format | [ ]  JPEG [ ]  PNG [ ]  Other:  |
| Remarks |  |
| Driving Particularities*(Right hand, left hand, speed limitations, International Driver’s License required, etc.)* | Right hand drivingCities: 50km/hAll roads: 90km/hDuals carriage ways: 110 km/hHighways: 130km/hSpeed excess is penalized by money and police may take your license away if excess>50km/h.Alcoholic limit=0,5g/l of blood.Railway: Dense network. Excellent infrastructure |
| Road Network and Infrastructure |  |
| Venue Description, Coordinates & Characteristics | Competition Center*(coordinates & description)* | Hippodrome |
| Briefing Facilities*(coodinates & description – tent, hall, etc.)* | Hippodrome VIP tribune |
| Media centre *(description)* | Hippodrome Tribune |
| Internet connection | Yes |
| Social activities | Yes |
| Other information |  |
| Stewards*(name, country, email, attach CV)* | TBA |
| Chief Scorer*(name, country, email, attach CV)* | Stefan HANDL |
| Chief Debriefer*(name, country, email, attach CV)* | ----- |
| Chief Observer*(name, country, email, attach CV)* | ----- |
| Technical Support Officer*(name, country, email, attach CV)* | ----- |
| Scoring Program*(name, developer, email, brief description, last FAI events using the program, link for downloading)* | GREAT CIRCLE CALCULATION |
| Special Arrangements and Assistance for Competitors*(Details on balloon equipment rental services, additional crew available, rent-a-car assistance, accomodation, meals, travel allowance, etc.)* | On request |
| Equipment Limitations |  |
| Special Safety Requirements |  |
| Insurance Requirements for Competitors and Details | [x]  Third party: [ ]  Passenger:  | [x]  CSL: [x]  Other:  |
| Insurance Provided& Covered by Organisers | Third Party: | Yes |
| Air Display Public Liability: | Yes |
| Organisers & Officials On-ground Risks: | FFA annual Insurance S.M.V. Assurances BP 8120344012 NANTES CEDEX 1 |
| Observer On-board: |  |
| Other: |  |
| Travel & accommodation arrangements for officials | Travel Arrangements:  |  |
| Travel Allowance *(amount and currency)*: | Yes – real cost |
| Vehicles Provided:  | For Jury members |
| Type of Accommodation: | Hotel  |
| Meals Provided: | Yes : meals + Opening ceremony and Gala Dinner |
| Other Information / Remarks: | gift pack |
| Travel & accommodation arrangements for observers | Travel Arrangements: | ---- |
| Travel Allowance *(amount and currency)*: | ---- |
| Vehicles Provided: | ---- |
| Type of Accommodation: | ---- |
| Meals Provided: | ---- |
| Other Information / Remarks: | ---- |

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| **For EDS use only***This section if for EDS use only and the Organizer will get an update* ***when*** *change****s******are*** *made.* |
| Document submitted to JC Weber |  | Date 05/08/2014 |  |
| Status / Report on new versions | Ongoing document complete information OK |
| CIA Technical Delegate *(name, email)* | TBA |
| NAC Letter of Approval Status | Received  |
| Organizer Agreement Status | Ongoing |
| Event Logo Status |  |
| Sanction Fee (CHF) | 1.250 | Performance Bond Fee (CHF)  | 7.000 |
| Sanction Fee Status  | To be paid after sanction |
| Performance Bond Status | Retained from 2014 GB |
| Event Rules Status | At plenary 2015 |
| Jury approved by Plenary*(names, emails)* | Jury President: Jury Member:Jury Member: |
| CIA Sanction Status | Approved: X Yes [ ]  No Date:  |
| FAI Sanction “Kit” Status | FAI & CIA Flags: Medals:Diplomas:Remarks: |
| Opening and Closing Ceremonies Agenda Reviewed |  |