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3.4 LANDING

The point in position and time at which the aerostat first ceases to be airborne.

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7.1 Landing position
The precise point at which any part of the aerostat's basket, car or gondola comes to rest on the ground or makes more than brief contact with any water surface, or anything attached to, or resting on, the ground or water is the landing point.

Momentary contact with the ground or water does not constitute a landing, nor does contact between a trail rope and the ground, unless the aerostat is moored.

Pilots landing on water such as lakes, seas, or rivers will not receive a result.

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10.11 LANDINGS

All tasks are completed when the pilot lands after dropping his last marker or when the balloon has come to rest after a contest landing. A competition landing shall be determined by an unvarying log trace of at least five minutes readable from the on-board flight data recorder.

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The Jury has decided to recommend to the CIA to amend GB Rule 7.1. to read:

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Momentary contact with the ground or water does not constitute a landing, nor does contact between a trail rope and the ground, unless the aerostat is moored. A drag after initial ground contact during landing is considered to be a normal part of balloon landing and the final resting place should be taken as the landing position.

Pilots landing on water such as lakes, seas, or rivers will not receive a result.