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| **Overview:**  Despite the major restructuring of our Sporting Code over the past few years there is still some significant work to do on the rules for both hang glider and paraglider airworthiness and to better define prototypes. Chapter 12 of S7A has been revised by the HG SSC and proposals for that are included on this subcommittee’s agenda. Apart from this we seem to have fewer rule changes to recommend to the plenary and this can only be a good thing for both pilots and organisers and does perhaps indicate that our current rules far clearer, up to date, practical and sufficiently comprehensive than has been the case in the past. |
| **Summary of subcommittee activity since the last report:**  Changes approved by the 2009 Plenary were incorporated in the 2010 edition of the Sporting Code. Throughout the year jury & steward reports were monitored for recommended changes to Section 7. During the year the subcommittee chairman clarified Section 7 rules for competition organisers and other CIVL officials when requested. Discussions took place with the Bureau and the various subcommittees on both hang glider and paraglider airworthiness standards. |
| **Issues raised, discussed or actioned and resolved:**  At the last plenary there was a proposal from France to change the X+2 rule (for women) to X+Y with the values of both X and Y set to suit each individual championship. As the X+2 rule concerns team numbers rather than individual entries it does not appear possible to achieve this without either reducing the number of X or contravening the maximum team numbers specified in 3.1. It is still possible for organisers to increase the number of women competitors in championships by allowing extra women to be entered as individuals. |
| **Other publications:**  Jury & Steward Guidelines – 2009 edition has now been published. |
| **Issues of potential interest/relevance to other SCCs:**  These have been extracted from the Sporting Code Subcommittee Agenda and incorporated in the other relevant subcommittee agenda. |