Proposals to amend the Canopy Formation Competition Rules

Existing rule wording - in italic
Changes: words remaining - in black - deletion or change in strikethrough red - new wording - in blue {Explanation} - black italic - in {}

Existing

2.3.2 Stairstep: The shoulder of the upper jumper must be above the upper surface of the lower canopy. The grip must only be on the outside "A" line of the end cell. The grip must be taken with the inside leg or foot; this may include an additional handhold, if desired.

Change

2.3.2 Stairstep: The shoulder of the upper jumper must be above the upper surface of the lower canopy. The grip must only be on the outside "A" line of the end cell. The grip must be taken with the inside leg or foot; this may include an additional handhold, if desired.

{Reason: To coincide with foot grip definition}

Existing

3.5.2. (iv) the fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common scoring formation in the last completed round.

Change

3.5.2. (iv) the fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common scoring formation within working time in the last completed round.

{Reason: Further clarification}

Existing

4.9.2 The Organiser must provide the teams with a way of identification of the team showing the team number to be recorded by the Videographer just before exit. The recording should continue with the jump without a stop in recording.

Change

4.9.2 The Organiser must provide the teams with a way of identification of the team showing the date, round, and team number to be recorded by the Videographer just before exit. The recording should continue with the jump without a stop in recording.

{Reason: To provide further identification particularly for rotations.}

Existing

4.10.3. In the event of an equipment malfunction, only one rejump may be granted per team, per competition event. This rejump will only be granted if the malfunction occurs before the team performs the first formation.

Evidence of the malfunction must be provided by the team. The Meet Director in conjunction with the Chief Judge will assess the conditions and circumstances surrounding the occurrence. A rejump will be granted unless it is determined that there was an intentional abuse of the rules by the team; in which case, no rejump will be granted and the team's score for that jump will be zero.

Change

4.10.3. In the event of an equipment malfunction, only one rejump may be granted per team, per competition event. This rejump will not be granted if the malfunction occurs before the team performs the first formation; team builds a complete formation (correct or not) at any time during the jump.
Evidence of the malfunction must be provided by the team. The Meet Director in conjunction with the Chief Judge will assess the conditions and circumstances surrounding the occurrence. A rejump will be granted unless it is determined that there was an intentional abuse of the rules by the team; in which case, no rejump will be granted and the team’s score for that jump will be zero.

{Reason: To ensure uniform application of rejump by the judging panel.}

**Existing**

5.1.4. Omissions: For each omission of a formation in a round, the team will not score the point for the omitted formation, and an additional two points will be deducted from that round as a penalty two points will be deducted from the score of that round otherwise obtained. However, the scoring will not be affected if the team goes back to correctly complete the omitted formation.

**Change**

5.1.4. Omissions: For each omission of a formation in a round, the team will not score the point for the omitted formation, and an additional two points per omission will be deducted from the score of that round as a penalty otherwise obtained. However, the scoring will not be affected if the team goes back to correctly complete the omitted formation within working time. Formations built correctly after the omitted formation will be scored in the normal manner.

{Reason: To further clarify the point calculation for omissions as well as how omissions are judged for 2-Way Sequential.}

**Existing**

5.2.4. Omissions: For each omission of a formation in a round, the team will not score the point for the omitted formation, and an additional one point will be deducted from that round as a penalty. However, the scoring will not be affected if the team goes back to correctly complete the omitted formation.

**Change**

5.2.4. Omissions: For each omission of a formation in a round, the team will not score the point for the omitted formation, and an additional one point will be deducted per omission from that round as a penalty. However, the scoring will not be affected if the team goes back to correctly complete the omitted formation within working time. Formations built correctly after the omitted formation will be scored in the normal manner.

{Reason: To further clarify the point calculation for omissions as well as how omissions are judged for 4-Way Sequential.}

**Existing**

5.2.5. An attempt to complete a formation, although incorrect or incomplete, demonstrated by at least 3 canopies connected with grips, and in the formation required by the drawn sequence, will be judged as an incorrect formation, not as an omission.

**Change**

5.2.5. An attempt to complete a formation, although incorrect or incomplete, demonstrated by at least 3 canopies connected with grips, OR the two 2-way formations in an inter clearly attempting to build the formation required by the drawn sequence, will be judged as an incorrect formation, not as an omission.

{Reason: Further clarification of omission versus an incorrect formation.}

**Existing**

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**Change**

**Training jumps**
4.6.1 Each team in each event will be given the option of one official training jump before the draw is made.

4.6.3 Two drawn rounds will be made available for teams use. Teams can perform a sequence of their own choice instead and receive an evaluation from the judges. In this case, teams must provide the sequence to the judges with the video.

**Program of Events**

7.4. The competition will be organised during a maximum time frame of 5 Competition days. Exceptions may be made where a bid is received for multiple FCE competitions at one time.