

F3A AEROBATIC WORLD CUP

1. Classe

The F3A class is recognised for World Cup competition (aerobatics airplanes).

2. Competitors

All competitors in the specified open international contests are eligible for the World Cup.

3. Contests

Contests included in the World Cup must appear on the FAI Contest Calendar and be run according to the FAI Sporting Code. The contests to be counted for a World Cup in a particular year are to be nominated at the CIAM Bureau Meeting at the end of the preceding year and are to be indicated on the FAI Contest Calendar. The selection of the contests should be according to the following guidelines:

- a) a maximum of two contests may be selected for any one country.
- b) each competitor may count only one competition from each country in Europe (taking the better score for any European country in which he has scored in two competitions).

4. Points allocation

The points to be allocated to competitors will depend in each class on the number (N) of competitors who will have completed at least one flight in the event. A competitor has completed a flight if he registers a score not equal to zero (0).

Points are allocated to competitors who will have completed at least one flight in the event according to their placing in the results as given in the following tables:

a) N>20

Placing	1	2	3	4	5	6	.....	20	21 and after
Points	20	19	18	17	16	15	.....	1	0

A bonus of 8 points is given to the first, 5 points to the second and 3 points to the third.

b) N<20 or N=20

Placing	1	2	3	4	5	6	.....	N-1	N
Points	N	N-1	N-2	N-3	N-4	N-5	.....	2	1

The bonus is defined as follows:

- for first: N/3 rounded up to the nearest whole number of points with a maximum of 7 points ;
- for second: N/5 rounded up to the nearest whole number of points with a maximum of 4 points ;
- for third: N/7 rounded up to the nearest whole number of points with a maximum of 3 points.

In the event of a tie for any placings, the competitors with that placing will share the points which would have been awarded to the places covered had the tie been resolved (round up the score to the nearest whole number of points).

5. Classification

The World Cup results are determined by considering the total of points obtained by each competitor in the World Cup events. Up to three events may be counted, selecting each competitor's best scores during the year. The winner of the World Cup is the competitor with the greatest total.

In the event of a tie for first, second and third place, the place will be determined according to the following scheme. The number of events counted is increased from three, one at a time, until the winner is obtained. If this does not separate the tied competitors then the place will be determined by considering in the best three events ; the points obtained in each event multiplied by the number of competitors who will have completed at least one flight in the event; the winner is the one with the greatest total thus calculated.

6. Awards

The winners is awarded the title of the winner of the World Cup. Further medals, trophies or certificates may be awarded by the CIAM F3A Subcommittee as available.

7. Organisation

The F3A Subcommittee shall be responsible for organising the World Cup and may nominate a responsible person or special subcommittee to collect the results.

8. Communication

The F3A Subcommittee should receive the results from each contest in the World Cup and then calculate and publish the Current World Cup positions. These should be distributed to the news agencies and should also be available, by payment of a subscription, to any interested bodies or individuals. Final results of the World Cup are to be sent also to the FAI, National Airports Controls and modelling press.

9. Responsibilities of Competition Organisers

Competition organisers must propose their event for inclusion in the World Cup when nominating events for the FAI international Sporting Calendar. The final selection of events from these proposals is made by the CIAM Bureau as defined in paragraph 3.

Immediately after the event, the competition organiser must send the results to the World Cup organiser, at least within one month as required in the Sporting code B.6.5. Any failure to return promptly will be reviewed by the CIAM Bureau when considering the competition calendar for the following year.

10. Board of judges

A board of three responsible people shall be nominated by the CIAM F3A Subcommittee to rule any protest concerning the World Cup during a year. Any protest must be submitted in writing to the F3A Subcommittee Chairman and must be accompanied by a fee of 80 CHF (Swiss Francs). In the event of the jury upholding the protest, the fee will be returned.