F3 – Soaring 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 - Soaring 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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5.3.1.5. Definition of an Attempt

This rule is effective from 1st May 2015.

d) When a competitor obtains a new working time period and his model aircraft has been damaged beyond repair during the attempt where he obtained this new working time, he is entitled to continue flying the current round with his second model aircraft and this notwithstanding rule 5.3.2.1. This rule applies only when the damage inflicted to the model aircraft is directly linked to the incident that gave the right to the re-flight.

d) The competitor has the right to change his model during a current round and this is not withstanding rule 5.3.2.1. if:

- 1. <u>his model collides with another model in flight; he has the right for a</u> reflight, but his model is not reparable in time.
- 2. <u>his model has landed (final or intermediate landing) and is damaged by a</u> <u>landing model of another competitor and the model is not reparable in</u> <u>time.</u>
- 3. in the case of 1) or 2) above, once the competitor has exercised his right to change his damaged model aircraft, that model must not be used in any subsequent task(s) in the current round. This is an exception of paragraph 5.3.1.3 f).

5.3.1.10. Safety Rules

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a) The organiser must clearly mark the boundary between the landing area<u>s</u> and the safety area<u>s</u> assigned for other activities. <u>(See sketch "F3B Flying Field Layout" page</u> <u>18.)</u>

5.3.2. RULES FOR MULTI-TASK CONTESTS 5.3.2.1. Definition

b) The combination of task A, B and C constitutes a round. A minimum of two rounds must be flown. Except at World and Continental Championships the last round may be incomplete, i.e. only one task or any combination of two tasks. In the case of a World Championships each competitor is entitled a minimum of five rounds subject to the provision of rule B.13, Section 4B.

At the discretion of the organiser any task may be flown first in a scheduled round. In the case of unstable weather conditions, lack of time or technical issues, it is possible to fly task A or B of the following round before the task C of the current round.

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No other change of the schedule is allowed. The scheduled task must be completed. If the model is damaged during the predrawn task (A or B) the competitor is entitled to change the model for task C of the previous round.

5.3.2.2. Launching

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s) In the case of Continental and World Championships, a maximum of six (6) winches and six (6) batteries may be used during the competition <u>at any time on the winches</u> <u>line(s)</u> by any complete <u>working</u> team (3 pilots). Interchanging among winches and batteries while keeping compliance with the minimum resistance rule is totally under the responsibility of the team competitor.

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