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# Minutes

of the  
**Annual Meeting**  
of the  
**FAI Hang Gliding & Paragliding Commission**

held in Belgrade, Serbia  
**on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 February 2015**

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**FAI Hang Gliding & Paragliding Commission (CIVL)**  
**Minutes of the Plenary Meeting, Belgrade, Serbia**  
**20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2015**

Open meetings were held on February 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Reports on these meetings are annexed. Annexes refer either to the Agenda or to the Plenary.

## **1- Opening statement and roll call**

The meeting was opened by the CIVL President Agust Gudmundsson. He welcomed the delegates and observers and introduced Susanne Schödel, FAI Secretary General, and Visa-Matti Leinikki, FAI IT Manager.

Voting procedure was explained by Visa-Matti Leinikki.

Roll calls were conducted by Susanne Schödel.

### **Roll Call Day 1.**

#### **30 nations:**

Albania, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Bulgaria, China (Republic of), Chinese Taipei, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, F.Y.R. Macedonia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom, USA.

#### **11 proxies:**

Canada to USA, Colombia to UK, Finland to Sweden, Hong Kong (China) to Chinese Taipei, Hungary to Slovenia, Iceland to Denmark, Liechtenstein to Switzerland, Korea to China, Malaysia to Indonesia, New Zealand to Australia, Romania to Serbia.

#### **Apologies: none**

#### **Number of votes: 41**

Number of votes required for simple majority: 21

Number of votes required for 2/3 majority: 28

### **Roll call Day 2.**

**29 nations:** same as the first day except for Albania, absent.

**11 proxies:** same as the first day.

#### **Number of votes: 40**

Number of votes required for simple majority: 21

Number of votes required for 2/3 majority: 27

**Vote: acceptance of electronic voting (E-vote) by show of hand unanimously approved.**

#### **All Bureau members were present:**

Agust Gudmundsson	President
Goran Dimiskovski	Vice President
Igor Erzen	Vice President
Stéphane Malbos	Vice President
Zeljko Ovuka	Vice President
Hamish Barker	Treasurer
Jamie Shelden	Secretary

#### **Attendance List.**

See Plenary Annex 1.

## 2- Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Yoshiki Oka (Japan), PG importer; Torsten Siegel, (Germany), Gin test pilot.

Presenting PG bid for their country:

Alket Islami (Albania); Antonio Fernades (Portugal); Pietro Bacchi (Italy); Zhaofang Han (China); Murat Baycora (Turkey); Betinho Schmit (Brazil); Goran Dimiskowski (FYR Macedonia); Igor Erzen (Slovenia); Stéphane Malbos (France); Martin Scheel (Switzerland); Thomas Brandelhenner (Austria).

## 3- Additions to the Agenda

- Bureau information about revising SafePro, ParaPro and the IPPI scheme.
- PG Committee proposal to allow cleaning up of CCC requirements document.
- PG Committee proposal to allow new definition of riser limiters and their controls.
- HG Committee proposal for pilot score and leading coefficient.
- HG Committee proposal to apply to HG XC what has been successfully tested in PG XC.
- HG Committee proposal on altitude measurement.

**Vote: additions to the agenda unanimously approved.**

Late proposals from Bulgaria were not added to the Agenda (penalties for airspace violation, leading points in tasks with nobody in goal or with at least one pilot in goal).

## 4- Approval of the minutes of the last Plenary meeting

(Agenda Annex 4).

**Vote: minutes unanimously approved.**

## 5- Report of the FAI Secretary General

(Agenda Annex 5).

Susanne Schödel, FAI Secretary General, presented her report.

## 6- Report of the CIVL President

(Agenda Annex 6).

Agust Gudmundsson presented his report.

## 7- Report of the Bureau activity

(Agenda Annex 7)

Agust Gudmundsson presented the report.

### **Decisions that needs the Plenary approval:**

Allowed registration deadlines to be modified for the France World HG championships.

Approved and published CIVL GAP 2014 Revision 1.0.

Approved the Local Regulations for the Serbia European PG Accuracy championship.

Approved and published CIVL Competition Class Revision 3.3.

Discussed and published Annex B to CIVL Competition Class document concerning glider controls.

Discussed and published a new version of the Jury and Steward Handbooks.

Published requirements for CIVL Competition Class gliders Revision 3.5.

Modified deadlines for certification of the CIVL Competition Class gliders.

Approved Local regulations for the paragliding XC World in Roldanillo, Colombia.

Approved Local regulations for the hang gliding XC World in Valle de Bravo, Mexico.

Published deadlines, process and measurement template for CIVL Competition Class gliders.

Extended deadline for bidding for Category 1 event in 2017.

Amended Valle de Bravo HG World local regulations.

Suspended the Final Glide Decelerator in PG XC Category 1 competitions.

Amended Roldanillo PG World local regulations.

**Vote: Bureau decisions unanimously approved.**

## **8- Report of the CIVL Treasurer**

(Agenda Annex 8).

Hamish Barker presented his report.

**Vote: report unanimously approved.**

## **9- Approval of the 2012, 2013 and 2014 accounts**

(Agenda Annex 9)

Hamish Barker presented the accounts.

**Vote: accounts unanimously approved.**

## **10- Discharge of Bureau responsibility for decisions since last Plenary**

**Vote: discharge unanimously approved.**

## **11- Report on restructuring of the Sporting Code Section 7**

(Agenda Annex 10 a,b,c,d)

Agust Gudmundsson presented the project.

Section 7 is reorganized in a General sub-section on one side, and in specific sub-sections on the other: Cross Country, Accuracy and Aerobatic.

Both Hang-Gliding and Paragliding are part of shared Cross-Country sub-section. Rules for both disciplines should be similar as far as possible.

Louise Joselyn and Brian Harris have been commissioned by CIVL to work on the project.

If the Plenary agrees, the Bureau and Committees will amend when necessary the new version of the sub-sections.

The 2016 Plenary will then approve the new Section 7 for an implementation on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

**Vote: project unanimously approved.**

## **12- Review of the 2014 and 2015 Championships and practice events**

### **Championships**

World HG Class 1 Women, 2, 5 and Sport Championships – Annecy, France.

13<sup>th</sup> FAI European Paragliding Championship – Raska Kopoanik, Serbia.

4<sup>th</sup> FAI European Paragliding Accuracy Championship – Vrsac, Serbia.  
2<sup>nd</sup> FAI Asian Paragliding Accuracy Championship – Ranau, Malaysia.  
2<sup>nd</sup> FAI Pan-American Paragliding Championship – Tucuman, Argentina.  
14<sup>th</sup> FAI World Paragliding Championship – Roldanillo, Colombia.

**Practice events**

20<sup>th</sup> FAI World Hang Gliding Class 1 Championship – Valle de Bravo, Mexico.  
8<sup>th</sup> FAI World Paragliding Accuracy Championship – Puncak, Bogor, Indonesia.

**No questions asked.**

## **13- Proposals from the Bureau**

(Agenda Annex 11).

**Internal regulations – Term of reference.**

Bureau can take decisions along the year.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

**Internal regulations.**

Change of terms.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

**CIVL Jury handbook.**

Consultation with the steward. Limitation of expenses.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

**CIVL Jury handbook.**

Stipend.

The proposal is amended by the Bureau (as follows in red).

**Implementation on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.**

**Vote: amended proposal unanimously approved.**

**CIVL Steward handbook.**

Limitation of expenses.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

**Practice events.**

Mandatory, except with Bureau or Plenary approval.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

**Change to local regulations.**

Review who can make the decision during the competition.

The proposal is amended by the Bureau (as follows in red).

Section 7 A – 2.5.5 / Section 7 B – 2.6.4 / Section 7 C – 2.5.5 now read :

The published rules and regulations, including supplementary regulations, may not be altered once the competition has officially started.

**Any additional requirements within the rules needed during the event must be approved during a team leader meeting by the Meet Director, the Jury President and 2/3 of teams leaders present at the meeting. Additional requirements shall not be applied retroactively.**

**Vote: amended proposal unanimously approved.**

**Diplomas.**

Awarded systematically if medals are awarded.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

### **Awards for hang gliding and paragliding.**

Change of terms.

If adopted, it will require CIVL to push a proposal to modify FAI ByLaws.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

### **WPRS winners.**

A specific ranking crowns winners every year.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

### **Committees or Subcommittees.**

Change of terms.

If adopted, it will require CIVL to push a proposal to modify FAI Statutes.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

### **Scoring and tracklogs.**

Live tracking logs.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

### **Scoring and tracklogs.**

Flight recording devices / GPS.

The proposal is amended by the Bureau and by the PG-C (as follows in red).

**From May 1, 2015:**

- Only flight recording devices capable of recording both GPS and barometric altitude in the tracklog will be allowed in Category 1 XC competitions for scoring. It must not be possible to modify the barometric altitude once tracklog recording has started.

**Guidelines will be published for the implementation of the requirements in Cat 1 competitions.**

- **The interval in track log must not exceed 5 seconds.**

- **Track files without signatures from devices not able to put signatures shall be downloaded directly from the GPS.**

**Vote: amended proposal unanimously approved.**

## **14- Report from the Safety Officer**

(Agenda Annex 12).

Stéphane Malbos presented Raymond Caux's report.

Each CIVL member to appoint at least one Safety Officer. Requirement to FAI to activate the Safety Network mailing list. SafePro HG approval. Updating ParaPro to SafePro PG. Attendance at the iPES.

Stéphane Malbos's comment. All matters to be followed by the next Bureau and Safety Officer.

## **Bureau information about revising SafePro, ParaPro and the IPPI scheme.**

Stéphane Malbos presented the Bureau project, already discussed during last year Plenary but not reported in the minutes.

Today, the IPPI Card is sold to NACs or federations by batches at the following prices:

Pieces	Price per piece
1 to 99	EUR 3.00
100 to 499	EUR 2.75
500 to 999	EUR 2.50
1000 to 4999	EUR 2.25
from 5000	EUR 2.00

Postage cost is added to the invoice.

The NACs / federations then sell it to the pilots who wish to buy it. Each card is good for life, you need to change it only when you change levels.

The IPPI Card could be sold differently to NACs / federations that wish so. For a small fee (maybe 0,15 cents), every pilot every year would have on his national licence an IPPI rating.

The proposal was presented to the 2015 European Hang gliding and Paragliding Union (EHPU) General Conference. Some federations are interested. The Bureau that will be elected should now:

- Implement a temporary working group to revise SafePro and ParaPro with the Training Officers of EHPU interested federations.

- Implement a temporary working group to study how practically the new scheme would work.

A level for towing could be added to the IPPI scheme.

## **15- Report from the Hang Gliding Committee (HG-C)**

(Agenda Annex 13).

Oyvind Ellefsen presented the report.

## **16- Proposals from the Hang Gliding Committee**

(Agenda Annex 14).

Sport class definitions. Risk assessment workflow. Updated prototype rule / definitions. Qualification requirements for Class 2 and 5.

No proposal on these matters.

### **Pilot score – Leading coefficient**

To apply to Hang Gliding what has been successfully tested in Paragliding.

In the CIVL Gap Scoring document, 11.3.1 is modified accordingly.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved with 1 abstention.**

### **Altitude measurement**

Proposal to primarily use QNH for altitude evaluation including airspace violation.

Immediate implementation (will apply in the coming HG Mexico World championship).

### **Change to CIVL GAP scoring document section 4.3**

*Old text:*

Altitude evaluation is based on GPS altitude, as given in GPS tracklogs.

*New text:*

Altitude evaluation is primarily based on barometric altitude, as given in the flight instrument tracklog. Pilots may submit a GPS altitude log as a backup log only in case of problems with the primary barometric log.

**Vote: proposal approved, 36 for, 3 against.**

### **Change to CIVL GAP scoring document section 4.3.1**

*Old text:*

Airspace violation checks rely exclusively on GPS altitude for the time being..

*New text:*

Airspace violation checks rely primarily on barometric altitude. Pilots may submit a GPS altitude log as a backup log only in case of problems with the primary barometric log.

**Vote: proposal approved, 36 for, 3 against.**

## **17- Agenda for the Plenary Hang Gliding Plenary Open Meeting**

(Agenda Annex 15)

Report on the Open meeting is in Plenary Annex 2.

## **18- Report from the Paragliding Committee (PG-C)**

(Agenda Annex 16).

Stéphane Malbos presented the report.

## **19- Proposals from the Paragliding Committee**

(Agenda Annex 17).

### **Eligibility of pilots.**

The proposal reads as follows:

In the 36 months before the ranking reference date, which is 3 calendar months before the Championship starts, a pilot has to have either:

- For World Championships, ranked in the top 500 in the World WPRS for paragliding or scored a minimum of 40 WPRS points in any single FAI sanctioned event.
- For Continental Championships, ranked in the top 500 in the Continent WPRS for paragliding or scored a minimum of 20 WPRS points in any single FAI sanctioned event.

If a Competition Organiser wishes to set stricter criteria they must be declared with the bid for the event.

Amendment from Portugal to separate the proposal in 2:

- change of reference date (36 months before iso 24).
- change of ranking and minimum points.

**Vote: amendment approved, 32 for, 3 against, 4 abstentions.**

### **Change of reference**

**E-vote: proposal failed, 24 for, 15 against (2/3 majority needed).**

### **Change of ranking**

**E-vote: proposal approved, 27 for, 12 against (2/3 majority needed).**

### **Exception to Eligibility of pilots.**

The PG-C amendment to the proposal as follows (in red).

For any exceptions to pilot qualification requirements, applications must be made by the pilot's NAC, with supporting evidence of the pilot's skill and international competition history. It is the responsibility of the NAC to ensure this is received by the CIVL Competitions coordinator no later than 60 days prior to the start of the competition.

**Guidelines will define:**

- who is giving the exemption and on what bases,
- how and where the list of exempted pilots should be published.

**Vote: amended proposal approved, 38 for, 1 against.**

## **PG Committee proposal to clean up and modify CCC requirements.**

**Allow cleaning up of CCC requirements document.**

**Allow new definition of riser limiters and their controls.**

The Bureau will implement the changes in agreement with the PG-C.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**



**Mandatory weight range.**

It is kept as it is for 2016: 100kg-125kg. The 90-125 implementation in 2016 is disregarded. It is underlined that a larger weight range should be a fundamental aspect of CCC requirements for the 2017-2018 period.

The proposal is to erase Note 2 of CCC requirements document Point 6.

**Vote: proposal failed, 17 for, 22 against.**

**20- Joint proposals from HG and PG Committees**

(Agenda Annex 18).

**WPRS adjustment.**

The proposals are withdrawn by the HG-C and PG-C.

**Rest day policy.**

The proposal is withdrawn by the HG-C and PG-C.

**Official practice period.**

The proposal is withdrawn by the HG-C and PG-C.

**21- Agenda for the Plenary Paragliding Plenary Open Meeting**

(Agenda Annex 19-V2)

Report on the Open meeting is in Plenary Annex 3.

**22- Agenda for the Plenary HG and PG Plenary Joint Open Meeting**

(Agenda Annex 20-V2)

Report on the Open meeting is in Plenary Annex 4.

**23- Report from the Paragliding Accuracy Committee (PG Acc-C)**

(Agenda Annex 21).

Violeta Masteikiene presented the report.

**24- Proposals from the Paragliding Accuracy Committee**

(Agenda Annex 22).

**Footwear.**

Is added at the end of 2.16.3 Footwear: "Any footwear addition must be made of rubber."

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

**Rest days.**

17.2 is modified as follow:

The policy on rest days shall be declared in the Local regulations before the competitions. A minimum of 6 complete rounds must have been flown before a rest day can be declared

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

### **Sample LR's.**

Cleanup for repetitions and wording

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

### **Sample LR's: transfert to other parts of Section 7**

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.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

### **Pilot scores.**

**The proposal is withdrawn by the PG Acc-C**

### **Hill Launch minimum.**

**The proposal is withdrawn by the PG Acc-C**

## **25- Agenda for the Plenary Paragliding Accuracy Plenary Open Meeting**

(Agenda Annex 23)

Report on the Open meeting is in Plenary Annex 5.

## **26- Report and Proposals from the Aerobatic Committee (Aer-C)**

(Agenda Annex 24 and 24b).

Igor Erzen presented the report.

### **Simplify Jury and Steward requirements.**

No formal proposal made.

### **Budget requests.**

Matter addressed in point 34 – Provisionnal budget.

### **Competition rules**

New manoeuvres.

Bonus for the twisted tricks.

Criteria for the twisted tricks.

Twisted synchro tricks.

New Synchro tricks.

**Vote: proposal unanimously approved.**

## **27- Report from the Software Working Group**

(Agenda Annex 25).

No questions were asked.

**Recommendations** from the Software Working Group Chairman were received (to be found in the document Proposal Software Chair).

1000 points for 1000 points day. Altitude measurement. Distance calculation.  
The HG-C and PG-C recommended that the matters should be discussed by the relevant committees before implementation.

## **28- Report from the Records & Badges Officer**

(Verbal).

No questions were asked.

## **29- Report from the Competition Coordinator**

(Agenda Annex 28).

No questions were asked.

## **30- Report from the Jury & Steward Coordinator**

(Agenda Annex 29).

No questions were asked.

## **31- Report from the Communication Officer**

(Agenda Annex 30).

No questions were asked.

## **32- Proposal on Age in WPRS from France**

(Agenda Annex 31)

Stéphane Malbos presented the proposal.

France amended the proposal as follows (in red):

That date of birth be included in the WPRS. This might be possible simply by crossing the FAI Licence and WPRS data bases. **If not possible, the proposal will not be implemented.**

That sorting pilots by date of birth or by category in the WPRS be possible. (For instance, have a ranking for “under 26” years old pilots). **Current laws in regard with confidentiality of personal information will be respected.**

**Approval of the proposal**

**Vote: unanimously approved.**

## **33- Presentation of bids for 2016 and 2017 championships**

### **Bids for FAI European Hang Gliding Championships 2016.**

F.Y.R. Macedonia (Agenda Annex 33)

**Vote: unanimously approved.**

### **Bids for FAI World Paragliding Aerobatics Championship 2016.**

France (Agenda Annex 34)

**Vote: unanimously approved.**

### **Bids for FAI World Hang Gliding Class 1 Championship 2017.**

Brazil (Agenda Annex 32)

**Vote: unanimously approved.**

### **Bids for FAI World Paragliding Accuracy Championship 2017.**

Albania (Agenda Annex 35a)

China (Agenda Annex 35b)

Germany (Agenda Annex 35c)

#### **E-vote:**

First round: Albania 18, Germany 13, China 8.

**Second round: Albania 21, Germany 16.**

### **Bids for FAI World Paragliding Championship 2017.**

Austria (Agenda Annex 36a)

Brazil (Agenda Annex 36b)

Italy (Agenda Annex 36c)

Portugal (Agenda Annex 36d)

Slovenia (Agenda Annex 36e)

Switzerland (Agenda Annex 36f)

Turkey (Agenda Annex 36g)

#### **E-vote:**

First round: Italy 9, Slovenia 9, Turkey 9, Austria 7, Switzerland 3, Brazil 2, Portugal 1.

Second round: Italy 20, Turkey 12, Slovenia 8.

**Third round: Italy 22, Turkey 18.**

## **34- Provisional budget 2016**

(Agenda Annex 37).

Hamish Barker presented the provisional budget.

**Approval of the budget.**

**Vote: 30 for, 8 against, 2 abstention.**

## **35- Awards**

### **CIVL Hang gliding Diploma**

Nomination from France of Daniel Raibon-Pernoux (Agenda Annex 39)

**Approval that a diploma be awarded.**

**Vote: unanimously approved.**

Stéphane Malbos presented the nomination.

**Approval of the nomination.**

**Vote: unanimously approved.**

### **CIVL Pepe Lopes Medal**

None received.

## **36- Date and venue of next Plenary meeting**

It will be in Lausanne as per General Section.  
Dates will be, per April 2, 2015 Bureau decision:  
- February 18 and 19, pre-Plenary meetings;  
- February 20 and 21, Plenary.

## **37- Elections**

For each position, candidates are invited to state the reasons for taking on the role and their intentions. The candidates for president are also invited to state how they would like to see their bureau constituted.

### **President**

Nomination accepted: Stéphane Malbos.  
**E-Vote: elected with 36 for and 3 abstentions.**

### **Vice-Presidents**

Nomination accepted: Goran Dimiskovski, Igor Erzen, Adrian Thomas, Wahyu Yudha.  
**Vote: unanimously elected.**

### **Secretary**

Nomination accepted: Jamie Shelden.  
**Vote: unanimously elected.**

### **Financial Secretary**

Nomination accepted: Zeljko Ovuka.  
**Vote: unanimously elected.**

### **Hang Gliding Committee Chair**

Nomination accepted: Jamie Shelden.  
**Vote: unanimously elected.**

### **Paragliding Committee Chair**

Nomination accepted: Adrian Thomas.  
**Vote: unanimously elected.**

### **Paragliding Accuracy Committee Chair**

Nomination accepted: Violeta Masteikiene.  
**Vote: unanimously elected.**

### **Aerobatic Committee Chair**

Nomination accepted: Claudio Cattaneo.  
**Vote: unanimously elected.**

## **38- Closing remarks of CIVL Presidents**

**Dennis Pagen (not a President!) asked to say a few words.**

He evoked his 40 years involvement in the sport including many years at CIVL. This is his last Plenary. He is now ready to move on and start the second part of his life!

**Outgoing President Agust Gudmundsson recalled** its 15 year at CIVL, including 10 in the Bureau and almost 4 as President. He will remember the good work, the good times and the friendly atmosphere.

**Newly elected President Stéphane Malbos declared:**

"We've come a long way! In June 1975, 40 years ago, Ann Welsh (FAI VP) presided the 1st Plenary. Anne Welsh was thanked by all for being the one who nearly single handedly created the commission.

In these times, Plenary reports were in French, the FAI official language. There was a lot to do on the plenary floor... Define a name for the commission. Define what was a hang glider. Define what records should be. Define what badges of pilot proficiency should be. Create an international network of judges. Discuss safety and insurances. Discuss what the first World championships should be : they would take place in Kossen, Austria, the following year (3 classes, flight duration, slalom and landing accuracy). Estimated the number of pilots in the world : 39 620 in 17 countries

Dan Poynter from New Zealand was elected 1st Secretary General of the Commission (at that time there was no president).

Thirty-six years later, Agust became president of CIVL. He's been a worthy successor in the line of great people who lead CIVL throughout the years to what it is today: a strong and healthy organisation taking care of 4 disciplines, with many ambitious project to realize.

This is why I have the pleasure and honour to ask this Plenary to confer to CIVL outgoing President, Agust Gudmundsson, the title of President of Honour."

**The Plenary confers to Agust Gudmundsson the title of President of Honour.**

**Vote: unanimously accepted.**

Stéphane Malbos resumed...

"For now, we have a new Bureau and new committee chairs. The Bureau will appoint technical officers. The committee chairs will choose the people they want to work with. We will work hard. We will have successes. We will make mistakes.

We know that we can count on your good will and support. We know also that we can count on your work, once you'll be back in your country, to face issues and keep building a stronger sport. The CIVL structure will be here to help you and we know that you'll be here to help the CIVL structure, because CIVL is one and one is us all..

**CIVL President then officially closed the 40<sup>th</sup> CIVL Plenary.**

## CIVL - FAI Hang Gliding & Paragliding Commission

List of addresses of people present at the CIVL meeting  
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# **CIVL 2015 Plenary HG Open Meeting Report February 20**

## **Chairpersons:**

Oyvind Ellefsen (Norway)

## **Present:**

Agust Gudmundsson (CIVL President),

Stéphane Malbos (France),

Herbert Seiss (Austria),

Carlos Schmitz (Brasil),

Francisco Santos (Brasil),

Niels J Askirk (Denmark),

Klaus Tanzler (Germany),

Ugljesa Jondzic (Serbia),

Wayyu Yudha (Indonesia),

Yoshiki Oka (Japan),

Koos de Keyzer (Netherlands),

Jamie Shelden (USA),

Dennis Pagen (USA).

The Open meeting discussed all points of its agenda. It was not felt necessary to take minutes and report all exchanges. The meeting lasted 4 hours.

The items below are in the agenda order, not chronological.

## **Review of work since last plenary**

The HG-C worked mainly on Basecamp. There have been discussion about ongoing issues such as reviews and feedback from the Cat 1 competitions in Mexico and France, and with some practical tests and feedback with regards to Prototype gliders in particular.

There were also trial work and feedback on outstanding issues from last year's proposals with regards to risk assessment workflow and defining the sport class gliders/pilots.

The HG-C have been too inactive during the last year, we do need more active members in the committee to be able to handle the work between plenaries.

## **Review of bids for Cat 1 competitions**

Reviewed the bid for 2017 worlds in Brasil, discussed high entry fee. Betinho said if they get more sponsorship, fees could decrease, but probably no lower than 450 Euros. Airspace issues in Brasilia are not a problem yet, due to delays in constructing new airports.

Klaus renewed his suggestion that we join the classes for Cat 1 events again. Betinho mentioned that it could be possible to do in Brasilia and may amend the bid for 2017.

Discussed Macendonia bid- questions about budget, dates (overlap with Brasilia) and landings and whether they will have a HG consultant. Discussed date changes with Goran and Betinho

so there would be no overlap between pre-Euros and pre-worlds. Not possible to conclude dates at the moment.

Goran clarified out landing fields are OK in all areas for hanggliders as well as paragliders.

## **Proposals**

### **French proposal on WPRS**

Stephane Malbos presented the French proposal (Annex 31) to include birth date in WPRS, that will make it possible to get data such as youth rankings. Proposal viewed as positive.

### **Barometric vs. GPS altitude**

The proposal from the joint meeting was discussed as the error with GPS only altitude in the GAP document valid from 1. January affects the Mexico meet. HG-C will propose that it is changed to using QNH and effective immediately after plenary.

### **Leading points**

Proposal to change the way the leading coefficient is calculated in GAP2014 to award pilots who lead out earlier in the task as was done in PG two years ago. Change would take effect in May 2015.

## **Other items and discussions**

Sport Class Definition: Idea from Oyvind that we make sport class into something different than the same XC race we have for open class. Competition format could be XC flight with fixed time sections, without racing, finishing with a spotlanding component. Flight score is 70%, and spot landing 30%. Total score 1000 points, 700 for flight and 300 for spot landing. 1 point per second deducted for time errors and 1 point deducted for each cm from spot.

Also, handicapping system for open class pilots based on WPRS ranking - #1 gets 100% penalty.

Create working group – to work on suggestion that we adopt a handicapping system now to solve the immediate problem of who can compete in sport class Cat 1's AND to create new rules for allowing alternative formats for sport class competitions (including worlds).

Mexico update – teams asking about oxygen requirements – needs to be discussed in future when considering bids

What are we doing about prototypes/uncertified gliders? - Send reminder letter to pilots saying that any modification to a certified glider, makes it uncertified and must have been tested and available for sale for 4 months (Dennis will send to Miguel for distribution to pilots)

For future - consider changing prototype rules so that the pilot takes the responsibility for changes. So, if pilot will declare that any changes they have made to their certified glider do not affect pitch stability, etc.

SafePRO update – idea to create a working group to restructure the IPPI card system. Idea is to sell NAC's the right to stamp their own license with the IPPI logo and qualifications, so there would be no separate IPPI card and would give pilots the service for a very small fee. This would raise revenue for CIVL.

Qualification criteria for Cat 1 in different (HG) classes needs to be worked through over the coming months, first draft proposal was discussed and posted on Basecamp.



## **Paragliding Open Meeting Agenda Belgrade – February 20, 2015**

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### **Study of bids for the 2017 World championships.**

Everyone was reminded that it is the delegates that make the decision, not the PG-C, not this Open meeting.

The PG-C has reviewed the bids extensively and asked complementary information which explain why some of the bids available on CIVL website document chapter are numbered as V2.

The PG-C think that all bids are basically sound and could provide safe, fair and satisfying championships. Strong opinions were expressed and preferences given, but the PG-C feels like it would be wrong to report on the PG-C individual exchanges and trust the Plenary to make the right choice.

### **Eligibility of pilots and exception to eligibility.**

*The PG-C proposals (Annex 17) was discussed.*

World: top 500 or 40 pts.

Continents: top 500 (continent WPRS) or 20 pts.

Exception are possible.

*Conflicting arguments were exchanged about eligibility criteria and safety, fairness, satisfaction, economical soundness of competitions.*

**Eligibility of pilots** . No change.

**Exception to eligibility.** The PG-C wishes that to amend the proposal as follow:

**Recommendation**

**Guidelines will define:**

- **who is giving the exemption and on what bases,**
- **how and where the list of exempted pilots should be publish.**

## **Glider controls**

*(Issue raised by Roldanillo PG World)*

Necessity to update risers material and measurement.

Necessity to forbid external aids for speed bar etc.

Current contract with Cortella ask for handbook and video on glider controls to be published.

.xls measurement files should be published.

A database of controls should be built.

D. Cortella, PG-C and Bureau should be trusted by the Plenary to act on the matter.

**This discussion requires no specific proposal to the Plenary.**

## **Airspace restriction and penalties**

*(Issue raised by Roldanillo PG World)*

Some pilots do not like / understand the new rule penalizing them 20 m before they enter the restricted zone.

This issue will be addressed this year when we define common rules with the Hang-Gliding Committee (HG-C).

The steward and meet director will make sure that in this summer Macedonian PG Euro practice event, the rule and restrictions are well known; the height / boundary at which penalties begin will be prominently displayed on the task board as well as the one in the airspace file.

**This discussion requires no specific proposal to the Plenary.**

## **Adjustments of CCC requirements for years 2015 and 2016.**

The mandatory weight range is kept as it is for 2016: 100kg-125kg. The 90-125 implementation in 2016 is disregarded.

It is underlined that a larger weight range should be a fundamental aspect of CCC requirements for the 2017-2018 period.

**Additional Proposal to the Plenary:**

**Erase Note 2 of CCC requirements document Point 6.**

**Allow cleaning up of CCC requirements document.**

**Allow new definition of riser limiters and their controls.**

## **Fixed Total Validity (FTV)**

*(Issue raised by Kopaonik Euro and Roldanillo World)*

Most of PG-C want to keep it but agree that it is difficult to read for pilots and outsiders alike.

Most of the Open meeting participants agrees that FTV as it is the better solution (or the less bad), even if it is not perfect.

Most of the Open meeting participants agrees that FTV should apply without specific rule to a task where a pilot has been penalized (FTV applies to the penalized task).

**This discussion requires no specific proposal to the Plenary.**

## **Task setting**

It is agreed that it is an essential part for having a safe, fair and satisfying competition. It is suggested that task setting guidelines be suggested, or that a handbook be written on the matter.

Not discussed for long. An extra meeting on this matter was programmed for the following day.

### **Speed riding competition and records**

The Bureau was requested to give its advice on the matter. Its answer was that CIVL would take care of it internationally if before, nationally, there was implementation of a significant number of competitions and records

### **Long term evolution of competition and scoring rules**

Real Leading points, multiple start gates, mandatory camera... Not discussed for long. An extra meeting on these matters was programmed for the following day.

# **CIVL 2015 Plenary**

## **HG & PG Open Meeting Report**

### **February 19**

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Welcome words from Agust Gudmundsson, CIVL President, for the first meeting of the 2015 Plenary.

### **Section 7 reorganisation**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 10abcd) was discussed.*

One general section. Specific sections for aerobatic, accuracy and XC. HG and PG share the same specific section. The Bureau's intention is to unify HG and PG rules as much as possible (for ease, clarity and a lot less work to keep tidy).

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **Internal regulations – Bureau powers**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-1) was discussed.*

Confirm that the Bureau has executive powers in between plenaries, very much like what it did about CCC requirements this year. Plenaries have to approve Bureau's decisions.

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **Internal regulations**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-2) was discussed.*

Simple cleaning up of terms.

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **CIVL Steward and Jury**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-3 and 4) was discussed.*

Role of Jury adjusted to be in line with FAI philosophy. Organisers can refuse to pay for alcoholic drinks for steward and jurors. No more daily stipends for jurors.

*The discussion drifted toward the Jury, Stewards and Meet Organisers responsibilities and to the pros and cons of the remote Jury system that we have been testing. Many feel that remote Jury does not work and that we must consider going back to all jurors on site.*

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **Practice event**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-5) was discussed.*

Practice events are still mandatory except if the Bureau or the Plenary agrees that they are not necessary. Example: there has been no practice event for the coming 2015 Dubai WAG for Accuracy and Aerobatic.

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **Change to Local Regulations**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-6) was discussed.*

Additions to or modifications of LR during the comp is possible only with agreement of team leaders + jury's. (The steward can advice but cannot make executive decision.)

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **Diplomas**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-7) was discussed.*

We make sure that in championships were women get a World or Continental title, the first ten women get diplomas.

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **Award for Hang Gliding and Paragliding**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-8) was discussed.*

Change of term asked in FAI ByLaws: the "Hang Gliding Diploma" becomes the " Paragliding and Hang Gliding Diploma".

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **WPRS Champions**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-9) was discussed.*

Create a yearly ranking ending Sept 30th. No devaluation of points during the year.

**The proposal stands as it is.**

## **"Subcommittee" Rewording**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-10) was discussed.*

Change of term asked in FAI Statutes: "Committee" i.s.o. "Subcommittee".

**The proposal stands as it is.**

### **Live tracking logs**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-11A) was discussed.*

Live tracking data can be used to score competitions.

**The proposal stands as it is.**

### **Flight recording devices / GPS**

*The Bureau proposal (annex 11-11-B) was discussed.*

From 01.05.2016 only flight recording devices capable of recording both GPS and barometric altitude in the tracklog will be allowed in Category 1 XC competitions for scoring. It must not be possible to modify the barometric altitude once tracklog recording has started.

**Bureau amendment to its proposal :**

**Implementation from 01.05.2015. Guidelines will be published for the implementation of the requirements in Cat 1 competitions.**

### **Tracklog interval and devices**

*Issue raised by Roldanillo PG World.*

The PG-C is proposing to amend the Bureau proposal Annex 11–11B, already amended by the Bureau (see paragraphs above).

*The PG-C proposal was discussed.*

**The PG-C amendment will stand like this (modification in bold):**

From May 1, 2015:

- Only flight recording devices capable of recording both GPS and barometric altitude in the tracklog will be allowed in Category 1 XC competitions for scoring. It must not be possible to modify the barometric altitude once tracklog recording has started.

Guidelines will be published for the implementation of the requirements in Cat 1 competitions.

- **The maximum gap in track log must be set at 5 seconds.**

- **SD cards alone are not accepted, flight recording devices has to be brought to the scorer.**

- **Track files without signatures from devices not able to put signatures shall be downloaded directly from the GPS.**

### **WPRS "Euro-centricity"**

*The HG & PG-C proposals (Annex 18) was discussed.*

#### **Proposal 1**

Td (Time Devaluation): increase the time constant of 1096 days (three years) after which the result is devalued to 0%.

#### **Proposal 2**

Devaluate the importance of Pn (Pilot Number). Get a fixed number above which comp is fully "valid" (& Pn for lower).  $P_n = \text{MIN}(\text{square root}(\frac{\text{participants}}{\text{median participants in competitions last 12 months}}))$ . Improve the formula used for Pn: use median instead of average and use  $P_n_{\text{max}} = 1$

#### **Proposal 3**

Increase the importance of Pq (Pilot quality).

*It was underlined that Proposal 3 is not complete.*

**Proposals 1 and 2 stand as they are.**

**Proposal 3 is withdrawn by the HG-C and PG-C.**

### **Rest day policy**

*Discuss the HG & PG-C proposals (Annex 18) was discussed.*

Basically we give more power to the meet director. He does anything he wants but permits no more than 7 days of flying in a row.

*Conflicting exchanges on the power of Meet Director. It was also underlined that "rest day"*

and “non-flying day” are not properly defined.

**The proposal is withdrawn by the HG-C and PG-C.**

### **Official practice period**

*The HG & PG-C proposals (Annex 18) was discussed.*

The mandatory practice task is replaced by a couple of days with organisation well in place before the competition starts.

*Conflicting exchanges on the legitimacy of the proposal. Also some issues are not addressed.*

**The proposal is withdrawn by the HG-C and PG-C.**

### **French proposal on WPRS**

*The French proposals (Annex 31) was not discussed (!).*

### **Scoring proposals**

*Late proposals were received from the Software WG chairman.*

- In every task, the winner’s score is day validity times 1000. The winner of a “1000 points day” does indeed score 1000 points.

- Altitude measurement. Suggestions on introduction of QNH as altitude measurement basis.

- As an interim solution, all distance measurements in our competitions should remain based on the FAI sphere, and the 0.5% tolerance for turnpoint cylinders should stay in place.

*The Software WG chairman’s proposals were discussed.*

**The committees recommend that the matters should be discussed further by the relevant committees before implementation.**

### **Barometric vs. GPS altitude**

Andrej Kolar from Naviter (SeeYou) gave a PowerPoint presentation and answered questions.

### **Paragliders Pilots Worldwide**

Martin Scheel presented statistics on the number of pilots and competition pilots worldwide. (*See the Paragliders Pilots Worldwide document*).



## **CIVL Plenary 2015**

### **Paragliding Accuracy Open meeting Committee's Report**

By Violeta Masteikiene

#### **Paragliding Accuracy committee Includes 12 people**

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Participated: Yoshiki Oka ( Japan); Wahyu Yudha (Indonesia); Kamil Koncnyj (CZ), Uglejesa Jondzic (Serbia), Hou Jialun (China); Han Zhaofang (China); Andy Joxa-Rozen (Poland); Matjaz Ferarich ( Slovenia); Klaus (Germany); Elsa (Chinese Taipei); and guest.

**CIVL Safety Officer:** Raimond Cox

#### **1. Meeting and registration of Committee members and new arrivals. Selecting the secretariat.**

The speech of Agust Gudmundsson regarding his changing position in FAI and goals.

#### **2. Updating of Agenda**

#### **3. Committee Chairwomen Violeta Masteikiene report.**



***Review the competition and events during the 2014.  
Paragliding accuracy subcommittee gidelines for 2015-2016***

**All year long**

Some discussions and ideas brainstorm were made via e-mails as well as on Basecamp, or during the large part of committee members meeting during the European , Asian Championships

The number of 2<sup>nd</sup> category PGAL competitions and pilots competing all around the World increasing comparing to the last year. WPRS ranked 56 nations (54 FAI members and 2 temporary members). The most active region is from Balkan countries, but this discipline is developing very fast in Far East Asian countries as well. It's very positive that more and more female pilots are competing on the same level with men, especially in Asian countries: Thailand, Indonesia and Korea. Most important competitions 2014: Asian championship (Malaysia), European championship (Serbia), Thailand Asian Beach Games. Paragliding accuracy and paramotors present air sports on this big multisport event. The successful cooperation between disciplines (PG Accuracy and PPG) showing the future horizon for paragliding accuracy – multisport events.

In generally the sporting part: rules, judging, technique, human resources, qualification of organizers etc. are very good in paragliding accuracy. Future task - improved the organizers skills to promote, communicate and present the competition.

**WPRS highest ranked Male pilots:**

1. Matjaz Sluga – Slovenia
2. Matjaz Ferarich – Slovenia
3. Valerij Tsvetanova – Bulgaria

**WPRS highest ranked Female pilots:**

1. Nunnapat Phuchiong – Thailand
2. Chantika Chaisanuk – Thailand
3. Andriana Lis - Indonesia

**2015-2016 Biggest events:**

2015 – FAI World Paragliding Accuracy Championship, Indonesia, Punciak. August

2015 – WAG, UEA, Dubai, December.

2016 – FAI Asian Paragliding Accuracy Championship, Kazakhstan, Taldykorgan. May

*2015 – Pre Event, Asian Accuracy Championship, Taldykorgan, Kazakhstan, 4 - 7 June.*

2016 FAI European paragliding accuracy championship, Lithuania, Kaunas. July

*2015 - Pre Event, European Accuracy Championship, Kaunas, Lithuania, 9 - 12 July.*

### **Future directions**

Subcommittee plans for upcoming 2 year period are:

- \* Become a part of big events under Olympic committee;
- To held all Americas and Caribbean first category championship (Continental).
- \* To “discover” a potential activity in Middle East.
- \* Involve more “Old” European countries.
- \* Organize senior Judges, Stewards and Jury conference.
- \* More competitions should be organized in cooperation between different paragliding disciplines and other air sports. Acting together it’s easier to discover more attention to air sports form public, sponsors and media.
- \* Create the system of planning and claiming for a judging seminars and creating the discipline development budget for next upcoming 2 years in advance.

#### **4. Nomination of Paragliding Accuracy Chairman for second 2 Year**

It was 2 candidates for thid position: current charwomen Violeta Masteikine (Lithuania) and proposed Wahyu Yudha (Indonesia), but Whayu do not accept the nomination.

#### **5.**

##### **WAG selection criteria**

SLOT – 20 Pilots ( 1 by default – UAE)

##### **1rst proposition**

14 – top ranked nations ( looking by the ranking 10 of June) delegate 1 pilot to take part on WAG ( but not low WPR ranked then top 100 if lower, the slot will flow to next country in a ranking )

Top 5 nations ranked women from deferent countries regarding to WPR. WPR ranked then top 100 if lower, the slot will flow to next country in a ranking.

Total – 15 countries (base) -3 votes

2<sup>nd</sup> proposition **Approved by majority votes**

Top 3 – individuals according WPR from different countries.

Plus 5 - Top 5 nations ranked women from different countries regarding to WPRS. WPR ranked then top 100 if lower; the slot will flow to next country in a ranking.

Plus 11 – top ranked nations ( looking by the ranking 10 of June) delegate 1 pilot to take part on WAG ( but not low WPR ranked then top 100 if lower, the slot will flow to next country in a ranking )

Total – 11 countries (base).

Vote – 5 votes.

**6. Judging seminars for 2015-2016.**

Last year all seminars was paid by organizers , no buget from CIVL Used. The strategy and calendar for upcoming 2015-2016 are discussed and made. Will be proposed to bureau for approving of buget.

**7. Discussions on proposed S7C Changes and formulation the propositions for plenary.**

Proposals are discussed and completed. See **Annex XXXX?**

**8. Bids review for 2017 World Paragliding Accuracy Championship**

*Albania, Germany, Chaina.*

*Only Chaina and Germany bids was presented for subcommittee. They discussed and accepted as realistic and good for delegates' decision.*

**9. Ongoing questions.**

\*Overviewed 2015-2016 competitions calendar

\*Proposition Include a new discipline Para Ski or Precise Ski.

Two sports combined together. Create the rules for it.( on a section 5 for example).

- Polish representative presentation the country would like to become more active in PG Acc. The subcommittee planning to organize judging seminar 2015 in Poland.

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## CIVL Plenary 2015

### Paragliding Accuracy Committee propositions

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**CIVL Safety Officer:** Raimond Cox

#### Proposals

- 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.

#### Suggestions

*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. Any **foot addition must be made from rubber.***

- 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

Proposition.

*The policy on rest days shall be declared in the Local regulations before the competitions. **The rest day possible only if finished minimum 6 rounds before scheduled rest day.***

to

- 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.

**Do not accept.**

- 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.

**Do not accept.**

- 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.

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 ....' is in 2.18.1.

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

7.2 The third sentence 'A pilot who is not present at launch ....' should go in 5.1.1.

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.

Proposal

Attach the draft versions of the S7 Common Section and the S7C PG Accuracy section.  
There is no intention to change any rules in this restructuring - only to present the rules in a better way. [See Attachments](#)

[Accept all](#) regarding proposed changes.

### Proposition

Make one word for: Refly, Relanche, Rejump.... Suggested – Refly.

Re-flight -> re-launch ... the re-launch is more commonly used in the code so we will use in the code „re-launch“

### Proposition

Replace it in following chapters:

Chapters:

- 3.2.4 Take-off
- 3.2.10 Out Landings
- 3.3.7.2 Jury Decision
- 4.4 Assisting injured pilots

### Proposition

The code still contains some chapter which have no reason in the paragliding accuracy. After reviewing the code we propose remove them.

Remove unused chapters:

- We dont use turnpoints
  - 1.1.4 Turnpoint
  - 1.1.5 Rounding the Turnpoint
  - 1.1.6 Turnpoint Sectors
  - 1.1.7 Designated sequence
- This is completely out:
  - 3.1.6 Other Start System Proposal – probably copy paste mistake
- Two chapters with the same content
  - Remove „3.2.6 Signalling Reference“ the topic is more precise defined in 6.2.4 Dangerous Situations Signals

### Proposition

By the numbering the video evidence is part of Re-Launch chapter. But video evidence is independent topic so it will be better to renumber it. It also affect all nested topics

Renumber:



- 3.3.7 Video Evidence to 3.4 Video Evidence
- 3.3.7.1 Amateur Video Evidence to 3.4.1 Amateur Video Evidence
- 3.3.7.2 Jury Decision to 3.4.2 Jury Decision

### Proposition

The current code starts with How to entry to Category 1<sup>st</sup> event which discourage pilots to read the code. When we reorder the code by the proposition it will be much easier to read and at the beginning there will be the most important rules and definitions. The chapter 2 could be part of the Common section 7 or at the end of accuracy section.

Reorder the chapters:

- 1 INTRODUCTION AND FLIGHT DEFINITIONS
- 3 COMPETITION FLIGHTS
- 5 THE TARGET
- 4 SCORING SYSTEMS
- 6 JUDGING CODE
- 7 EQUIPMENT SAFETY STANDARDS & DOCUMENTATION
- „2 Entry to 1st category Events“ to the end or to common part

### NEW proposition

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