We fully support the proposal as we believe in equal competition opportunities for all pilots. It’s obvious that women having a pregnancy are disadvantaged in their sporting career, and this proposal will hopefully address that to some extent. The fact that other individual sports have implemented a similar policy, makes it obvious that we should too.

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Proposal for CIVL meeting

Freeze of ranking points due to maternity leave

In other sports such as tennis and equestrian sports there has already been implemented a way for women to lessen the impact of having a child and continue competing in their sports.

I would like to propose similar to be implemented for paragliding, to enable women to apply for freezing ranking points up to one year during the time they are unable to participate in competitions due to having a child. Similar formula to be used as was used for all paragliding pilots during Covid-19.

There are already practical challenges enough for women to continue to compete after starting a family, this would hopefully motivate more to continue competing.

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