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Committee members:

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- Ray Williams - Australia
- Tamara Koyn - USA
- Sébastien Chambet - France
- Rai Ahmed - UK
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Changes to competition rules 2023 proposed for approval

(Green – new addition. Red – deletion)

Outdoor rules

Freestyle - Following the rules changes we made to the freestyle compulsories in 2022, there will be a slight change to the Mixed Carve (FR-2), to make the visual better and easier to judge.

FreeFly - the compulsories are the same for a long time now. 3 compulsories will be changed + 1 new compulsory instead of the Totem.

We are still working on the exact wording of all of the above.

Indoor rules

4.3 Video Recording.

4.3.1 For the purpose of these rules, "video equipment" shall consist of the complete video system used to record the video evidence of the Performer's Flight..... The video equipment must be able to deliver a High Definition 1080 type digital signal with a minimum frame rate of 25 frames per second through a memory card (minimum class 10), approved by the Chief Judge.

4.3.1.1 The video equipment must be able to capture the music with the video.

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- 5.2.1.3 Performers must deliver a video (static view, without music) of their Free Routine(s) to the Chief Judge at least seventy-two (72) hours before the start of the competition,
- 5.2.1.4 For this purpose, the Chief Judge should provide a standard form (see Addendum D).
- 5.2.1.5 The CJ will publish a schedule for the competitors to come and present their routine to the judges, if they chose to do so.

There are no compulsory changes to Indoor, as nothing was suggested by the flyers.

Sec. 5:

4.6.1 Attendance at FCEs

Indoor Freestyle – ~~7~~ 4 (+ 3 Standby)

* CJ + one panel of 3 judges. A 2nd panel will be invited in case of more than 25 competitors, but no less than 5 in junior category.

AE (Outdoor) – ~~8~~ 7 (+2 standby).

*CJ + 2 Ejs + 4 – for a competition with less than 15 teams in both events. The 8th judge will be invited if more teams are registered. The 9th judge is standby (replacement), in case someone can not make it.

** Standby means – no flight booking until number of competitors is approved.

Since last minute tickets are more expensive sometimes, CJ will notify the Judges' Committee and Finance.

"The numbers above may be reduced by the Judges' Committee, in conjunction with the Organiser depending on the number of expected entrants. **Judges who are not required will be informed within a week of the provisional entry deadline.**" – needs to be altered somehow accordingly

6.4.2 ST, FS, CF, AE, DY, CP, SP and WS

In the two calendar years preceding the calendar year in which the event is being held;

- (1) successfully passed an ISC approved evaluation (as defined in 6.1.2.(5) and/or (6) as appropriate) in the relevant discipline, or
- (2) have served as a Judge in the relevant discipline in any capacity (other than Assistant to the CJ) at an FCE or,
- (3) have served as CJT at an official ISC Judges' Training Course approved by the ISC Judge Training Coordinator.

(4) Have actively participated in three (3) out of five (5) Judges' Training Zoom Sessions held by the committee along the year. (This option only extends from two (2) to three (3) years.)

* Due to reducing the number of judges on the panels, it is important to be able to allow the judges to stay actually current, and on paper, by providing ongoing training.

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6.7 duties of the judges

6.7.1 CJ

(4)... The CJ must conduct a Conference for the Panel of Judges before the start of the events (Including Zoom sessions prior to the official arrival day if needed). The CJ shall be responsible for ensuring that the Panel of Judges meets the qualification standard. The CJ has the right to dismiss a Judge who does not meet these requirements (6.6.7)

6.7.3 The Judges

(1) Arrival at the Competition site - The Judges must arrive on site in time to attend any conference scheduled to be held before the competition starts (and attend any Zoom conference sessions held prior to traveling).

4.3.2 Judges' Conference

(1) A Judges' Conference will be held prior to the competition. The date and duration of the Judges' Conference will be included in the first Official Information Bulletin.

(2) The CJ may schedule extra training sessions (on Zoom) prior to arriving to the competition site

(~~2~~ 3) All selected Judges must attend

(4) Judges' official arrival day can not be scheduled as a Judge' Conference day.

Competitions – 2022

Indoor –

April 2022 - World Cup and European Championship – Airspace, Belgium.

It was exciting to finally attend this competition, after it was postpone in 2020.

Participation:

- Indoor Freestyle Open - 19 competitors from 13 NACs
- Indoor Freestyle Junior – 3 competitors from 3 NACS*. All from non-European countries. So World Cup only.

* Initially there were 10 competitors on the list. Then Russia and Belarus were banned, and the number of juniors dropped to under the required minimum. Since this happened late and close to the event opening date, the event was kept, and the medals were given.

Music

For the first time, there was a process to ensure all competitors use legally authorised music. Worked well.

Judges:

Due to the low number of juniors, a judge from Russia that was banned from judging, was not replaced, and we had 5 judges. The judges were rotating between rounds.

(See proposal to change minimum number of judges.)

During the competition, there was a protest was made by USA team. (See CJ report for details.) The protest was submitted after a long, ugly confrontation with the judges. Judges and other competitors were harassed by the USA Team Manager. A long email was sent to

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the US delegates with the details, and with the clarification, that this kind of behaviour might have end with disqualification of the relevant flyers.

Skydiving –

October 2022 – World Championship – Eloy, USA.

Participation:

- Freestyle - 9 teams from 7 NACs
- Freefly – 6 teams from 5 NACs

Finally we see competitors coming out of the tunnel to compete outdoors. Great level of new teams in both FF and FR.

Very successful competition. See CJ report.

Future Competitions

Indoor –

April 2023 – Indoor World championship - HF Tatralandia, Slovakia

This competition was postponed from 2021, because of Covid. The organizers submitted revised bid with updated entry fees.

April 2024 – *Indoor World Cup - Macau*

The winning bid for the 2024 World Cup was from Belarus. As the Belarus NAC has been suspended indefinitely, and can no longer host or participate in FAI events and competitions, the bureau awarded the bid to the Hong Kong NAC to be held in Macau.

The Bureau is still awaiting the application fee and updated bid to enable OA.

Skydiving –

August 2023 – World Cup and European Championship - Voss, Norway

October 2024 – World Championship, DeadSea, Israel

Judges training courses

Due to large number of new judges, that still need to get into the cycle and be invited, no other courses or re-evaluations are planned for 2023. See suggestion to change the rules in Sec.5 regarding zoom training along the year, to extend the cycle for 3 years.

Since AE outdoor+indoor course takes longer than any other judges' rating course (7 full days), and since we now have sufficient number of judges, the AE committee suggest to split the rating for new candidates to two different ratings.

Budget

If videos will be uploaded from indoor competition to the ISC results page, with the music, ISC will need to sign a contract for *Video on Demand music rights (1000 euros)*. (No other funds are needed.)

Best Regards,
Ron Miasnikov
Committee chair