F3 – Helicopter Technical Notice

Revisions for Early Implementation

It was agreed at the recent CIAM Plenary Meeting that the following amended rules in the Sporting Code Volume F3 - Helicopter dealing with safety considerations and clarification of existing procedures will be effective from 1st May 2015 and will be in force for all remaining 2015 FAI competitions.

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5.11.3 Contest Area Layout

Refer to Figure 5.11.A. The drawing shows the recommended layout, the shape and distances of which should be kept for safety reasons. The centreline must be clearly indicated 20m out from the helipad.

FIGURE 5.11.A – F3N CONTEST LAYOUT AREA

![Figure 5.11.A](image-url)
5.11.10 Flight Program

This rule is effective from 1st May 2015.

Safety During the Flights

The prohibited flying area (see figure 5.11.A) is observed by the judges. If the safety line is crossed the flight shall be scored zero points.

The competitor may choose his position during the flight with the following constraints:

(a) The MA must not be flown between the pilot and judges.
(b) The pilot must stand in front of the judges.

The non-observance of these constraints will be penalised by a zero score in the safety criterion for the manoeuvre or the flight in Freestyle.

If, during a flight in any of the schedules, a part of the helicopter except the landing gear or tail fin touches the ground the flight is terminated and scored zero points. This does not apply to the MA tilting over after a landing or autorotation. This also applies to the MA tilting over after a landing or autorotation.

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