**CIVL 2017 PLENARY - ANNEX 24A**
**HANG GLIDING COMMITTEE PROPOSAL**
**NUMBER OF TASKS AND WPRS VALIDITY**

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## Proposal re minimal number of tasks for full WPRS validity:

Here is a proposal for setting new Task Validity (Ta) numbers in the WPRS formula for Hang Gliding competitions. The most current WPRS formula and description I could find is a PDF document linked at the bottom of the FAI ranking page (http://civlrankings.fai.org/?a=304&) called 'The World Pilot Ranking System (WPRS), for all Hang Gliding and Paragliding disciplines' rev 2 – 2010-09-02 (http://civlrankings.fai.org/?a=343&doc_ref=7)

That document currently describes Ta (although it says Td in the text, I think it's a typo) as:

**Success (Ta)**
One last thing one may consider is the success of the competition (Td), ie was it a fair competition. There are many ways to measure this, none is very objective or accurate. As competitions in Hang Gliding and Paragliding mostly involve a number of tasks we tend to use this as a measure of success.
 **Ta** values for Paragliding XC and Accuracy:
   1 Task: 0.5 (accuracy=0)
   2 tasks: 0.8
   3 tasks: 1.0
**Ta** values for Hang Gliding Class 1, 2 and 5:
   2 tasks: 0.8
   3 tasks: 0.9
   4 tasks: 0.96
   5 tasks: 0.98
   6 tasks: 0.99
   >6 tasks: 1.0

This really means that a Paragliding competition has full value if there are 3 valid tasks, but a Hang Gliding competition has only full value if there are 7 or more tasks. Currently in Section 7A a Hang Gliding competition is only valid if it has 2 valid tasks. Currently in Section 7C a Paragliding Accuracy competition is only valid if it has 2 valid tasks. Also in Hang Gliding there is a minimum of 15 competitors in Class1 and minimum of 6 competitors in Class 2 and Class 5 competitions for a competition to be valid.

The Ta Proposal for Hang gliding would change the above table to:

**Ta** values for Hang Gliding class 1, 2 and 5:

   1 tasks: 0.3
   2 tasks: 0.6
   3 tasks: 0.8
   4 tasks: 0.9
   5 tasks: 1.0
   >5 tasks: 1.0