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RULES CHANGES Style and Accuracy 2024

4.4. Overall Winner

4.4.1. The final ranking of all competitors is calculated by adding the total placing of each competitor in the Style and Individual Accuracy Landing events after all completed rounds including tie-breaking rounds ~~and excluding the competitors taking part in only one individual event. Only those competitors in both events will qualify for the overall event and they must have performed at least one competition jump in both Style and Accuracy Landing in that competition and must be re-ranked accordingly.~~

4.4.2. The winner is the man or woman with the lowest total points. If two competitors share equal totals, the title will be awarded to the competitor achieving the highest ranking in **either accuracy** event. Should a tie still exist co-champions will be declared. The same tie-breaking procedures will be followed ~~for all places~~ **the first three medal places in all classification.**

Rationale: to recalculate ex aequo for all places is just additional work and in Accuracy, Style and Nations (team) overall it also says tie break only for the first three places, so why here for all?

5.1.1 Wind Drift Indicator

5.1.1.2 **1.** Prior to starting the event, or if jumping has been interrupted for more than sixty (60) minutes, at least one wind drift indicator must be dropped from an altitude 100 m below the exit altitude and above the target by a judge or an experienced parachutist appointed by the Chief or Event Judge.

5.1.1.3 **2.** The wind drift indicator must have approximately the same rate of descent as the parachutes used by most of the competitors. Competitors must be given an opportunity to observe the descent of the wind drift indicator and its landing point must be marked on an aerial photo or plan of the drop zone available to competitors at the boarding area.

5.1.1.4 **3.** Continuity of the event and the opportunity for competitors to observe canopies in the air is considered sufficient for all competitors to evaluate the opening point.

5.1.1.5 **4.** When the boarding area is not close to the target area, as determined by the Jury, and competitors have been at the boarding area for more than 60 minutes they must be informed of the wind speed and direction at the target area before boarding.

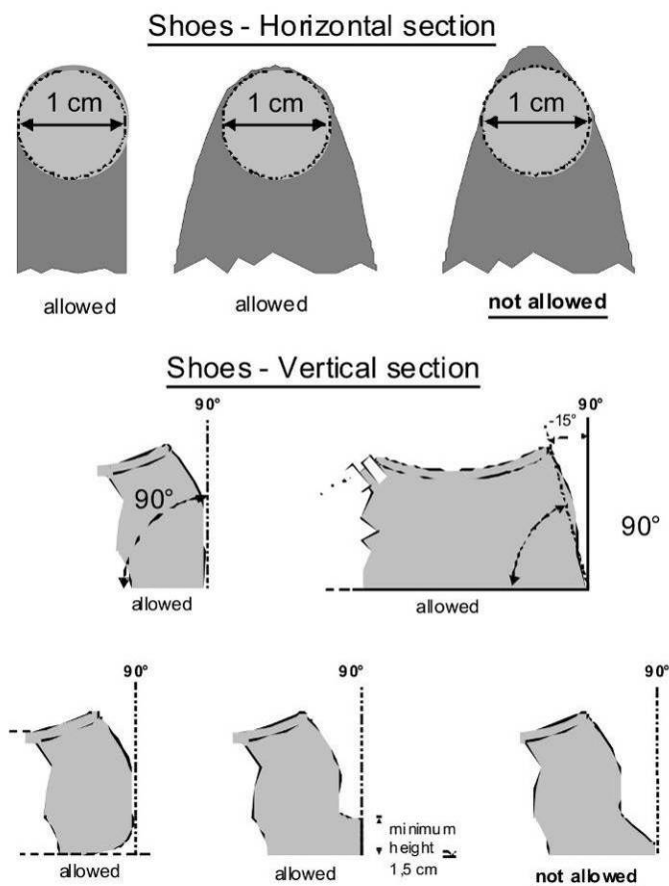
5.1.3.1. The maximum allowable wind speed at ground level in the accuracy events is set by mutual agreement of the Chief Judge, FAI Controller and Meet Director at a value ~~no less than 6,0 m/s and~~ no more than 7,5 m/s. This limit will be given to the competitors at the **initial briefing and will remain for the duration of the competition** for the duration of the event, unless necessary for the safety of the competitors. **May be changed after each completed round.**

5.1.5.6. In order not to damage the AMD, suitable footwear must be worn. **Accepted shape of the shoe**

- **the sole must be flat without any knobs protruding from it;**

- on the horizontal plane, the portion of the sole touching the target must have a minimum diameter of 1 cm;
- on the vertical plane, the angle of the part of the sole touching the target must have an angle of 90° (or 90°-15°, for explanation see diagram);
- The EJ has the right to refuse the use of specific footwear at any time.

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Rationale: The specification gives a clear limit that can be used by the judges and makes sure, that the competitors can use the same shoes at different championships with different judges' assessment. The current rule "suitable footwear" does not give a clear guidance what is allowed. The last sentence still gives a chance to the EJ to refuse "the use of specific footwear" e.g. if the material would be iron with sharp edges. However, to define the allowed material is almost impossible, may need a technical rule book, and then it needs to be checked as well.

5.2.8.8. Continuation of last loop after passing the horizontal level (+) ▪

- 1-30 deg No penalty
- 31-60 deg 0.4 sec
- 61-90 deg 1.5 sec
- ~~180~~90deg 16.0 sec
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6.1.1.3. If one or more cameras do not work, it is not a reason for protest

We need to change the numbering from 6.1.1.3. to 6.1.1.8. with 6.1.1.4 – 6.1.1.9

7. TITLE OF THE COMPETITION

“The (...th) FAI World/Continental Accuracy Landing and Style Championships” ~~(Add title of Junior WPC/CPC as required).~~

7.1. Aims of the FAI World / Continental Championship or World Cup

7.1.1. To determine the World / Continental Champions or Winner of the World Cup (Male and Female):

- Accuracy Landing **Champion**;
- Style **Champion**;
- Overall **Champion**;
- **Champions in** Team Accuracy Landing;
- Overall **Champion** Nation.

~~7.1.2. To determine the Individual World / Continental Junior Champions (Male and Female):~~

- **Junior** Accuracy Landing **Champion**;
- **Junior** Style **Champion**;
- **Junior** Overall **Champion**.

Rational: No separate numbering of junior championships any more, just classify them inside every FCE) It is very unlikely that there will ever be a standalone junior championship and if it is, we can continue from point 7

The general guideline shall be that there is always only one FCE and all other classifications (including continental championships and junior classification inside) are just classifications inside this FCE, regardless which title is then written on the front page of bulletin, the medals and result list.

Only the fact that the numbering of World or Worldcup & Continental is different does not overrule the current CRs with this principle.

Separate numbering is historical because continental (or in the past even junior) championships (also in continents outside Europe) could also be held as stand alone FCEs, if there would be a host willing to organize (unlikely) . (see SC5 4.1.2. (3) “... unless a separate Continental Championships in that region will be held”)

7.2.2.1. The top 30 male including **ALL** junior and 15 female including **ALL** junior competitors after round 8 continue into the semi-final.

7.2.2.2. The top 15 male and the 8 female competitors **including ALL junior male and female**, placed in round 9 (semi-final) qualify for the final round.

7.2.4.1. After completion of the 2nd round, competitors with an aggregate score of 17 seconds or less for males and 20 seconds or less for females, including penalties, qualify for the 3rd round, **including all juniors male and female. (Minimum-10).**

7.2.4.2. After completion of the 3rd round, there will be a cut and 50 % of competitors **including all juniors male and female. (Minimum-10).**, placed in aggregate score after the 3rd round qualify for the 4th round.

7.2.4.3. After completion of the 4th round, there will be a cut and 50 % of competitors including all juniors male and female (~~minimum 10 and maximum 20~~), placed in aggregate score after the 4th round qualify for the final 5th round.

7.5.3. For the determination of the Overall Champion Nation see below:

7.5.3.1. The Overall World / Continental Champion Nation, separate for men and women, is the nation with the lowest total, calculated as the sum of Team Style and Team Accuracy Landing ranks. All team members who don't participate in the Style Event receive the score of 16.00 seconds as a virtual score for the first and second round.

The four best numerical placings in the ~~individual overall ranking~~ separately calculated virtual

Team Style ranking" are added in order to get the Team Style ranking. Only members of teams participating in Team Accuracy (with a minimum of four participants) will be considered and 7.3.1. applies.

This score is only used for the virtual Team Style rank to then add the Team Accuracy rank after all completed rounds and by that to calculate the Nations (team) Overall..

Rationale: The virtual style score is mainly a motivation for some team members to do style and to have more teams on the team overall result list (by that the female nations overall will be back alive).The option is to jump two style jumps under 16sec with one (or more) team member and by that get a better place in the nations overall than those who did not jump at all. Everybody should be able to jump under 16sec and with modern training opportunities in wind tunnels it is proven that some can do below 9sec without any "real" camera jump.

After two rounds the usual cut with 17/ 20 sec applies and the competition goes on only for the best style participants as now.All complete teams are ranked in this nations overall if they jump with a minimum of 4 at least one Team Accuracy round.

7.6.1. Medals are awarded to the three competitors who ~~have~~ have the highest placing in the Individual Accuracy Landing and Style events and to the three teams who have the highest