



**Hang gliding and Paragliding Commission of FAI  
CIVL - COMMISSION INTERNATIONALE DE VOL LIBRE**

Dear Pilot,

Congratulation on your new International Pilot Proficiency Identification Card. We are sure that you will find this very helpful flying from different sites in your country and during visits to fly in other countries.

The card provides a standard reference by which all national rating programs may be compared. When you travel abroad this card, together with your national rating card, will identify your pilot skills.

It gives flying site managers, instructors and others responsible for hang gliding and/or paragliding flight operations an easy way of verifying your pilot experience level prior to approval of flight activities.

The SAFE PRO and/or PARA PRO stage on your card reflects your pilot proficiency. Please note that SAFE PRO is for hang gliding and PARA PRO is for paragliding. You can see from the enclosed synopsis of SAFE PRO and PARA PRO what the different stages are.

The card is valid only together with a current national licence or rating card. It is therefore not necessary to renew the IPPI card except when a change in the your national licence invalidates the IPPI card. If you, for example, receive a higher national ranking which corresponds to a higher stage in the SAFE PRO or PARA PRO system a new card should be issued.

Please note that the IPPI card does not give you any insurance cover. Please also remember that your flight safety is ultimately your own responsibility. We recommend that you always fly conservatively both regarding the conditions you choose to fly in and the safety margins you allow in your flying.

Even when you have reached the highest stage in SAFE PRO and/or PARA PRO systems there is still a lot to be learned and experienced. The FAI/CIVL international badge system (see FAI sporting code Section 7) offers you an opportunity of documentation of higher skills than the basic cross country stage. if you are interested in advanced cross country flying these badges are for you.

Fly safely,

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