

Proposals for change of FS Competition Rules 2019

Majority for Absolute with a 5 person Judging panel (indoor)

Indoor rule to be changed regarding majority for an absolute for a 5-person judging panel in accordance with interim bureau decision 18

5.3.1. If, after the viewings are completed, and within fifteen seconds of the knowledge of the result, the Chief Judge, Event Judge or any Judge on the panel considers that an absolutely incorrect assessment has occurred, the Chief Judge or Event Judge will direct that only that part(s) of the performance in question be reviewed at reduced speed in accordance with 5.3. If the review results in a unanimous decision **in the case of a 3-person panel, or minimum four to one decision in the case of a 5-person panel** ~~by the Judges~~ on the part(s) of the performance in question, the score for the performance will be adjusted accordingly. Only one review is permitted for each performance.

VFS scheduling (outdoor)

3.1.5 Where possible the Meet Director will attempt to schedule VFS rounds at times when the sun is not within 20 degrees of the zenith to allow the team videographer to clearly video their team.

Definition of Zenith to be added:

2.20 Zenith: Point of the celestial sphere located vertically above the head of an observer.

Remove Junior VFS from schedule of events (indoor).

6.2.1. To determine World/Continental Champions or World Cup Winners of Indoor Formation Skydiving and Indoor Vertical Formation Skydiving in the:

- 4-Way FS Event,
- 4-Way FS Female Event
- 4-Way VFS Event
- 4-Way FS Junior Event
- ~~4-Way VFS Junior Event~~

Addition of details regarding aircraft to be used for competition in FCEAD:

7 Aircraft / Wind Tunnel details

Aircraft type(s) and number

Any operational characteristics of the specific aircraft that would be of interest to the competitors.

Exit speed

Door dimensions including any wind deflectors and handle locations.

Photographs showing door and handles recommended

Define the same penalty for indoor as for outdoor if unable to determine start of working time.

5.6. Start of Working Time

The chronometer will be operated by the Judges or by a person(s) appointed by the Chief Judge, and will be started as determined in 2.15. **If Judges cannot determine the start of the working time, a penalty equal to 20% (rounded down) of the score for that jump will be deducted from the score for that jump.**

Clarification of wording for which events junior competitors may enter.

6.3.6 Junior competitors over the age of 15 or whose 15th birthday occurs during the calendar year in which the competition takes place may, if they choose, enter an open **and/or junior** category event.

Provision of training time for teams (indoor):

Addition of rule to allow for fair provision of training time for teams attending indoor competitions

4.8.3 Each team, whose official registration reaches the Organiser before its deadline, will be given the option of 15min of training time between 8:00 and 24:00 within 48 hours of the official training start. The team must book this time with the Organiser before the official registration deadline.

After the deadline the Organiser may offer the remaining time to anyone.

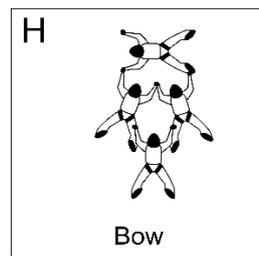
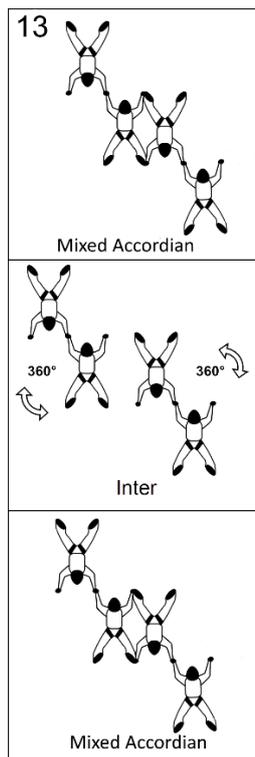
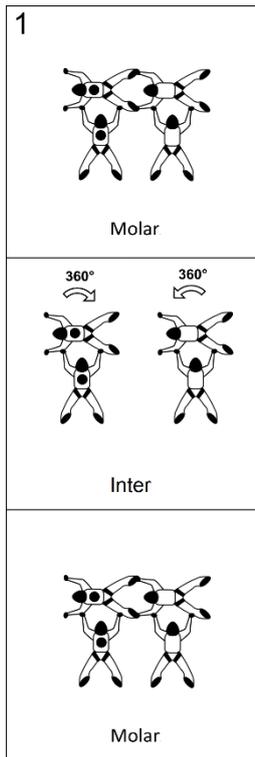
Pool changes FS:

FS 4 way pool blocks 1 and 13 to be changed as approved by last year's plenary.

Block 1 will have identifiers added to ensure there is no misinterpretation of which direction the pieces should turn. Diagram H "Bow" modified for clarification

Blocks 1 and 13 to be added to the pool to be used in a 14ft tunnel for both open and junior

Changes to some pool diagrams to accurately reflect how these formations are built and not cause unintended busts due to strict interpretation of grips in the diagrams.

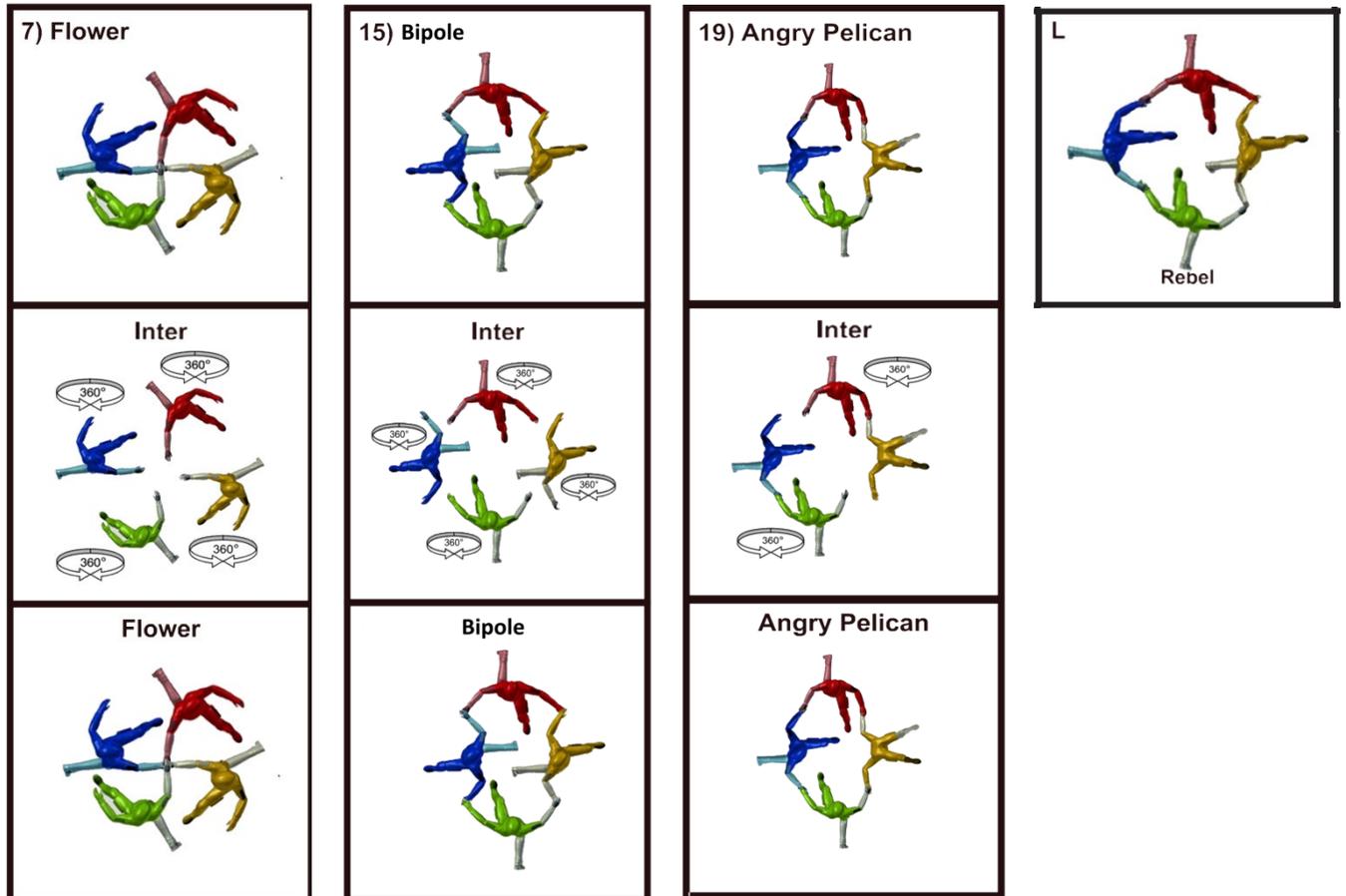


Pool changes VFS – Modified diagrams:

VFS diagrams L “Rebel” and 7 “Flower” modified for clarification.

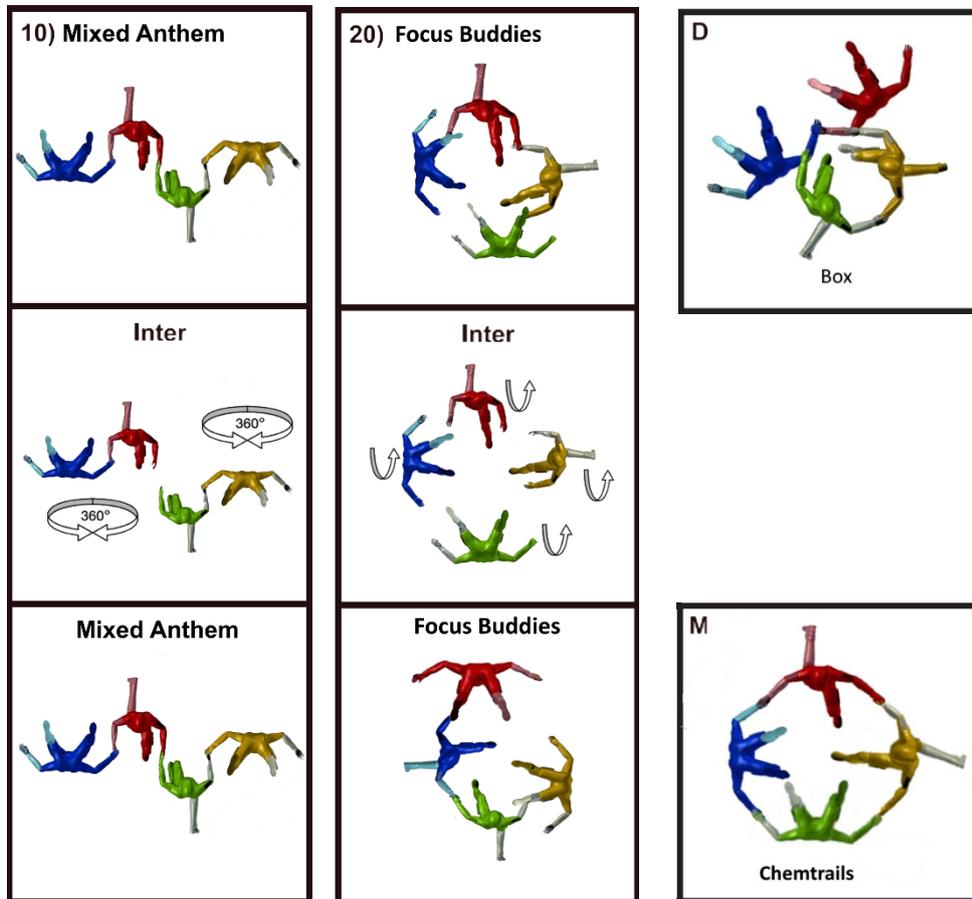
Block 15 to only have a 360 degree turn instead of 540 degrees – renamed to Bipole-Bipole

Block 19 to allow sit flyer piece turn to be omni directional



Pool changes VFS – New diagrams:

New Block 10 “Mixed Anthem” – similar to old block 10 but with both sit flyers on the outside.
New Block 20 “Focus Buddies” New randoms D and M.



Note that VFS pool changes would only come into effect on 1 May 2019, after the indoor competition in Lille in April 2019.

1. Proposed change to large formation sequential record rules:

3.3.5 Large Formation Sequential Records

3.3.5.1 Formation Skydiving

The record performance for the large formation sequential record is the number of persons (not less than 25% (rounded up) of the size of the largest formation record (World or Continental Regional, General or Female, as appropriate) at the time the sequential record is performed. ~~VFS is also subject to a minimum number of 24~~) to complete a sequence of two or more formations, giving a separate record performance for each number of formations completed.

One written plan describing the formations and the transitions to be attempted and the personnel involved must be submitted in advance to the judges. The formations and the transitions must be completed as described with all named personnel in the formations.

All persons in the completed formations must be connected by at least one grip either taken by the person or taken on the person.

A grip is a handhold on an arm or leg (both as defined in the relevant Competition Rules) of another person.

3.3.5.1.1 Formation Skydiving - Large formation Sequential Record

In the transition from one formation to the next, at least 35% of the persons in the first formation must either release all of their grips and all grips on them must also be released or be a member of a released sub-group, consisting of no more than four persons.

None of the released grips included in this 35% may be retaken in the next formation.

Each subgroup must be clearly presented and remain intact as a subgroup from the grip release until the correct completion of the next formation. Simultaneous separation during the transition is not required but total separation must be shown at some point in time during the transition as shown in the written plan

3.3.5.1.2 Formation Skydiving - Full Break Large Formation Sequential Record

In the transition from one formation to the next, all persons in the completed formation must release all their grips.

None of the depicted grips from any previous formation may be retaken in any subsequent formation in the sequence for up to three formations.

After the team has completed three different formations, the team may elect to return to the first formation and continue the sequence (allowing the first set of grips to be retaken), or continue the sequence of formations with a new, different formation.

Simultaneous separation during the transition is not required.

3.3.5.2 Vertical Formation Skydiving - Large Formation Sequential Record

- The record performance for the large formation vertical sequential record is the number of persons (not less than 20% (rounded up) of the size of the largest formation record (World or Continental Regional, General or Female, as appropriate) at the time the sequential record is performed.) to complete a sequence of two or more formations, giving a separate record performance for each number of formations completed.
- One written plan describing the formations and the transitions to be attempted and the personnel involved must be submitted in advance to the judges. The formations and the transitions must be completed as described with all named personnel in the formations. Only a single written plan may be submitted for each attempt-
- All persons in the first formation must be connected by at least one grip either taken by the person or taken on the person. All persons in formations following the initial formation must

be connected by at least one grip either taken by the person or taken on the person in groups of no less than 25% of the initial formation or 8 people (whichever is larger).

- A grip is a handhold on an arm or a leg (as defined in the relevant Competition Rules) of another person. If a grip is taken on a particular arm or leg, then moving that grip to another arm or leg attached to that particular arm or leg will not be considered a new grip for the purpose of determining the number of changed grips between formations.
- In the transition from one formation to the next, at least 25% of the persons in the subsequent formation must build a new grip that differs from the previous formation.
- No repeated formations will be allowed.

Items considered with no change recommended

Proposal to make FS rounds 5 and 9 all random rounds.

Recommended to leave the draw as it is.

Possible changes to wording regarding FS entry to the tunnel

No changes recommended at this stage. But it is the view of the FS committee that once working time has started and the correct grips are shown in the tunnel, then the point should be awarded.