

Amendment from the Netherlands NAC (KNVvL) to the proposal of the bureau regarding the pilot selection Process.

Introduction

The proposal by the Bureau makes the selection procedure more simple and much clearer than the current text in the Annex A. Step by step is explained how the procedure of allocation of entries is. Every country can enter one pilot, so per country one pilot is sure of his entrance. It encourages countries to enter at least one pilot.

When too many pilots have entered, the proposal suggests the selection of the 2nd or 3rd entered pilots shall be based on the IGC pilot ranking list. It is the obvious choice. But is it the best?

By using the country ranking list instead of the individual, NAC's have the freedom of choice in selecting their own pilots. The NAC should have the ability to select the pilots with the best possibilities for winning. It should not be the FAI IGC individual ranking list that decides which pilots are invited. These are not by definition the best pilots for this specific competition.

When using the IGC country list the selection procedure is more easy, clearer and fair. NAC's don't need to use 'tricks' like entering low ranked pilots as primary choice thereby using their best ranked pilots in the selection procedure. It enables NAC's to enter teams with young, promising pilots which might not be possible using the individual list because they're not high enough on the ranking list yet. NAC's can fully use their own selection criteria and procedures, not being forced to enter pilots just because they are high on the individual list. Many countries use their own, sophisticated selection procedures for selecting the best pilots in which the individual IGC ranking of the pilots is of no importance at all.

Furthermore, the proposal in practice is a complex system to allocate pilots, every change of an entry means control of the ranking of other pilots again, a never ending story. The final result will be almost the same when using the Country Ranking List.

Therefore the Netherlands NAC proposes the wordings being :

1. Unchanged
2. Unchanged
3. As usual every NAC may enter 2 pilots per class (3 in Juniors'and Women's Championships) but only one entry per class is guaranteed, the 2nd (and 3rd if applicable) entry **being subjected to the ranking of the countries.** World Champions having a right to entry, are accepted in addition to the NAC nominated entries.
4. Unchanged
5. At the closing date for Class Changeover, oversubscribed classes are reduced to the maximum class number by removing **the pilots of the lowest ranked countries which have entered a 2nd pilot (or 3rd pilot) in accordance with the IGC Country Ranking List effective 6 months before the Opening of the Competition**

