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Freefall Style and Accuracy Landing Report

It has been a successful and fulfilling year for the Style and Accuracy committee, filled with so many emotions.

First of all, I wanted to thank all our committee members for their hard work and time, which they made for the better future of our discipline.

This year, the commission held 3 meetings during the conference in Romania and 7 more after that. We met online, but this did not prevent us from discussing, all questions ahead.

The year was full of competitions - from the planned 5 rounds of the World Parachute Series Cup -Croatia, Slovenia, Italy, Austria and Switzerland, took place 4. Unfortunately, the competition in Croatia was canceled due to bad MTO. All rounds ended with very good results and with over 200 participants. Some new things were tested at these competitions, such as live results and others.

EEAC also gathers momentum and 4 competitions were held in Bulgaria, Bosnia, Romania, Hungary, but Moldova and Poland refused. The commission is working on towards all of them being category 2.

And of course the most important competition this year – 37th FAI World Freefall Style and Accuracy Championship and 11th Junior Freefall Style and Accuracy Championship held in Strakonice - Czech Republic.

Despite the difficult fuel prices and financial situation around the world, the race went smoothly and with a full program. Participants from 25 countries with 179 competitors and 1705 jumps competed in very hot conditions, but with a good organization. This is the place to thank the organizers and all judging team!

World and Continental records 13 were set.

I cannot provide you with more information, as I was not provided with a report from the FAI Controller, despite my repeated requests to him.

Problems with the anemometer, electronics and hot weather, caused debate among the athletes.

Since a meeting of the competitors was not held for many years, after one was held this year in the Czech Republic, many questions and constructive suggestions were asked. The Commission checked out all of them. Some of them were made for the following year, some were impossible, and others were accepted and the committee reached the following decisions, which we offer for discussion by the delegates – our new changes are in the new rules.

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Proposals:

- 1. Change name now is "Freefall style and Accuracy landing", will be "Style and Accuracy landing";
- 2. Point 5.1.3. (1) Wind speed limit less than 6.0 m/s and not more than 7.5 m/s
- 3. Point 5.2.2. new (4) The maximum allowable wind speed at ground level in the style events is set by mutual agreement of the Chief Judge, FAI Controller and Meet Director at a value from 9 m/s and no more than 11 m/s

4. Video systems:

- Point 6.1.1.2. A Video Viewing system must be available and will be used for all competition jumps at the discretion of the EJ/CJ for any decision found necessary. This decision is not ground for protest;
- 6.1.1.3. On request of the three target judges the CJ / EJ must watch the video to make final decision. The CJ / EJ has the right to see the video at any time to make a final decision (e.g. : technical problems or not clearly situation);
- 6.1.1.4. Each team captain has the right to submit a verbal complaint to the CJ/EJ for a video review;
- 6.1.1.5. This complaint must be submitted before the team leader has signed the score Sheet *or* immediately after an incident becomes known. A verbal complaint for a video review can only be submitted in case of an incident in the own team and only without of own videos;
- 6.1.1.6. The team captain *or* team leader *or* competitor has the right to watch the video together with the CJ / EJ *after a final decision* has been taken by the CJ / EJ. The CJ / EJ has the right to call in additional one judge for the evaluation. The CJ/ EJ is responsible to make a final decision, to give the result or a re-jump;
- 6.1.1.7. The operator of the system must always be available. The CJ/EJ must be able to watch the video as soon as possible

5. Point 7.2.2. – new:

- (d) The top 8 junior male and 6 junior female after round 8 continue into the semi-final
- (e) The top 6 junior male and 4 junior female competitors, placed in round 9 (semi-final) qualify for the final round
- 6. Point **7.2.4.** Freefall Style. 5 rounds. The minimum number of rounds for a valid event is 1.
 - (a) A competitor who scores 9 seconds or more in the male category and 11 seconds or more in the female category, including penalties in the first round, does not qualify for the 2nd round.

After completion of the 2nd round, competitors with an aggregate score of 17 seconds or less for male and 20 seconds or less for female, including penalties, qualify for the 3rd round.

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(b) After completion of the 2nd round, competitors with an aggregate score of 17 seconds or less (male) and 20 seconds or less (female) qualify for the 3rd round. JUNIORS final is still under question

Upcoming competitions:

2023 – We have a letter of intent from Italian NAC – for European Championship and World Cup in Ravena

2024 - We have a bid from Czech Republic for World Championship and from Croatia

2025 - is free now

2026 - Letter of intent from Bulgaria

Composition of a new committee will be present, after vote for Chair of the committee.