IPC Committee Rules & Regulations - Proposals 2020 final

SPORTING CODE SECTION 5

Overall: update the header colours to blue

1.1.2 (9), parachuting or indoor skydiving judge. delete indoor skydiving, see definition under (8) This definition under (8) already includes indoor skydiving.

1.2. (3) add: “indoor skydiver” and “performances” Missing definitions.

2.3.1 (2) add: “indoor skydiver” Missing definition.

3.1.2 General Conditions

(1) All record attempts must be performed according to the IPC Competition Rules (SC5, 4.2), where appropriate. Team sizes for records must be as stated in the IPC Competition Rules, except for altitude/fall/flight, large formation and largest formation records. A change of the conditions in the IPC Competition Rules, for example the working time or size of the Dead Centre Disc, will allow for the creation of a new set of records. When a change is made to the criteria applicable to a Performance Record so that the ratified current record does not comply with the new criteria, or a Performance Record category is deleted, the ratified record will be retired and will no longer be considered a valid current record. The Chair of the Rules and Regulations Committee must notify the FAI, in writing, no later than 30 days after approval of the amended SC5, Chapter 3, of the records to be retired and of the reason for the retirement.

New text, as ruling on how to deal with changes in Performance Records was missing.

3.2.11 Categories of Competition Records

The categories of Competition Records shall be:

(1) AL
   General Category – best performance achieved by an individual or team. (Clarification: individual and team were not mentioned)
   Female Category – best performance achieved by a woman or a women’s team

(2) ST, CP, PS, SP and WS Performance
   General Category – best performance achieved
   Female Category – best performance achieved by a woman

The word “Performance” was missing in this record category
(3) CF, FS, VFS, IFS and IVFS  See below under (4)

General Category – best performance achieved
Female Category – best performance achieved by a women’s team

(4) CF Rearranged under 3, this discipline falls into this category.

General Category—best performance achieved
Female Category—best performance achieved by a women’s team

(5) AL, ST, SP and PS

Junior Category – best performance achieved by a Junior
Junior Female Category – best performance achieved by a Junior Female

(6) IFS

Junior Category - best performance achieved by a Junior team

(7) IAE Dynamic, WS Acrobatic  WS Acrobatic fall into this category

General Category - best performance achieved

3.3.6 (5).

The exit altitude and the vertical distance of fall with or without a drogue and the wingsuit time of fall/distance of flight records are to be determined using an appropriate flight recorder, calibrated barograph or other reliable and appropriate method.

The option of "with or without a drogue" should be deleted from (5) It was copied from 3.3.7(4). In 3.3.6 itself it is written “For WS records, all persons must wear a wingsuit, which complies with the definition in 1.1.2(15) and the use of a drogue is not allowed.”, so the was in conflict.

3.3.7 (4).

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Wingsuit records are not part of this record category and should be deleted.

4.1.2 Schedule of Organisation

(3) The schedule for other competitions is:

• 2019 Parachuting World Cups and WISC
• 2020 Mondial or WPCs and World Cup of IS
• 2021 Parachuting World Cups and WISC
• 2022 WPCs and World Cup of IS
• 2023 Parachuting World Cups and WISC
• 2024 Mondial or WPCs and World Cup of IS

Regular annual update
4.3.10 World Records and Rankings

At WPCs, WISCs and World Cups the Jury President must ensure that the current World Records and the International World Ranking Lists in the disciplines concerned are displayed.

The current text did not specify who’s responsibility this was, it was written as a task in the FAI controller handbook. It makes more sense to move this task to the Jury President as he is responsible for filing new records to FAI. If accepted the FAI controller handbook must be adapted as such.

4.4.1 Deadlines for Entries and Entry Fee Payment

(1) The provisional entry of a NAC for an FCE must reach the Organiser at least 75 days before the beginning of the competition. Change this to the previous time limit of 75 days. Using 6 months for the provisional entry is not practicable nor actually needed.

4.10 Minimum Participation

Where less than 4 NACs are entered in an event (see Competition Rules – SC5 4.2) at an FCE, the Sporting Code, GS 4.4.3.1 permits the IPC to determine whether the event will take place and whether the title of Champion will be awarded.

(1) If fewer than 4 NACs have entered provisionally on the relevant date as per 4.4.1, the event will be handled as follows:

(a) The relevant IPC Competition Committee will, within seven days after this date, contact NACs in order to establish the number of NACs intending to enter. NACs should reply within seven days.

The 100 days time period is deemed too short to make any acceptable decision. R&R proposes to change it back to 6 months, as was the term in the past.

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(1) Six months before an FCE, the relevant IPC Committee must determine the number of NACs intending to enter a team or individuals in an event at the FCE. If the relevant IPC Committee determines that less than 4 NACs have this intention, the event will not take place. The Committee will inform the IPC Bureau of this and the IPC Recording Secretary will send out an information notice within seven days to the FCE Organiser, IPC Delegates and NACs that the particular event will not take place and will arrange for its publication on the FAI/IPC website.

(2) If 4 or more NACs indicate an intention as per (1) to enter a Delegation to a WPC or Continental Regional Championship but less than 4 NACs make an official entry and participate, the event will take place, and the title of Champion (excluding the words World and Continental) will be used. The same provision regarding entries applies to any other FCE, where the title of Winner is always used.

(3) An event will be removed as a valid event from the IPC Competition Rules, if:

(a) The event does not take place at two successive FCEs by reason of (1) above.
(b) The event has less than 4 NACs participate at two successive FCEs.
(c) In two successive FCEs, the event has less than 4 NACs participate or less than 4 NACs indicate the intention to participate as per (1) above or a combination thereof.

If there are less than 4 NACs having entered provisionally on the relevant (old) date of 75 days, the event will not take place. At present, there are several events which barely meet the 4 NAC threshold, and the value of such an event can rightfully be questioned. Also, the costs for running smaller events are higher than the income from Sanction Fees which is financially unsustainable in the long run.
INTERNAL REGULATIONS

3.7.1 Content of the Agenda
The Agenda, which will be established by the IPC President in conjunction with the IPC Recording Secretary and consultation with the Chairs of the IPC Committees and Working Groups, will be sent out with the notice convening the meeting. This reflects current practice.

3.7.2 Notice
The notice convening the meeting will be posted on the FAI Website and be sent out in hard copy to those FAI Members that do not have an e-mail address no later than December 20th in the calendar year before the Plenary Meeting in question. This gives more time for the IPC President and Recording Secretary to compile the (currently very large) IPC agenda. Publication by December 20th (latest) still gives a month for NAC’s and delegates to disseminate and study the agenda items and proposals.

4.2 MEETINGS
The Bureau shall meet once a year immediately before the Plenary Meeting (see sub-section 3.2). It may meet at other times as decided by the President or be consulted in writing or by electronic means by the President if the occasion demands it. Bureau Meetings consist of – the President, the Vice Presidents, the Finance Secretary and the Recording Secretary, and other persons invited by the IPC President. Clarification, and reflecting current practice, taking into account the current Extended Bureau meetings. Wording covering this was missing.

4.8 CISM
CISM may appoint a liaison officer, without voting rights, a) to who will represent CISM at Plenary Meetings and b) who will have the right to attend Bureau meetings, if invited by the IPC President. This will make up to the IPC President to invite the CISM liaison officer to attend Bureau meetings and being a right to attend. Of course, as is common practice, the President will invite the CISM liaison for the Extended Bureau meeting. However, closed Bureau meetings are up to the Bureau itself. This text proposal has the agreement of the current CISM liaison.

5.1.2 Duties and Powers of the President
(3) a) To convene the Plenary Meeting and Bureau meetings
b) To issue invitations, as appropriate, to attend Bureau meetings and
c) To ensure that IPC Committee and Working Group meetings are convened where appropriate
Clarification on the powers of the President, proposing specific wording on the power to invite people to Bureau meetings (under b) as this was missing.
(4) To establish, in conjunction with the IPC Recording Secretary and consultation with the Chairs of the IPC Committees and Working Groups, the Agenda for the Plenary Meeting;
This reflects current practice.

6 IPC Committees

6.2.2 Limitations
A member of an IPC Committee may serve as a member of no more than two other IPC Committees. The Chair and Deputy Chair of an IPC Committee may not be the Chair or Deputy Chair of another IPC Committee.

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The Deputy Chair of an IPC Committee may not be the Chair or Deputy Chair of another IPC Committee. Clarification on the limitations, as per original intent

6.5.3 Decisions New

Decisions shall be made by simple Majority. In the event of a tie in two successive votes (excluding abstentions), the matter or motion shall be considered to have been defeated, there being no majority in favour. Decision making process was missing. This text is in line with voting at the Plenary under 3.10.2.

6.5.4 Voting rights New

The chair, the deputy and each committee member shall have one vote. Decision making process was missing.

7.2.1 Eligibility New

A Committee Chair has to be present at an IPC meeting in order to be elected. Adding a new requirement regarding the Chair.

FCEAD

IPC Sanction fee. Change from fixed amount (€ 110 in 2019) to “the amount applicable in the year the FCE is held”. This will save any future updates on this part in the FCEAD.

FAI Controller Handbook

Update Annex 4
FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS AND COMPETITION STATISTICS
Competition statistics (number of jumps / indoor performances) to be removed, this is a task of the Jury, to be reported to FAI. (Annex 3, Jury Handbook, page 16/17)
(to be paid 30 days before the start of competition, to be refunded after the jury has declared that the Organiser has met all contractual commitments. Not to be included in the calculation below)
Could be interpreted incorrectly as it implies there are no circumstances in which the Deposit would be retained as described in Appendix 1 to Schedule 1 of the Organiser Agreement. This is an unnecessary addition.

Interim Payment (IP) (€110 “the amount applicable in the year the FCE is held”. x Total A – AF (above)) = Final Sanction Fee (FSF) €110 “the amount applicable in the year the FCE is held”. x Total B = €