Proposals from the IGC Sporting Code Committee

Proposal 1

To institute Records for the 13.5 M Class.

Now that the 13.5m class has been created, the opportunity has arisen to institute a record category for this class. The definition of the class is already in the Sporting Code, 6.5.6

- a. WINGS The span must not exceed 13,500 mm.
- b. BALLAST Disposable ballast is permitted.
- c. WING LOADING Wing loading shall not exceed 35 kg/m2.

No change is envisioned to the definition.

Minimum performance for records may be set by IGC for initial claims. The creation of the 13.5m class has subsumed the existing World Class for competition, so it is logical that the current World Class records at 30th September 2015 be the minimums for the new record class. (*but see Proposal 2 below*)

It is noted that 13.5m World Championships will start in 2015, if approved at this IGC meeting, creation of the record class will be able to commence on 1st October 2015, subject to approval of a year 2 proposal in March 2015.

Proposal 2

a). Create a sub class within the 13.5m record Class.

The World Class is a one design class created by IGC with the only type of glider in the class being the PW5. While the creation of the 13.5 class has subsumed the World Class for International Competitions, there has been no move to remove the World Class records. This proposal would create a sub class within the 13.5m record class applying only to present World Class gliders and accepting the current World Class records (as at 30th September 2015) as the starting minimums for the sub class.

The suggestion for a sub-class within the 13.5m class records recognises that the IGC World Class which was created by the IGC should have a longer life than a sudden removal from the record lists but extended for a few more years. Many available Continental Records in this class have yet to be claimed.

b) It would not be reasonable to have this as a totally open-ended record class, as it would appear that no more PW5s will be manufactured, it is suggested that this sub class should remain "live" until 30th September 2020.

These proposals will require changes to SC3 Para 3.1