



## **CIVL 2014 PLENARY – ANNEX 20 PARAGLIDING ACCURACY COMMITTEE'S AGENDA & PROPOSALS**

### **Agenda**

- Meeting and registration of Committee members and new arrivals. Selecting the secretariat.
- Updating of Agenda
- Committee Chairwomen Violeta Masteikiene report.
- Review the competition and events during the 2013.
- Discussions on proposed S7C Changes.
- Discussions on a water accuracy landing rules, discussion about possibility to use two targets on competitions.
- Bids review for 2016
- 5th FAI PG Accuracy European Championship (Lithuania) and
- 3rd FAI PG Accuracy Asia Championship (Kazakhstan).
- On-going questions.
- Formulation of the proposals for plenary.

### **Proposals**

#### **2.18.1 Radio**

Voice radio transmitters are allowed for reasons of safety and communication between the team leader and the pilots. Radios are not to be used during competition flight for the purpose of providing advantageous competitive information or coaching a pilot. Permitted safety frequencies shall be specified in the LR.

Proposed change:

This rule should also state if it is acceptable, or not, for pilots to communicate advantageous information while not in flight.

#### **2.21.5 Definition of final approach**

The competitor is deemed to have started a final approach when, having turned to face the target, the Event Judge considers that the competitor has made his final commitment to making an approach to the target and is not expecting to have to make any significant changes in direction. Any further manoeuvres undertaken by the competitor from this position will not detract from above factor.

Proposed change:

All pilots should be able to reach the centre of the target from an into wind approach. Pilots falling short of the target from a take-off downwind of the landing field need to fly straight at the target on full drive (no brakes applied) to be able to claim a re-launch, and should attempt to land on the target. Pilots approaching from an up wind take-off or tow release position need to demonstrate that they have made the most efficient circuit to get on to the wind line and will be able to claim a re-launch as long as they do not attempt to land on the target. Pilots who are deemed to be flying porous or undersize gliders and are unable to reach the target on a re-launch will not be offered a second re-launch.

#### **2.21.6.4 Safety reasons**

The competitor changes his flight plans for safety reasons to avoid another competitor in the air, and then does not attempt to land on the target.

Proposed change:

The competitor changes his flight plans for safety reasons, and then does not attempt to land on the target.

#### **2.21.6.6 Judges discretion**

At the Judges discretion on the grounds of a technical problem or abnormal conditions. This may be a failure with equipment which is not a result of the pilot's poor pre-flight check, or massive sink such that a pilot is unable to reach the target or arrives with insufficient height to make a reasonable final approach. A re-launch may be authorized provided that the pilot does not attempt to fly at the target.

Proposed change:

Some clear guidance is required on this:

What is the definition of 'massive sink'? If a pilot is in constant sink from launch to landing e.g. 300m of sink, is this massive sink? If a pilot plummets 10m close to landing, is this massive sink?

#### **5.5.1 Location – guideline for hill launch setting**

< ...The minimum height difference is to be 200m...>

Proposed change:

To cut off the minimum height difference requirement, or reduce it till 100m.

#### **5.5.2 Location – guideline for tow/winch launch setting**

<...The minimum recommended height 150m...>

Proposed change:

To cut off the minimum height difference requirement.

#### **5.5.3 Measuring Device**

The centre of the target must be an automatic measuring device with a dead centre disc of 3cm in diameter in a contrasting colour, preferably yellow on a black background. The automatic measuring device must be capable of measuring to a minimum distance of 15cm in increments of not more than 1cm. The device must be set on a solid base plate. It must be fixed and kept as flat as possible at the level of the measuring field. The same diameter of dead centre must be used throughout the whole competition.

Proposed change:

The centre of the target must be an automatic measuring device with a dead centre disc of 2cm in diameter in a contrasting colour. The automatic measuring device must be capable of measuring to a minimum distance of 15cm in increments of not more than 1cm. The device must be set on a solid base plate. It must be fixed and kept as flat as possible at the level of the measuring field. The same diameter of dead centre must be used throughout the whole competition.

A 2cm or 3cm DC can be used in any competition in 2014. All Cat.1 competitions must use a 2cm DC from 01.01.2015, and Cat. 2 competitions from 01.01.2016.

Comment: More accuracy means better pads with smaller DC. We all agree that 2cm DC is the future, and to allow organisers to comply with this rule, we give them time to adapt to this rule.

#### **Defending Champions**

Current Champions, male and female (world and continental) shall be allowed a discretionary entry to defend their title if not selected for their national team by their NAC but they shall not score for their nation.

Comment:

Every current Champion should be allowed to defend his/her title.

### **Pilots from Other Continents**

In Continental Paragliding Championships, if any suitable spots remain available one month before the start of the competition, CIVL will accept entries from suitable pilots from other continents. Such pilots will have to fit the general qualification criteria of the meet and will be selected in their WPRS order with one woman pilot accepted for every 4 males that are selected.

### **The target & 5.5.3**

Review wording to consider if a more precise definition of 'the target' is required, differentiating it from the 'measurement field'. The target is, essentially, the 2 or 3cm dot in the centre of the measurement field.

***All comments and propositions should be sent to:***

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