Proposal Romania 3 PGA Category 1 Events

Currently our sport has only 4 categories and an athlete performance counts in up to 4 categories:

eg. A woman under 26 years old can be in overall, female, team and junior category.

The path we followed until now for Category 1 events was to build the competition in such manner that the event will be top ranked event in the WPRS system and it will be somehow suitable for TV transmission or livestreaming.

Our main goal should be to build the competition in that manner that will be attractive for paragliding pilots, national federations and aeroclubs, sponsors that will finally bring us the TV broadcast and maybe a place in the world biggest sport event, like the Olympics.

Proposal

WPRS formula for Category 1

Our proposal for Category 1 events is to use maximum values for the WPRS formula, so there will be top ranked events.

This way there will be a lot of pilots who will want to come to Continental Championships even if there will be on another continent.

Add new categories and make distinct performance for each category:

1. Overall (Individual):

Athletes compete individually based on their overall performance across all rounds.

Number of rounds: 12

Maximum: 80 pilots – maximum 6 pilots/nation

- 40 places with qualification last 24 months results: minimum 5 juniors and 5 females maximum 4 pilots for each nation
- 40 places on site qualification: minimum 5 juniors and 5 females maximum 4 pilots for each nation (80 pilots in the qualification stage)

2. Female Category (Individual):

A specific category for female athletes, where they compete individually based on their overall performance across all rounds.

Number of rounds: 12

3. Male Category (Individual):

A specific category for male athletes, following the same structure as the overall and female categories.

Number of rounds: 12

4. Juniors Category:

Athletes, under certain age (currently 26) compete individually based on their overall

performance across all rounds.

Number of rounds: 12

5. Team (Mixt):

Teams consist of both male and female athletes.

Team size: 6 pilots, minimum 2 pilots of each gender, minimum 1 pilot of each gender for incomplete team (to be adjusted to the evolution of sport)

eg. 4 + 2 or 3 + 3 or 4 + 1 (incomplete team of 5)

Team score: 5 best pilots score will count in a round, 1 worst score is dropped

Nation can register a team only if a minimum number of pilots are registered.

Minimum number of pilots is the number of scoring pilots:

eg.1 Maximum number 6 – scoring best 5 pilots, team must consist of at least 5 pilots and 1 of each gender

eg.2 Maximum number 6 – scoring best 4 pilots, team must consist of at least 4 pilots and 1 of each gender

Number of rounds: 6

6. Team (Female):

Teams consist of female athletes.

Team size: 3 pilots (to be adjusted to the evolution of sport)

Team score: 2 best pilots score will count in a round, 1 worst score is dropped

Nation can register a female team only if a minimum number of pilots are registered.

Minimum number of pilots is the number of scoring pilots:

eg.1 Maximum number 3 – scoring best 2 pilots, team must consist of at least 2 pilots

eg.2 Maximum number 4 – scoring best 3 pilots, team must consist of at least 3 pilots

Number of rounds: 6

7. Team (Male):

Teams consist of male athletes.

Team size: 4 pilots (to be adjusted to the evolution of sport)

Team score: 3 best pilots score will count in a round, 1 worst score is dropped

Number of rounds: 6

Nation can register a female team only if a minimum number of pilots are registered. Minimum number of pilots is the number of scoring pilots:

eg.1 Maximum number 4 – scoring best 3 pilots, team must consist of at least 3 pilots eg.2 Maximum number 5 – scoring best 4 pilots, team must consist of at least 4 pilots

Competition schedule:

- 1. Team mixt will fly at the beginning of the event until all 4 rounds are finished, the remaining 2 rounds will be flown in the final day with top 8 male teams
- 2. Team female will follow after mixt teams and they will fly until 4 rounds are finished, the remaining 2 rounds will be flown in the final day with top 8 female teams
- 3. Team male will follow after female teams and they will fly until 4 rounds are finished, the remaining 2 rounds will be flown in the final day with top 8 male teams

 Note: if the number of teams is too small to ensure a continuous flying, female and male teams cand fly one after the other(R1 female, R1 male, R2 female, R2 male... etc)
- 4. After finishing 4 rounds for each category of teams, the individual qualification will start: Pilots will fly 1 day and the best 40 pilots (5 juniors, 5 female, 5 male depending of the

evolution of sport) will qualify for the individual championship.

If a nation has already 4 pilots directly qualified and another 4 in the qualification, only top 2 from qualification round will go further.

5. Individual championship, flying order will be mixed (because of the overall champion category)

In the individual knock out will be done:

- after 6 rounds, last 20 pilots will be removed, remaining 60
- after 8 rounds, last 20 pilots will be removed, remaining 40
- after 10 rounds, last 10 pilots will be removed, remaining 30
 Rounds 10 and 11 will be flown in the final day along with the finals of teams
 categories.

Note 1: 6 places reserved for juniors, 6 places reserved for female, 6 places reserved for male in each round

eg: first 6 female, first 6 juniors and first 6 male will qualify in the next stage, then the first pilots will be added 1 by 1 until 60 spots are filled,

Note 2: If the female, male or junior was not in the top 60/40/30 after round 6/8/10 they will continue only for the female/male/juniors category, they will not count in the overall ranking.

6. Final day will be the final flight for the mixt teams, female teams, male teams and individual. If the final day is canceled because of bad weather, the current ranking decides the champions.

Qualification

- 1. Top 40 pilots in the past 24 months will qualify directly for the event (ranking at 2 months prior the event)
- 2. Ranking system

Most important parameters of a strong competition are Pq (quality of participants), number of pilots and number of rounds (Ta – only competition with over 6 rounds will be awarded points), so we will award points for top 15/8/5/3 male and female pilots depending of competition ranking (15 points to first, 14 second... 1 point to 15 place)

- 1. Rank 1: (15 points top 15 if less than 30 pilots, otherwise pilot ranking in top 50%)
- Continental and World Championships
- Competition with Pq > 0,85, with at least 25 pilots and over 6 rounds
- Competition with Pq > 0,75, with at least 50 pilots and over 8 rounds
- Competition with Pq > 0,70, with at least 40 pilots and 12 rounds
- Competition with Pq > 0,70, with at least 70 pilots and over 6 rounds
- 2. Rank 2: (8 points pilot ranking in top 50%)
- Competition with Pq > 0,7, with at least 35 pilots and over 6 rounds
- Competition with Pq > 0,6, with at least 35 pilots and over 8 rounds
- Competition with Pq > 0,6, with at least 30 pilots and 12 rounds
- 3. Rank 3: (5 points pilot ranking in top 50%)
- Competition with Pq > 0,5, with at least 45 pilots and over 6 rounds
- Competition with Pq > 0,5, with at least 25 pilots and over 8 rounds

4. Rank 3: (3 points – pilot ranking in top 50%)

• Competition with at least 20 pilots and over 6 rounds

Points will be awarded from the first place to the last place that is in top 50%: eg. For competition in Rank 1, with 25 pilots.

If we have 10 male and 5 female in the first 15, for male points will be awarded from 15 to 5 and for the women from 15 to 10.

NOTE: If for any reason there are no pilots left with awarded points, the CIVL WPRS ranking system is taken into consideration.

Simulation for last 24 months:

Rank 1: (15 points – top 15 if less than 30 pilots, otherwise pilot ranking in top 50%)

- 3 Continental and World Championships
- 11 Competition with Pq > 0,85, with at least 25 pilots and over 6 rounds
- 6 Competition with Pq > 0,75, with at least 50 pilots and over 8 rounds
- 0 Competition with Pg > 0.70, with at least 40 pilots and 12 rounds
- 0 Competition with Pq > 0,70, with at least 70 pilots and over 6 rounds

Rank 2: (8 points – pilot ranking in top 50%)

- 2 Competition with Pq > 0,7, with at least 35 pilots and over 6 rounds
- 7 Competition with Pq > 0,6, with at least 35 pilots and over 8 rounds
- 1 Competition with Pg > 0.6, with at least 30 pilots and 12 rounds

Rank 3: (5 points – pilot ranking in top 50%)

- 1 Competition with Pq > 0,5, with at least 45 pilots and over 6 rounds
- 15 Competition with Pq > 0,5, with at least 25 pilots and over 8 rounds

Rank 3: (3 points – pilot ranking in top 50%)

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