

Minutes of the Rally Sub-Committee Meeting of General Aviation Commission (GAC)  
held in Helsinki, Finland on Friday the 16 th November 2018  
at Sokos Hotel Presidentti  
by Frank Eckard

**1. Attendance:**

See attendance register on the last page.

**2. Agenda Items for Rally Sub-committee.**

The following agenda was approved.

1. Amendments to Rules for 2019
2. Promotion of our sport at local level.
3. Approval of Bid for 2020.
4. Appointment of Chief Judge and Jury 2020.

**3. Rules for 2018.**

The chairman called for proposed amendments to the rules and several members went to considerable effort to make these proposals. The chairman thanked them for their efforts. The proposals were incorporated into a discussion document of 62 items and circulated to the members before the meeting.

Similar themes were found within the proposals, so while many of the later items were not incorporated, these proposals had been dealt with in earlier proposals.

The following are the highlights.

Use of GPS equipment.

The meeting still agrees that GPS must not be allowed in this competition. This item will be carried forward as more modern aircraft are built with integrated GPS systems which cannot be completely disabled.

Improved checking of the competition, before the event.

Rule B 9.5 and Rule B 12.4 have been amended to provide a more robust check on the documentation.

Remove rules which result in protests without adding to the competition.

The landing rules were amended to exclude "interesting" landings from the abnormal landing and only include dangerous landings as abnormal. This change will make the judging of landings much easier.

Change the Complaint and Protest procedure to those used in the rules for Precision Flying.

The quarantine was moved ahead of the first takeoff and the Precision rules adopted to the complaint and protest procedure. These changes should allow the finalisation of results much earlier in the day.

Option to discount 2nd, 3rd or 4th competition flights

The meeting decided that all four competition flight will now count in the championship results. (Similar to the Precision Rules)

### Intermediate Landings.

The meeting agreed to consider re-introducing intermediate landings. The Chairman will compile this set of rules and present this to the next subcommittee meeting.

### Landing Rules.

It was decided to set up a subcommittee including the Precision and ANR committees to compile a common annexure for the landing rules.

A Summary of the changes to the rules was presented to the Plenary, these were approved.

## **4. Promotion of our sport at local level.**

The chairman asked all countries to share their successes with promotion of our sport.

In South Africa we have introduced many types of easier competitions, Fun Rallies, Speed Rallies and Adventure Rallies. These are attracting many teams to competition flying.

Poland are promoting competitions between flying schools, to get newly qualified pilots into competition flying. They also hold a Spring Competition with timing at the SP and FP, with many prizes for different categories of pilots (family prizes, fewest hours etc.)

Czech Republic

Every year 3 juniors trainings are listed.

Aviation gasoline is free.

In preparation for 2019 we have 12 juniors.

## **5. Approval of Preliminary Bid for 2020.**

South Africa present their preliminary bid for their Preliminary Bid for the organisation of the 22nd FAI World Rally Flying Championship at Stellenbosch Airfield, Western Cape, South Africa from the 15 to 21 November 2020.

This was later accepted at the Plenary meeting, pending the final bid and local rules to be presented at the next GAC meeting.

## **6. Appointment of Chief Judge and Jury 2020.**

The following candidate were accepted for the roles at the 22nd FAI World Rally Flying Championship.

President of the Jury: Jacky Carriquiriberry

Jury Member: Pedro Cabanero

Jury Member: Paul Szameitat

International Chief Judge: Ralf Grünwald