

## **IPC JURY NOTICE**

## **Title & Location of Competition**

11th FAI World Cup of Canopy Piloting

Eloy, Arizona U.S.A.

2nd FAI World Cup of Freestyle Canopy Piloting
5th FAI European Canopy Piloting Championships

1st FAI European Canopy Piloting Freestyle Championships

**IPC Jury Meeting No: 2** 

Time and Date: 18.10.2023 15:35

Subject: Additional CP Freestyle practice

## **Details:**

The Meet Director requested that the competitors be allowed additional Freestyle practice jumps after the conclusion of the standard events – time permitting.

The MD believed that the weather would allow him to complete the standard events early enough on Friday to allow additional practice on that day before commencement of the Freestyle event on Saturday. His reasons for the request included additional time on the pond leading to greater competitor safety, additional judging practice, "exceptional circumstances" as provided for in Section 5 of the Sporting Code, and the existence of two separate FCEs" (namely CP Standard and CP Freestyle).

The CJ and FAI Controller concurred with his request and his reasons.

## **Decision:**

The jury discussed all the points put forward by the MD, CJ, and FAI Controller. The jury is acutely aware of safety issues and agrees that practice for both competitors and judges is of great importance.

However, the rules in both CP Standard and CP Freestyle (3.4.5) clearly state that:

"During the competition, no competitor is allowed any jump other than competition jumps. Indoor skydiving is allowed."

This is also affirmed in Sporting Code Section 5 rule 5.2.1. Further to this rule, the jury can find no exceptional circumstances affecting this FCE.

As to the assertion that this competition is comprised of "two separate FCEs," the jury finds this incorrect. In this case, the competition is comprised of one discipline with two events, which is covered in the Freestyle Competition Rules under 3.4.1:

"The competition shall be comprised of three rounds if held with the Standard Events or six if it is held in a separate and independent Freestyle Championship or Cup."

This rule indicates that CP Freestyle at this FCE is not a separate and independent event. Therefore, the jury has concluded that once this competition is declared open, there is no more provision in the rules to grant/allow the Meet Director's request; and therefore, the request is denied.

Signature: Rina Gallo Jury President

Date:19.10.2023 Time: 0730 MST