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Terms and Abbreviations

Throughout this document, we use the following terms and abbreviations:
MD – Meet Director
TD – Technical Delegate
CJ – Chief Judge
TJ –Target Judge
PGAWC – Paragliding Accuracy World Cup

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1 Preamble

1. The PGAWC is a non-profit organization. All incomes are re-invested to improve future competitions.
2. Each pilot becomes a member of the PGAWC data base , by paying for PGAWC ID card subscription fee of €10.
3. The purpose of the Paragliding Accuracy World Cup is to provide safe, sportive and fair competition , to determine the PGAWC Champions Overall, Female and Teams.
4. All competition pilots in the world have the right to take part in Accuracy World Cup events. The selection is based purely on sportive aspects.
5. All pilots fly under their own responsibility.
6. All pilots participating in PGAWC event accept these rules in their entirety. In case of ambiguities, the spirit of the rule prevails.
7. Political and religious promotion is prohibited.

1.1 PARTNERS

Partners will be notified on our web site , on the official rankings, on all results, on the backdrop during prize giving ceremonies.

1.2. JUDGING

Judging will be organizing by Chief Judge and four TJ minimum present during rounds. CJ must be international experienced person , selected from CIVL list for Cat.1. events, not from domestic country and in consultation with PGAWC Team. Target judges must be with experienced international skills , minimum from three different countries present on target during rounds.

1.3. TARGET

Target is field radius ten meters in which pilots must stay on theirs legs before wing touch ground for valid result. Measuring will be only on pad.Maximum score will be 25cm. Automatic measuring will be on electronic **patpad** radius of 15cm.

2 Paragliding Accuracy World Cup Competitions

2.1 Duration

PGAWC event consists of one training and registration day, usually on Thursday, followed by 3 competition days from Friday to Sunday. Last round , if it is in Sunday , will not started after 1.00 P.M.

2.2 Schedule

1. All events must be advertised from the registration day to the last flying day and describes in Local Regulation on organizer website minimum 90 days before competition started.

   For example, Paragliding Accuracy World Cup April 18th – 21st :
   Thursday, April 18th = training day , registration and General briefing.
   Friday, Saturday April 19th ,20th = official rounds.
   Sunday, April 21st = official rounds and prize giving.

2. The registration time is by default 17h-20h. These times may change for organizational reasons.
3. The prize giving ceremony takes place on the last competition day or sooner in case of reach all define rounds or rounds cancellations.

4. Pre-PGAWC Cups,

   Pre-PGAWC is advice to organizer who want to join Paragliding Accuracy World Cup in future. We will send our Technical delegate to observe and check possibilities for PGAWC. Organizer must cover all travel expenses, accommodation, food for TD and minimum 50 euro for pocket money per competition days. We will coordinate the calendar for Pre-PGAWC event if they are exist and advised to start with same

schedule like PGAWC event ,registration on Thursday (4 days events) or Friday (3 days events) and to end on Sunday (last round and prize giving).

2.3 Participants

1. All competing pilots must be qualified to meet the demands of an international paragliding competition.
2. CIVL ID and FAI membership are only necessary in order to be included in CIVL rankings.

2.4 PGAWC Events

1. The maximum number of participants is 80 pilots. This number includes up to 5 wildcards for the organizer, up to 3 wildcards for the PGAWC and any partners wildcards. Partners are given one wildcard per year.
2. More than 80 pilots may be selected for overbooking reasons.
3. A minimum of 15% of the places are reserved for female pilots.
4. Places of pilots not showing up at the competition cannot be taken by other pilots, except organiser wildcards.
5. The PGAWC Team will carry out the selection process as described in Appendix A.
6. Applications for wildcards must be submitted to the PGAWC Office at least 4 weeks before the competition.

2.5 Insurance

1. All participants must have third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of sum which organizer asked in local or foreign currency equivalent.
2. All participants must also be insured to cover all types of expenses in case of an accident: search and rescue expenses, hospital expenses, medical expenses, repatriation, etc.
3. Pilots must check the validity of their government-run or private insurances in the country where the competition takes place. In some countries, it is strongly recommended to know the insurance company's local contact to avoid delays.
4. It is the pilot's responsibility to ensure his or her own insurance coverage is adequate.

2.6 Local Regulations

1. Local regulations are the rules prepared by an organizer.
2. Local regulations are not encouraged and must not conflict with PGAWC rules.
3. Local regulations must be submitted at the time for approval by the PGAWC and the TD.
4. They will be published on the PGAWC web site and local organizer web site.

2.7 Official Language

The official language for all PGAWC competitions is English.

2.8 Ecology

1. The PGAWC, pilots and organizers, are aware of the global ecological impact of paragliding competitions.
2. To limit this impact, the PGAWC format has been updated to reduce the number of international flights.
3. Other actions:
   - Pilots are encouraged to share transports when possible.
   - When available, reusable plastic bottles will be offered to the pilots for free. Organizers must inform about the water quality and the places to refill the bottles (this can save more than 500 plastic bottles each week).
   - As far as possible, lunch packets must be prepared (possibly in the take-off area) with a minimum of disposable and packing material. Food should be sourced locally, if possible.

- The quantity of printed documents must be reduced. For example, tourism leaflets and brochures must be made available to pilots only on request and returned when not used.

3 Pilot Equipment

3.1 Gliders

1. Pilots are responsible for the choice and maintenance of their flight equipment.
2. Pilots must fly with the same glider during one event. In special cases (lost luggage, damaged equipment, etc.) the TD can allow a glider change to one of equal or lesser certification during the event. Any pilot who changes their glider outwith these conditions will incur a penalty of maximum score for round.
3. Only certified gliders up to CCC (single size acceptable) or EN 926 or LTF 91/09, Glider Checking Procedure, are allowed in PGAWC competitions.
4. It is not permitted for the pilot to modify the glider in any way, except for the length of the brake main-line.
5. The pilot must fly in the homologated weight range.
6. On registration, pilots have to specify the model, size and colours of the glider to be flown during the competition.
7. Gliders will be checked after a complaint or according to some predetermined or random selection schedule. In addition, the MD or TD can request that any pilot's glider be checked.
8. Every pilot must give his glider to the organisation for checking or comparing immediately upon any such request.

3.2 Communication Equipment

1. Radios (2 metre band) are not mandatory for all pilots and should be used for safety purposes only.
2. All pilots' radios must be switched on and tuned to the safety frequency announced at the task briefing.
3. The use of voice-activated microphones ("VOX") is prohibited.

3.3 Protective Equipment

Every competitor must wear a protective helmet and carry an emergency parachute during all flights.

3.4 Pilot Number

1. Each pilot must be equipped with a competition number which is drown on the final registration and fix on the left low leg during competition and on glider in the middle of leading edge.
2. Only the TD can allow a number fixed in a different place. Numbers are provided free of charge at the registration by the organizer.

4 Rankings, Titles and Trophies

4.1 Number of Rounds for Competition Results

4.1.1 Individual Rankings

1. Overall and female rankings will be scored with the aggregate results from all rounds. If five or more rounds finished , one worst round will be discard. In case of tied score , pilot with highest number of 0 will be winner or if it is same , pilot with highest number of 1 will be winner …etc. Organizer can decided for only one additional flight for tied scores if weather condition permitted but that must be announced on general briefing.

2. Maximum number of rounds is 12 and will be announced during general briefing on event depending on weather condition and number of participants.
   Individual score:
   - All pilots will fly 5 th rounds.
   - 6 and 7th Round will fly only 60 best pilots.
   - 8 and 9th Round only 40 best pilots.
   - 10 and 11th Round only 20 best pilots.
   - 12 Round only 10 pilots in reverse order.
   - Pilots who not fly 6,7,8,9,10,11and 12 Round will be disqualified (DSQ) in the scoring list and granted with maximum scores.
3. Team results are calculated as the sum of the scores in event. Only first 5 rounds will be calculated for team scores. More rounds for team score will be possible if there is less pilots then 80. It will be announced during general briefing.

4.1.3 Team Ranking

1. "Team" stands for PGAWC sponsors or any other team entering a PGAWC event. This must not be confused with national teams.
   Pilots can't change team during season. Number of pilots in team is four and three best results will be calculated for team score per every round. Team can have more pilots than four but before competition started team leader must tell which four pilots will be in team for that event. Rest will be competed like individual.
2. The entry fee for a team will be for whole season €400 and paid only on PGAWC account or before competition started with official registration on email ***office@pgawc.org***. Official national team must have permission of their NAC and will have priority for selection without ranking points. Teams which name consists of name of paraglider producers will paid €500. Teams of our official partners will not pay team's entry fee but must have permission of them confirmed on our email..

4. 1.4 Tied scores

The team with the highest number of 0cm scores by the pilots who have scored for the team in each round will be declared the winner. If the number of 0cm is the same, the highest number of 1cm scores will be considered, then 2cm scores, etc. If there still is a tie, the team with the highest number of 0cm scores by all pilots in the national team will be declared the winner. If the number of 0s is the same, the highest number of 1cm scores will be considered, then 2cm scores, etc.

Individuals.

In the event of a tie for the first three individual places, both (or all) will have only one an additional tie-breaker flight. If, due to weather conditions or time constraints, tie breaker flights cannot be flown, the pilot with the highest number of 0cm scores will be declared the winner of the tie-break. If they are the same, the highest number of 1cm scores will be considered, then 2cm scores, etc.

4.1.5 Final season ranking.

For final season rankings , only 2/3 of best team or individual scores will be used for final rank.

4.2 Titles

4.2.1 World Cup Events

The winners of PGAWC events are awarded the following titles:

PGAWC Winner overall
PGAWC Female Winner
PGAWC Team Winner

4.3 Trophies

Trophies for the first 3 pilots, the first 3 female pilots and the first 3 teams for each event. Minimum 1000 euros in cash for overall ranking must be provided by the event's local organizer.

5 Meet Director, Technical Delegate, Safety Committee

5.1 Meet Director

1. The Meet Director's first prerogative is to manage ALL sportive aspects during the event.
2. He is responsible for applying the rules.
3. He must consult with the Technical Delegate at all times.
4. It is the responsibility of the Meet Director to inform himself as fully as possible of the issues affecting all safety elements during the event.

5.2 Technical Delegate

1. The Technical Delegate is responsible for controlling all sportive aspects of the competition
2. The Technical Delegate has a right of veto on sportive grounds.
3. The Technical Delegate ensures that the rules are applied correctly.

6 Briefings

All briefings must be in English only.

6.1 General Briefing

1. All competitors must be present at the general briefing, which will take place as announced by the Organizer.
2. The main information given at this briefing must also be displayed in English on the official board or spread by WhatsApp or Wechat groups formed by organizer..
3. The General Briefing, including the safety briefing, usually takes place after registration in Thursday evening.

6.2 Daily briefing.

1. The daily briefing is held at the take-off area. All technical data specified during this briefing is displayed on the information board.
2. The daily briefing should contain, in this order:
   - Relevant information about the previous day (protests, incidents, infractions, etc.)
   - Weather forecasts for the day (winds, precipitation, general quality of the day)
   - Timings (window, start, closing)

7 Display of Results

1. A provisional results list must be put on the official results board or WhatsApp group formed for event and the website as soon as possible..
2. By default, the results timing is within one hour after the end of the flying day display of the provisional results.
3. This timetable can be adjusted by each organizer.
4. The official competition results are displayed when all protests(if it exist) have been dealt with.

5. The maximum time for protest is one hour after the publication of provisional results.

8 Complaints and Protests

1. Any pilot participating in a PGAWC event can make a complaint or protest
2. Complain is verbally addressed to CJ and must be resolved immediately, Protests and the related decisions must be displayed by the event organization on the official information board, with the display time clearly marked on each document.

8.1 Protests and Jury

1. If the complainant, or any participant in the PGAWC event impacted by a complaint, is not satisfied with its outcome, he has the right to protest.
2. Such a protest must be made in writing, in English, and be handed to the MD with a protest fee of €50 (or equivalent in local currency) within 2 hours (30 minutes for the last round) of the publication of the decision regarding the complaint.
3. The jury will deal with the protest, and may decide to refund the protest fee.
4. The jury is composed of three experienced pilots from different countries present at the competition , elected on General Briefing.
5. The TD may has only consultative voice in the jury or substitute Jury pilot in case if he made protest.

9 Flying and Safety Regulations

9.1 Compliance with the Law

Each competitor is required to conform to the law and rules of the air of the country in which a PGAWC event takes place.

9.2 Flight Limitations

1. All gliders must be flown within the limitations of its manufacturer's specifications.
2. Any manoeuvre hazardous to other competitors or third parties is prohibited.
3. A pilot can be prohibited by the MD or the TD from competing or flying for safety reasons.

9.3 Damage to a Glider in Competition

1. Any major damage must be reported to the TD without delay, and the glider may then be repaired.
2. Any replacement parts must conform exactly to the original specifications.
3. A glider may only be replaced if permission is given by the TD. Reasons for a replacement are damage, loss or theft beyond the control of the competitor.
4. The TD may allow resumption of the original glider after it is retrieved or repaired.

9.4 Fitness

1. A pilot may not fly unless he or she is fit.
2. Any injury, drugs or medication taken which might affect the competitor's performance must be reported to the Meet Director before flying.
3. The MD in accordance with the TD will decide if the pilot will be allowed to fly.

10 Score Sheets

1. The Organizer publishes a score sheets for all competing pilots.
2. The score sheet must show at least:-
    a. Name of pilot, gender , nationality, glider, team
    b. Sum of points awarded

3. Score sheets will be produced in several categories including, but not necessarily limited to: Overall, Women and Teams.
4. Score sheets will be published immediately on the internet as soon as they are available.

11 Prize Giving

PGAWC Events

It is mandatory for PGAWC pilots to be present at the prize giving ceremony if they achieve a top 10 position. If not , they will not get rewards.

12 SUPERFINALS

1. Superfinals will be at the end of season not before October of current year.
2. Rules will be publish later after make final decision with local organizer.

Appendix A: Registration and Selection

A.1 How to Enter a PGAWC Event

A.1.1 Registration

1. A pilot wishing to participate in a PGAWC event must register and apply online on the PGAWC website: http://www.pgawc.org
2. The registration deadline is exactly 2 months before each PGAWC event.
3. Any pilot applying after the registration deadline will be placed in the waiting list.
4. A pilot can apply at the beginning of the season for all PGAWC events.

A.1.2 Cancellation of a Registration

1. Pilots who want to cancel their registration should do it as soon as possible.
2. A pilot who cancels at least 7 days before the event can ask for:
    a. His or her entry fee to be used for the next event where he or she will be selected.
    b. A refund of the entry fee (an administrative fee of €20 will be deducted).
3. Cancellations received less than 1 week before the event will not be refunded.
4. In the case of injury, and where a medical certificate is supplied, refunds will be decided on a case-by case basis by the PGAWC Team.
5. It's the pilot's responsibility to claim the return of his or her entry fee. Requests for refunds for fees paid must be made before December 31st of the same year.

A.1.3 Entry Fee

1. The Entry fee for PGAWC events should not be more than €140 per event.
2. The fee covers, but is not limited to:
    a. Transport to all flying sites
    b. Emergency rescue and first aid medical service
    c. Local license or fees
    d. Lunch packets on all competition days.
    e. Possible extras (accommodation, dinners, parties…)

A.2 Selection Process for PGAWC Events

1. In every PGAWC selective competition, pilots will get Event Rank depending on their WPRS ranking on date of applied and PGAWC ranking from previous season by the formula

$$\text{Event Rank} = (\text{WPRS position} + \text{PGAWC position}) / 2$$

2. If the pilot not have WPRS ranking(not compete before) he will get 1000 points.
3. If the pilot not competed before in PGAWC he will get points from last pilots in previous season.
4. Two months before each event, pilots are ranked by their Event Rank in the selection list.
5. Only registered pilots who were selected and who confirmed their participation by paying will

be accepted, even if fewer than the nominal number of pilots fulfils this requirement.

6. When new places become available due to cancellations of selected pilots, the first pilots in the waiting list are selected.
7. In case of a tie, the precedence is given to the pilots who have not participated in PGAWC before. In case of a second tie, the precedence is given to the younger pilot.
8. The selection process can be followed on the PGAWC Web site

2 months before the beginning of the event	Selection deadline for all pilots
	1. Confirmation of selection will be 2months before each competition and the selection lists published on the web site http://www.pgawc.org/index.php?ind=userdata&op=selection_list 2. A selected pilot must pay his Registration fee to the World Cup Office account or local organizer account till one month before competition started. 3. Any selected pilot who not pay within one month will be given a reminder, and will be able to keep his place by paying the entry fee plus and administration fee of €20 within the next 2 days only by PayPal system to PGAWC. 4. When the selected pilot has paid his Registration fee, he is considered a confirmed pilot. 5. The selection list on the PGAWC website will show: confirmed pilots – pilots with payment in progress – waiting list – wildcard pilots
One month later	Payment deadline
	1. Pilots who have not paid their registration fee by this date are removed from the selection list. 2. The list will be filled up with the best-ranked pilots on the waiting list. Those pilots have 7 days (plus a further 2 days if they pay an administration fee of €20) to send their payment to the organizer account or PGAWC Office. 3. If necessary, this procedure is repeated as many times as necessary until the entry list is filled.

Table A-1: Selection Process for Paragliding Accuracy World Cup events

REGISTRATION FORM
for
PARAGLIDING ACCURACY WORLD CUP

Full Name: *(IN BLOCK LETTERS like in passport)*		
Address:	*Country:*	*Nationality:*
Birthday: *(dd.mm.yyyy)*	*Sex:* *(M male , F Female)*	*CIVL ID number*
Email: *Phone:*	*Insurance No.:*	*T-shirt size:*

Brand of glider: *(BGD,SKYWALK, U-TURN ……),*	*Model:* *(Adam,mescal4,infinity …..)*

Team for PGAWC:	*Date:* *dd.mm.yyyy*

I acknowledge that participating in this competition and/or any other activity related to it involves INHERENT DANGERS, may be HAZARDOUS and involves RISK OF PHYSICAL INJURIES OR DEATH. I expressly assume all risks associated with participating in the competition, including, without limitation to direct participation in the competition or in training sessions, accessing restricted areas, sharing area facilities with people not directly involved in the competition and travelling in and between the competitions' venues. Despite all the risks, I voluntarily choose to take part in the competition. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF LEGAL RIGHTS AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.	*Signature:*