ISC Plenary Meeting 2023
Rules & Regulations Committee
Proposals for changes

SC5

1.1.1 Principles, authority

The competition skydiving disciplines are:
· Accuracy Landing (AL)
· Freefall Style (ST)

At the request of the S&A committee. Style is always freefall, like formation skydiving and that discipline does not have “Freefall” in its name.

(6) The ISC shall name an approved International Sporting Event (First Category Event, Sporting Code, GS, Section 4.4.1.3), a Skydiving Parachuting World Cup / (or Parachuting World Cup of Skydiving), or a World Cup of Indoor Skydiving or by any other title. The title may not include the word “Championship.” The relevant provisions of this Sporting Code, Section 5, shall apply to such a World Cup.

The term “parachuting” has been changed to “skydiving” in the commission.

1.1.2 Definitions

(15) WINGSUIT: A garment of flexible material forming wings between a parachutist's arms, legs and torso, creating an aerodynamic planform designed to generate forward movement through the air using only the force of gravity. The parachutist's limbs and extremities must serve as the primary frame for the wings. Secondary structural/aerodynamic components (e.g. non-flexible grippers, fins for directional stabilization) may be used. The span of any structural/aerodynamic components must not extend past the knuckle at the base of the index finger.

At the request of the WS committee. Based on experiences at the WPC WS Eloy 2022. Discussion on how to handle existing records.

1.1.3 Abbreviations

(5) WPC: World Parachuting Championship
(5) WSC: World Skydiving Championship
(12) WISC: World Indoor Skydiving Championship
(13) IS: Indoor Skydiving

The term “parachuting” has been changed to “skydiving” in the commission, but the abbreviation WPC was still there.
The abbreviation WISC was missing in this paragraph but used in SC5 so it has to be added.
The abbreviation IS was stated here but is not used after that in SC5, so it can be deleted.

1.3.3 The maximum wind speed at ground level for parachuting is 11 m/sec, unless a lower wind speed is defined in competition rules.
At the request of the S&A committee. They want to add lower wind speeds for Style and for Accuracy. This also covers the lower wind speeds for Canopy Piloting.

### 3.2.8 SP Record

#### 3.2.8.1 Highest average speed

1. The record performance of an individual is the highest average speed of the individual achieved in any round in accordance with the current Competition Rules.
2. The record performance of a team is the highest average speed of the team achieved in any round in accordance with the current Competition Rules.

#### 3.2.8.2 Highest overall average speed

1. The record performance of an individual is the highest average speed of the individual for a completed competition program in accordance with the current Competition Rules.
2. The record performance of a team is the highest average speed of the team for a completed competition program in accordance with the current Competition Rules.

At the request of the SP committee. Adding records for the team event.

### 3.3.7 WS Performance Records

2. WS Time of Fall Record individual
3. WS Distance of Flight Record individual

Add: Additional or removable weight shall not be worn on the body or equipment.

At the request of the WS committee.

Also: define clear rule regarding when the fall is terminated (safely and rulewise) No wording available yet.

#### 3.3.9 The categories of Performance Records shall be:

General Category – best performance achieved
Female Category – best performance achieved by a woman or women’s team or group.
AL and ST only:

- Male Category – best performance achieved by a man of men’s team or group
- Junior Category – best performance achieved by a Junior

Like this, S&A will have General, Male, Female and Male and Female Junior categories. Because the male and junior categories count for S&A only, and general and female for all disciplines.

If S&A wants to get rid of the general category, that can be written down too.

### 3.3.10 and 3.3.11 Joint Record Holders

Add: Two or more teams are distinct only if they have no common members.

Proposal from USA. Up to the Plenary to decide if this is the way to interpret “distinct”.

4.1.2 states clearly that “Winners” will be declared in case of less than 4 NAC’s
4.10 states that the ISC can determine whether the title of “Champions” will be awarded.

Less than 4 NAC’s: winners or champions / medals
Apparently two times in SC5 but different
4.1.2. Separate bureau proposal, changing 4 NAC’s to 6 NAC’s.

4.1.2 Schedule of Organisation

(3) The schedule for other competitions is

- 2022 WPCs and World Cup of IS
- 2023 Parachuting Skydiving World Cups and WISC
- 2024 WPCs, WSCs and World Cup of IS
- 2025 Parachuting Skydiving World Cups and WISC
- 2026 Mondial or WSCs and World Cup of IS

Regular update of the schedule and name change (as per 1.1.1 (6) above)
Mondial added in 2026. This should have been 2025 but with the date changes of FCE’s due to COVID19 the Mondial would have been out of sync.

Chapter 3 update / General Section page 44 (para 7.6)

Possible text update reflecting the following principles. Open for discussion.

ISC Juries will only formally apply for best world competition records to FAI at the end of an FCE. Any previous world records set at this FCE will only be given exposure and not formally claimed.

Modify the record process and determine that continental records are the best per competition as opposed to per round.

Delete SC 5 para 3.3.10.
In order to align with the General Section regarding simultaneous records (joint records) or modify wording to ensure that such records can only be considered if completely different people are involved.

4.1.4 Arrival Days, Travel and Living Expenses
(4) The arrival days for officials are
- EJ and WS Judge Panel – 1 day

At the request of the WS committee. The WS judge panel needs to have more time to have their judges’ seminar so that they are available to provide competitors with the practice jumps and other judging responsibilities, as required by the competition rules.

4.3.2 Judges’ Conference

(new number, after 1) The CJ may schedule extra online training sessions prior to arriving at the competition site.

(new number) The arrival day of the Judges may not be counted as a conference day.

At the request of the AE committee.

4.3.5 Meteorological Service

(2) At every landing area, the speed of the wind must be indicated by an anemometric system, certified by an authorized entity.

At the request of the S&A committee, more specific wording.

4.4.4 Withdrawal from an FCE

Separate proposal from Hungary and Spain.
4.6.1 Attendance at FCEs

(2) The number of FAI Skydiving Judges, including the CJ, required at a WPC/WISC is:

**ISF:** 74 (+3 standby)

At the request of the AE committee. CJ + one panel of 3 Judges. A 2nd panel will be invited in case of more than 25 competitors, but no less than 5 in the junior category.

**AE:** 87 (+2 standby)

CJ + 2 EJ’s + 4 for a competition with less than 15 teams in both events. The 8th Judge will be invited if more teams registered. The 9th judge is standby (replacement), in case someone cannot make it.

**WS:** 87

At the request of the WS committee. With the separation of the Performance and Acrobatic tasks, the event judge of each can serve on the panel of the other, thereby allowing us to reduce the number of judges required.

**SP:** 34, for an FCE up to 30 competitors, adding 1 Judge for every 20 more competitors.

At the request of the SP committee. Based on experience two Judges are always on duty evaluation jumps, if the CJ has to handle complaints/protest there is a very high risk that the competition has to be stopped because there is no Judge available for other judging tasks, like handling helmets (switch on and check that the SMD is working correct), weight checks, etc. The cost increase of one Judge per 20 competitors will be covered by more sanction fees.

“Standby” means: no flight booking until the number of competitors is approved. Since last minute tickets are more expensive sometimes, CJ will notify the judging committee and finance. The numbers above may be reduced by the Judges Committee, in conjunction with the Organiser depending on the number of expected entrants. Judges who are not required will be informed within a week of the provisional entry deadline. Judges who are not required will be informed within a week of the provisional entry deadline.

Proposed text by the AE committee. Opinion of the Judges committee is separate.

4.6.2 Identification

Each member of the Panel of Judge (see above 4.6) must wear identification (which shall carry no reference to their nationality, either by country name or flag) supplied by the Organiser to indicate their function as Judge. Judges are not allowed to wear clothes that show reference to their nationality or country, either by country name, flag or any other means.

At the request of the Judges committee. Rewording to make sure that references to nationality or country are excluded on clothing as well.

6.6.3 Other FAI Skydiving Judges

For ST&AL, a Judge selected for the first time, may have qualification in only one of the disciplines – AL or ST.

Proposal from Moldova. Separate agenda item.

6.4.2 ST, FS, CF, AE, DY, CP, SP and WS

*In the two calendar years preceding the calendar year in which the event is being held;*

(4) Have actively participated in 3 out of 5 Judges online training sessions held by the Judges committee along the year. This option only extends from 2 to 3 years.
Proposed text by the AE committee. Opinion of the Judges committee is separate. Due to reducing the number of judges on the panels, it is important to be able to allow the judges to stay actually current, and on paper, by providing ongoing training.

6.7 **Duties of Judges**

6.7.1 **Chief Judge**

(4) The CJ must conduct a Conference for the Panel of Judges before the start of the events, including online sessions if needed.

At the request of the AE committee.

6.7.3 **The Judges**

(1) **Arrival at the Competition site**

The Judges must arrive on site in time to attend any conference scheduled to be held before the competition starts, including any online conference held prior to Judges travel to the competition. At the request of the AE committee.

**FCEAD**

2.3 USA proposal regarding changing task and cost of Judges transport to FCE’s from ISC to the organizer, implicating lower FAI sanction fees and higher entry fees.

USA proposal. Separate agenda item.

3.4.6 No diplomas will be awarded, unless otherwise described in Competition Rules.

Proposal, almost all committees stopped awarding diplomas. Overall consistency wanted / required.

**Internal Regulations**

Several proposals for change from the Bureau

1.7. **Faust Vrancic medal**

Possible re-instatement of these medals. 5 have been found so they can be awarded. If so, reinstate the old text as in Annex 2, 2020 IR’s.

Annex 3 Leonardo da Vinci Diploma

This Diploma was created in 1970 by the FAI. One Diploma may be awarded each year to a person who has achieved one of the following criteria:

**One Up to five Diplomas only** may be awarded annually. Why only one, as the criteria are very varied and there are quite a few eligible people.

Each year any Active Member of the FAI may submit the name of one candidate whose contribution was made within or on behalf of the territory for which they are responsible. The nomination must be in writing together with a suitably complete and detailed resume of the candidate’s qualifications. This is an alignment with the Paul Tissandier and FAI Group Diploma of Honour, i.e. a NAC submits for their members only.

**FAI Controller Handbook**

Any update following out of SC5 and/or other regulations.

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