

Sporting code Section 5:

## 6.6. JUDGE SELECTION PROCESS FOR FIRST CATEGORY EVENTS

The Panel of Judges at an FCE shall consist of CJ, CJT (if necessary), **EJs (when necessary)**, Judges selected as per 6.6.3

### 6.6.1. CHIEF JUDGE

-The CJ for an FCE is nominated by the ISC Judges' Committee from the annual nomination list. This nomination will be made in consultation with the relevant Discipline Committee ~~who may consult the Organiser~~. The nomination must be approved by the ISC Plenary. A CJ may only be nominated once per discipline per calendar year.

**-The CJ must have served as an EJ at a minimum of 2 FCE's in that discipline (1 for CF) or as a CJ at some time prior to the current nomination.**

**-For Disciplines with only one event the CJ must have served as a Judge at a minimum of 2 FCEs in that discipline(s) in the 4 years preceding the nomination.**

**-The CJ must not be from the organising country.**

The CJ must have a thorough working knowledge of the General Section and Section 5 of the Sporting Code and the Competition Rules, including the latest changes made at the ISC meeting preceding the competition concerned and the philosophy behind these changes. He must also be familiar with all aspects of the conduct and operation of an international competition and will serve as administrative head of the Panel of Judges.

In case where the designated CJ is unable to attend the FCE the following procedure will be applied:

(1) The CJ must inform without delay the Chair of the Judges Committee and the Organiser of the FCE of his inability to attend.

(2) The Chair of the Judges Committee will immediately inform the ISC Bureau and the relevant discipline Committee Chair of the resignation. The Judges Committee shall, within 7 days and taking into consideration any suggestion from the relevant Discipline Committee, nominate a replacement CJ.

### 6.6.2 EVENT JUDGES

**Each discipline with two or more events must have one EJ for each event.**

EJs will be selected by the approved CJ and the ISC Judges' Committee from the annual nomination list and must have performed as a Judge at a minimum of 2 FCEs in that discipline (1 FCE for CF) in the 4 years preceding the nomination.

The EJ must have a thorough working knowledge of the General Section and Section 5 of the Sporting Code, and the Competition Rules, including the latest changes made at the ISC meeting preceding the competition concerned and the philosophy behind these changes. He must also be familiar with all aspects of the conduct and operation of an international competition and will be responsible for the technical direction of the Judges assigned to the event. The EJ will brief the Judges appointed for the event and detail the duties of these Judges.

## REASON

**It is important to maintain a high standard of quality for FAI judges. Access to the management of FCE judgments must be accessible to all FAI judges according to a coherent framework: first a "simple" judge first, then an event judge according to the current rules. An exception occurs with SPEED and PARA SKI, disciplines in which there is only one event. It is essential to maintain the existing modified**

scheme for SPEED and PARA-SKI, in order to respect this principle of accessibility to all to the function of Chief Judge.

6.6.1:” who may consult the organizer”.

After having discussed the origin of this mention, we noted that there is neither in the FCEAD nor in the OA a mention authorizing the Organizer to be consulted for the selection of a Chief Judge. It therefore appears unnecessary to maintain this opportunity. There is no need to introduce an additional constraint into the process of selection of a Chief Judge. The selection of the Chief Judge must stay one of the prerogatives of ISC only. It is important to remain that Competitions rules must not interfere with or contradict the text of General Section and Section 5 of FAI Sporting Code.