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Amendment to SC5, 2011

1.1.4 Identity:

The national identity of any person acting as an official at an FCE in any FAI/IPC capacity (Jury Member, Panel of Judges, FAI Controller etc) must not be listed or revealed (either in writing or by country flag) in any communication connected with the FCE (Information Bulletins, Media reports etc) or on any identification tag/badge supplied to that person.

1.2(5) AADs

Every parachutist, who wishes to make competition and/or record jumps, which are covered by this Sporting Code, must use a fully functioning AAD which is turned on at all times during the jump sequence. This rule may be waived on an Event or Discipline basis by decision of the IPC Plenary or IPC Bureau

1.2(6) Age

The minimum age for participation in an FCE is 16 years.

3.1.2

(2) b) A performance record, other than an **Altitude (3.3.2) and a Speed (3.3.8) Record**, must be judged and certified by three judges, two of whom must be FAI Parachuting Judges for the particular discipline. The third judge must have at least a valid National Judge rating in the particular discipline. For an **Altitude and a Speed Record**, the certification will be the responsibility of the Official Observers (General Section 4.2.1) appointed and approved by the organising and/or controlling NAC (General Section 6.4.2).

4.1.1 Selection of Site and IPC Control

2) The organisation of the competition shall be controlled by a person appointed by the IPC (FAI Controller) upon recommendation from the relevant IPC Committee. This person may not be from the Organiser's country. The appointment of the FAI Controller shall be approved by the IPC at the same time as the FCE receives approval. The FAI Controller's duties, which commence upon appointment, are:

- To read and follow the IPC FAI Controller Handbook
- To ensure that the Organiser follows the terms of the Organiser Agreement, the Sporting Code, the **Approved Bid** and the Competition Rules as they pertain to the organisation of the competition
- **To ensure that the Organiser follows the terms and conditions of the accepted FCE Application/Bid as they pertain to commitments made to assist Delegations and any other administrative matters**
- When required by the IPC Bureau and/or the relevant discipline committee, to visit and inspect the competition site at a suitable time during the preparation thereof

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- **To inform the IPC Bureau if and when organisational or administrative problems or irregularities arise.**
- To report to the Jury as to the state of organisation, before the Jury gives its approval to start the competition (4.5.1)
- To be responsible for Safety during the competition
- To assist, if necessary, in the travel cost reimbursement of the personnel listed in 4.1.4(1).
- To verify the Jury Member expense reimbursement claims and to assist, if necessary, the Jury Member in submitting them to the IPC Treasurer. The FAI Controller will review the expense forms to ensure that all the required information is provided, that the expenses claimed are appropriate and in accordance with IPC policy and will indicate completion of the verification procedure by signature on the expense form. The Jury Member will submit the claim form, with receipts, to the IPC Treasurer for approval and payment processing in accordance with the IPC Internal Regulations, Terms of Reference, Finance Working Group, Addendum 1.
- To liaise with the Organiser and Meet Director during the competition to ensure adherence to the program of competition, the Sporting Code and the Competition Rules. Any deviation must be reported to the Jury.
- To establish the number of participants who pay the sanction fee. The FAI Controller shall first establish a provisional estimate, which must be paid to the FAI at least seven days before the published start date of the competition. The FAI Controller shall then establish the actual number of participants to allow for a final settlement before the Jury approves the competition results and declares the event to be valid.
- To review all Official Information Bulletins ~~(4.2.5)~~ **as required by 4.2.5.**, ~~ensure that they are correct and in accordance with the requirements of the FCE Application Document (3.1) and, if so, advise the IPC Bureau that they are satisfactory.~~
- **To ensure that the Chief Judge(s) and relevant Committee Chair(s) review the Official Information Bulletins as required by 4.2.5**

4.1.3 Add

Where a Head of Delegation or Team Manager serves as such at more than one FCE taking place at the same location, only one Sanction Fee will be paid in respect of that person.

4.1.4

(3) The IPC will reimburse ~~the~~ **any Visa cost** and the travel expenses of each member of the panel of International Judges at a FCE, who are FAI Parachuting Judges (not covered by 4.1.4(1)) included in the selected list to the lesser of the actual travel expense from the Judge's normal place of residence to the site of the FCE and the amount stipulated in the reimbursement schedule prepared by the Judges' Committee and approved by the IPC Plenary.

Add

The travel expenses to be reimbursed are;

- Airfare – lowest cost economy airfare or equivalent**
- Rental car – out of pocket rental cost, fuel cost, road tolls etc**
- Use of own private automobile - 35 € cents per kilometre, subject to SC5 1.5.1**
- Train, taxi etc – actual out of pocket cost**

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The visa cost to be reimbursed is the standard consular fee, supported by documentary evidence. Visa costs are considered to be a cost of travel to and from the normal place of residence and not from the site of one FCE to another FCE.

4.2.2 Competition Rules

Add Duration of the competition

4.2.5 Official Bulletins

The NAC organising an FCE will issue two Official Information Bulletins (see IPC FCE Application Document 3.1) in electronic format to be posted on the FAI/IPC website. They must first be **submitted, at least 30 days before the issue date, for review by the IPC Bureau, the FAI Controller, the Chief Judge and the relevant Committee Chairs, who will clarify and correct any wrong or misleading information and ensure that any missing information is included. When this process is complete and the Bureau has given its final approval, the Bulletins may then be issued and be posted on the FAI/IPC and Organiser's website.**

4.3.1 Judging Equipment and Identification

- (1) ~~The Organiser must provide the Judges and Trainee Judges with the equipment necessary to observe and score the jumps and with the personnel to put it in place and remove it. The Organiser must also provide the necessary number of secretaries and scorers for the judges.~~

The Organiser must utilise and pay for the judging equipment, scoring system(s) and personnel as specified by the IPC and FAI, in accordance with the terms of the contract entered into by the IPC and FAI with a chosen supplier. In the event that equipment, scoring system(s) and personnel are required in addition to that specified by the IPC and FAI, the Organiser will provide and pay for such equipment, scoring system(s) and personnel and the equipment and scoring system(s) to be so provided must receive prior approval from the IPC Judges' Committee.

The Organiser must also provide sufficient personnel to put in place and remove all equipment and scoring system(s) and the necessary number of secretaries and scorers for the Panel of Judges.

4.3.3 Judges' Training Course

- (1) A Training Course, which is supervised by the Chief of Judge Training, shall (except in the case subject to 4.3.3 (4)) be held at every WPC, FCE other than a **Mondial** or World Air Games, ~~and may be held at other First Category Events, including a Mondial and World Air Games.~~
All potential FAI Parachuting Judges and FAI Parachuting Judges (Trainee Judges) wishing to undergo refresher or re-evaluation training may attend.
- (2) The dates and time of the Judges' Training Course will be listed in the first Official Information Bulletin.

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- (3) The facilities and equipment for the Trainee Judges will be of the same standard as those for the panel of FAI Parachuting Judges.
- (4) In the event that the required minimum number of Judges in Training fail to register with the Organiser and the Chair of the IPC Judges Committee at least 45 days prior to the competition commencing, the Judges Committee, after consultation with the Organiser and with the agreement of the IPC Bureau, may decide to cancel the Training Course. The required minimum number of Judges in Training shall be decided by the Judges Committee, no later than the IPC Plenary Meeting held immediately before the competition.
- (5) **The Training Course entry fee (which shall be the same amount for all Trainee Judges, regardless of discipline) to be paid by a Trainee Judge shall be included in FCE Application and must receive approval from the Judges’ Committee prior to the FCE Application receiving IPC approval.**

4.4.3 Multiple FCEs

A competitor or team videographer may enter more than one FCE taking place at the same time in the same location, but such participation will not be grounds for any protest against the application of any of the provisions of SC5, 5.2.5.

4.6.10 Identification

Each member of the Panel of Judges (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.

4.7.1.

- (2) The members of the Jury may ~~exercise no other function at the~~ **not be a competitor nor hold any operational position in the organisation** nor may they act in any administrative or other capacity for any NAC or Delegation.
- 10) All travel (to and from the Jury Member’s normal place of residence), accommodation, meal and other appropriate expenses connected with the duties of a Jury Member will be paid for by the IPC. **Travel expenses and visa costs will be subject to the same limitations set out in SC5, 4.1.4.** Each Jury Member will prepare the required expense form (available from the FAI or the IPC Treasurer), with receipts. The FAI Controller will review the expense forms to ensure that all the required information is provided, that the expenses claimed are appropriate and in accordance with IPC policy and will indicate completion of the verification procedure by signature on the expense form. The Jury Member will submit the forms with all receipts to the IPC Treasurer for approval and payment processing in accordance with the IPC Internal Regulations, Terms of Reference, Finance Working Group, Addendum 1.

Where a Jury Member makes a claim for use of a private automobile, the reimbursement rate is specified in SC5, 1.4.2. and the amount reimbursed is subject to the provisions of SC5, 1.5.1.

If the Jury Member does not pay a registration fee to the FCE Organiser so as to receive a meal/accommodation package deal, meal costs will be reimbursed to the lesser of the actual meal cost, supported by proof of payment, and a meal allowance of ~~€40 per day (based on €10 for breakfast, €10 for lunch and €20 for the evening meal,~~ for each day present at the competition site.

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The accommodation used, if not provided by the FCE Organiser with the package, should be equivalent to three star standard in the area where the FCE takes place.

4.10 *Minimum Participation*

Where less than 4 NACs are entered in an event (see Competition Rules – SC5 4.2) at an FCE, the Sporting Code, General Section 3.5.3.1 permits the IPC to determine whether the event will take place and whether the title of Champion will be awarded.

(1) Six months before an FCE, the relevant IPC Committee must determine the number of NACs intending to entering a team or individuals in an event at the FCE. If the relevant IPC Committee determines that less than 4 NACs have this intention, the event will not take place. The Committee will inform the IPC Bureau of this and the IPC Secretary will send out an information notice within seven days to the FCE Organiser, IPC Delegates and NACs that the particular event will not take place.

(2) If 4 or more NACs indicate an intention **to enter** as per (1) to a WPC or Continental Regional Championship but less than 4 NACs make an official entry and participate, the event will take place, ~~but the title of Winner will be used rather than Champion.~~ **and the title of Champion (excluding the words World and Continental) will be used.** The same provision regarding entries applies to any other FCE, where the title of Winner is always used.

(4) An event will be removed as a valid event from the IPC Competition Rules, if:

- The event does not take place at two successive FCEs by reason of (1) above
- The event has less than 4 NACs participate at two successive FCEs
- The event at one FCE does not take place due to one of the above reasons and does not take place the following year for the other reason.