

PROPOSAL TO IGC PLENARY 2018

Year 1

Proposed by IGC Sporting Code committee

Eliminate straight distance performance

It is proposed:

That the straight distance performance type be eliminated.

This proposal affects:

- 1.4.2d
- Table of Badge and Record Requirements

Discussion:

The straight distance performance is a declared distance flight from a start line or release to a finish fix selected post flight.

Once the option of allowing a finish fix selected post flight was introduced, replacing the need to land out, this task type was almost equated with the free straight distance task. The only difference remains that the free straight distance is the expression of the greatest span of fixes possible in a flight, whereas the straight distance task starts from release.

Given that the Goal performance covers the need for a declared one-leg distance and the free straight distance covers the need for an undeclared flight of this nature, it would make sense to eliminate this category of task, as the primary consideration for having to land somewhere else does not apply any more.

Regarding World Records, the last one to be awarded for this type of performance was in 1993 and this category has since been eliminated.