AGENDA ITEM 15.1

RULES & JUDGING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Michael R. Heuer, Chairman (RSC)

Committee Meetings held in Sherman, Texas, USA
9 October 2013

In attendance:

Rules Sub-Committee (RSC):

Michael Heuer, Chairman (USA); Alan Cassidy (GBR), Matthieu Roulet (FRA), Debby Rihn-Harvey (USA), Anatoly Belov (RUS)

Apologies for absence: Jürgen Leukefeld (GER)

Judging Sub-Committee (JSC):

John Gaillard, Chairman (RSA); Nick Buckenham (GBR), Brian Howard (USA), Matti Mecklin (FIN)

Apologies for absence: Philippe Kuecher (SUI), Mikhail Mamistov (RUS)

The two Sub-Committees met in Sherman, Texas, USA just prior to the opening of the World Aerobatic Championships.

After the deadline of 1 July 2013 for the submission of rules proposals, the meeting package was assembled by Rules Chairman Mike Heuer and posted on the CIVA website on 9 July 2013. It was also sent directly to the RSC, JSC, CSC, and GASC members.

In this report, I have summarized the actions taken by Sub-Committees on those proposals. “Urgent” proposals which were submitted by 1 October 2013 (from EAAC and WGAC/WAGAC) or 1 November (from WAC) and classified by EPs and SPs are presented in a separate Agenda report (see Agenda 15.5). Catalogue and Glider Aerobatics Sub-Committee reports are also separate documents in the Agenda Packages.

Those proposals submitted by Delegates which did not survive Sub-Committee are not included in this report, for the sake of brevity.
**NP #2014-1:**

Source: CZE #3  
Document: None  
Subject: Quality of Championships Bidding Documents and Presentations


*This proposal was beyond the scope of the rules and is referred to plenary for discussion.*

**NP #2014-2:**

Source: CZE #4  
Document: None  
Subject: Evaluation of Supporting Tools for Aerobatic Championships


*This proposal was beyond the scope of the rules and is referred to plenary for discussion.*

**NP #2014-3:**

Source: FRA #1, GBR #1, USA #2  
Document: Section 6, Part 1  
Subject: Judging of Horizontal Flight between Figures

**Proposed changes:**

5.3.1.2. *At the initiation or completion of every* figure, *each deviation from the correct direction of flight path, a wings level, horizontal flight path and from a heading parallel to the relevant box axis, in accordance with paragraph 6.6.1.1,* will attract a reduction at the rate of one half point per 2.5 degrees, 1 point per 5 degrees of deviation.
NP #2013-4:
Source: FRA #2, RSA #5
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: Direction of Flight / Clarification of Wording

Proposal

Modify 6.6.1.2 from:

The X-axis (or main axis) is parallel to the official wind. Any figure with entry and/or exit lines aligned on the X-axis must be flown as drawn on sequence Forms B or C into or away from the official wind.

To:

a) The X-axis (or main axis) is parallel to the official wind. Any figure with entry and/or exit lines aligned on the X-axis must be flown with such entry and/or exit lines as drawn on sequence Forms B or C, into or away from the official wind, otherwise the figure will be marked HZ.

b) Except for figures from Families 2, 5 and 6: Any line segment within a figure, either straight or looping, drawn on the X-axis, must be flown in the direction drawn on sequence Forms B or C into or away from the official wind, otherwise the figure will be marked HZ.

Modify 6.6.1.5 from:

Any figure with both entry and exit lines aligned on the Y-axis must be flown according to the following rules (Figure 5), otherwise the figure will be marked HZ:

a) Direction of Y-axis exit relative to Y-axis entry must be flown as drawn on sequence Forms B or C, i.e. in same or opposite direction.

b) In case the figure has any line segment, either straight or looping, drawn on the X-axis, any such segment must be flown in the direction drawn on sequence Forms B or C into or away from the official wind. This rule does not apply to figures from Families 2, 5 and 6.

To:

Any figure with both entry and exit lines aligned on the Y-axis must be flown with the exit
direction relative to the entry direction as drawn on sequence Forms B or C, i.e. in the same or the opposite direction, otherwise the figure will be marked HZ.

NP #2014-5:
Source: FRA #3, WG #1
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: Warm-up Pilots

Proposal:

Add paragraph g) to 1.4.1.1 as follows:

Selecting two Warm-Up pilots several months prior to the event, based on applications to be sent by NACs to the Chairman of the International Jury before a deadline to be announced for each event.

Change 4.1.9 from:

The organizers will ensure that the first two (Yak 52, one only) flights of each competition day and each programme, will be by non-competing pilots. The Contest Director, with the concurrence of the Chief Judge, may delete the second warm up flight. Team reserve pilots will be utilized, to the extent they are available, by the organizers for this purpose in an equitable way. The intent of this regulation is to permit judges to see a wide variety of aircraft during the warm up flights.

To:

The event International Jury shall be responsible for selecting, several months prior to the event, a minimum of two suitably qualified, non-competing Warm-Up pilots whose sole duty throughout the duration of the event will be to carry out Box Demarcation and/or Demonstration Sequence Flights as specified in this document or required by the Chief Judge or the International Jury.

The International Jury shall take steps to ensure that experience and capabilities of pilots selected for this duty match the demands of the task. Thus a suitable Warm-Up pilot must have appropriate and current aerobatic experience in the category specified, be able to provide or secure the use of a suitable aeroplane which he/she is qualified and eligible to fly, and be ready and available to fly at any time throughout the duration of the event. The International Jury will only consider applications fulfilling those requirements.
Applications may carry options on final name to cater for cases where national team members are selected late. In such case the application shall mention all names of potential applicants, and all pilots in the application shall fulfill the requirements in paragraph 4.1.9.2 above, otherwise the whole application will be rejected.

The type of aeroplane to be flown by each Warm-Up pilot should be those in typical use at the event, able to perform in skilled hands at the highest level. If possible, it is useful to have two significantly different aeroplane types for Warm-Up duties at a championship, to demonstrate to the Panel of Judges the different characteristics of each in tackling demonstration sequences.

Provided that pilot qualification and suitability are compliant to requirements in paragraph 4.1.9.2 above, at least one of the two Warm-Up pilots will be selected in priority, by the International Jury, from applications from the organizing NAC.

The organizers will ensure that the first two (Yak 52, one only) flights of each competition day and each programme, will be by Warm-Up pilots. The Contest Director, with the concurrence of the Chief Judge, may delete the second Warm-Up flight.

Prior to each flight the Warm-Up pilot(s) on duty should seek instruction from either the Chief Judge or a member of the International Jury regarding the demands of the flight itself. This will normally commence with either a full or partial demarcation of the box axes and boundary at either or both of the minimum and/or the disqualification heights, as specified in this document, followed by normal execution of the typical competition flight of the selected sequence.

The Chief Judge may also request some specific deliberate ‘errors’ to be included in the flight, for the purpose of exploring the attention and discrimination of the panel of judges. Each sequence thus flown will normally be immediately followed by a judging line review and conference at which the Chief Judge will assess and discuss the marks and downgrades recorded by each judging team and their reasoning where appropriate. The contest Flight Director should assume that such a review may be expected to take not less than 15 minutes.

The International Jury and the Chief Judge should monitor each Warm-Up flight to ensure that any perceived shortcomings or potential improvements are quickly reviewed and all pertinent instructions are brought to the attention of the pilot concerned.

Though the appointed Warm-Up pilots may be closely associated with National Teams competing at the event, knowledge gained by them during the execution of the Warm-Up flights shall be freely and without favour imparted to any Teams and competitors on request, and thus not restricted nor limited in any way.

Change 7.1.1.3 from:

In addition the Chief Judge shall brief and direct a non-competing pilot nominated by the
organizers to (...) 

To:

In addition the Chief Judge shall brief and direct one of the Wqrm-Up pilots to (...)

**NP #2014-6:**

Source: FRA #4, GER #3, USA #7
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: H/C Pilots

**Proposals:**

1.2.4.4.b), last sentence to be changed to, “... H/C pilots will not appear in the final results submitted to FAI but and will not be ranked or eligible for any awards for medals.”

A new 1.2.4.4.c) and d) to be added as follows:

c) The CIVA President will obtain the permission of the H/C pilots’ NAC’s for his or her participation in the Championships and inform the organizers if the entry can be accepted.

d) H/C pilots shall possess a current FAI Sporting License.

**Notes and Additional Proposal:**

Author of ACRO (Nick Buckenham) promised to make changes to the scoring program to present the H/C pilots separately on the web pages.

H/C pilots are also to be grouped and flown first in each flight programme.
**NP #2014-7:**

Source: France #5  
Document: Section 6, Part 1  
Subject: Final Freestyle Entries

**Proposal:**

Modify 1.2.4.1.a) v. as follows (underline):

> In addition to those pilots notified above, each NAC may nominate one additional pilot to compete in Programme 5 only. Any pilot thus nominated must have gained a medal in a previous FAI First Category Unlimited Power Aerobatic contest in the previous 5 years.

**NP #2014-8:**

Source: GER #2  
Document: Section 6, Part 1 & 2, 1.2.5.  
Subject: Entries

**Proposal**

Refine Rule 1.2.5 Entries.

Add a new 1.2.5.3.:  

*Entries may be done by NACs only and entry forms shall be available to NAC offices only.*

This is to apply to all classes and competition categories.

**RSC Note:** This wording should be refined and also inserted in 1.2.5.1.
NP #2014-9:

Source: GER #5
Document: Section 6, Part 1, 4.3.3.7.
Subject: Sequence Submission

Proposal

Rule 4.3.3.7 a) ... change first sentence to read:

At or before the time of registration, ...

The rest will be the same.

NP #2014-10:

Source: GER #7
Document: Section 6, Part 1, 4.6.
Subject: Diagram of Box

Proposal

In the diagram used in 4.6., either swap „main axis“ with „secondary axis“, or turn figure by 90°.

Everybody considers the main axis pointing from left to right and vice versa, and the secondary axis from front to back accordingly.

This is a simple editorial change that does not require plenary action.
NP #2014-11:

Source: RUS #1  
Document: None  
Subject: Known Programme Analysis  

This proposal suggests a method to analyze Known proposals. It is beyond the scope of the rules and is referred to plenary for discussion.

NP #2014-12:

Source: RSA #1  
Document: Section 6, Part 1 & 2  
Subject: Procedure for Judging / Video Conferences  

Proposals:

Change 5.3.3.3. to read:

5.3.3.3. When all Form A’s have been submitted to the Chief Judge for a flight and difficulties occur in interpreting the correct application of the "HZ" mark:

a) The Chief Judge may shall call for a discussion in the judging area by the International Judges.

b) Such discussions shall not interfere with the subsequent flights.

c) The official video may be used in these discussions to help determine matters of fact, but not of perception.

d) A Judge may call for the request a viewing of the video during a discussion if he deems this necessary. This request will always be honoured.

⇒ All Form A’s shall be retained by the Chief Judge until the final decision is made at the next possible break.

Change 7.1.1.9. to read:

In the case of a difference of opinion with regards to a hard zero (HZ) mark, insertion penalty or interruption penalty, a judging conference will always be held to resolve differences. The official video shall be available to assist in such discussions when it concerns a matter of fact. A judge may request a viewing of
the video during such a conference. Such a request will be honoured by the Chief Judge.

NP #2014-13:
Source: RSA #2, USA #3
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: Representation on the Board of Judges / Assistant Judge Qualifications

Proposal

Change following paragraphs to read:

2.1.2. Representation on the Board of Judges

2.1.2.1. At World and Continental Championships, judges will be invited to apply for selection, irrespective of their nationality, based on their previous RI performance data as recorded in the CIVA Judges Performance Database (JPD). New judge applications for those without International RI performance data can be made by NACs or individuals, but must be accompanied by current RI data produced by the FPS scoring system at a National Competition (not necessarily in their own country). These applications must be made by the deadline published by the President of CIVA in the year in which the Championships are to be held. Judges are subsequently selected in accordance with procedures established by CIVA. The selection process includes a ranking of judges by the RIIs in the JPD from past Championships and the results of the mandatory Judging test. Up to ten Judges can be selected, except for Yak52 where the maximum shall be seven judges. Up to seven selected judges are considered to be CIVA Judges. The contest organiser shall provide accommodation, food and local transport to them and their assistants, with no entry fees. Additional judges and assistants, making the total number of judges up to a maximum of 10, may be selected for the event, but costs associated with these officials need not be covered by the organiser. A maximum of two judges per NAC may be appointed. Final selection will be ratified by the Bureau of CIVA.

2.1.3.2. To be a current FAI judge at FAI aerobatic championships, an FAI International Judge must additionally fulfill the following currency requirements:

a) In the year in which the championship is held or during the previous calendar year, the judge must have either judged at a national or international aerobatic championship at the appropriate category.
b) Before the championship is held, the final selection process, all Judges and Assistants must also have satisfactorily completed a study course on the current rules and regulations. This study course will be composed and administered by CIVA. It can either be completed in advance of the championship or on the contest site. The study course will be available no later than four months prior to the beginning of the championship.

2.1.5.2. All Judges who wish to be represented on the Board of Judges must have a qualified assistant, who must also be approved by the Judging Sub-Committee and verified by the CIVA Bureau. Any changes in assistant will require approval prior to the commencement of a contest or a programme by either the Judging Sub-Committee or Contest Jury as appropriate, without such approval the Judge will be excluded. Assistant Judges are required to take the mandatory CIVA Judging Test.

7.5.1.1. It is required that all Judges use an experienced Judge’s Assistant (under 2.1.5.2). Judges who do not provide such an Assistant will be excluded.

RSC Note: Change to 2.1.3.2.a) above incorporates change from USA #15.

**NP #2014-14:**

Source: RSA #3
Document: Section 6, Part 1, 2.2.2.3.
Subject: Recording of Boundary Infringements

Proposal

Change to 2.2.2.3. as follows:

*Boundary Judges will be supplied with radio transmitters to enable contact with the Chief Judge’s workstation. Two frequencies will be used with one diagonal pair of Boundary Judges on each frequency. Performance zone infringements will be reported in real time and noted both by the Boundary Judges concerned and at the Chief Judge’s station. This record will consist either of a note against each figure on which the infringement occurred or the time at which the infringement occurred; in both cases it will state which line was infringed. In order to facilitate this procedure watches will be synchronised at the briefing each day.*
**NP #2014-15:**

Source: RSA #6, USA #6  
Document: Section 6, Part 1, 1.3.3.  
Subject: Intermediate Championships

**Proposals:**

*Delete 1.3.3.(a).* Unnecessary language as CIVA always sanctions First Category events at its discretion.

**Proposed Changes**

1.3.3.a) to be re-worded as: “... sanctioned by CIVA as FAI First or Second Category events. First Category events will be World Intermediate Aerobatic Championships.”

Add new 1.3.1.5. *Champions “I”*

This section to be identical to 1.3.1.4., but with all references to “Yak-52” changed to “Intermediate”.

Current paragraphs 1.3.1.5. and 1.3.1.6. re-numbered to 1.3.1.6. and 1.3.1.7., respectively.

The newly re-numbered 1.3.1.7. would be re-titled, *Champions and Winners “Y52” and “I”*

**NP #2014-16:**

Source: GBR #2  
Document: Section 6, Part 1  
Subject: Downgrades to Lines between Rolls and Half-Loops

**Proposals:**

6.9.8.2. *When a half-loop is preceded by a roll or rolls, the half-loop follows immediately after the rolls without any visible line. Drawing a line requires a downgrade of at least two (2) points up to a maximum of four (4) points depending on the length of the line drawn. Should the half-loop begin before the roll is completed, the Judge must downgrade the figure one (1) point for every five (5) degrees of half-loop flown on which the roll was performed.*
6.9.8.3. The half-loop followed by a roll or rolls is also flown with no line between the half-loop and the rolling element. Again, drawing a line requires a downgrade of at least two points, up to a maximum of four (4) points depending on the length of the line drawn. Should the roll begin before the half-loop is completed, the Judge must downgrade the figure one (1) point for every five (5) degrees of half-loop on which the roll was performed.

Notes: The RSC/JSC also discussed and agreed that there should be wording in the rules regarding the change of “loading” (positive vs. negative) that would occur with a lengthy drawn line. This wording is suggested:

6.9.8.4. Where a half-loop is followed by a flick-roll and a line is inserted as identified by para 6.9.8.3 the positive or negative loading of the aircraft at the top of the half-loop will become reversed during the (normally penalised) horizontal flight, and the flick will be flown in a wrongly loaded condition. The figure must in this case be awarded a HZ.

NP #2014-17:

Source: GBR #3, USA #11
Document: None
Subject: Selection Process for Known Sequences

The United Kingdom and the USA both presented proposals on how to improve the CIVA selection process for the Known compulsory sequences.

These proposals were outside the scope of the rules and are referred to plenary for discussion.
NP #2014-18:
Source: GBR #5
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: Editorial Changes

Changes:

On p-100: 9.16.1.1. Advanced: 9.2.4.4 not allowed on 45° line of 8.5.1.4 and 8.5.3.4.

NP #2014-19:
Source: USA #1
Document: Section 6, Part 1, para 5.3.3.1.(f) and 5.3.4.3.
Subject: Figures Started Behind the Judges

Proposals:

1) Delete 5.3.3.1.(f)

f) any figure is started behind the Judges.

2) Rewrite 5.3.4.3 as follows:

5.3.4.3 Should a judge consider a figure started behind the judges, the judge shall grade the figure regardless, but add the comment, “Behind” in the Remarks section of the Form A. At the end of each flight, the Chief Judge shall determine by a simple majority (with the Chief Judge casting a vote as required), if the figure in question was started behind the judges. If the majority holds that the figure was started behind the judges, the Chief Judge shall change all judges’ marks to ‘HZ’. If the figure is deemed by the majority to have been flown in front of the Judges, the original marks shall be handled as with any other figure.

3) Add the following item to 7.1.1.8:

7.1.1.8. At the end of each flight, the Chief Judge should ascertain whether any of the Judges has recorded a hard zero (HZ) mark, height penalty, interruption penalty, insertion penalty, or “Behind judges” remark. This will be done by perusal of the score sheets collected from the judges, prior to entry into the scoring system.
NP #2014-20:

Source: USA #4
Document: Section 6, Part 1, Para 2.1.5.1.c)
Subject: Mandatory Boundary Judges for Intermediate

Proposed Change

It is proposed, therefore, to modify Part 1, Section 6, as follows:

2.1.5.1. At World and Continental Championships the International Board of Judges will be composed of:

c) Boundary Judges for operating the electronic tracking instrument and for recording the violations of the prescribed performance zone, or 4 Boundary Judges for the conventional recording of infringements of the performance zone. Boundary Judges, although recommended, are not mandatory for Continental Championships.

Note: The text “…. or Y52/Intermediate competitions” is deleted.
This change also incorporates USA #17 which deleted the term “Positioning Judges” which was adopted by RSC.

NP #2014-21:

Source: USA #5
Document: Section 6, Part 1, para 2.1.3.2.
Subject: Judges’ Currency

Proposals:

New wording for 2.1.3.2.a):

In the year in which the championship is held, or during the previous calendar year, the judge must have either judged at a national or international aerobatic championship of the same category (Yak-52/Intermediate, Advanced, or Unlimited), or higher, as the FAI aerobatic championships for which the judge is applying. If national championship experience is being used to meet these criteria, the judge applicant must provide proof of this participation as an attachment to the CIVA Judges Application for Championships.
NP #2014-22:

Source: USA #8, SPG #2
Document: Section 6, Parts 1 and 2
Subject: World Champion Titles and Medals

Proposals:

“World Champion” titles will be limited to only those shown below for each category of competition. World Champion titles for individual flight programmes would be deleted:

In Unlimited:

- Overall World or Continental Aerobatic Champion
- Overall Men’s World or Continental Champion
- Overall Women’s World or Continental Champion
- Men’s Team Champion (World or Continental)
- Women’s Team Champion (World or Continental)
- Team Champion (mixed gender if applicable)
- World or Continental Champion in the Final Freestyle

Delete 1.3.1.2.a), b), and c) and re-letter remaining paragraphs.

In Advanced:

- Overall Advanced World or Continental Champion
- Team Champion

Delete 1.3.1.3.a), b), and c) and re-letter remaining paragraphs.

In Yak-52:

- Overall Yak-52 World or Continental Champion
- Yak-52 Team Champion

Delete 1.3.1.4.a), b), and c) and re-letter remaining paragraphs.

Paragraphs 1.3.1.5. and 1.3.1.6. to be modified to reflect the above changes.
For all Power Categories:

Change 4.4.1.1.d) to read:

“The first, second, and third placings in the various programmes (Known, Free, Unknown 1, Unknown 2, and Final Freestyle) will be awarded CIVA Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals and Diplomas of the FAI.”

Change 4.4.1.1.e) to read:

“The winner of Unknown Programmes (combined results from Programmes 3 and 4) will be awarded the Eric Müller Trophy donated by Switzerland, regardless of gender.”

Change 4.4.1.2.b) to read:

“The first, second, and third placings in the various programmes (Known, Free, Unknown 1, Unknown 2, and Final Freestyle) will be awarded CIVA Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals and Diplomas of the FAI.”

Similar modifications to be made to Advanced and Yak-52 events (paragraphs 4.4.2. and 4.4.3.) as above for Unlimited.

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In Glider (Section 6, Part 2) – Advanced and Unlimited:

- Overall Unlimited or Advanced World Champion
- Unlimited or Advanced Team Champion

In Part 2, 1.3.1.2.a), b), and c) to be deleted (UG). 1.3.1.3.a), b), and c) to be deleted (AG).

1.3.1.4.a) would be modified to reflect the above changes.

4.4.1.1. would be changed to read:

“The first, second, and third placings in the various programmes (Known, Free, and combined Unknowns) will be awarded CIVA Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals and Diplomas of the FAI.”

Notes: The original USA proposal combined Unknowns 1 and 2 for the purpose of awarding Medals and Diplomas. This was not agreed by RSC and was deleted above.

It should also be noted that World Champion titles should read as follows:

World (category) Aerobatic Champion.
NP #2014-23:

Source: USA #9
Document: None
Subject: New Trophies for Champions

This proposal called for the creation of new trophies and is outside the scope of the rules. RSC recommends discussion by plenary and direction given to the Bureau to follow up on the sponsorship and production of these new awards.

With the introduction of new categories, our trophies do not meet the needs of all FAI Aerobatic Championships that are now held.

NP #2014-24:

Source: USA #12, RSA #4
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: Official Wind Direction

Proposed Changes

4.2.2.3.  

a) The Contest Director must provide the competitors, the Chief Judge, the Board of Judges and the International Jury with half-hourly information on weather conditions and, at shorter intervals, on wind speed and direction at 500 m height if required due to meteorological developments. In addition, the Contest Director must provide the Official Wind Direction, as determined by the International Jury, to the competitors at the beginning of each contest day and anytime that Official Wind Direction is changed.

c) The weather bulletin with information on actual wind speed and direction, along with the Official Wind Direction as determined by the International Jury in accordance with 4.2.3.2, will be published for the competitors’ use on a board at the flight line upon decision by the Contest Director. The bulletin must include the time of any change in the Official Wind Direction, wind speed, or direction, as well as the time of the bulletin’s publication. The Team Managers are responsible for passing these data on to their teams. Under stable weather conditions adequately meeting the above conditions, half-hourly information is not required. The International Jury will decide upon the necessity of providing
In addition, a new subparagraph (b) to 4.2.3.2 shall be added to state:

4.2.3.2.

b) The International Jury shall provide the Official Wind Direction to the Chief Judge and Contest Director before the start of each contest day and any time it is determined that the Official Wind Direction must be changed within a period of 30 minutes after determination or change of the official wind is published.

**NP #2014-25:**

Source: USA #13  
Document: Section 6, Part 1 and 2  
Subject: Free Programme Sequence Design Software

The RSC/JSC did not accept the USA proposal but did modify the language in 4.3.3.7.a) to delete references to Microsoft Visio and Olan. Instead, the rule would read:

*The computer file must contain completed pages for the three Forms described below and in a format declared acceptable by the Bureau of CIVA.*

Parallel changes to be made in Part 2, para 4.3.3.5.a).

**NP #2014-26:**

Source: USA #14  
Document: Section 6, Part 1 and 2, 1.4.1.2.  
Subject: Jury Chairmanship

**Proposals - Power**

Part 1, 1.4.1.2.a) be changed as follows:

a) *The International Jury at World and Continental Championships will be appointed by the FAI Aerobatics Commission (CIVA) and will consist of a chairman and at least 2 members with adequate reserves, who must be members of different NACs. The Chief Judge shall be an advisory member of the International Jury and the Contest Director*
shall be adviser to it. The Jury chairman will be a Delegate to CIVA and will supervise its activities. Detailed duties of the International Jury are contained in Section 3.

Proposals – Glider

Part 2, 1.4.1.2.a) and b) be changed as follows:

a) The International Jury at World Championships will be appointed by the FAI Aerobatics Commission (CIVA) and will consist of a chairman and at least 2 members with adequate reserves, who must be members of different national aero clubs. The Chief Judge shall be an advisory member of the International Jury and the Contest Director shall be adviser to it. The Jury chairman will be a Delegate to CIVA and will supervise its activities. Detailed duties of the Jury are contained in Section 3.

b) For World Championships, the chairman of the International Jury can also be the chairman of the Glider Aerobatics Sub-Committee of CIVA, even if he or she is not a Delegate to CIVA.

The remaining text in 1.4.1.2.b) is to be deleted as there is no requirement in Sporting Code for Jury members to be delegates or alternates so this text is not necessary. Since all CIVA Juries are “Nominated” (see General Section, 4.3.2.3.), the last sentence is not in accordance with what is currently done at FAI Aerobatic Championships in Glider.

NP #2014-27:

Source: USA #15
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: Class and Category Terminology

Proposals:

In all cases where the reference is to a particular discipline (e.g., Power or Glider) or level of flying (e.g., Unlimited) that it be referred to as a “category”.

Where the reference is to the separation of gender in competition, the Men’s and Women’s divisions would continue to be referred to as “classes”.

1.2.2. Allowable Aircraft

1.2.2.1. World and Continental Championships are at present open to:

a) Piston-engined aircraft - Unlimited Category "U"
b) Piston-engined aircraft - Advanced Category "A"

c) Piston-engined aircraft – Yak-52 Category “Y52”

d) Piston-engined aircraft – Intermediate Category “I”

The RSC also recommends the addition of a “Glossary” to the rules. The following would defined:

- Discipline: Aerobatics
- Class: Power/Glider
- Category: U / A/ I / Y52 / …
- Gender

NP #2014-28:

Source: USA #16
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: Administrative Secretary

Proposals:

Delete 2.1.5.1.d).

Delete 2.1.5.5.

A new 2.1.5.1.b) to be added:

Two or more Assistants to the Chief Judge to be chosen by the Chief Judge to provide the administrative services described in 7.1.1.2.

The remaining paragraphs to be re-lettered.

The following changes are proposed for 7.1.1.2.:

7.1.1.2 The Chief Judge oversees administrative matters (correctness of paperwork, recording of penalties, etc.) but must be provided with two or more Chief Judge Assistants under his supervision who will perform the following tasks along with other duties as requested:
a) calling the manoeuvres and recording the notes of the Chief Judge, to whatever extent he requires;

b) processing and expediting the flow of paperwork;

c) receiving and recording the calls of the Boundary Judges;

d) handling all other radio communications. One of his assistants should assist in monitoring the zero marks and penalties awarded by the Judges after each flight.

**NP #2014-29:**

Source: USA #17  
Document: Section 6, Part 1  
Subject: Boundary Judges

**Proposed Changes**

Paragraph 2.1.5.1.c) to read:

*Boundary Judges for operating the electronic tracking instrument and for recording the violations of the prescribed performance zone, or 4 Boundary Judges for the conventional recording of infringements of the performance zone. Boundary Judges, although recommended, are not mandatory for Continental Championships.*

**RSC Notes:** This change also is reflected in NP 2014-22.

2.2.2.1. to read:

*When Boundary Judges are used, they shall be placed at each corner of the 50m buffer zone placed around the performance zone. The Boundary Judges will be supervised by the International Jury.*

3.1.2.2. to read:

*Supervision of the Boundary Judges and checking the operation of the electronic positioning device, if in use, or the four corner sighting devices used by the Boundary Judges if the conventional recording of infringements of the performance zone is in use.*
A new 2.1.3.5. is proposed:

*The organizer will be responsible for providing and training Boundary Judges. Their performance will be monitored and checked by the International Jury.*

Delete 2.1.5.4.

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This SPG proposal was beyond the scope of the rules and is referred to plenary.