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Special note: The use of the words he or his in this document does not imply gender but is used in place of he/she or his/her.

In the case of a disagreement between information or a requirement in this Handbook and that in an Original Document e.g. SC5, the Original Document takes precedence over this Handbook.

Introduction

This Handbook is issued by the ISC

- as an information source for prospective FAI Controllers, and
- to assist FAI Controllers to perform their duties at ISC First Category Events (FCE)

This Handbook will be used by the FAI Controller for an ISC FCE.

The FAI Controller is appointed by the ISC, upon recommendation from the ISC Bureau and may not be from the Organiser's country.

The duties and responsibilities of the FAI Controller, which commence upon appointment, are:

- To read and then follow the ISC 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, including timely payment of the required Deposit (FCEAD 2.2.3) and the Sanction Fees.
- To ensure that the Organiser follows the terms and conditions of the Approved Bid as they pertain to commitments made to assist Delegations and any other administrative matters.
- To visit and inspect the competition site at a suitable time during the preparation thereof unless deemed unnecessary by the ISC Bureau and/or the relevant ISC Competition Committee.
- To review the medical services and, in conjunction with the Organiser, agree to the level of medical services required. Minimum requirements include:
 - Emergency medical personnel to be present at the FCE, the number, based on best practice, to be determined by the size of the event (number of competitors, officials and spectators).
 - Adequate medical equipment on site.
 - Emergency response services (ambulances, helicopters, etc.) and medical facilities (hospital etc.).
 - A procedure in place in the event of a casualty or a serious accident. The document "FAI Guideline In the Event of a Casualty or a Serious Accident at FAI Air Sports" can be obtained from the FAI Secretariat.
 - An Organiser may wish to consider having counsellors on standby to act in the event of a major incident.
- To inform the ISC 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 (SC5, 4.5.1).
- To monitor safety and report any safety violation (including that described in SC5, 1.3(2)) that takes place during the FCE to the Safety Panel for further action in accordance with SC5, 4.8
- To attend all Safety Panel meetings and be responsible for recording in writing all Safety Violation Notices.
- To assist, if necessary, in the expenses reimbursement of the personnel listed in SC5, 4.1.4.1.

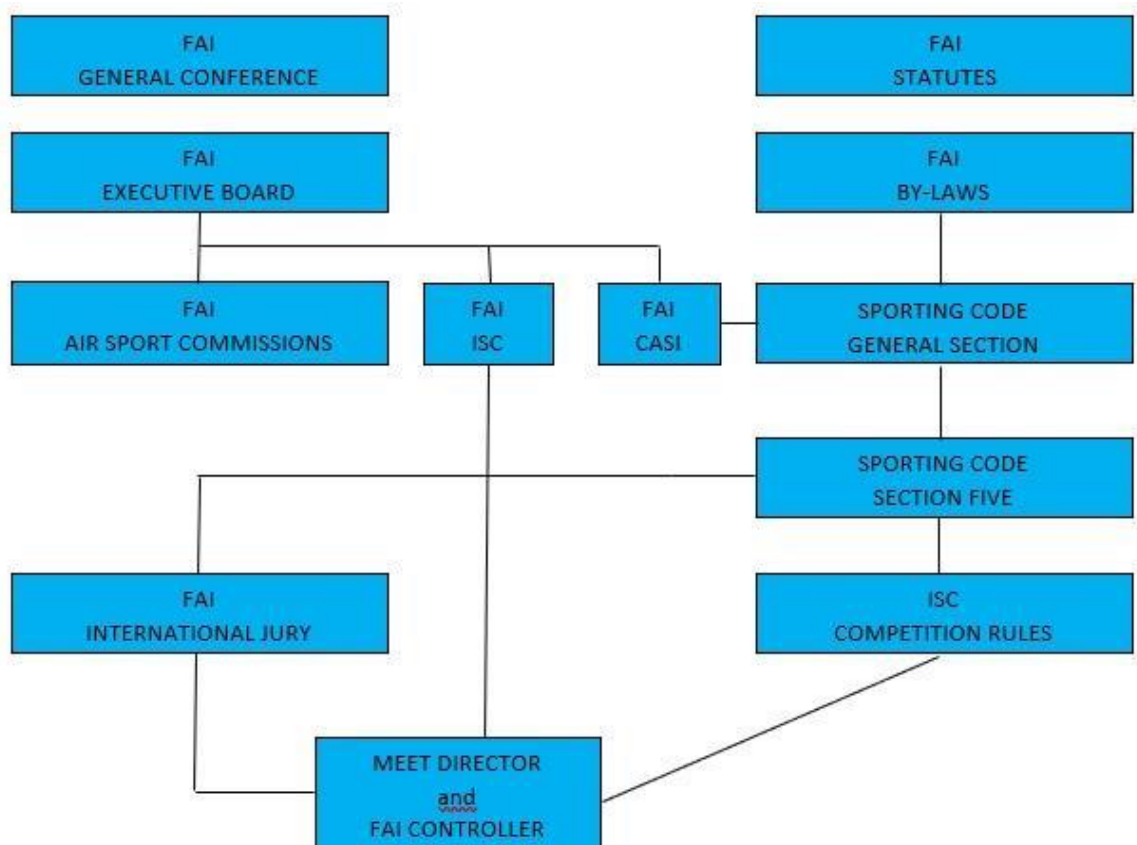
- To confirm the attendance of each on site Jury Member and Judge by filling in the ISC FCE Personnel List and submitting it to the ISC Finance Secretary, in accordance with the current ISC Expense Reimbursement Policy Document.
- To liaise with the Organiser and MD during the competition to ensure adherence 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 and notify that to the ISC Finance Secretary ten (10) days before the start of the competition. The provisional sum must be paid upon receipt of an FAI invoice to the FAI at least seven (7) 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. The FAI Controller must advise the ISC Finance Secretary of the actual number of participants by completing and submitting Annex 4, so that a proper accounting may be made.
- To review and submit all Official Information Bulletins as required by SC5, 4.1.5.

The FAI Controller will not report to the ISC, unless issues have arisen that require consideration or a decision by the ISC at its next Plenary Meeting. If no report is required, the FAI Controller need only report to the Chair of the relevant Committee. The FAI Controller must have a thorough knowledge of the Sporting Code, General Section, and Section 5, the Competition Rules, the Organiser Agreement and the Approved Bid, together with any accepted changes to the that Approved.

1 FAI CONTROLLER GUIDE

1.1 ORGANISATION, AUTHORITY AND REGULATIONS

FAI AUTHORITY



1.2 RESPONSIBILITY OF ISC RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

The responsibility of the ISC Rules and Regulations Committee is to prepare, maintain and publish the ISC FAI CONTROLLER HANDBOOK.

2 FAI CONTROLLER APPOINTMENT AND PROCEDURES

2.1 APPOINTMENT

Any ISC FCE shall have an FAI Controller appointed by the ISC.

In accordance with SC5, 4.1.1.2 the ISC Bureau will, after recommendation from the relevant Competition Committee(s), nominate a person for appointment as the FAI Controller, to be approved by the ISC Plenary at the same time that the FCE receives approval.

3 FAI CONTROLLER DUTIES

3.1 BEFORE THE EVENT

The FAI Controller:

- 3.1.1 Will obtain a copy of the Sporting Code, General Section and Section 5, the Competition Rules for the Event(s), the Organiser Agreement and the Approved Bid, together with any accepted changes to that Approved Bid, and be thoroughly familiar with the contents of all of them.
- 3.1.2 Will contact the Organiser (President and Secretary of the Organising Committee) (OC) and explain to them the role of the FAI Controller, which is described in the Introduction to this handbook.
- 3.1.3 Will advise the OC of the need to issue two Official Information Bulletins, the timing and content thereof and the need for the Bureau to approve the Bulletins before issue.
- 3.1.4 Determine the dates of issue of the Bulletins and request that the OC ensure that they are prepared and sent to the ISC 1st Vice President at least 60 days before the issue date. (SC5, 4.1.5)
- 3.1.5 Ensure that the Organisers website (if one is to be used) is only posting information as per accepted bid and both Official Information Bulletins. (SC5, 4.1.6)
- 3.1.6 Will advise the OC of the Sanction Fee payment procedure how the provisional amount is to be determined and the timing of payment. It is suggested that the provisional amount be determined using the Entry Forms (Provisional or Final) received.
- 3.1.7 Will advise the OC of the amount of the Deposit (see FCEAD and Organiser Agreement) and the timing of the payment (no later than 30 days before the start date of the Event) and will ensure that it is paid on time.
- 3.1.8 Will advise the OC that payment of the Deposit and Sanction Fees (if payment is made instead of a Guarantee being provided) must be made, only upon receipt of an FAI invoice.
- 3.1.9 Will review the medical services and, in conjunction with the Organiser, agree to the level of medical services required. Minimum requirements include:

- Emergency medical personnel to be present at the FCE, the number, based on best practice, to be determined by the nature and size of the event (discipline, number of competitors, officials and spectators).
- Adequate medical equipment on site.
- Emergency response services (ambulances, helicopters etc.) and medical facilities (hospital etc.).
- A procedure in place in the event of a casualty or a serious accident. The document “FAI Guideline In the Event of a Casualty or a Serious Accident” can be obtained from the FAI Secretariat.
- An Organiser may wish to consider having counsellors on standby to act in the event of a major incident.

- 3.1.10 Will arrange a site inspection at a suitable time (either in person or by a representative). This site inspection is to ensure that the location is suitable for the events to be conducted and is in accordance with the requirements of the Sporting Code and the Competition Rules and is in accordance with the details of the accepted bid. Any deficiencies must be listed in detail and the OC must agree to a plan/timetable for these deficiencies to be rectified.
- 3.1.11 Will advise of the need for anemometer calibration and evidence thereof (if needed).
- 3.1.12 Should make his own travel and accommodation arrangements in conjunction with the OC.
- 3.1.13 Will contact the CJ and assist, as needed, with the required judging equipment and organisation of the Judges’ seminar and training program (if one is being held).
- 3.1.14 Inform the Results Site Administrator of the personnel (with contact details) to be responsible for the scoring system support.
- 3.1.15 Inform the Results Site Administrator of any changes in the event status (e.g. number of entries, cancellations, etc.)
- 3.1.16 Will contact the OC to ensure that the facilities and services to be provided are adequate and appropriate. Examples of what is meant by this are the registration office, judging room(s), electronic scoring system, internet connection, power supply, hotel accommodation, local transportation, interpreters, parachute packing areas, creeper and dirt-dive areas, notification system, etc. As each competition is different, the FAI Controller will need to act as circumstances dictate and may well prepare a detailed checklist, which will likely be different to the one included in this Handbook.
- 3.1.17 Should keep the Jury advised of any pertinent matters.

3.2 ON ARRIVAL AT THE EVENT

The FAI Controller:

- 3.2.1 Will discuss all aspects of the organisation with the OC, inspect the site to ensure that all is in readiness (Judges’ room, Jury room, toilets and team tents, power supply as needed, etc.) and meet with the MD and CJ to discuss any issues that might arise.
- 3.2.2 Will ensure that an information board and official scoreboard (to be designated by the CJ and approved by the Jury) are in place and convenient for competitor access.
- 3.2.3 Will ensure that registration facilities and procedures are in place.
- 3.2.4 Will ensure that all hotel and local transportation arrangements are satisfactory.
- 3.2.5 Will ensure that the notification system is satisfactory.

- 3.2.6 Will ensure that there are adequate facilities for the Judges' meeting and the Team Leader meeting.
- 3.2.7 Will ensure that two way radio communication for all competition officials is available.
- 3.2.8 Will check that Interpreters are being provided (SC5, 4.3.7).
- 3.2.9 Must check Sporting Licence information on the FAI/ISC data base for all competitors to ensure compliance with SC5, 1.2.1.
- 3.2.10 Must ensure that the provisional Sanction Fee has been paid.
- 3.2.11 Must ensure that all necessary equipment is available and is as specified in the OA and the Bid Document.
- 3.2.12 Must be ready to report to the Jury as to readiness (SC5, 4.5.1)

3.3 AT THE START OF THE EVENT

The FAI Controller:

- 3.3.1 Must report to the Jury regarding the state of readiness.
- 3.3.2 Must attend the Team Leader meeting, and if appropriate say a few words about safety and safe jumping.

3.4 DURING THE EVENT

The FAI Controller:

- 3.4.1 Must monitor safety and report any safety violation (including that described in SC5, 1.3.2) that takes place during the FCE to the Safety Panel for further action in accordance with SC5, 4.8 and must attend all Safety Panel meetings and be responsible for recording in writing all Safety Violation Notices.
- 3.4.2 Must monitor adherence to the Sporting Code, Competition Rules, Organiser Agreement and the Approved Bid, together with any accepted changes to that Approved Bid. Any deviation must be reported to the Jury.
- 3.4.3 Should work with the MD and CJ as required by circumstances.
- 3.4.4 Must determine the amount of the Final Sanction Fee and ensure that, if greater than the Provisional amount already paid, the balance is promptly notified to the ISC Finance Secretary so that an FAI invoice may be raised and promptly paid by the Organiser so that the Jury may declare the event to be valid.

3.5 AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE EVENT

The FAI Controller:

- 3.5.1 Will report to the Jury as to satisfactory/unsatisfactory completion of all contractual commitments by the Organiser.
- 3.5.2 Will check that the copy of the Recording Media and summary score sheets (SC5, 4.9.3) have been delivered to the CJ.
- 3.5.3 Will advise the ISC Finance Secretary of the actual number of participants, so that a proper accounting may be made of the Sanction Fee.

- 3.5.4 Will provide the ISC Finance Secretary with a completed Personnel List stating the names and official attendance periods of all officials (Jury and Judges).

3.6 AFTER THE EVENT

The FAI Controller:

- 3.6.1 Should report to the Chair of the relevant ISC Competition Committee(s).
- 3.6.2 Should send a written report, to be considered by the ISC at its next Plenary Meeting.

ANNEX 1 - PUBLICATION HISTORY

March 2007:	1st edition
March 2008:	2nd edition
March 2010:	3rd edition
March 2011:	4th edition
March 2012:	5th edition
March 2013:	6th edition
March 2014:	7th edition
March 2015:	8th edition
March 2016:	9th edition
March 2017:	10th edition
March 2018:	11th edition
March 2019:	12th edition
March 2020:	13th edition
March 2021:	14th edition
March 2022:	15th edition
March 2023:	16th edition
March 2024:	17th edition
March 2025:	18th edition

ANNEX 2 - FAI CONTROLLER CHECKLIST

Before:

- Obtain copy of OA
- Obtain copy of the Approved Bid, together with any accepted changes to that Approved Bid.
- Ensure possession of most current edition of the Sporting Code (General Section and Section 5) and Competition Rules.
- Contact Organiser (OC); find out name and contact info for President and Secretary.
- Explain role of FAI Controller to OC.
- Advise OC of 2 Official Information Bulletins: ISC format, timing and procedure for issue.
- Ensure the Bulletins are posted on the FAI/ISC website.
- Advise OC of amount of Deposit and timing of payment.
- Advise OC of Sanction Fee payment procedure and timing.
- Arrange site inspection (date, etc. in person, or by a representative).
- Review Medical Services Assessment Report.
- Contact OC re first aid, ambulance, etc.
- Contact OC and discuss facilities, etc.
- Check OC website (if online) about publication requirements.
- Inform Results Site Administrator of the personnel responsible for the scoring system support.
- Inform Results Site Administrator of any changes in the event status
- Advise about anemometer calibration and evidence (if needed).
- Arrange travel and advise OC.
- Contact CJ and assist as needed.
- Keep the ISC Bureau and the Jury President advised of any pertinent matters.

On arrival at the Event:

- Discuss organisation, inspect site for any changes, deficiencies, etc.
- Ensure that the competition site has adequate toilets, team shelter, etc.
- Ensure that the notice boards and notification system are adequate and as per bid.
- Ensure hotel and local transportation arrangements are satisfactory.
- Ensure registration facilities are adequate.
- Ensure adequate space is available for the Judges' and Team Leader meetings.
- Ensure two-way radio communication for officials is available.
- Ensure, if needed, that Interpreters are provided.
- Ensure that all is in accordance with the accepted bid, the OA, Sporting Code and CRs.
- Have pre-event meeting with the MD and CJ.

- Check Sporting License information on the FAI/ISC database for all Competitors.
- Ensure the provisional Sanction Fee has been paid.
- Ensure all necessary equipment is available and as per OA and accepted bid.
- Be ready to report to the Jury regarding the state of readiness.

Before start of Competition:

- Report to the Jury as to the state of readiness.
- Attend Team Leader meetings.

During:

- Monitor safety and attend Safety Panel meetings.
- Monitor adherence to GS, SC5, CRs and OA. Report any deviation to the Jury.
- Determine the amount of the Final Sanction Fee and ensure prompt payment.

At end:

- Report to the Jury.
- Assist, if necessary, in the travel cost reimbursement for Event Officials and Judges.
- Check if the copy of the Recording Media, the summary score sheets and other pertinent documentation have been delivered to the CJ.
- Complete Annex 4 and submit copies to the Jury and the ISC Finance Secretary.
- Submit the ISC FCE Personnel List to the ISC Finance Secretary.

After:

- Report to Committee Chair(s).
- Write report to the ISC

ANNEX 3 - BULLETIN INFORMATION

BULLETINS 1 AND 2 MUST CONTAIN THE DETAILS AS PER OFFICIAL BID FORMAT
(ANNEX 3 OF THE FCEAD)

ANNEX 4 - FINANCIAL DATA AND COMPETITION STATISTICS

FAI CONTROLLER: _____

NAME OF COMPETITION: _____

DATE OF COMPETITION: _____

Bid Application Fee : _____ CHF (paid at time of bid) Date: _____

FCE Deposit: _____ CHF (30 days < competition) Date: _____

Provisional Payment FAI Sanction Fees: _____ CHF Date: _____

The provisional payment of FAI sanction fees is to be decided on the total number of provisional entries of competitors and eligible officials and must be paid > 7days before the competition.

Final Payment:

1) Final number of competitors	
2) Final number of Eligible Officials	
Total number (1 + 2)	
Total number X applicable FAI Sanction Fee (CHF)	
Minus Provisional Payment (CHF)	
Final Payment (CHF)	

- If the Final Payment is positive, a payment to ISC of this amount is required before the Jury can declare the event to be valid. The FAI Controller must arrange this payment by invoice through the ISC Finance Secretary.
- If the Final Payment is negative, the Organiser is entitled to a refund to be calculated by the FAI Controller and notified to the ISC Finance Secretary.

Payment of the Application Fee, Deposit (if payment is made instead of a Guarantee being provided) and the Sanction Fees must be made only upon receipt of an FAI invoice to be arranged by the ISC Finance Secretary.

Copies must be handed to the Jury and emailed to the ISC Finance Secretary after the completion of the competition to enable validation and refunds.

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

The FAI Controller is required to obtain the beneficiaries' bank account details for any refunds to be made for the:

1. Application Fees
2. FAI Sanction Fees (if any), and
3. Deposit (if a guarantee was not used).

Note: These may be different accounts if payments were made by multi-parties.

Refund for: (Circle which apply)		
APPLICATION FEES	EXCESS FAI SANCTION FEES	DEPOSIT
Name of beneficiary:	_____	
Address of beneficiary:	_____	

Bank Account Details:	_____	
(IBAN/Swift/ABA/ Fedwire, etc)	_____	
Bank Address:	_____	
Other info:	_____	

Refund for: (Circle which apply)		
APPLICATION FEES	EXCESS FAI SANCTION FEES	DEPOSIT
Name of beneficiary:	_____	
Address of beneficiary:	_____	

Bank Account Details:	_____	
(IBAN/Swift/ABA/ Fedwire, etc)	_____	
Bank Address:	_____	
Other info:	_____	

ANNEX 5 - SAFETY PANEL NOTICE

Title & Location of Competition
Members of Safety Panel: FAI Controller: Meet Director: Chief Judge:
Safety Panel Meeting No:
Time and Date:
Subject:
Details:
Decision:

Signature: _____ Safety Panel President (FAI Controller)

Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____



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