

Proposal stopped task from Germany

Section 7A Annex 2 GAP

9.2 Distance Validity

Add:

If $\text{SumOfFlownDistancesOverMinDistance} / \text{NumPilotsFlying} < \text{NomDist} * \underline{0,2}$ then
 $\text{DistanceValidity} = 0$

Else $\text{DistanceValidity} = \text{Min}(1, \text{DVR})$

12.3.1 Stop Task Time

~~This is the time which determines whether a task will be scored at all.~~

12.3.2 Requirements to score a stopped Task

~~In paragliding, a stopped task will be scored if the flying time was one hour or more. For Race to Goal tasks, this means that the Task Stop Time must be one hour or more after the race start time. For all other tasks, in order for them to be scored, the task stop time must be one hour or more after the last pilot started.~~

Average distance of all pilots as calculated by the scoring software should be a fixed percentage of the nominal distance from the GAP competition settings (20%).

Declaration why there is only a technical factor at Stopped task.

The current rule of 1hour minimum flying time to validate a task falls short. This way the meet director will always check the time and may be compromised when deciding to stop a task, if the stop time falls around the 1h limit. This decision should be grounded solely on safety. Also tasks which are not stopped but had a maximum flying time of less than 1h are valid with the current rule. With the current rule the same flying performance is regarded very differently.

We propose to introduce a general validation distance for ALL tasks. If it has not been reached the task is invalid. We believe that the average distance of all pilots as calculated by the scoring software should be a fixed percentage of the nominal distance (20%). This percentage may be selectable in the settings of the scoring formula or be predefined by the CIVL working group.

With our proposal we can reduce the pressure weighing on the meet director when deciding about stopping a task, since the final value of the task will be unknown at this point.

This will contribute positively to the safety of these problematic tasks.