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Proposal of changes from the Judges Committee.

1-Change FAI Sporting Code Section 5: 5.2.10 (3) (b) Scoring and official scoreboard:

Current rule 5.2.10 (3) (b):

All official results must be posted as soon as possible. If available electronically the official results must be posted on the FAI/IPC website. Any results that appear on non-FAI/IPC website(s) are considered unofficial, unless they are in the form of direct links to the FAI/IPC website or otherwise authorised by the IPC Bureau. The CJ will ensure that the printed official results are available in time for the award ceremonies.

New rule 5.2.10(3) (b):

All official results must be posted as soon as possible. If available electronically the official results must be posted on the FAI/IPC website. *Posting of official results online on the FAI/IPC website will have to mention the date and time of this operation. The same period of 2 hours to file a protest applies under the same conditions as article FAI SC S 5.3.1 (1).* Any results that appear on non-FAI/IPC website(s) are considered unofficial, unless they are in the form of direct links to the FAI/IPC website or otherwise authorised by the IPC Bureau. The CJ will ensure that the printed official results are available in time for the award ceremonies.

2-Change FAI Sporting Code Section 5 5.3.1(1)

Current rule:

A protest (Sporting Code, GS 6.3) whether arising as the result of a complaint (GS 6.1) or not must be made in writing, in English, and must be handed to the MD, together with the protest fee of 50 Euros, no later than two hours after official results for the particular event or round have been posted on the official scoreboard. For this purpose, the timing of the two hours will only be done during the time that the competitors in the event are required to be at the competition site in a STANDBY situation or when RELEASED for more than two hours.

New rule 5.3.1(1):

A protest (Sporting Code, GS 6.3) whether arising as the result of a complaint (GS 6.1) or not must be made in writing, in English, and must be handed to the MD, together with the protest fee of 50 Euros, no later than two hours after official results for the particular event or round have been posted on the official scoreboard *and/or the FAI/IPC Website*. For this purpose, the timing of the two hours will only be done during the time that the competitors in the event are required to be at the competition site in a STANDBY situation or when RELEASED for more than two hours.

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Rationale:

It is very often noted that the posting of official results takes place while the competitors are no longer on the competition site for various reasons. They are waiting for the official results of a round, or an event and so on, which currently must be posted on the designated and approved scoreboard. With the modern means of communication the posting of official results on the site official FAI / IPC becomes an essential tool and adapted to the requirements of the competitors who wish to know quickly the evaluation of their performances (determination of strategy for a team a competitor). It is therefore advisable to insert the posting of the official results on the FAI / IPC website in the regulations while taking into account the respect of the legal deadline to file a protest. This will also facilitate the Jury's work in handling a protest. In the case of error in a result or modifications will then be faster than waiting for the finding of the error on the scoreboard, its modification which may lead to a delay in the conduct of the competition (ie: order of jumps competitors draw.)

3- Change of Judges Attendance at a CP FCE: FAI Sporting Code Section 5 4.6.1(2)Current rule:

The number of FAI Parachuting Judges, including the CJ, required at a WPC/WISC is:

ST&AL: 15 FS: 15
 IFS: 12 IAE: 12
 AE: 9 CF: 7
 PS: 7 CP: 7
 SP: 3 WS: 8

New rule:

The number of FAI Parachuting Judges, including the CJ, required at a WPC/WISC is:

ST&AL: 15 FS: 15
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4- Change of CP competition rules: 7.1: Judge's conference 7.1.3.1Current rule:

The Organizer must provide and assign 4 additional persons to assist the judges during all the competition. All 4 persons must be approved in advance by the CJ, and should have a CP National rating, a FAI non-CP rating or good knowledge of the rules.

New rule:

The Organizer must provide and assign 2 additional persons to assist the judges during all the

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competition. All 2 persons must be approved in advance by the CJ, and should have a CP National rating, or a FAI non- CP rating with good knowledge of the competition rules.

Rationale:

Since the introduction of this new rule there have been 2 FCEs. The application of the respect of this article has either been ignored or reduced. In both cases it was difficult to gather a college of judges in sufficient numbers and the chief judge is then put in difficulty. It was noted this year that people have voluntarily moved to the competition site with the intention of getting the opportunity to be part of the judge panel or to make a re-evaluation of their qualification. These situations are very difficult to manage and lead to solutions that can break the rules.

In order to return to a normal situation, it is advisable to increase the number of judges from 7 to 9 with 2 other judges provided by the organizer, with a qualification of national judge CP or if this is not possible a qualification FAI judge in a parachuting discipline. The cost for the IPC will increase the price of 2 transportations, which is reasonable, while the cost to the organizer remains the same, 4 judges to feed and house.

5- Change of Duties of Chief Judge at FCE: FAI Sporting Code Section 5 6.7.1

Current rule:

6.7.1 (5) Responsibilities during the competition

The CJ will conduct all Judges' meetings.

The CJ will ensure compliance with the FAI Sporting Code and the Competition Rules during the competition working as necessary with the MD and other competent personnel.

The CJ will control the evaluation of score sheets and will ensure prompt publication of the results on the official scoreboard.

New rule:

6.7.1 (5) Responsibilities during the competition

The CJ will conduct all Judges' meetings.

The CJ will ensure compliance with the FAI Sporting Code and the Competition Rules during the competition working as necessary with the MD and other competent personnel.

The CJ will control the evaluation of score sheets, sign them and will ensure prompt publication of the results on the official scoreboard.

Rationale:

The chief judge has always signed the results which thus become official. But there was no regulatory obligation to do so. With this change this habit becomes regulatory.

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6- CHIEF JUDGE HANDBOOK:

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3. CHIEF JUDGE DUTIES

3.1 Before the event:

The FAI Chief Judge (CJ):

- Will obtain a copy of the Sporting Code, General Section and Section 5, the Competition Rules for the Event, and be thoroughly familiar with the contents of all of them.
- Will obtain from the IPC Judges Committee, the current FAI Judges List for that discipline as approved at the previous IPC Plenary Meeting together with the list of suggested Event Judges.
- Within fourteen days of having received official approval of appointment, the CJ must contact the judges on the current approved list and the Event Judges (EJ) that he has selected to the official panel of judges. They have seven days to respond and to provide a copy of the entries for the previous 24 months from their logbook.

New wording: (page 4 of 12)

3. CHIEF JUDGE DUTIES

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- Will obtain from the IPC Judges Committee, the current FAI Judges List for that discipline as approved at the previous IPC Plenary Meeting together with the list of suggested Event Judge -
- Within fourteen days of having received official approval of appointment, the CJ must contact the judges on the current approved list **to confirm their availability**. They have seven days to respond and to provide a copy of the entries for the previous 24 months from their logbook. **Just before the deadline the CJ being without any answer of the concerned judge(s) on this nominated list, the CJ has to contact concerned NAC(s), just before the deadline.**

Rationale:

The sole purpose of this amendment is to allow the Chief Judge to verify that the concerned judge(s) have been contacted and have responded on time. Any errors

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encountered will then be reduced. It is also about responding to some of the chief judges who have experienced uncomfortable situations when selecting their panel of judges.

7- FAI CONTROLLER HANDBOOK /JURY HANDBOOK:

These documents, which are regularly used before, during and after the FCE, have annexes recorded in PDF which do not allow its use. As a result, these tools become a problem for the people concerned. It is therefore essential that these annexes are recorded so that they can be easily completed. It is only a matter of common sense and should not be a problem for this plenary.