

FEDERATION AERONAUTIQUE INTERNATIONALE
International Parachuting Commission



OFFICIAL INFORMATION BULLETIN #1
22nd World Cup of Formation Skydiving 2019
13th World Cup of Artistic Events 2019



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2. Aims of the FCEs

- To determine World Cup Winners of Formation Skydiving in the 4-Way FS Event, 4-Way FS Female Event, 4-Way VFS Event, and 8-Way FS Event.
- To determine the Champions of Artistic Events. (Freestyle and Freefly).
- To determine the world standings of the competing teams.
- To establish Formation Skydiving and Vertical Formation Skydiving world records.
- To promote and develop Formation Skydiving, Vertical Formation Skydiving, and Artistic Events.
- To present a visually attractive image of the competition jumps and standings (scores) for competitors, spectators and media.
- To exchange ideas and strengthen friendly relations between the sport parachutists, judges, and support personnel of all nations.
- To allow participants to share and exchange experience, knowledge and information.
- To improve judging methods and practices.

3. Date and Place of the FCEs

3.1 Event Dates

Date	Description
Friday, October 4 2019	Arrival of Staff and Chief Judges.
Saturday, October 5 2019	Arrival of one EJ per Discipline.
Sunday, October 6 2019	Official Arrival Day for Jury, Delegations and Judges.
Monday, October 7 2019	Judging Seminars, Official Practice for FS and AE 0800 – 1400. Opening Ceremonies at 1600 followed by Team Leader’s Meeting and Draw.
Tuesday, October 8 2019	Competition for FS, 0800 – 1800. Official Practice for AE, 0800 – 1800.
Wednesday, October 9 2019	Competition in all Events, 0800 – 1800.
Thursday, October 10 2019	Competition in all Events, 0800 – 1800.
Friday, October 11 2019	Competition in all Events, 0800 – 1800.
Saturday, October 12 2019	Competition in all Events, 0800 – 1400. Closing Ceremonies and Awards begin at 1600.
Sunday, October 13 2019	Departure day.

3.2 Location of Event

Event Host

Skydive Arizona

4900 N. Taylor Street

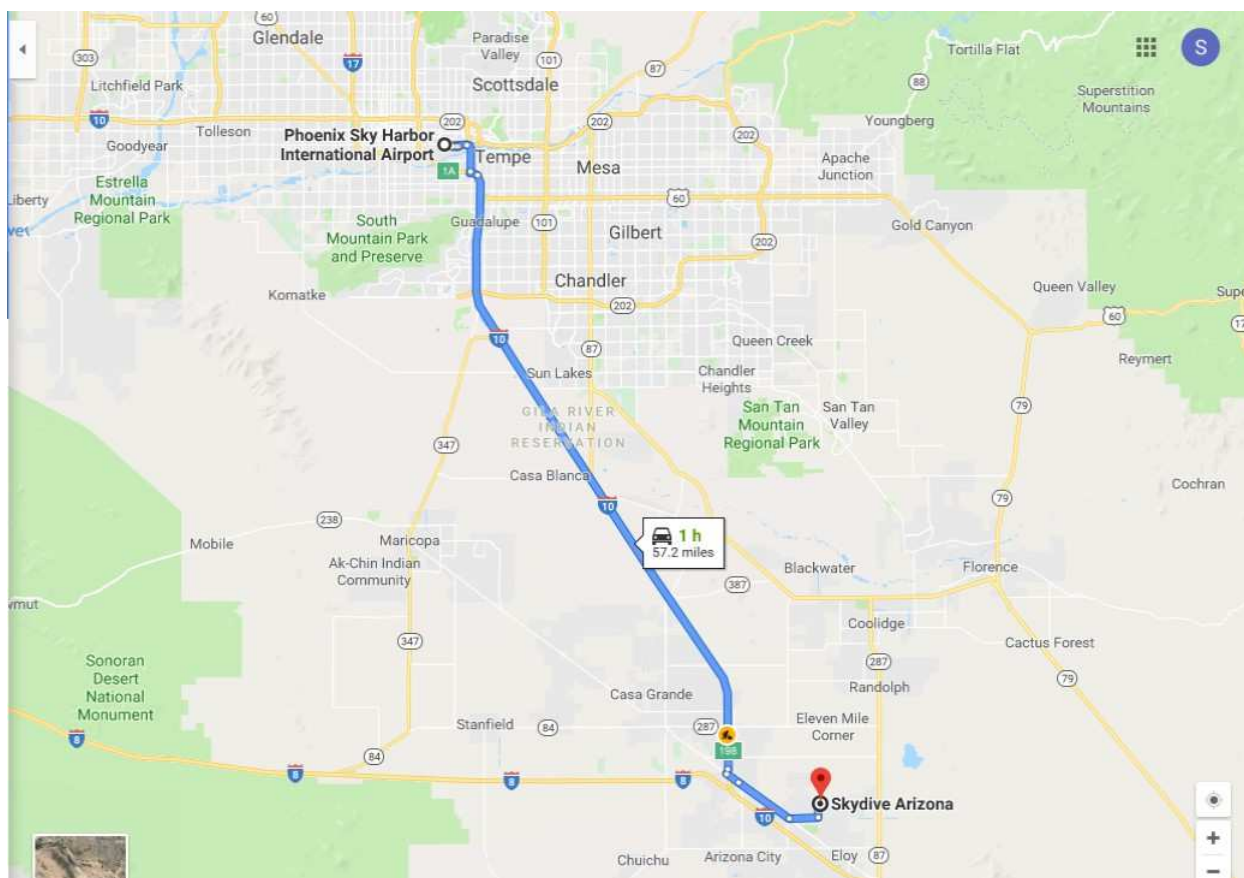
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Eloy, Arizona is in the US State of Arizona, in the sunny southwestern part of the country. The field elevation is 370 meters above sea level. The Latitude is N32° 48’ 17” and the Longitude is W111°34.47. Entering the search term “Skydive Arizona” in Google Earth or Maps will produce images and map information.



4. Access to the Location

All competitors are responsible for their own transportation. The nearest international airport is Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport (PHX), just under 100 km from the competition site by modern, toll-free highways. Slightly further away and generally less convenient is the Tucson International Airport. Drive time is about one hour from Sky Harbor Airport to Skydive Arizona.

Foreigners do not need an International Driver's License as long as they have a valid driver's license from their home country. Rental car companies may have additional requirements. There are no public transportation systems from Phoenix to Eloy, so a rental car is the best option. Rental cars from all major rental companies are available at the airports.

5. Entry Fees and Registration

Formation Skydiving	One event, US \$625 per person. Second event, add \$300 per person.
Artistic Events	One event, US \$825 per person. Second event, add \$210 per person.
Other Members of the Delegation	US \$ 225 per person.

Fees cover only competition expenses: jumps, jump offs, re-jumps, one official practice jump, sanction fee of €110, ceremonies, and medals. All other expenses are the responsibility of the Delegation.

Each Delegation may be comprised of:

- One (1) Head of Delegation
- One (1) Team Manager per discipline
- Up to four (4) teams per event per NAC
- Team Coaches

No Competitor (including Videographers) may compete in more than two Formation Skydiving events (including Vertical Formation Skydiving). In addition, no Competitor may compete in both the FS 4-Way Open event and FS Female 4Way event. Any Competitor that competes in two different events must be listed separately on the entry form for each event.

On-line Registration is here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdRRLOuf7B6lSCZNuyeZBZMOq09GotKDxFwLHAYacoSD2j0-A/viewform>

Or go to: <http://www.parachutingworldcup2019.com/> Competition - Registration

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August 15, 2019: Entry Fees due.

Late entries will be allowed but a \$50 per person late registration fee will be charged.

Payment of Entry Fees must be in US Dollars by wire transfer to this account:

Receiving Bank:

Great Western Bank

100 N Phillips Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

USA

Routing # 091408734

SWIFT Code: GTWBUS44

Beneficiary:

Para Drop Corp

5100 N Tumbleweed Rd

Eloy, AZ 85131

USA

Account #6181801014

Any transaction fees associated with payment are the responsibility of the Delegation.

6. Dropzone Facilities

Skydive Arizona is a full service drop zone with an on-site wind tunnel that has been in operation at its Eloy location since April of 1991. Since then Skydive Arizona has hosted eleven US National Skydiving Championships and four IPC First Category Events. Details about the facilities can be found at www.skydiveaz.com.

Note that the north landing area will be closed and delegation tents will be installed to create a competitor campus.

7. Aircraft

Skydive Arizona has five identically configured DeHavilland Twin Otters which will be used for the competition. The airplanes carry up to 23 jumpers. All have identical floater bars inside the door and videographer step and handles outside, behind the door.





Door measurements are 127 cm. high and 140 cm. wide. A floater bar the length of the door is inside the plane. 84 cm. behind the door, on the same level as the floor, is a videographer's step. Above and behind the door are videographer handles.

Exit speed will be 85 – 90 knots.

8. Pre-event

Skydive Arizona operates seven days a week from October 1 – May 31, 8 AM until sunset. June through September the drop zone is closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. Jump price is \$26 per jump. For FS teams making 30 or more jumps per week as a team, a rate of \$21 is available. For AE teams making 50 or more jumps per week the \$21 rate is also available.

9. Accommodation Details

All Delegations are responsible for their own food, lodging, and transportation. Rental cars are available at the arrival airport in Phoenix. Links to the many local lodging options can be found here: <https://www.skydiveaz.com/skydiving-Facilities/lodging>

A restaurant and bar, The Bent Prop, is located on the drop zone. Many other options are located within eight to twenty-five km. Casa Grande, a city of about 55,000 people, is 20 km. away.

10. Equipment

Please note that the US Federal Aviation Administration does not have a reciprocity agreement to allow foreign skydivers to use their equipment as accepted by their own NAC. Unless the equipment has *no* components with a Technical Standard Order, the parachutes must be packed according to US Federal Aviation Regulations. This means packed by an FAA certified rigger, within 180 days, and with a seal on the reserve.

We are seeking administrative relief to allow jumpers to use their equipment as accepted by their NAC but as of the release of Bulletin One, we have not been able to obtain this.

11. Organisation Officials

FAI Controller: Rina Gallo

Jury Member: Mark Szulmeyer

Chief Judge of FS: Thierry Courtin

Assistant to the CJs: Judy Celaya

Meet Director: Bryan Burke

Jury President: Patrice Girardin

Jury Member: Mike Teuge

Chief Judge of AE: Silvia Wagner

Electronic Scoring Operator: Ted Wagner

Deputy Meet Director: Shawn Hill

Links to the full judging panels:

https://www.fai.org/sites/default/files/2019_elyo_arizona_formation_skydiving_panel.pdf

https://www.fai.org/sites/default/files/2019_elyo_arizona_artistic_events_panel.pdf

12. Judging and Scoring

Omniskore!HD will be used to score both FS and AE.

Results will be published according to Sporting Code Section 5, 5.2.10.

Judge Training Course: A Judge Training Course for FS and/or AE will be held for a price of \$600 per participant with a minimum of six participants. More participants may reduce the cost. Further information will be published in Bulletin 2 if there is sufficient interest to host a course.

13. Medical/Emergency

Skydive Arizona has a longstanding professional relationship with regional Emergency Medical Services. Ambulance response time is usually within less than 15 minutes. A hospital with medical evacuation helicopters, pharmacies, and doctors can be found in Casa Grande, nineteen km. away.

14. Insurance

It is highly recommended that all participants check with their health insurance provider about the validity of their insurance in the US. If there is any doubt, consider travel insurance. Note that some travel insurance policies specifically exclude any coverage of skydiving related injuries. A minimum of \$250,000 medical and repatriation coverage is recommended.

All participants must have third party liability insurance. If membership in your NAC normally provides this, check to see if it is valid in the United States and has a minimum coverage of \$50,000. If not, you will be required to join the United States Parachute Association for the required liability insurance.

15. Visa Information

Visas are the responsibility of the participant and vary depending on your country. Detailed information can be found here:

<https://www.usa.gov/visas>

If needed, we can provide an invitation to your delegation to participate in this sporting event.

16. Rules and Regulations

The competition will be managed according to the FAI Sporting Code General Section, Sporting Code Section 5, and Rules Specific to the Events. These can be found here:

<https://www.fai.org/ipc-documents>

Click on 'Rules' and scroll down to the General Section and Section 5.

Skydive Arizona adheres to the USPA Basic Safety Regulations. Minimum opening altitude is 2,500 feet/750 meters. Helmets and AADs are not required but highly recommended. To learn about drop zone policies, please visit our web site here <https://www.skydiveaz.com/experienced> and click on the 'requirements' and 'safety' tabs.

Landing turns over 90 degrees will not be allowed during the event.

17. Weather

The weather in October tends to be warm and dry during the day, cool and clear at night. Temperatures typically range from daytime highs of 35C to nighttime lows around 15C. Average sunrise is 06:26, sunset 18:02.

18. Flag and Anthem

Each Delegation must bring its own National flag (approximately 100 cm x 150 cm) and its National anthem in a downloadable format (CD, MP4) to be used in ceremonies.

19. Electrical Power Standard

The USA uses a different power system than most countries. Our electrical standard is 120 volts, 60 Hz, and plug type A/B. It is the responsibility of attendees to acquire a plug converter for any devices you wish to charge. These are widely available in travel stores but are not available locally.

20. Important Deadlines

June 15, 2019: Provisional Entries due.

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September 1, 2019: Bulletin 2 will be published.