



CIVL Plenary 2015

Paragliding Accuracy Committee's Proposals

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Proposals for Plenary 2015

- 2.16.3 Footwear

Must be suitable for a safe landing in all valid wind conditions. Heel and tip of competitors' footwear

must not be modified such that it might damage to an automatic measuring device.

Proposition

The jury have no definitive recommendations for rule changes, however, it suggested that consideration should be given to providing more clarity within the rules with regard to competitors' footwear, especially as competition is now very close.

At this competition, the organizers decided that the studs, or 'buttons', glued to the shoes should be constructed of rubber – *no metals or hard plastics and the minimum size of the stud should be 10mm diameter and protrude no more than 10mm from the sole or heel.* This appeared to have worked and all competitors were content with that decision.

- 17.2. Rest Days:

The policy on rest days shall be declared in the Local regulations before the

Proposition

It is suggested that there is a clarification in Section 7C for the reason for rest days and whether there is an 'obligation' for their inclusion within the

competition schedule. It is understood that rest days have been incorporated into the 7C rules for safety reasons and for the benefit of both pilots and officials. However, in practice these rest days have developed into pre-planned “thank you’s” by organizers to their sponsors, a form of advertising of the country’s local culture and an offering of friendship to the participants. It should be recognized, that on occasion there will be a requirement to fly if the competition has been delayed. Pilots will always wish to fly without break to ensure the maximum number of rounds, it is therefore suggested to avoid potential conflict between the competitors and the event organization

- 2.16.5 There is wording missing from this section.

Proposition :

See 11.3

- 5.2.1 Pilots Scores

...< A fall means if any part of the body or equipment (excluding the speed system, stirrup or tow yoke) touch the ground before the wing does or before the competitor has left the measuring field.>...

Proposition

Regarding the wording on a fall, I feel that the ‘measuring field’ should be deleted so that a fall can be anywhere before a pilot’s wing touches the ground.

- 5.5.1 Location – guidelines for hill launch settings

Proposition

I feel that there should still be a minimum height rule for hill launch competitions of say 80m, otherwise some one could hold a competition off their car roof under the current rules.

- 8.4 Sample Local Regulations

Proposition

The sample local regulations contain many unnecessary repeats of the rules elsewhere in Section 7C. There is also wording in the local regulations that is so fundamental it should form part of the Section 7C rules.

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Proposition following repeats should be deleted:

7.1 All of this section is in 2.21.1.1

7.2 The first two sentences are in 2.21.1, and the fourth sentence is in 5.1.

7.3 All of this section is in 2.20.1

7.5 The second sentence regarding the measuring field circles is in 5.6, and the last three sentences are in 5.2.1.

7.7 All of this section is in 2.21.4.

9.1 The first two sentences are in 5.2.3, and the third sentence ‘The winner shall be’ is in 2.4.10.

9.2 The last sentence on nations with less than Y competitors is in 5.2.4.1.

12.1 The second sentence 'Radios are allowed for communication

Proposition following wording should be transferred to the section 7C rules:

7.2 The third sentence 'A pilot who is not present at launch

7.4 All this section on the final approach should be transferred to 2.21.5. Also regarding the 'Hill launch' wording the 'sufficient time' should read 'sufficient opportunity' to align it with the 'Tow launch' wording.

7.5 'The landing area will be of non-slippery material' should go in 5.6.2.

9.2 'There is no dropping of the worst score in team scoring' should go in 5.2.4.