

INTERNATIONAL PARACHUTING COMMISSION  
WINGSUIT FLYING COMMITTEE REPORT  
LILLE, 2019

**Committee members:**

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**Annual Report – 2018**

**Competitions in 2018**

2<sup>nd</sup> FAI World Wingsuit Flying Championships, Prostějov, Czech Republic

Chief Judge: Buzz Bennett

**Acrobatic**

15 competitors across 5 teams from 4 NACs – Russia, United States of America, Finland and Great Britain.

All teams completed all 7 rounds.

**Performance**

63 competitors from 23 NACs – Norway, United States of America, Russia, Australia, Netherlands, Sweden, Austria, Cyprus, Canada, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Denmark, Finland, India, Ukraine, Moldova, Ireland, Serbia, South Africa, Czech Republic, Great Britain, and Kosovo.

All competitors, save for Zoran Milenkovic, who voluntarily withdrew from the competition, due to injury, after 6 tasks, completed all 9 tasks.

There were 4 Competition Records set:

- World Record for Highest Time (Chris Geiler, USA)
- North American Continental record for Highest Time (Chris Geiler, USA)
- African Continental record for Greatest Distance (Hendri Liebenberg, RSA)
- African Continental record for Greatest Speed (Hendri Liebenberg, RSA)

The competitors open meeting was held after the competitions. The IPC WS committee has informed the acrobatic competitors that the often-requested change from a time-based working time to an altitude-based working time would be implemented in the 2019 Wingsuit Flying Competition Rules. All

competitors and team managers present agreed to that proposal. This change will facilitate longer working times and lead to significantly improved wingsuit flying.

Other topics presented, to be discussed by the committee:

- Adjust the starting point for the designated flight lane (Performance)
- Remove 10% and 20% penalties after competition window (Performance)
- Turning “Green Light” on at least 600 meters before the first lane (Performance)
- Clarified what should or should not be used as reference points (Performance)
- Requiring hosts to provide recent imagery for lanes and reference point (Performance)
- Standings by country, similar to CP’s Overall Team scoring (Performance)
- Exit order by reverse order of standings after each task, each round and/or each day of competition (Performance)
- Separating camera score into quality and progressive scores (Acrobatic)
- Add new compulsory manoeuvres with foot docks (Acrobatic)
- Removal of Fruity Loops (front flip) compulsory manoeuvre (Acrobatic)
- Adjusting the portions applied to Progressive and Quality for camera scoring (Acrobatic)
- Overlap between Dive Plan and Style scoring criteria
- Requiring and rewarding the use of a style sheet
- Eliminating rule 3.5.4 (30 degree rule)
- Amending 3.3.4 to read “...may lower the exit altitude to no lower than 10,000ft Geometric Altitude...” rather than the current “...may lower the exit altitude to 10,000ft Geometric Altitude...”

### Competitions in 2019

Bid from Italy (TBD):

3<sup>rd</sup> FAI World Cup of Wingsuit Flying

Ravenna, Italy

I would like to say a big thank you and express my appreciation to all of the committee members and advisors for the hard work they have put in this past year and I look forward to working with them all again this year.



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[Dennis Werenskiold \(Jan 22, 2019\)](#)

Dennis Werenskiold

Wingsuit Committee Chair

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