

# INTERNATIONAL GLIDING COMMISSION (IGC) - PROPOSAL FORM

Submit the proposal via email to IGC Secretary.

Date: 15/01/19


Proposal submitted by: Australia (NAC)

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7.4.2 b. That organisers may require the use of the pilot event marker for a valid start. Pushing the event marker activates a start window that commences and finishes at set times after it is pushed. There must be a set time delay between successive pushes of the event marker and active start windows.

- If a pilots starts the task within the 30 seconds before or after the 'start window' active period then the time of the recorded start will be used but a small penalty will apply.
- A start outside of the active start window will be permitted but will incur a larger penalty.
- If a pilot submits a secondary/reserve FR then the primary recorder must also be supplied to show that the active start window was the same on each FR (within 30 seconds)

Type the reasons in the space below:

*Gaggles are a major issue pre-start as pilots wait to follow others through the start and gain critical points advantage. The scoring system rewards pilots who wait and follow and punishes pilots who lead out. The event marker means that a pilot can decide to start at a particular time, push the event marker and then start during the allowable start window [say 5-10 minutes later]. If another pilot watches the first pilot start, they have to push their own event marker and are forced to wait before they can chase after them. This effectively stops following. If the pilot decides not to start at the planned time they are allowed to push the event marker again after the set time after the previous pushing of the event marker. This does require pilots to manage their start so as to avoid making an invalid start.*

*If a pilot does not manage this process correctly they will still get a valid start but with a significant penalty.*

*Pilots may consider using their two flight recorders and pushing the event markers at different times to enable them to start at any time. Pilots will be required to use their primary Flight Recorder and if they use a Secondary FR they must also submit the Primary to demonstrate that the event markers were pushed at the same time.*

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

The proposal should be applicable from: June 2020

Sporting Code Volume: Section 3 – Gliding

Version: 2018 Edition valid from 1 October 2018

Class: CLASS D (gliders) including Class DM (motorgliders)

Heading of section: 7.4 Starting

Number & heading of the paragraph: 7.4.2 b

**Approved Amendment (if applicable):**

**Final Wording of Proposal:**

Overall Votes Cast:  For:  Against:  Abstain:

**ADOPTED:** Yes:  No:

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