SECTION 7 COMMON

Comment:
We have very few test-events that fill-up to the pilots’ number limit. We had an issue last summer with a test event that combined too many competitions within the test event and not enough spots were truly open to ‘foreign’ pilots.

Current rule says…
15.3. International Participation
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Proposal 1: Replace by…

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2\textsuperscript{nd} Category events that are test events for 1\textsuperscript{st} Category events may include specific events for foreign pilots e.g. national championships. In this case, the organizer must set aside a minimum of 50\% of the maximum available places to other foreign pilots, plus 5 wild cards at the disposal of the Organizer (e.g. if the maximum number is 100, 50 places are truly open to foreign pilots, 5 places are wild cards at the disposal of the Organizer, 45 places are at the disposal of the Organizer for pilots of his nationality of for other National or Open championships). The registration deadline for foreign pilots shall be no sooner than 90 days before the start of the competition, after that date unused places can be filled at the discretion of the Competition Organizer.

Proposal 2: Add…

15.4 Qualification for Category 1 Event
Pilots who finish in the top 3 of a test event shall be allowed a discretionary entry in the 1\textsuperscript{st} Category event if not selected as part of the national entry, providing they have NAC approval. But they shall not score for their national team.