



**CIVL 2024 PLENARY – ANNEXE 25 B**

**PROPOSAL TO ADJUST TEAM SIZE TO INCREASE FAIRNESS IN PG XC WORLDS**

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**Background**

The 2006 plenary adopted rules for PG XC World Championships that are based on the “Olympic Spirit” where, as far as possible, nations are given an equal chance at be on the team podium.

Currently, we have strayed from that philosophy and paragliding world championships again have team sizes that vary considerably among nations. Even though the number of scoring pilots is fixed, some nations are able to bring additional pilots and these pilots can assist their “team” pilots. This gives these nations a considerable advantage over nations who are not able to field extra pilots.

**Proposal**

- Team size would be fixed at  $n+1$ , where no more than  $n$  pilots may be of the same gender.
- Each day, the 2 highest scores would be added to get the team’s score for that task.
- Nations would not be allocated extra slots for “non team” pilots. The maximum number of pilots a team could bring would be  $n+1$ .
- Teams may be smaller than  $n+1$ , with the same scoring rules as above being used.
- “ $n$ ” will be set at least one year in advance, and for the World Championship in 2025 is proposed to be “3”.