Control procedures

Proposal

To remove the distinction between primary and backup Flight Recorders.

Year 1 Discussion

At present, the flight log from the primary FR must be submitted. This procedure is not followed in current practice (if the pilot notices that the primary FR failed, then it is normal for him to submit a log from the backup FR, without being asked). Also, there are reasons, not limited to failures, that a competitor will want to re-designate his or her “primary” and “backup” FRs, causing unnecessary work for the Organisers. Pilots should be allowed to submit a log from any pre-registered FR, without regard for “primary” vs. “backup.”

Year 2 Implementation

Proposed change to Annex A:

5.4b. A Flight Log from each Flight Recorder to be used in the competition must be submitted to the Organisers after the beginning of the practice period and before 20:00 on the day before it is to be used (See note). If two or more Flight Recorders are to be used, then one must be designated to the Organisers as primary and another as back-up. See 5.4c for additional requirements for motorgliders.

5.4h. The Organisers will accept a Flight Log from the backup FR in the event that the primary FR fails to provide satisfactory evidence of correctly fulfilling the task as claimed by the pilot. Additionally, the Championship Director may require submission of Flight Logs from all FRs carried, regardless of equipment failures.

5.4i. The Organisers shall be informed of any change of equipment including the designation of the primary FR changes to the set of Flight Recorders carried. Non-compliance may be penalized.