

A.15. CHANGE FROM PROVISIONAL TO OFFICIAL RULES

- A.15.1. Before being considered for adoption by the CIAM as official FAI rules, provisional rules must first have been used **in each year of a two-year period up to the year of consideration. The rules must have been used in at least five international contests, or three World Cup contests. All the contests must be registered on the FAI Sporting Calendar and involve a total of at least five FAI member countries (but not necessarily five countries per contest) with at least two countries per contest and at least 50 competitors in total per year.**
- A.15.2. ~~Where there is great demand for a class, the Plenary Meeting may decide to waive the conditions contained in paragraph A.15.1 and adopt the provisional rules as official rules, effective from the following January.~~

A.16. ELIGIBILITY FOR WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- A.16.1. Before they can be considered by the CIAM for use in World and/or Continental Championships **and/or any other FAI Category 1 event**, there must be a minimum period of two years from the time the rules were made official. **The rules must have been used in at least two five international contests, or three World Cup contests, each with a minimum of five six FAI member nations countries participating. At least two contests must be held in each of the two years with a total of at least 60 competitors in each year. All the contests must be registered on the FAI Sporting Calendar.** Also, reports from the President of the Jury in each contest must be sent to the appropriate Sub-committee Chairman for the latter's recommendation to the CIAM.
- A.16.2. ~~In cases where the conditions in A.15.1 have been waived, the rules may be considered eligible for use in World and/or Continental Championships from, and including, the year in which they became effective.~~
- A.16.3. From 1st January 2014 and for at least four years, there is a moratorium on any class being permitted to apply for championship status.

Reason: With these proposals for modifying rules A.15 and A.16, Bureau wishes to make sure that any class being considered for moving from provisional to official status, and thereafter to be eligible to hold an FAI CAT I event, meets specific criteria and that NACs and competitors are going to support it. With the deletion of A.15.2 and A.16.2, the fast-track procedure practiced in the past, is cancelled.

Note: With the deletion of A.16.2, rule A.16.3 will be re-numbered to A.16.2.

A.17 MAINTAINING WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP STATUS

- A.17.1 The status of any existing World Championship class must be re-considered if, during a four-year period, it has either:**
- a) Had no bids for a World or Continental Championship.**
 - or**
 - b) Participation was less than 14 countries for the same period of time.**
- A.17.2 The above mentioned limits are not applicable to any Junior-specific Championship class, or World or Continental Championship classes that are permitted to hold separate Junior Championships.**
- A.17.3 Limits for Championships with combined classes are the same as the limits described in point 2, but as a sum of the participants over all the classes and not per individual class.**

Reason: The CIAM Plenary Meeting must consider the status of any existing World Championship class over a four year period. The Bureau proposal for the new rule A.17 indicates the criteria for a class to maintain its Championship status. Classes with lower participation will no longer be able to organise CAT I events unless the class can be combined with a different class. The proposed date of implementation is 1st January 2015.

Note i): A 1st January 2015 implementation date would be the first year of the four-year period for odd-year championships and 2016 would be the first of the four-year period for even-year championships.

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Note ii): With the new A.17 the existing A.17 & A.18 will be re-numbered to A.18 & A.19 respectively. There will be consequential changes to the paragraph reference for the old A.18 at rule A.14.2 and on page 13: Contents.

Note iii): Those Championships such as F3C & F3N; F4C & F4H; F5B & F5D will need to be formally re-designated as F3CN; F4CH; F5BD along the lines of existing combined class Championships such as F1ABC, F2ABCD; F1ABP (Jun).

End of proposal.