

Minutes of the Rally Sub-Committee Meeting of General Aviation Commission (GAC)
held in Paris, France on Friday the 10th November 2017
at Hotel Ibis Batigolles 3***- Paris 17
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2. Agenda Items for Rally Sub-committee.

The following agenda was approved.

1. Rules for 2018
2. Intermediate Rules
3. Fun Rules
4. Local Rules 2018
5. Appointment of Chief Judge and Jury 2018
6. Bids for 2020.
7. Promotion of our sport at local level.

3. Rules for 2018.

A questionnaire had been sent by the chairman to all committee members during the year and several members had been interviewed during the year at the Precision World Championships and the ANR World Championships. The chairman had compiled a majority opinion into a draft set of rules for consideration at the meeting.

The European Rules had been studied in particular (Reference NCC.OP.145 (b) (2)) and found that the Rally format did not breach the European Rules, these rules are now replaced with SEVA Rules and once again the Rally rules did not contradict these rules. One addition was made to the rally rules to better comply with the above. B 7.5 The organizer must brief an alternative course of action to provide for the eventuality that the flight cannot be completed as planned, because of weather conditions.

Proposals had been received from Austria and United Kingdom after the draft rules had been compiled and these were presented and discussed before proceeding with the discussion of the draft rules.

The meeting was informed of the proposal to the Precision Subcommittee to no longer ban GPS devices. The chairman proposed that since we have many other matters to consider and we have a World championship in a few months we wait for the experience of the Precision committee before considering this issue. The chairman also proposed that the committee consider using GPS devices in the rules of the competition rather than simply lifting the ban.

The chairman presented the draft rules for consideration.

Many improvements to the text had been made without changing the meaning, and the rules had been re-ordered to make them flow as per the competition.

The rules have been realigned to the 2016 Unlimited Rally Rules, however the time to hand over the competition envelope had been relaxed as has the clue sheet, with the objective that the average crew should be able to complete the maps before the start point.

Other changes include:

A separate time sheet will be issued in elapsed time. (Zero time)

Only one full stop landing will be required after each navigation flight.

The landing box was redefined such that lines painted on the runway for rally can also be used from precisions.

A landing champion was introduced. As was a low time champion and a woman crew champion.

The draft rules were presented to the Plenary Meeting and with an amendment to the envelope time, these were approved.

4. Intermediate Rules.

The chairman will develop a set of intermediate rules for promotion of our sport at regional level.

5. Fun Rules (Basic Rules).

The chairman will develop a set of Fun of Basic rules for promotion of our sport at club level.

6. Local Rules 2018 & Appointment of Chief Judge and Jury 2018

The Slovakian Aero Club represented by Jan Chudy and Katrina Pohankova presented their Local Rules for the 21st FAI World Rally Flying Championship. These were approved without modification.

7. Bids for 2020.

The Aero Club of South Africa and the South African Power Flying Association presented their "Letter of interest" to host the 2020 World Rally Flying and World ANR championship. This was accepted by the meeting.

8. Promotion of our sport at local level.

The chairman had forwarded an article entitled "Local Efforts to Feed Crews into our International Sports - The South African Experience" to all committee members. The idea was to share our successes and failure so that we may get ideas to grow our sport. He asked the other members to also share their local programs so that we may all benefit from these ideas.