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Three First Category Events were held in FS disciplines during 2019.

The First European Indoor Skydiving Championships in Voss

World Championships of Formation Skydiving & Vertical Formation Skydiving held on the Gold Coast, Australia

3nd World Cup of Indoor skydiving held in Zallaq, Bahrain.

All competitions were well attended and overall, numbers were similar to the previous competitions as shown by the tables below.

WPC

Year	Location	4-way	4-way	4-way	8-way
		FS	FS	VFS	FS
			Female		
2018	Gold Coast	19	7	8	7
2016	Chicago	17	11	8	9
2014	Prostejov	20	9	8	8
2012	Dubai	38	14	9	16
2010	Menzelinsk	19	8	6	5

Indoor

Year	Location	4-way FS	4-way FS	4-way VFS	4-way Junior
			Female		
2018	WCIS 3 Bahrain	22	8	4	4
2018	EISC 1 Voss	10	6	5	4
2017	WISC 2 Laval	14	9	6	4
2016	WCIS 2 Warsaw	22	9	9	8
2015	WISC 1 Prague	16	9	6	2(demo)
2014	WCIS 1 Austin	5	2	3	

The competitions were all well run, with positive comments from all competitors at the events. There were some weather issues at the Gold Coast World Championships, but best use was made of the time available and the final round of the competition was able to be completed just before the weather closed in. A "burner" round 6 in 4-way FS made for a great deal of interest as well as many new records. There were 5 new world records, 17 continental records and many more national records set.

Competitors' meetings were held at the WPC and WCIS event, with Mark Szulmayer as chair at both. At both meetings there was discussion about possible changes to the VFS pool, especially VFS block 20 which is considered dangerous by some competitors. The overall aim is to make the VFS pool more accessible and hopefully attract more teams.

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