Local Regulations

4th FAI EUROPEAN PARAGLIDING ACCURACY CHAMPIONSHIP

31th August – 7th September 2014, Vršac, Serbia

Approved by the CIVL Bureau at (01.06.2014)

Organized by:
AERONAUTICAL UNION OF SERBIA

On Behalf of The Federation Aeronatique Internationale (FAI)

These local regulations are to be used in conjunction with General Section and Section 7C of the FAI Sporting Code.
1. General

The purpose of the championship is to provide safe, fair and satisfying contest flying in order to determine the FAI European Paragliding Accuracy Champions and to reinforce friendship among pilots and nations.

2. Contacts & Officials

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• Rescue Coordinator
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  Dragomir Miličević
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  Rade Radovanović/Zoran Petrović
• HQ/Admin
  Ninko Kljukovnica
• Launch Marshall
  Dragomir Miličević
• Public and Press Relations
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• FAI Steward
  Violeta Masteikeine (LIT)
• FAI Jury president
  Roman Pogacar (SLO)
• FAI Jury member
  Andy Cowley (GBR)
• FAI Jury member
  Huub Coumans (NED)

• Chief Judge
  Dušan Gorenc (SLO)
• Judge
  Jasna Slamarski (SRB)
• Judge
  Lončar Predrag (SRB)
• Judge
  Gyuri Balog (ROM)
3. Program

Event program

Official Registration and equipment inspection: Sunday, 31st August, (15:00 - 20:00)
Team Leader Briefing: Sunday, 31st August, (20:15 - 21:00)
Mandatory Safety Briefing: Monday, 1st September, (09:00 - 9:45)
Official training day: Monday, 1st September (10:00 - 17:00)
Opening ceremony: Monday, 1st September, (20:00)
Contest flying days: Tuesday 2nd to Sunday 7th September
Prize-giving and Closing ceremony: Sunday 7th September (19:00)

Typical Daily Schedule

• 07:00 - Headquarters open
• 07:30 - Deadline for complaints/protests of the previous day (see 19.3. & 23.)
• 07:30 - Team leader briefing
• 08:00 - Transportation to Take off
• 08:30 - Pilot briefing / Start of competition day
• 19:00 - End of competition day
• 19:30 - Headquarters closes
• 21:00 - Complaints resolution published

The daily schedule is subject to change. Any changes to the schedule will be announced by the Meet Director at the Daily Team Leader Briefing or Pilot Briefing and posted on the noticeboard.

4. Entry

The limits

• The maximum number of pilots in the championship is 120.
• The maximum number of pilots that may be entered by a NAC is 15 total and 13 of one gender.
• The maximum number of pilots constituting a national team is 7 total and 5 of one gender.
Selection Procedures

4.1. All applications made through the official web site must be made by the NAC or their official representative. The entry deadline will be 20\textsuperscript{th} June 2014.

4.2. First allocation round will be made immediately after the pilot qualification check. First pass will allocate to each team a maximum of 5 any gender and 2 female pilot.

4.3. Results from the first allocation round will be published on the official web site and the entry fee payment process will start. The deadline for payments will be 10\textsuperscript{th} July 2014.

4.4. After the payment deadline the team allocation table will be updated. Any unpaid places will be re-allocated in the second round, which will be run until a total of 120 pilots are reached or no more applications are left. Second round will be opened only for individual (not team) entries.

4.5. Pilots from other continents are welcome. They may be selected after first allocation round, in case that the maximum of 120 pilots is not reached.

4.6. Defending European champions (male and female) have the right to enter as individual competitors, if they are not selected by the NAC as part of the official national team.

4.7. No further allocation will be done after 10\textsuperscript{th} July 2014. The deadline for the second payment will be 25\textsuperscript{th} July 2014.
Entry Fee

The Entry fee will be:
- 250 Euros per pilot.
- 125 Euros per female pilot.
- 125 Euros per team leader.
- Team leaders who are also pilots in the competition will pay only pilot entry fee.

Entry fees for the top 3 nations (Slovenia, Serbia and Bulgaria) are to be paid in to the following account (Please indicate the payment to be entry fee for PG ACC European and the paying NAC):

FAI CIVL bank account details:

Crédit Suisse Private Banking
Rue du Lion d’Or 5-7
Case postale 2468
CH- 1002 Lausanne
Switzerland

Account name FédérationAéronautiqueInternationale

Account Number (Euro): 0425-457968-32-6
IBAN Code: CH63 0483 5045 7968 3200 6
SWIFT/BIC Code: CRESCHZZ80A

All other entry fees are to be paid to following bank account (Please indicate CIVL IDs of the pilots you are paying for!):

UniCreditBank Serbia JSC

In favor of:
VazduhoplovnisavezSrbije
UzunMirkova 4/1, Beograd, Serbia
Account Number (IBAN): RS35170003001093000132
Bank code (BIC): BACXRSBG

The Entry fee includes:
- Transport to the take-off and retrieve,
- Emergency rescue and first aid medical service
- Pilot identification number
- ID card & safety/contact information,
- Lunch package, refreshments
- competition’s souvenirs,
- T-shirt
- Free access to all championship events and parties,
- Free internet (Wi-Fi) access at the HQ,
Refund policy

In the event of pilot withdrawing from the competition before 31\textsuperscript{th} July 2014 and who cannot be replaced by a qualified pilot from that nation, a full refund will be offered. Cancellations received after this date will not be eligible for refund except at organizers discretion.

5. Insurance

The organizers require documentary proof in English of valid:

- Insurance covering public liability risk to the value of minimum €100'000 must be presented to the organizers before the start of the championship.
- Valid paragliding competitions personal accident insurance. This must include repatriation to the country of origin, medical evacuation (helicopter) of minimum €10'000 and medical treatment of minimum €10'000 if necessary.

*The organizer will not offer insurance for competitors at the competition.*

6. Registration

Pre-registration of the pilots and teams must be done at the official web site: www.eupga2014.rs

The official registration will be on Sunday, 31\textsuperscript{th} August, (15:00-20:00) at HQ. Entry Forms will be completed during the registration.

Each competitor will be requested to present:

- Proof of his/her Identity and Nationality.
- The competitors valid FAI Sporting License.
- Satisfactory evidence of glider/equipment airworthiness.
- Certificate of insurance as detailed.

Each competitor will be requested to sign:

- The Waiver Declaration (agreement on release of liability).
- The Certified Glider/Equipment Statement.
- The Entry Form.

**Attention!**
The Safety briefing that will take part in the Competition headquarters on Monday, 1\textsuperscript{st} September, (18:30) is mandatory. Pilots who do not attend this meeting will not be permitted to fly in the competition.
7. Equipment

Equipment pre-registration must be done at the official web site: www.eupga2014.rs
Any pilot who does not pre-register his equipment and has not completed registration, may not be accepted.

It is not permitted to modify the glider in any way different than allowed modifications described in the glider’s manual.

All pilots in Category 1 events must fly with a certified harness to EN1651, LTF03 or LTF09. The harness must be equipped with a back protector certified to LTF09 or LTF03

All pilots must wear certified helmets to EN966 when flying.

All pilots must have serviceable rescue parachute when flying.

8. Radios

- Radio receivers are allowed for all pilots.
- Radio transmitters are permitted.
- Only frequencies allocated by the organizers may be used. Frequencies will be allocated at Registration/Mandatory Safety Briefing
- Voice activated microphones (VOX operated) are strictly forbidden.

9. Contest numbers

The pilot ID numbers supplied by the organizers must be visible and placed on harness, or on the leg of pilot, as specified at Registration.

10. Rescue and medical service

A first aid team will be present at take-off and landing.

11. Flying sites

Main take-offs:

Vrsackakula altitude 400m ASL
Height above valley is 300m.
W, NW, N exposure.
No power lines, no cables or any other hazards.

**Djakovvrh** altitude 380m ASL  
Height above valley is 150m  
Covered with grass, slope 20º - 30º  
S, SW exposure

**Gudurickivrh** 641m ASL  
Height above valley is 490m  
N, NE exposure  
No power lines, no cables or other hazards

**Kustilj** 130m ASL  
Height above valley is 90m  
S, SE exposure  
No power lines, no cables or other hazards

Others appropriate sites maybe used by the Meet Director.

### 12. Take-off area

During the competition, the take-off area will be reserved for the pilots, the media and identified staff personal. The public in general will be kept outside the take-off area.

### 13. Launch

Competitors must fly in the published flying order, unless they have prior permission from the Launch Marshal. Competitors not ready to fly in the established flying order when called forward to launch by the Launch Marshal, or who take off without the Launch Marshal’s permission, will be liable to a maximum score.

Pilot who is not present at launch will be marked ABS in the results of that round and a maximum score will be recorded.

A pilot who did not fly or 3 times failed to take-off in conditions within normal competition limits, will be indicated as DNF in the results for that round and a maximum score will be recorded.

The recommended launch interval should be 90 seconds, but may be adjusted by Take-off Marshal. A pilot can choose a 90 second interval.

### 14. Final Approach

Competitors should be afforded a fair attempt at a target landing. They should have sufficient time during the flight to reach the target area directly from launch, to make a
considered final approach to the target. The competitor is deemed to have started the final approach when, having turned to face the target, the Event Judge considers he/she has made a final commitment to making an approach to the target and is not expecting to have to make any significant changes of direction. Any further manoeuvres undertaken by the competitor from this position will not detract from the above factor.

15. **Landing**

Competitors will be scored according to the distance in centimetres between the first point of ground contact and the edge of the dead centre (2 cm) disc to a maximum score of 500 cm.

The measuring field will have clearly marked circles set at 1 m, 2.5 m and 5 m.

The landing area will be of non-slippery material.

Landing must be made on the feet. Falling is not allowed and a maximum score will be recorded, if the competitor falls.

If a competitor lands with both feet together and the first point of contact cannot be determined, then the furthest point of the footprint is measured.

16. **Free flyers**

Free flyers won’t be allowed to take-off, except with the permission of the Meet Director. Official wind-dummies will take-off by Meet Director or Safety Director request.

17. **Task Information**

The task board at take-off will show:

- the results,
- the meteorological information,
- information related to competition and/or social events,

18. **Maximum wind speed**

The maximum permitted wind speed at each target area, for the purposes of competition scoring will be set at the safety briefing.

The Competition will use a wind recording and scoring system at the target, with visual and acoustic warnings of exceeding limits.
19. Scoring

19.1. Individual score

Individual scores shall be an aggregate of all scores achieved by that competitor.

When five or more valid rounds are completed, the worst score is dropped. The winner shall be the pilot gaining the lowest aggregate score across all the rounds flown in the Competition. Providing there are at least 8 women pilots from three countries competing, individual Gold, Silver & Bronze medals will be awarded in the female class.

19.2. Team score

Each team score for each round will be calculated as the aggregate score of the best four scores of the team. There is no dropping of the worst score in team scoring.

If any team has less than four competitors, then a maximum score will be awarded to the team for each round for each of the scores for which there is no competitor.

19.3. Result publishing

As soon as is practical at the end of the round, the recorder will post the scores on the main notice board. These will be marked Provisional, with the posting time and date clearly visible. Any complaint against the Provisional scores must be lodged within 2 hours of the scores being posted. (Except for the last round, see 23 below.) If provisional scores are posted more than 2 hours after sunset and before 6.00 am next day, then the deadline for a complaint is 7.15 am the next day.

19.4. Penalties

Dangerous flying:
First offence: strong warning.
Second offence: maximum score for the round.
Third offence: exclusion from the competition.

The Chief Judge and Launch Marshal shall liaise with the Safety Director and the Competition Director to report and record incidences of dangerous flying.

Other rule infringements:
As for dangerous flying.

20. Judging

20.1. Judging team
The competition will be judged by qualified international judging team.

20.2. Video evidence

Organiser will provide video recording on the landing. In the case where amateur video evidence is available when an official complaint is made, the Competition Director and Chief Judge reserve the right to choose whether and when to view that video evidence. The decision will be made on a case to case basis. Further information on the policy on video evidence will be provided at the first pilot briefing.

The FAI appointed Jury may choose to accept video evidence as an aid to decision making.

Missing video evidence is not a reason to award a re-launch.

21. Safety

The Safety Director’s responsibility will be to monitor all aspects of safety. These include but are not limited to: addressing all pilots at the mandatory safety briefing, attending all pilot briefings, checking the meteorological conditions and especially the wind speed at launch and target, checking pilot separation, preventing pilots launching with unsafe equipment, collecting accident reports from pilots, discussing any accidents with the Steward and presenting the conclusions at pilot briefings.

The Safety Director in conjunction with the Meet Director may stop the competition for reasons of safety. Any decision taken by him will be reported to the Jury president.

He will have knowledge and experience of the site being flown and ideally he must have experience in appropriate competitions.

The Safety Committee should include: Meet Director, Launch Marshal (or Deputy), senior member of Judging Team, minimum of two experienced pilots (one local, one visitor – they must be competitors).

23. Complaints and Protests

Complaints and Protests will be dealt with according to the procedures in Section 7C and General Section. A complaint may be made to the Meet Director or his deputy. It should be made with the minimum delay and it will be dealt with expeditiously.

If the complainant is not satisfied with the outcome, the team leader may make a protest in writing to the Meet Director or his deputy. The time limit for protests is 2 hours (1 hour after last round) after notification of the result of the complaint. The protest fee is € 50. It will be returned if the protest is upheld.
The Official Protest forms and printed copies of S7c will be available at the Recorder table, and with the Launch Marshal and Chief Judge.
RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF LEGAL RIGHTS

Please read carefully. This is a release of liability, waiver of legal rights:

1. I am a participant in the 4th FAI European Paragliding Accuracy Championship 2014 held at Vrsac, Serbia from 31st of August to 7th of September 2014 (collectively, the "Competition"). I acknowledge that participating in the Competition or any other activity related thereto (collectively, the "Events") involves INHERENT DANGERS, may be HAZARDOUS and involves RISK OF PHYSICAL INJURIES OR DEATH. I expressly assume all risks associated with participating in the Events, including, without limitation to direct participation in the Competition or in training sessions, accessing restricted areas, sharing area facilities with people not directly involved in the Events and travelling in and between the Events' venues. Despite all the risks, I voluntarily choose to take part in the Events. (Initials:…………..)

2. In consideration of receiving permission to take part in the Events, I agree to release and hold harmless the contest organizers, the Aeronautic Union of Serbia, the property owners of the operation areas (including launch and landing areas), the Federation Aéronautique Internationale and its Commission Internationale de volLibre, their respective affiliates, agents, officers, directors, owners, commission or jury members, contractors, volunteers, employees and insurers (collectively, the "Released Parties") from any and all claims I might make as a result of physical injury, including death, or property damage sustained in connection with the Events. I promise not to sue the Released Parties and agree that if anyone is physically injured or property is damaged while I am engaged in the Events, I will have no right to make a claim or file a lawsuit against the Released Parties. The provisions of this paragraph 2 shall not apply to misconduct determined to have been undertaken intentionally or recklessly. (Initials:…………..)

3. This Release of Liability, Waiver of Legal Rights supersedes any other agreements or representations by or between the parties and is governed by the laws of Serbia. I intend this document to be interpreted as broadly as possible. I agree that exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any legal action shall be in Serbian courts and such courts have personal jurisdiction. (Initials:…………..)

4. If any part of this agreement is determined to be unenforceable under the applicable law, all other parts shall still be given full force and effect and the agreement shall be completed in respect of the aspects covered by the part which is declared unenforceable as to give effect to the intent herein expressed to the fullest extent permissible by law. (Initials:…………..)

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS DOCUMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF LEGAL RIGHTS AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Signed on this date: ____________________

Signature of Participant /________________________/ Printed name of Participant

Address of Participant _____________________________________________________________