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SECTION 4A - CIAM INTERNAL REGULATIONS  
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1 FAI Statutes, Chapter 1, para. 1.6

2 FAI Sporting Code, General Section, Chapter 4, para 4.1.2

3 FAI Statutes, Chapter 1, para 1.8.1

4 FAI Statutes, Chapter 2, para 2.1.1; 2.4.2; 2.5.2 and 2.7.2

5 FAI Bylaws, Chapter 1, para 1.2.1

6 FAI Statutes, Chapter 2, para 2.4.2.2.5

7 FAI Bylaws, Chapter 1, para 1.2.3

8 FAI Statutes, Chapter 5, para 5.1.1; 5.5 and 5.6

9 FAI Sporting Code, General Section, Chapter 4, para 4.1.5

10 FAI Sporting Code, General Section, Chapter 1, para 1.2. and Chapter 2, para 2.2

11 FAI Statutes, Chapter 5, para 5.6.3

12 FAI Bylaws, Chapter 1, para 1.2.2

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## INTRODUCTION TO SPORTING CODE SECTION 4

Sporting Code Section 4 contains the rules and regulations for FAI recognised activities in model aircraft and space models. These regulations are the responsibility of the FAI Aeromodelling Commission (CIAM) and complement the General Section which contains the rules and regulations common to all FAI activities.

Section 4 is split into volumes to ease downloading the regulations for specific activities. Volume ABR gives the General Rules for CIAM activities, competitions and records that are applicable for each activity. The specific volumes contain all CIAM documents for the activity concerned: Official classes, World Cup rules, provisional classes, guides for organisers and judges. The specific activities and related volumes are shown in the table below.

<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>VOLUME</b>
General rules for CIAM Activities, Competitions and Records	ABR
<b>Model Aircraft Competitions</b>	
• Free Flight	F1
• Control Line	F2
• RC Aerobatics	F3 Aerobatics
• RC Soaring	F3 Soaring
• RC Helicopter	F3 Helicopter
• RC Pylon Racing	F3 Pylon Racing
• Scale Model Aircraft	F4
• RC Electric Powered	F5
• Aerostats	F7
<b>Space Models</b>	
• Space Models Competitions and Records	S
<b>All Classes</b>	
• Electronic Devices in Competition	EDIC

The use of “shall” and “must” implies that the aspect concerned is mandatory. The use of “should” implies a non-mandatory recommendation; “may” indicates what is permitted, and “will” indicates what is going to happen. Words of masculine gender shall be taken as including the feminine gender unless the context indicates otherwise. Words expressing the singular will be taken to include the plural and vice versa. Italics are used for explanatory notes.

# CIAM FORMS LIST

*The following forms are downloadable from the "Documents" section of the CIAM website <http://www.fai.org/ciam-documents>.*

- Bid Application form for FAI World or Continental Championship
- Guide for Submitting World and Continental Championship Bulletin 0 to CIAM Bureau for approval (including Bulletin 0 template)
- Registration of Competitions in the FAI Aeromodelling Sporting Calendar
- CIAM Proposal Form
- Explanation of the completion of a proposal for submission to CIAM
- Nomination forms for CIAM Diplomas and Medals:
  - . Aeromodelling Gold Medal
  - . Alphonse Penaud Diploma
  - . Antonov Diploma
  - . Andrei Tupolev Medal
  - . Andrei Tupolev Diploma
  - . Frank Ehling Diploma
- Nomination form for CIAM Aeromodelling Scholarship
- FAI Perpetual Aeromodelling and Space Modelling Trophies list
- Application for Record Confirmation - Model Aircraft
- Application for Record Confirmation - Model Aerostats
- Checklist Record Dossier - Model Aircraft
- Jury Pack
- FAI Model Specification Certificate
- FAI Sticker
- Minimum Standards for Contest Sites for World and Continental Championships

**THIS 2016 EDITION INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS MADE TO THE 2015 CODE**

**These amendments are marked by a double line in the right margin of this edition**

Paragraph	Plenary meeting approving change	Brief description of change	Change incorporated by
Page 5 (Introduction)	2015	Replaced "SM" by "S" (designation of Space Models is S) Corrected text for the last paragraph of the page.	Kevin Dodd Technical Secretary
Page 6		Introduction of the list of the CIAM forms which are downloadable on the CIAM website.	
A.6.1		Deleted reference to annex A.2b in sub-paragraph f) and in the Note.	
A.9.1		Replaced "FAI International Contest Calendar" by "FAI International Sporting Calendar" and consequential changes. Deleted reference to annex A.2m in sub-paragraph d).	
A.9.3		Completed as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
A.10		Deleted reference to Open National Contest and Other Limited International Contest.	
A.19		Deleted reference to annex 2.m	
A.20		Inserted a new paragraph for FAI awards – deleted forms available on the website.	
Annexes A.1		Forms (annexes A.1a and A.1b) removed from Volume ABR. Consequential change of number for annexes A.1c and A.1d (c replaced by a) and d) in b). Corrections in annex A.1a <i>Championship Naming Policy</i> .	
Annex A.2a		Addition of International Series - World Cup; International Series - Non World Cup; and deletion of Limited International Contest and Open National Contest from the <i>Registration of Competitions</i> form.	
Annexes A.2		Forms (A.2a to A.2.m) removed from Volume ABR.	
B.1		Corrected as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.2.3		Continent replaced by Continental Region as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.2.4 and B.2.5		Corrected as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.2.8		Deleted Open National Contest according to Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.3.2		Corrected as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.4.2		Two (instead of three) suitable reserves for the FAI Jury. Sub-paragraph e) corrected as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.4.4		Judges or reserve judges submitted by the relevant Subcommittee chairman (instead of the organising NAC).	
B.4.5		Sub-paragraph d) corrected as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.5.4		Mention of the FAI Unique ID number for the entry form.	
B.5.5		Mention of the FAI Unique ID number for the results. Deleted reference to annex B4 in sub-paragraph f); Corrected as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.5.6		Unleaded gasoline must also be supplied by the organiser. Mention that synthetic oil must be compatible with methanol.	
B.6		Corrected title according to the heading used for bids in Sporting Code General Section. Deleted reference to annex A.1a in sub-paragraph c).	
B.7.2		Clarification of the entry fees rule. A 50% discount mandated for the second entry fee in a multi class Championships.	
B.7.4		Maximum amount of 50 Euro for the banquet.	
B.8.4		Reserve day not mandatory.	

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B9.1 a)	2015	Class F1S added to list of classes to be launched from a starting line.	Kevin Dodd Technical Secretary
B.15.1		Class F3M added to sub-paragraph v).	
B.16.4		Sub-paragraph b) completed as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016.	
B.17.6		Mention of the National FAI licence number or FAI Unique ID number for identification mark on model aircraft.	
B.18		Addition of "complaints" in the title.	
B.18.1		Complaint recommended before submitting a protest. Amount of 50 Euro (instead of 35 Euro) for the protest fee.	
B.18.2		Clarification of the delay to lodge a protest. Reference to Sporting Code General Section modified according to Edition 2016.	
B.19.4		F2 model aircraft exempted from the minimum radius of 5 mm rule.	
B.19.8		Corrected as defined in Sporting Code General Section Edition 2016 (penalties deleted are now at the discretion of the ASC).	
2.1.5 and 2.4.2 e)		References to Sporting Code General Section modified according to Edition 2016.	
B.21.6.1		Clarification regarding responsibility for trophy forms prior to and at the Championship.	
Annex B.1.b		New layout for FAI sticker; some references were corrected.	
Annex B.4		FAI Perpetual Aeromodelling Trophies removed from Volume ABR.	
1.1		Amended general definition of a model aircraft.	
1.3		Category F6 deleted.	
Annex 1.1		Renamed annex C.1.	
2.1.1 and 2. 1.4		Reference to annex C.2 (instead of Table 1).	
2.1.3		Deleted "Table II."	
2.2.2		Maximum 72 volts for electric motors for open records.	
2.4.2 e)		Reference to Sporting Code General Section modified according to Edition 2016.	
2.11.1		Deleted "Table II" and "Table III".	
Records Tables		Records Tables (IIA, IIB and III) removed from Volume ABR and Table I renamed Annex C.2.	

#### Four-Year Rolling Amendments for Reference

Paragraph	Plenary meeting approving change	Brief description of change	Change incorporated by
Annex A.2a	n/a <i>2014 Revised Edition</i>	Registration of Competitions Form. Change to FAI Bank Transfer details for payments. Additional notes to clarify payments. Fillable form must be used -available in the Documents Section on the CIAM website.	Kevin Dodd Technical Secretary
A.4.2 b)	2014	Updated the table with combined championships (including correcting F3M to an odd-year championship).	Kevin Dodd Technical Secretary
A.6.1 h)		Amended requirements for amendments to rule changes not yet implemented.	
A.7.1 b)		Amended submission process for Plenary proposals.	
A.15.1		Amended procedure for change from provisional to official rules. Deleted paragraph A.15.2.	
A.16		Amended procedure for eligibility for World and Continental Championships. Deleted paragraph A.16.2.	
A.17	Added new paragraph (and sub-paragraphs) for maintaining World and Continental Championship status. Renumbered existing paragraphs a.17 to a.18.		

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Annex A.1a		Replaced the guide for submitting a bid to plenary to host a world or continental championship with a form. <b>Note: Download a fillable form from the Documents Section.</b>	
Annex A.1c		Replaced existing annex for naming championships.	
Annex A.1d		Added new annex for "F" designation of championships.	
B.2.3	2014	Amended required participation for the European region for Continental Championships.	Kevin Dodd Technical Secretary
B.2.4		Amended required number of participating countries for a World Championship.	
B.2.6		Added two new paragraphs to award FAI medals and diplomas for World Cups.	
B.3.4 b)		Deleted text relating to the start helper for a disabled junior.	
B.4.4		Added new paragraph e) for reimbursement of Jury members' and Judges' expenses.	
B.4.5		Added clause and sub-paragraphs relative to the new Jury Pack. <b>Effective 1st May 2014. Revised edition.</b>	
B.5.5		Added new paragraph a) regarding results of CIAM competitions and renumbered the subsequent paragraphs. <b>Effective 1st May 2014. Revised edition.</b>	
B.6.1		Amended procedure for bidding and awarding of Championships, including the addition of a new form (see annex A.1a).	
B.7.1		Amended the time-line for bulletins regarding Championships.	
B.7.2		Added new paragraph b) regarding entry fees and renumbered the subsequent paragraphs.	
B.7.4 g) and h)		Amended paragraph g) regarding additional fees. Deleted paragraph h).	
B.8.9		Amended paragraph regarding third party liability insurance. <b>Effective 1st May 2014. Revised edition.</b>	
B.9.1 c)		Clarified the people allowed at the starting position in Free-Flight.	
B.13.6		Amended how the official time in Free Flight is calculated.	
B.15.1 v)		Added classes F3N and F4H.	
B.16.2 a)		Amended procedure for the national team classification. <b>Effective 1st May 2014. Revised edition.</b>	
Annex B.4		Added new trophies and re-allocation of some existing trophies. <b>Effective 1st May 2014. Revised edition.</b>	
2.10.5.1	Amended specifications for Airships records.		

Four-Year Rolling Amendments for Reference			
<p>Sub-paragraph numbers were added to the following paragraphs in the 2014 Edition and they were not marked by double bars:</p> <p>Section A: 4.2, 7.1, 9.1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 18.</p> <p>Section B: 2...3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8, 2.9, 3.6, 3.7, 5.1, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 6.1, 7.1, 7.2, 7.4, 9.0, 11.2, 11.8, 12.8, 13.1, 13.4, 15.1, 18.1, 19.0, 19.1, 19.5, 19.7</p> <p>Part One: 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4.1, 1.4.10, 1.4.15</p> <p>Part Two: 2.1.4, 2.2.1, 2.2, 2.2.4, 2.7, 2.3.2, 2.3.3, 2.3.4, 2.3.5, 2.4.2, 2.4.3, 2.5.1, 2.5.2, 2.6.1, 2.6.2, 2.7.4, 2.7.6, 2.12</p>			
A.4.1 Note	n/a	Corrected English: deleted "by it". Added a list of current Sub-committees for reference.	Jo Halman Technical Secretary
A.4.2		Rationalised the classes in the "years" table.	
1.3.7		Corrected the descriptive line.	
Annex A.1c		Added "Radio Controlled" to the three Soaring classes for clarity. Corrected the Championship names.	
Annexes A.2f - A.2m		Added the requirement for electronic photograph. Ref FAI.	
2.11.1 d) & Table III, 7c		Deleted the references to national record confirmation in line with the General Section amendment 2013.	

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B.3.4, B.5.4, B.5.6, B.6.1d, B.7.2e, B.15.1a, B.16.3, B.16.4d, 1.3.1-1.3.4, 2.1.4c, 2.3.2, 2.3.1, 2.8.1	n/a	Corrected sub-paragraph numbering.	Jo Halman Technical Secretary
1.3.2g		Corrected to follow the rationale of the other paragraphs.	
1.3.3		Deleted "radio controlled" for F3K.	
B.2.8 d)		Consequential change regarding same fees for International Series and World Cup competitions.	
B.4.4 d)		Jo Halman Technical Secretary	
B.12.2		Corrected the class title.	
Annex B.2		Added the country codes in country order.	
2.6.1		Added a course diagram for clarity.	
2.7.6		Deleted the erroneous paragraph number.	
2.10 - 2.10.2		Corrected the paragraph numbers.	
2.10.6		Corrected the cross-reference.	
A.3		2013	
A.9.1	Amended procedure for adding competitions.		
A.10	Increased fees for international series contests.		
A.13	Amended effective dates.		
A.16.3	Added a moratorium of at least four years for any class being permitted to apply for championship status.		
B.3.2	Added extra checks for sporting licences at contests.		
B.3.5	Split text into numbered sub-paragraphs.		
B.7.4 & Annex A.1b	Banquet fee may or may not be included in the entry fee. Added extra date for Bulletin 0 for early championships.		
B.11.6, B.18.1, B.19.2, Annex B.3	Amended text for contest directors/flight line directors and updated the organisation charts.		
B.16.1	Clarify reference B.3.5 (b).		
B.17.15	Expanded the text for organiser marking of F1 model aircraft.		
1.3.2c	Added text for initial start-up of F2 engines.		
2.1.4	Added that claimants' NACs must submit the record claim.		
2.3.5	Consequential deletion ref amendment to 2.1.4.		
2.5.2	Amended the type of data required.		
2.6.2	Amended to 12/100 second in line with other speed records.		

Paragraph	Plenary meeting approving change	Brief description of change	Change incorporated by
Page 12	2012	Added the FAI perpetual trophy list notation.	Jo Halman Technical Secretary
Page 13	n/a	Consequential change regarding aerostat records.	
A.11 & A.12	2012	NACs only permitted to submit names of their own airports persons.	
A.4.2		F4H will be a World Championship class only & held with F4C; <b>implementation date is 2014</b> . Updated the list.	
Annex 1.1		Added classes: F3M & F4H (the latter effective 2014)	

A.16.1	n/a	Corrected "Chairman" to "President"
A.18	2012	Scholarship cycle now listed as a generic cycle.
Annex A.1a		Bid applications to include successful international/national competitions.
Annex A.1c		Specific championship names for categories with multiple separate championships.
Annex A.1.b		Bulletins must include information on any perpetual trophy.
B.2.3	n/a	Corrected text to World Championship rationale.
B.3.2	2012	FAI licences must be completed in the Roman alphabet.
B.3.6		Added Assistant Team Managers for RC Soaring championships.
B.4		Re-written the section on international FAI Juries.
B.4.5		Officials have to be approved by their own NACs.
B.4.5		Define how the nationality of FAI Judges and Jury members is established.
B.5.5		Results must include details of any perpetual FAI trophy.
B.7.4		"Championships" include both World and Continental; increase F3N to 700 Euro and F3A to 750 Euro.
B.12.2		Amend the RC organiser requirements for class S8E/P.
B.16.1		Clarify junior classification.
B.17.1; B.17.2		Amend the numbers of models permitted by class with a consequential change at B.17.2.
B.17.6		Comprehensively re-written rules on model processing.
B.18		Add prohibition for consecutive protests on one incident.
B.21.6.1		Comprehensively re-written championship trophy rules.
Annex 4B	Added the new list of FAI perpetual trophies.	
1.3.2	Amended the definition of Control Line Circular Flight.	
Part Two Records 2.10	Added Aerostats at 2.10 and re-numbered the existing 2.10 & 2.11	
Part Two Records	Consequential changes throughout for Aerostat records.	
Part Two Records Table I	Amended for Aerostats, including amendments for English and to bring in line with existing record rules.	
Part Two Records Tables II & III	New Table II B for Aerostats and amended Table III.	
2.8.1	Amended Verification of Measurements	

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<b>Four-Year Rolling Amendments for Reference</b>			
<b>Paragraph</b>	<b>Plenary meeting approving change</b>	<b>Brief description of change</b>	<b>Change incorporated by</b>
Annex 1.1	n/a	Corrected paragraph numbers under RC.	Jo Halman Technical Secretary
1.3.3.		Added F3R & F3S classes.	
B.10.1	2011	Height of CL cages for temporary circles	
1.3.1		Amendment to closed loop systems & new paragraph on launching.	
1.3.2		Pull test: CL safety strap does not need to be attached to the wrist.	
1.4.2		Clarified model aircraft weight.	
Annex 1.1		Add to Championship classes: F3N RC helicopter freestyle & F3P RC indoor aerobatics	
1.3.2 & 1.3.3	n/a	Corrected class names	
1.4.15	n/a	Deleted superfluous word "area".	
B.5.6		Corrected castor oil specification	

## **VOLUME ABR**

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- A.9. Sporting Calendar
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- A.13. Effective Date of Rule Changes
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- A.15. Changing from Provisional to Official Rules
- A.16. Eligibility for World Championships
- A.17. National Rules
- A.18. Aeromodelling Scholarship
- Annex A.1a CIAM Championship Naming Policy
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## **SECTION 4C – MODEL AIRCRAFT**

### **General Regulations and Rules for Contest and Records**

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- 2.9. Special Rules for Distance in Closed Circuit records
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- Annex C.2 Classification of Records

*Note i): The following Parts refer to the separate volumes:*

- Part Three - Free Flight*
- Part Four - Control Line*
- Part Five - Radio Control*
- Part Six - Scale*

*Note ii): With effect from 1st January 2014 there is a further volume entitled "Volume EDIC – Electronic Devices in Competition."*

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**VOLUME ABR**  
**SECTION 4A**  
**CIAM INTERNAL REGULATIONS**

**A.1. CIAM PLENARY MEETING**

- A.1.1.** The Plenary Meeting of the CIAM shall convene once a year in March or at such other times as shall be decided by the President of the CIAM. The meeting will be held at the FAI in Lausanne, if no special advantages are to be found elsewhere, subject to the approval of the Secretary General of FAI.
- A.1.2.** The Agenda for the meeting is prepared by the CIAM Secretary in agreement with the President of the CIAM, and distributed by the FAI Office.
- A.1.3.** The Agenda shall include proposals drawn up in the manner required in paragraphs A.6 and A.13. The Agenda shall be despatched to the NACs and the officers of the Bureau with the notice convening the meeting not later than 45 days before the meeting. If the Agenda is not sent out in proper time, the Plenary Meeting may be postponed by the President.

**A.2. PROCEDURE FOR CIAM PLENARY MEETINGS**

- A.2.1.** On the first day there will be preliminary Technical Meetings held by the Chairmen of the appropriate Sub-committees. These meetings shall consider items in the agenda for the purpose of discussion and briefing of all those present and shall, through the Sub-committee Chairman, make their recommendations thereon together with the recommendations resulting from voting in the Sub-committee proper to the Plenary Meeting. Eligible to attend are Sub-committee members, voting Delegates, Alternates and any others approved by their National Airsports Controls. Among those eligible to attend, only one per country may vote.
- A.2.2.** The voting system at CIAM Plenary is that of a simple majority. The votes for a proposal are counted and then the votes against the proposal are counted. The higher number of votes decides whether the proposal succeeds or fails. Abstentions do not affect the outcome and are not counted.
- A.2.3.** The President may add to the Agenda, any matter considered to be urgent.
- A.2.4.** The Minutes of the plenary meeting are to be drafted by the Secretary, approved by the President and distributed by the office not later than 6 weeks after the meeting.

**A.3. BUREAU**

- A.3.1.** The Bureau is composed of a President, three Vice Presidents, one of whom shall assume the duties of Treasurer, a Secretary, a Technical Secretary, plus the Chairmen of those Sub-Committees that have official World Championship classes as well as the Education Sub-Committee Chairman. It is completed by the immediate past President of the CIAM, who does not have voting rights. The President may also invite representatives of the NACs preparing World Championships or other persons required for the business of the Bureau. If none of the Vice Presidents can act as Treasurer, then Bureau may appoint a Treasurer who will not have any voting rights at Bureau.

**A.3.1.1** Term of Office

In accordance with FAI Statute 5.1.2.8, the term of office for the entire Bureau, and any Treasurer appointed by Bureau, will be two years, with the first two year term commencing in 2014. At each second Plenary Meeting after 2014 the CIAM shall elect a President, three Vice Presidents, a Secretary and a Technical Secretary by a secret ballot for a two year term. The rest of the Bureau members (Sub-Committee Chairmen) shall be elected as described in A.4.2.

- A.3.2.** The following matters are within the Bureau's competence:

- a) The interpretation, application and control of CIAM decisions.
- b) The control of organisation of World and Continental Championships.
- c) The approval of World and Continental Championships Juries and Judges including the Range Safety Officer (RSO) at Space Modelling Championships.
- d) The submission of proposals to the CIAM.
- e) The accomplishment of any mission conferred on the Bureau by the CIAM.
- f) To approve the lists of Judges and Technical Experts.

It is not in the competence of the Bureau to alter decisions taken during the Plenary meeting regarding the maximum entry fee for competitors and helpers at World and Continental Championships.



**A.3.3.** The Secretary shall keep a register of the CIAM perpetual trophies and be responsible for preparing the Minutes of each meeting and sending them to the FAI office and the President within 4 weeks.

The Minutes of the December Bureau meeting shall be sent by the Secretary electronically to the Bureau members, Sub-Committee Chairmen and the FAI office no later than 15th January each year.

**A.3.4.** The Assistant Secretary shall support the activities of the Secretary and Technical Secretary. In particular he shall take the Minutes of the Bureau and Plenary Meetings, contribute to the definition and formal issue of such Minutes and support or perform the activities that the Secretary delegates to him. The Assistant Secretary must not, in any case, directly approach individual members of the FAI office or Bureau, or the Sub-committee Chairmen but must work through the Secretary and the Technical Secretary.

**A.3.5.** The Technical Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the current Sporting Code Section 4 complete with amendments and additions in accordance with the decisions of the CIAM. He will also co-ordinate the work of the specialist Sub-committees as necessary. The Technical Secretary will also check the record attempt dossiers.

**A.3.6.** The Bureau meets once a year in December and when convened by the President of the CIAM.

### **A.3.7 Publication of Emergency Safety Notices & Safety Rules**

**A.3.7.1** Publication of Emergency Safety Notices

- a) NACs shall be informed of any safety notice by email within five days of the end of the Plenary meeting or the agreement of a majority of the CIAM Bureau in the case of safety notices that need to be generated between Plenary meetings.
- b) Any safety notice shall appear on the CIAM homepage of the FAI website within five days of the end of the Plenary meeting or the Bureau decision to issue such a notice taken between Plenary meetings.
- c) All safety notices shall be the responsibility of the Technical Secretary who may liaise with the appropriate Sub-Committee Chairman regarding the formulation of any such notice.
- d) It will be the responsibility of the CIAM Technical Secretary, or in his absence, the CIAM Secretary, to liaise with the FAI office as necessary regarding the formal promulgation of any safety notice.

**A.3.7.2** Emergency Safety Rules

- a) See A.3.7.1 a & b.
- b) New or amended safety rules shall be effective one calendar month from the end of the Plenary meeting of that year or for the next CIAM approved competition, in the category affected, whichever is the sooner.
- c) Any amended or new safety rule(s) shall appear in the Organiser Bulletins of the appropriate Championship(s) being held that year.
- d) All safety rules shall be the responsibility of the Technical Secretary who shall liaise with the appropriate Sub-Committee Chairman regarding specific safety rule(s).
- e) See A.3.7.1.d

## **A.4. SUB-COMMITTEES**

**A.4.1.** The CIAM may set up Sub-committees, which are consulted for advice on sporting and technical matters in the special category concerned.

*Note: The current Sub-committees are:*

<i>F1 Free Flight</i>	<i>F3 Soaring</i>
<i>F2 Control Line</i>	<i>F4 Scale</i>
<i>F3 Aerobatics</i>	<i>F5 Electric</i>
<i>F3 Helicopters</i>	<i>F7 Aerostats</i>
<i>F3 Pylon Racing</i>	<i>S Space Modelling</i>

**A.4.2.** a) The CIAM elects by secret ballot the Chairman of each Technical Sub-committee and the Education Sub-committee for a period of two years, with a compulsory confirmation after one year. The election shall occur at the Plenary Meeting during the year in which a Sub-committee may have a regularly scheduled meeting for decision purposes and in which a World Championship for the subject category is held. (*See the table on the following page.*)

b) For F1, the election year is the year in which the F1ABC senior world championships take place and for F3 Soaring it is the year in which the F3B world championship takes place.

*See table overleaf.*

**World Championships are held as follows:**

World Championships in <b>Odd years</b>	World Championships in <b>Even Years</b>
F1ABC	F1ABP Juniors
F1E	F1D
F3A	F2ABCD
F3B	F3F
F3CN	F3J
F3D	F4CH
F3K	F5BD
F3M	Space Modelling
F3P	

*Note that multiple class “F” designations refer to “combined championships”.*

- c) The Chairman may be re-elected for an unlimited number of terms. He may not serve on more than one Sub-committee simultaneously.

**A.4.3.** Each Sub-committee shall consist of a minimum of six members including the Chairman, all of different nationality, regardless of the number of members. The Sub-committee Chairmen shall on their own initiative invite the members, but they must be approved by their National Airports Controls. The NACs may suggest but not appoint alternative members. The Sub-committee Chairman must publish on the official FAI website, a list of the members of his Committee by 1 May of every year.

**A.4.4.** The Sub-committee members serve as individual expert consultants and are not obliged to represent the views of their National Airports Controls.

**A.4.5.** The Subcommittee Chairman will circulate the Plenary Meeting’s official agenda to the Subcommittee members and ask for a vote, this vote to be presented to the Plenary meeting together with the result from the Technical meeting at the Plenary.

**A.5 FORMS OF SUB-COMMITTEE WORK**

**A.5.1.** The Sub-committee Chairmen are free to organise the work of their Sub-committees, meetings, correspondence etc., as they consider most efficient. The Chairmen must send a list of the members of their respective Sub-committees as soon as they have been established to the CIAM President and the FAI office. The same procedure applies for any changes in the membership of the Sub-committees.

**A.5.2.** The Sub-committees may in no case publish recommendations, guides or rules, which have not been previously approved by the CIAM or the Bureau.

**A.6. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO THE CIAM**

**A.6.1.** Each proposal must conform to the following requirements:

- a) State the volume in the Sporting Code, or its relevant approved amendments, to which the proposal refers.
- b) Quote the relevant paragraph and/or heading from the Sporting Code.
- c) Detail exactly what the alteration or addition to the wording is to be. Deleted text should be shown as strike-through, new text as bold underlined format.
- d) Give the reason(s) behind the proposed alteration in a short separate paragraph.
- e) All technical amendments must be accompanied by supporting data.
- f) Submit each proposal on a separate document regardless of category.
- g) All rule proposals, guides and whatever items accepted for the Agenda must be made available electronically in rich text format (RTF) or Word 97-2003 to facilitate compilation of the Agenda.
- h) Amendments to rule changes not yet implemented shall be as follows:
  - i) Not permitted for rules approved for implementation in the year following approval.
  - ii) Permitted for “advanced publication” rules that have been approved by Plenary with an implementation date of at least three years in the future. These rules must have been published in a special annex at the back of the appropriate Volume of the Sporting Code.

This advance publication must be made in the year following approval by the Plenary.

*Note:*

- i) See also A.13*
- ii) A Word document containing the above layout and a help file on document naming is downloadable from the FAI Website to facilitate the generation of proposals in the accepted format.*
- iii) Proposals must be submitted in either Rich Text Format (RTF) or Word 97 – 2003 format only.*

**A.6.2.** Proposals may be submitted to the CIAM by:

- a) All National Airports Controls and/or NAC approved CIAM delegates.
- b) The Bureau of the CIAM.
- c) The Chairmen of the Sub-committees subsequent to the agreement of the majority of the members of the Sub-committee concerned.

## **A.7. TIMETABLE FOR PROPOSALS TO THE CIAM PLENARY MEETING AND AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING**

**A.7.1.** a) All proposals from Sub-committees and NACs for the Plenary Meeting must be submitted through the FAI automatic submission process in the format described in A.6.1 g) between 1st August and 15th November of the year immediately preceding the Plenary Meeting at which the proposals may be considered within the appropriate two-year rule cycle.

*Note: The web address for the automatic submission process will generally be included in the reminder letter that the FAI office sends out or it may be obtained directly from the FAI office.*

- b) The office will email the proposals to the relevant Sub-committee Chairmen, who must present their findings in print at the December Bureau Meeting. Proposals are to be approved at the Bureau meeting after which the Secretary sets up a draft of the Plenary Meeting Agenda to be approved by the President. The finalised Agenda will be sent to the FAI office who will arrange to send it out to the NACs according to A.1.3.
- c) Any proposals received out of sequence with the appropriate two-year cycle (see A.13) will need to be re-submitted by the proposer in the correct year.

*Note: Neither the CIAM nor the FAI Secretariat has the resources to retain such proposals on file until the next Plenary meeting.*

## **A.8. LANGUAGES**

**A.8.1.** The working language of the CIAM is English.

## **A.9. SPORTING CALENDAR**

**A.9.1.** a) Requests for contests to be put on the FAI International Sporting Calendar must be received by the FAI Office no later than the 15 November, with the name, address, telephone, fax etc. of a contact person for additional information. The form must be downloaded from the CIAM Website <http://www.fai.org/ciam-documents>.

- b) All applications for contests must be accompanied by a fee to CIAM. The amount of this fee is determined annually by CIAM as defined in paragraph A.14.1. Payment may be made by credit card or bank transfer but in any case, the remitter pays all card or bank charges. If the fee is not received by 15 November, the contest will be deleted from the calendar.
- c) Open International contests may be added to the FAI Sporting Calendar in between CIAM meetings. They must be submitted at least three months in advance of the competition date, on the appropriate registration form and with the appropriate payment to the FAI Office and copied to the CIAM Secretary and CIAM President who will inform the appropriate Subcommittee Chairman. Final approval for any open international contest submitted after November 15th will be granted only after the written approval of the relevant S-C Chairman.
- d) Open International applications received by the FAI office later than 15 November will not be eligible for inclusion in a World Cup for the following year.
- e) Sanction fees and documents for World and Continental Championships and World Cup competitions must be received by the FAI by 15 November of the year preceding the Championships or World Cup competition.

**A.9.2.** The Bureau has the right at any time to remove any contest from the CIAM Calendar if, in the opinion of the Bureau, the organisation would not appear to be up to the expected standard. The President will ensure that all National Airports Controls are informed.

**A.9.3.** Registered Sporting events taking place in a year will only be recognised if the organising NAC has fulfilled all its obligations to FAI.

**A.10. SANCTION FEES**

- a) A sanction fee is required for listing any type of international contest in the FAI Sporting Calendar.
- b) The sanctions fees are as follows:
- Limited international contests:
- World Championship ..... = 500 Euro
- Continental Championship ..... = 300 Euro
- Other contests:
- Open International Contest  
(including World Cup and International Series contests) ..... = 70 Euro
- c) The sanction fees shall be reviewed each year by the Bureau and any proposed fee changes must be approved by the Plenary Meeting.

**A.11. JUDGES LISTS**

- a) Nominations for persons to be put on the List of International Judges must be received by the FAI Office no later than November 15. The nominations are valid for two years starting the following January and can be updated annually. If no list is returned by the deadline in any year, then the old one stands for one more year. Judges shall be chosen from the list. Any judges appointed for a Championship must be on the list when selected. The nomination must contain the information requested by the FAI Secretariat on the electronic form is sends to NACs.
- b) For subjective judging, a proportion of the judges chosen to judge at a championship must not have judged at the previous equivalent championship. This proportion to be as defined in the class rules.
- c) To comply with the principle of NACs and Airsports Persons, NACs are only permitted to submit names of airsports persons of their own NAC.

**A.12. TECHNICAL EXPERTS LIST**

- a) Nominations for persons to be put on the list of technical experts from which the elected Subcommittee Chairmen can choose their members, must be received by the FAI Office no later than November 15. The list is valid for two years starting the following January and updated annually.
- b) The nominations are valid for two years starting the following January and can be updated annually. If no list is presented by the deadline in any year, then the old list stands for one more year. Subcommittee members should be chosen from the list. The nomination must contain the information requested by the FAI Secretariat on the electronic forms it sends to NACs.
- c) To comply with the principle of NACs and Airsports Persons, NACs are only permitted to submit names of airsports persons of their own NAC.
- c) The Subcommittees' terms of office will be between Plenary Meetings.

**A.13. EFFECTIVE DATE OF RULE CHANGES**

- a) For championship classes and official classes without championship status, a period of two years of no changes to model aircraft/space model specifications, manoeuvre schedules and competition rules will be strictly enforced.
- b) The two-year cycle shall be as follows:
- Championship classes: in step with the World Championship cycle.
- Official classes: in step with the second year of the two-year anniversary cycle of the date of the Plenary Meeting at which the class was approved as official.
- c) Rules can be amended in the years as follows:
- Championship Classes in the year of a World Championship.
- Official classes in the second year of the two-year cycle.
- Any change will become effective the following January unless a different date is specified and approved at the Plenary meeting.
- d) Provisional classes are not subject to this two-year rule cycle.
- e) The only exceptions allowed to the procedure above are genuine and urgent safety matters, indispensable rule clarifications and noise rulings.
- f) Under normal circumstances, in step with the rule change procedure, a Technical Meeting may be held at the Plenary meeting during each year there is a World Championship in that class.
- In case of emergency, safety proposals or issues considered urgent by the Sub-committee

Chairman, the Chairman is entitled to schedule an interim meeting.

- g) All proposals are first to be carefully scrutinised by the Chairmen of the relevant Sub-committees who will check them for validity before presenting them to the Bureau. It will be the Chairman's duty to point out any ambiguities or lack of conformity with CIAM requirements in the proposal, as well as any effects it may have on other regulations. Apart from the exceptions stated above, proposals will only be accepted on Plenary agendas in years for which Technical Meetings are entitled to be held. This shall not apply to provisional classes.

#### **A.14. AEROMODELLING FUND**

**A.14.1.** An Aeromodelling Fund shall be maintained to hold monies paid as sanction fees for listing events in the FAI Sporting Calendar. See A.10 for the sanction fees.

**A.14.2.** The fund shall be used for:

- a) paying of unrecouped costs of publishing the CIAM Flyer;
- b) paying the cost of FAI Medals and Diplomas for Model Aircraft and Space-modelling World Cup events;
- c) paying the cost of refurbishment of World Championship Trophies when required;
- d) re-imbusement of the transport and accommodation costs incurred by the CIAM President or his alternate in attending the FAI General Conference, the CIAM Bureau and Plenary Meetings;
- e) paying the costs, to the limit of available funds in any year, not properly a charge on a NAC, of attendance at Bureau Meetings;
- f) the single payment for the CIAM Aeromodelling Scholarship as and when it is awarded (see A.18).

#### **A.15. CHANGE FROM PROVISIONAL TO OFFICIAL RULES**

**A.15.1.** Before being considered for adoption by the CIAM as official FAI rules, provisional rules must first have been used in each year of a two-year period up to the year of consideration. The rules must have been used in at least five international contests, or three World Cup contests. All the contests must be registered on the FAI Sporting Calendar and involve a total of at least five FAI member countries with at least two countries per contest and at least 50 competitors in total per year.

#### **A.16. ELIGIBILITY FOR WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**A.16.1.** Before they can be considered by the CIAM for use in World and/or Continental Championships and/or any other FAI Category 1 event, there must be a minimum period of two years from the time the rules were made official. The rules must have been used in at least five international contests, or three World Cup contests, each with a minimum of six FAI member countries participating. At least two contests must be held in each of the two years with a total of at least 60 competitors in each year. All the contests must be registered on the FAI Sporting Calendar. Also, reports from the President of the Jury in each contest must be sent to the appropriate Sub-committee Chairman for the latter's recommendation to the CIAM.

**A.16.2.** From 1st January 2014 and for at least four years, there is a moratorium on any class being permitted to apply for championship status.

#### **A.17. MAINTAINING WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP STATUS**

**A.17.1.** The status of any existing World Championship class must be re-considered if, during a four-year period, it has either:

- a) Had no bids for a World or Continental Championship.
- or
- b) Participation in a World Championship was less than 14 countries for the same period of time.

**A.17.2.** The above mentioned limits are not applicable to any Junior-specific Championship class, or World or Continental Championship classes that are permitted to hold separate Junior Championships.

**A.17.3.** Limits for Championships with combined classes are the same as the limits described in A.17.2, but as a sum of the participants over all the classes and not per individual class.

#### **A.18. NATIONAL RULES**

**A.18.1.** In order to attract more participants in model aircraft competitions, each NAC may establish in addition to FAI rules, further model aircraft classes. The general section and model aircraft specifications should be the same as official FAI model aircraft classes.

#### **A.19. AEROMODELLING SCHOLARSHIP**

- a) The Aeromodelling Scholarship may be awarded to one appropriately qualified person from age

- 16 up to age 21 in the year of nomination to help with the education of the successful nominee.
- b) Only one person from a country may be nominated annually by that candidate's NAC.
  - c) Only one Scholarship may be awarded in any one year.
  - d) Procedure:
    - i) A NAC sends to the FAI office the Nomination Form duly completed, stamped and signed plus the required documentation to be received by 15 November.
    - ii) All forms and attached documentation, including personal statements, will be forwarded to the CIAM Scholarship Selection Group of seven world-wide Education Experts, who shall independently consider the nominations and place the candidates in descending order of merit. Any member of the Selection Group who is related to, or close friends with, any of the nominees must recuse himself from the selection procedure of that year.
    - iii) The Bureau shall scrutinise the recommendations and nominate one candidate to be presented to the Plenary Meeting for approval. The Plenary Meeting awards the Scholarship
  - e) Payment
    - i) The FAI will transfer the Scholarship award of 2,000 Euros to the appropriate NAC. This NAC office shall pay the tuition fees of schools, colleges or universities or the financial funding of educational books or other educational facilities directly to the educational establishment.
    - ii) Monies shall not be sent to the sponsored students, the parents or guardians.
    - iii) The NAC shall forward all receipts to the FAI office for forwarding to the CIAM Treasurer for monitoring purposes.
    - iv) The delegate of the NAC administering the Scholarship award shall present a report to Plenary at the following Plenary meeting (to be received by the FAI office by the previous 15 November).

Note i: The CIAM Scholarship cycle is:

- |                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| November 15           | - deadline for candidate submissions                                  |
| Following March       | - candidate approved by Plenary                                       |
| Following November 15 | - deadline for CIAM Scholar's report for next Plenary by NAC Delegate |
|                       | - deadline for next candidate submissions                             |
| Following March       | - next candidate approved by Plenary                                  |

Note ii: The nomination form may be downloaded from the CIAM website.

## **A.20. FAI AWARDS**

FAI medals and diplomas aim to give public recognition to those who have made outstanding contributions and detailed information and forms are available on the website. Nominations must be submitted to the FAI Office by November 15. In addition to the General FAI Awards, the following awards are specifically for recognition of aeromodelling activities.

### a) The Alphonse Penaud Aeromodelling Diploma

One Diploma may be awarded annually to an aeromodeller of an FAI member for outstanding sporting achievements.

### b) The Andrei Tupolev Aeromodelling Diploma

One Diploma may be awarded annually to an aeromodeller of an FAI member for outstanding world record performance in aeromodelling.

### c) The Andrei Tupolev Aeromodelling Medal

One Diploma may be awarded annually to an aeromodeller of an FAI member who in the same year won the World and National Aeromodelling Championships in the same class of models.

### d) The Antonov Aeromodelling Diploma

One Diploma may be awarded annually to an aeromodeller of an FAI member for technical innovation(s) in aeromodelling.

### e) The FAI Aeromodelling Gold Medal

One Medal may be awarded annually to an aeromodeller of an FAI member for outstanding merit in developing aeromodelling through organisational activities.

### f) The Frank Ehling Diploma

One Diploma may be awarded annually to an organisation or an individual for the promotion of aviation through the use of flying models.

**ANNEX A.1a**  
**CIAM CHAMPIONSHIP NAMING POLICY**  
**Effective 1st January 2016**

<b>All Elements of the Main Title are Mandatory</b>						
YEAR	FAI	CIAM CLASS CODE	DESIGNATION (where appropriate)	REGION	TYPE	CATEGORY
2015	FAI	F1 F1D F1E F2 F3A F3B F3CN F3D F3F F3J F3K F3M F3P F4 F5 S	Junior	World European Asian-Oceanic	Championship Championships	for Free Flight Model Aircraft for Indoor Model Aircraft for Control Line Model Aircraft for Aerobatic Model Aircraft for Indoor Aerobatic Model Aircraft for Model Gliders for Model Helicopters for Pylon Racing Model Aircraft for Scale Model Aircraft for Electric Model Aircraft for Space Models
<b>Optional Sub-Titles</b> (only for Bulletins)						
(Class Name/s & Description/s) (For Seniors and Juniors) (For Seniors and/or Juniors)						
<b>Mandatory Sub-Title</b> (only for Bulletins)						
From - To			Year	Venue		Country

The championship logo design is free to encourage creativity but it is mandatory that all the elements of the championship name are included; however they may be in any order or layout to suit the logo shape. Such a proprietary logo must be approved in writing by FAI before use.

The dedicated Free Flight Junior Championships are the only championships to require a designation (“Junior”).

For internal use and communication (ie the minutes), CIAM is permitted to use a short denomination with the “F” designation along with the accepted abbreviation for World or Continental Championships (WCh, CCh)

- Note:*
- i) The plural “Championships” is used only when the competition covers multiple classes (combined Championships).*
  - ii) The word “World” should be substituted with “European”, “Asian”, “Oceanic” etc as appropriate.*
  - iii) The word “FAI” may be substituted with the FAI logo in a position immediately adjacent to the Championship title.*

**ANNEX A.1b**

**DESIGNATIONS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The “F” designations for championships shall be known and used as follows:

F1ABC	F1ABP	F1D	F1E
F2ABCD	F3A	F3B	F3CN
F3D	F3F	F3J	F3K
F3M	F3P	F4CH	F5BD

Space Modelling



## SECTION 4B

### GENERAL RULES FOR INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS

#### B.1. GENERAL DEFINITION OF INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS

Any model aircraft and space modelling event in which entry is open to more than one NAC or to individual participants, all of whom hold a valid FAI Sporting Licence, which collectively are issued by more than one NAC. Organised by the NAC or with its permission or participation under the rules of the Sporting Code Sections 4b and 4, these contests must be entered in the FAI Sporting Calendar (see A.9).

#### B.2. TYPES OF INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS

##### B.2.1. Open International Contests

Contests in which all competitors who possess an FAI Sporting Licence may enter. These contests are for individual classification only.

##### B.2.2. Limited International Contests

Contests in which all competitors are nominated by their NAC. These contests are for individual and possibly team classification.

##### B.2.3. Continental Championships

- a) These are limited international contests in which the competitors must be nominated by their NACs and must be persons or teams from at least four different nations from one Continental Region defined in the Sporting Code General Section. For the European region, the required participation must be from at least six different countries. These contests are for individual and possibly team classification and will be organized only in the years when there is no World Championship in the particular class.
- b) The Continental Championships shall be planned and scheduled by the CIAM.
- c) The number of classes in one Continental Championship is limited to five (5) for Seniors and five (5) for Juniors except for the case of Space Models, where the number of classes shall be limited to eight (8) for Seniors and eight (8) for Juniors.

##### B.2.4. World Championships

- a) These are limited international contests in which the competitors must be nominated by their NACs and there must be persons or teams from at least eight different countries. These contests are for individual and national team classification. The Sporting Code General Section Event Qualification Criteria for First Category Events 4.4.3.1 applies.
- b) The World Championships shall be planned and scheduled by the CIAM.
- c) Each World Championships is normally held every other year.
- d) The number of classes in one World Championship is limited to five (5) for Seniors and five (5) for Juniors except for the case of Space Models, where the number of classes shall be limited to eight (8) for Seniors and eight (8) for Juniors.

##### B.2.5. World Air Games

This is a limited international Sporting Event involving several FAI air sports at the same time in which the competitors are selected by the respective Air Sport Commissions on the basis of International Ranking Lists and/or previous championship results. These events are for individual classification only.

##### B.2.6. World Cup

This is a classification of the results of special open international contests during a year. A World Cup may be organised by the relevant CIAM Sub-committee for any of its classes.

There must be at least five valid competitions held in any class of World Cup for FAI medals and diplomas to be awarded. Classification for any particular category is contained in the World Cup regulations in the appropriate volume of the Sporting Code.

FAI medals and diplomas will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed competitors.

If a CIAM Sub-committee chooses to run a World Cup, it must:

- a) define rules and points allocation; these must be published in the Sporting Code;
- b) nominate in advance the open international contests which are to be included from the FAI Sporting Calendar;
- c) check the draft FAI Sporting Calendar for errors or omissions and report to the December Bureau meeting;
- d) send a reminder communication to World Cup contest organisers at the beginning of each year. This communication is to:

request confirmation of the contest details in the FAI Sporting Calendar;  
remind of the requirement to observe the Sporting Code (B.5.1);  
remind of the requirement to check FAI licences of entrants;  
remind of the requirements for submission of results (B.5.5.);  
give a valid email address to which the results should be sent;

- e) collect results from each competition and allocate points to competitors (refer also to paragraphs B.5.5);
- f) produce and distribute current positions in the World Cup during the year;
- g) advise Bureau of any problems with any World Cup contests;
- h) in each category, award a medal and diploma from the FAI to the winner and a diploma from the FAI to the second and third places;
- i) the Sub-committee may appoint a World Cup Co-ordinator to administer the World Cup. If it does so, then items c) to h) above are the direct responsibility of the World Cup Coordinator. The Sub-committee Chairman shall advise Bureau of the name of the World Cup Coordinator.

#### **B.2.7. International Ranking**

- a) This is a continuous classification based on the results of all open and international events, as well as World and Continental Championships, World Cup contests and World Air Games selection events. An international ranking may be organised by the relevant CIAM Sub-committee for any of the classes recognised as World Championships or World Air Games classes.
- b) If a CIAM Sub-committee chooses to run an international ranking, it must:
  - i) Define rules and ranking algorithm, these must be published in the Sporting Code.
  - ii) Collect results from each competition and apply the ranking algorithm on them.
  - iii) Produce and distribute up-dated ranking lists during the year.

#### **B.2.8. International Series**

An International Series is a sequence of international contests for specific goal or classification for example such as Eurotour contests.

#### **B.2.9. First Category Events**

- a) First category events for aeromodelling are World and Continental Championships. The World Air Games are also considered to be a first category event by the FAI.
- b) All other types of aeromodelling international contests are considered to be second category events.

### **B.3. Competitors and Teams**

#### **B.3.1. Competitor**

- a) Unless stated otherwise, the competitor named on the entry form must be the builder of the model aircraft entered.
- b) Any competitor who has to take any of the substances on the WADA Prohibited List for a medical condition must have a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) granted by the FAI. (See B.3.7.)
- c) Any conscious effort by a competitor, or a team member or helper directly involved with a national team, to influence, intimidate, or threaten contest officials or other competitors or teams, with the intent of gaining an advantage over other competitors or teams, irrespective if this occurs directly before, during, or directly after the sporting event, shall be considered as unsporting behaviour, and may result in disqualification of the individual or the team from the championship.

#### **B.3.2. Sporting Licences**

- a) Every competitor, team manager and assistant team manager entering an international contest must possess a valid Sporting Licence of the FAI. This Sporting Licence is issued by the NAC of the competitor, team manager or assistant team manager under the conditions of the Sporting code General Section and must bear the national identification mark.

Names on FAI licences must be completed using the Roman alphabet. If it is deemed necessary by a NAC that names have to be written in an alphabet common to its country, then the licence must also show the name in the Roman alphabet.

Competitor names as entries in competition lists and results must be listed using only the Roman alphabet.

- b) Organisers of any international competition must check FAI licences and must not permit entry to the competition to anyone who does not have a valid FAI licence nor permit entry to a First Category event

(Championship) by anyone who has represented a different country in a First Category event (Championship) during the previous twenty four months. (Sporting Code General Section 3.1.3.6.4).

- c) Checks to ensure that Sporting Code General Section 3.1.3.6.4 is not contravened should be carried out by:
- the NACs intending to send a team to a Championship;
  - the organisers who accept the entries (see b) above);
  - the FAI Jury at the Championship.

Reference to the Championship results of two years previously is the definitive way of establishing whether any entrant is qualified to represent the country under which he is entered.

*Note: Championship results may be obtained from the FAI, from the appropriate Subcommittee Chairman or the FAI Jury President of previous Championships in line with the provisions of the General Section.*

- d) Competitors who hold an FAI Sporting Licence issued directly by the FAI office enter as “FAI Participants” and in entry and results list their nationality shall be shown as “FAI”.

### **B.3.3. Competitor's Proxy and Substitution of Team Members**

Proxy flights are not permitted in any class or category of either model aircraft or space models. Substitution of team members is permitted only up to the time of registration or prior to model processing, whichever comes first.

### **B.3.4. Age Classification for the Contest**

- a) A competitor is considered to be a junior up to and including the calendar year in which he attains the age of 18. All other competitors are classed as Seniors.
- b) World or Continental Championships may be organised specifically for juniors. At these Junior Championships, all competitors and all helpers, team members, mechanics and assistants must all be juniors. The team managers and/or their duly registered assistants and organising officials are the only seniors allowed in the starting area. For RC Soaring the helpers, mechanics and assistants may be seniors.
- c) At F1D World and Continental Championships, when juniors and seniors fly together in the same site and at the same time, the junior competitors who are members of a national Senior team will appear in the individual senior classification, but must also be considered in the national Junior team and included in the Junior individual classification as far as the Junior national team is not complete. The names of the junior national team members must be declared before the beginning of the competition.
- d) If there are three or more junior entries in an Open International, there must be a separate junior classification included in the results.
- e) Any Junior World or Continental Champion who will be too old to defend his title at the next World or Continental Championships for Juniors is entitled to fly in one World or Continental Championship for Seniors, in the appropriate class, within the three calendar years following his becoming Junior World or Continental Champion.

### **B.3.5. National Teams for World and Continental Championships**

- a) A national team shall consist of a maximum of three individual competitors, or three pairs of competitors, for each category and a Team Manager
- b) For those categories that do not have separate Junior Championships, the team may consist of a maximum of four individual competitors or four pairs of competitors for each category provided that the fourth competitor is a junior, plus a team manager.
- c) The reigning World or Continental Champion has the right (subject to the approval of his National Airports Control) to participate in the next World or Continental Championships in that category regardless of whether he qualifies for the national team or not. If he is not a member of the national team, his score will not be considered in the team results.

### **B.3.6. Team Manager**

- a) The team manager may assist the competitors. He is the only person allowed to deal with the Jury or the Organiser in the case of disputes, complaints or protests and must be obligatory for World and Continental Championships. Any member of the officially entered national team may be nominated as team manager.
- b) For Free Flight, Control Line, RC Soaring, Scale and Space Model competitions, the team manager may have an assistant, registered with the organiser, who will have the same duties as the team manager except that the assistant will not be allowed to deal with the Jury or the Organiser except to deliver protests.

**B.3.7. Therapeutic Use Exemption**

- a) If it is necessary for a competitor to hold a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) (see B.3.1) then the application form must be completed and sent to the FAI by the competitor.
- b) In normal circumstances the application form must arrive at the FAI at least 21 days before the start of the competition.
- c) The FAI processing of TUEs is free, but any other costs associated with submitting a TUE must be borne by the competitor.
- d) The TUE is effective for between one and four years depending on the medical condition for which it is issued.

**B.4. CONTEST OFFICIALS****B.4.1 FAI Jury**

- a) All International contests included in the FAI Contest Calendar shall have an FAI Jury of three members at least two of whom shall be chosen for their competence in the category being flown in the event. It is the responsibility of the Jury to see that the event is conducted in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Sporting Code Section 4b and 4c, and it is empowered to make all decisions dictated by any circumstances which may arise and to rule on disputes. Before the start of the competition, the FAI Jury must make sure that the organiser has satisfied the requirements of B.8 and, where relevant, sections B.9, B.10, B.11.
- b) The FAI Jury must have at least one language in common.
- c) The FAI Jury shall remain independent of the organiser(s) to enable it to enforce the rules of the FAI and act as an independent arbiter in disputes between the organiser(s) and the competitors.
- d) The President of the Jury at each international contest must submit a report to the FAI within one month of the contest. This report must include descriptions of any deviation from the Sporting Code and any exceptional circumstances that arose. In the situation where a new world record is set during a World or Continental Championship, it is the responsibility of the FAI Jury for that event to notify the FAI Headquarters within seven (7) days of the record accomplishment and remind the competitor and organisers of the need to assemble proper documentation within the prescribed time limit for homologation.

**B.4.2 FAI Jury at World and Continental Championships & WAG**

- a) The Jury, including two suitable reserves who shall also fulfil the criteria below, should be nominated by the relevant Subcommittee Chairman after consultation with the organisers. This jury composition shall be proposed in Bulletin 0 and must be approved by the CIAM Bureau.
- b) The Jury must include at least one member of the CIAM Bureau (which includes Subcommittee Chairmen) or one who, over the last 5 years, has served on the Bureau.
- c) The second member must be another Bureau member, a CIAM delegate, someone who in the past 5 years has served on an FAI Championships or WAG Jury, or someone who in the past 5 years has served two consecutive years on a Subcommittee in the same category as the Championships or WAG.
- d) The remaining member may be selected from any country provided that approval has been obtained from that person's NAC.
- e) The members of the Jury shall be of different nationalities and each member must be resident in a country whose NAC is not currently suspended from FAI membership.
- f) People named on the approved Jury reserve list, Bureau members, Sub-committee Chairmen, any Delegate and relevant Sub-committee members are, in an emergency, automatically approved in that order for appointment as Jury members.

**B.4.3. FAI Jury at Other Open International Events including World Cup Competitions**

- a) The Jury must include at least one person approved by his own NAC. The other two members may be assigned by the NAC of the organising country.
- b) Members of the Jury must be from at least two different nations.
- c) The Jury must be announced before the start of the event. When the contest has a subdivision into categories, one or two members of the Jury may compete in a category and must then be replaced by alternate Jury members (not competing in that category) for all matters involving that category. The alternate members must be chosen so that at all times the Jury meets nationality and language rules.
- d) For competitions which involve a single class, one or two jury members may be nominated from the competitors. An alternate jury member must also be nominated for each competitor jury member, to

serve on the jury when considering any protest involving that competitor jury member. The members must be chosen so that at all times the Jury meets the nationality and language rules.

#### B.4.4. Contest Officials

- a) To meet the CIAM requirements on nationality, the nationality of a Judge or Jury member is deemed to be that of the NAC which is permitted to issue an FAI Sporting Licence to that person.
- b) The organisers may appoint timekeepers and contest officials from other countries provided that the officials are approved by their own NAC.
- c) The relevant Subcommittee Chairman, after consultation with the organisers, shall submit to the CIAM Bureau, for approval, the names of the persons who shall act as judges or reserve judges. International judges must have had recent practical judging and/or flying experience of the category for which they are selected.
- d) The organiser of a CIAM competition must bear the expenses of CIAM Bureau designated jurors and judges for accommodation and meals in the course of the competition, and all transportation costs to and from the competition site (air fare economy class). This does not apply to any Jury members who compete in the competition under the terms of B.4.3.c) or B.4.3. d).
- e) With the exception of FAI Jury members under B.4.3 c) & d), organisers must reimburse Jury members and Judges' expenses, where necessary, in the currency of the individual's choice. In doing so, the organiser is not permitted to charge an exchange rate fee nor reduce the reimbursement in order to recoup any currency exchange charges that the organiser may have incurred.

#### B.4.5. Jury Pack

- a) The Jury Pack is a set of the FAI (CASI and CIAM) documents to be used as guidance for FAI Juries in FAI Aeromodelling Category 1 events and other international events, where appropriate, for taking uniform action in organisation supervision, Jury administration, protest processing, preparation of reports and all other activities within the Jury's control and responsibility for these events.
- b) It must be assembled by the Jury President after his appointment.
- c) All documents listed in item d) below need to be downloaded from the FAI website: [www.fai.org/documents](http://www.fai.org/documents) or [www.fai.org/aeromodelling/documents](http://www.fai.org/aeromodelling/documents) updated on 1st January of the current year.
- d) The Jury Pack must contain:
  1. FAI Sporting Code, Section 4, Volume for the appropriate category or class:
 

F1 - Free Flight	F2 - Control Line
F3 - Radio Control Aerobatics	F3 - Radio Control Soaring
F3 - Radio Control Helicopters	F3 – Radio Control Pylon Racing
F4 - Scale Model Aircraft	F5 - Electric Model Aircraft
F6 - Airsports Promotion	F7 – Aerostats
S - Space Models	
  2. FAI Sporting Code, Section 4, Volume ABR (Section 4B – Special Rules for International Contests)
  3. FAI Sporting Code General Section
 

Chapters of importance for Aeromodelling 1<sup>st</sup> Category events:

Chapter 4 - Sporting Events,  
 Chapter 5 - Control of Sporting Events,  
 Chapter 6 - Complaints, Penalties, Protests and Appeals  
 Chapter 7 - International Records  
 Chapter 8 – Measurements, Calculations and Margins
  4. FAI CASI - International Jury Members Handbook, 2001 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition:
 

Appendix A - Jury Final Report Form  
 Appendix B - Report of the President of the Jury  
 Appendix D - Report by the Jury President to the Air Sport Commission (Including a narrative report on a separate sheet/s)
  5. FAI Category 1 Events – CIAM Jury President's Check list
  6. Protest/Complaint Form
 

Notes:

i) *the use of this form is not mandatory but is recommended.*

- ii) Forms 5 and 6 are downloadable from the "Other Documents" section of the CIAM Website <http://www.fai.org/ciam-documents>. The file name is Jury Pack March 2014.

7. Trophy Transfer Form
8. Bulletins produced by the organiser for the particular event.
9. Local Rules, if any, approved by CIAM Bureau for particular Championships.

*Note: CIAM Rules should be used first, but in the case of ambiguities, the Jury should consult CASI documents.*

## **B.5. ORGANISATION OF INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS**

### **B.5.1. Organisation**

- a) Each International Contest in the FAI Contest Calendar must be organised in accordance with the Sporting Code General Section and Volume ABR Sections 4B and 4C.
- b) NACs organising such contests should ensure that those responsible for planning the event are familiar with the CIAM documents "General organisation of a World Championship" (annex B.3), the relevant safety guides and other organisers' and judges' guides and that the guidance contained therein is followed.
- c) The rules must be displayed at the contest ground in English and in the language of the organising country.

### **B.5.2. Local Rules**

Local rules in exceptional circumstances:

- a) may be established at, or imposed by, the CIAM Plenary Meeting for championships in the same or the following year, or by the organisers;
- b) may not change the model specification or competition rules unless agreed at the CIAM Plenary Meeting;
- c) must be published in bulletins, preferably in advance of entry deadline, but no later than the latest bulletin made available to all competitors;
- d) decided after this point, must be issued to competitors in writing prior to the start of the contest;
- e) may be established during the contest as necessary.

- B.5.3.** For open international competitions, including World Cups, the Organiser must limit the number of entries so that the competition can be finished within the allotted time. The maximum number of entries must be stated in the event notification. The entries shall be accepted by the Organiser in order of receipt until the limit is reached and the entry is closed. Late entrants must be notified that their entry has not been accepted.

### **B.5.4. Entry Forms**

- a) Entry forms must include sections for:  
Name - First name - Date of Birth (Juniors only) - Postal address - Nationality - FAI Licence number and/or FAI Unique ID number - Class(es) entered.
- c) The organiser must acknowledge receipt of the entry form and entry fee.
- d) For Open Internationals an entry form must be supplied to any competitor requesting one from the organiser's contact details published on the FAI Contest Calendar.
- e) For World and Continental Championships:
  - i) entry forms must be supplied by the organisers;
  - ii) in the case of an online entry form system, the organiser must email a copy of the completed entry form to each team's NAC within 24 hours of the submission otherwise payment of fees may be late.

### **B.5.5. Results**

- a) Results for CIAM competitions are deemed to be official only when the FAI Jury has checked, validated and finally signed them. In accordance with Sporting Code General Section 4.16.1, the official (final) results must be made public before the prize-giving.
- b) The results of any air sport event shall be given to the host NAC, all competitors and the NACs they represent without delay.

The officially accepted entry list and results for First Category events must be sent electronically to the FAI Secretariat if possible before the prize-giving and in any case within 24 hours of the end of the event (Sporting Code General Section 4.16.2.1). For events included in a World Cup, the results must be despatched to the relevant World Cup Co-ordinator within a month.

- c) The results must include each entrant's FAI Unique ID number, the full name and nationality (or "FAI" in the case of entrants who have entered with sporting licence issued direct by the FAI) and for Scale events must also include the name of the prototype air-or spacecraft subject flown by the competitor.
- d) The nationality of competitors who have entered under Sporting Code General Section 4.5.1 or 4.5.3.3 shall be shown as FAI (see also B.3.2.c.).
- e) Results submitted to the FAI or World Cup Co-ordinator must be in electronic form to allow for publication on the official FAI website.
- f) For any class that has an FAI perpetual trophy, the individual or team results must include the appropriate trophy name.

*Note: Organisers see also ABR B.21.6.3 b) ii).*

#### **B.5.6. Fuel**

- a) Fuel supplied by the organisers shall be mixed from top quality material. Methanol shall be at least commercial grade without additives. Castor oil, when used, shall be first pressing castor oil.
- b) Standard Fuel
  - i) When a standard FAI fuel is specified, the fuel that the organisers shall supply for practice and for the competition shall be of the same constituents, mixed in a single batch.
  - ii) Standard fuels which are used for competition flights shall be part of the entry fee. Practice fuel supplied by the organiser to the competitors shall be charged at cost.
  - iii) The standard FAI fuel for practice must be requested in advance (at the time of entry).

#### **c) Non-Standard Fuel**

The organisers shall make available for cost, up to 20 litres of fuel per competitor for practice flying and for use in competitions. The fuel, or constituents, must be requested in advance (at the time of entry) and the organiser shall supply at least the following:

- Methanol
- Castor oil
- Nitromethane
- Synthetic oil (compatible with methanol)
- Ether
- Kerosene Jet-A1
- Unleaded gasoline (89 to 98 octane rating)

### **B.6 OFFERS TO HOST WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS**

#### **B.6.1**

- a) It is the CIAM's responsibility to decide and award World and Continental Championships and to decide which NAC shall be delegated with the responsibility for the organisation of the Championship.
- b) The awarding of a Championship will normally be made by vote of the CIAM Plenary meeting two years in advance of the year of the proposed Championship.
- c) In order to be eligible for selection, all bids must comply with the following procedure:
  - i) All bids must be submitted on the Bid Application Form which must be downloaded from the CIAM website, with Section 1 information completed.
  - ii) Before any bid may be presented at the Plenary Meeting, it must be appraised by the relevant Subcommittee Chairman or by a person duly appointed by him. After that appraisal, Section 2 of the bid application document must be completed. If the Recommendation Status is "NO", then the "Comments" box must contain a full explanation. Both sections of the bid application shall be presented to the Plenary Meeting for consideration by the Delegates.
- d) Bids for consideration at a Plenary Meeting may be submitted to the FAI office at any time in the year prior to the Plenary Meeting that is two years in advance of the Championship year and not later than 45 days before the Plenary Meeting.
- e) In exceptional circumstances, the decision for awarding World and Continental Championships may be taken more than two years in advance of the year of the proposed Championship, providing a request is made by November 15 and published in the Agenda of the following Plenary Meeting.
- f) In the event that no acceptable bid is available two years in advance, the decision may be postponed to the Plenary meeting in the year before the Championship. If no bid is accepted at that meeting, the Plenary Meeting may exceptionally delegate the decision to the CIAM Bureau. The latest that a decision may be made is one year in advance of the proposed date of the Championship. This is the latest time at which the decision can be made to proceed with a Championship for the following year.

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- g) After the championship is awarded, any change to the information provided by the organiser in Section 1 of the bid document, must be presented no later than the Plenary Meeting in the year preceding the Championship. At this time the Organiser Agreement between FAI and the Organiser will be signed.

## **B.7. CONTEST INFORMATION AND ENTRY FEES FOR WORLD & CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

### **B.7.1. Information**

- a) A first memorandum of information (Bulletin 1) and entry forms must be despatched to the NACs, also to Jury members and judges, after the Bureau meeting at which Bulletin 0 was presented and approved and, in any case, no later than:
- i) the end of September for Bulletins approved at the April Bureau Meeting;
  - ii) the end of the following January for Bulletins approved at the previous December Bureau Meeting.
- b) The approval mechanism for Bulletin 1 is as follows:
- i) Any changes or amendments instructed by the Bureau should be incorporated by the Organiser into a revised bulletin. Either the original Bulletin 0 or the revised Bulletin 0 should be named "Bulletin 1" and emailed to the CIAM Secretary promptly after the Bureau meeting at which it was approved and no later than the schedule in paragraph a).
  - ii) The CIAM Secretary will check that the document contains the correct data. When he is satisfied that it is correct, he will then issue Bulletin 1 to the NAC email list and the CIAM Delegates email list with the organiser and CIAM Bureau in copy. He will forward a copy to the FAI Secretariat for information.

### **B.7.2. Entry Fees**

- a) The entry fee will consist of an obligatory fee to be paid by all competitors and team managers and an optional fee that covers accommodation and food.
- b) The entry fee must be quoted in Euro but the equivalent fee may be paid in the local currency of the country hosting the event or in any other currency that the organiser specifies in Bulletin 1.
- c) The organiser may specify a closing date for the receipt of fees. Entries received after this date may be subject to a penalty fee or may be refused by the organiser. A closing date shall be no earlier than 90 days before the official starting date of the contest. A penalty fee shall not exceed 20% of the obligatory entry fee. If a penalty fee is to be imposed for late entries, this must be stated no later than in Bulletin 1. A discount bonus for early payments may also be considered by the organisers.
- d) If an obligatory fee is required for official helpers and official supporters it must not exceed 20% of the obligatory fee for competitors.
- e) Accredited representatives of the media shall not be required to pay an entry fee.
- f) Items contributing to the calculation of the Basic Entry Fee are (applicable depending on local circumstances):
- i) contest site - rent and cost of preparation;
  - ii) organisational costs of meetings/travel of organising committee; rent or purchase, if not already available, of contest equipment such as timing devices, lap counters, sighting apparatus, processing equipment, score board, walkie-talkies, frequency control, equipment, score sheets, flags, flag poles, etc. Cost of instruction and briefing session of contest officials and Jury, licences and permits (PTT, local authorities); stationery, postage (information bulletins, correspondence); rent of tents. The cost of any Official opening ceremony.
- g) In the event that a person is serving in more than one position (team manager, competitor, helper, mechanic, etc.), he will be charged only one fee: that which represents the highest fee of the positions to be served. If at the same event, there is a senior and junior classification, any junior competitor may be a member of the senior team as well. In that case this competitor is required to pay only the entry fee for the junior's class.
- h) At multi class Championships when a competitor competes in more than one class, a 50% discount shall be offered on the second entry fee.

### **B.7.3. Sponsorship**

It might be possible to obtain a sponsor for one or more of the above items. This will result in a lower basic fee, therefore sponsoring is highly recommended. However, sponsoring can only be taken into account if it is absolutely certain that it will be obtained, otherwise a loss can be expected. Sponsoring negotiations should start as early as is practical.

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**B.7.4. Additional Fees**

- a) Separate additional fees will be offered at choice for: lodging (hotel and camping) and food (excluding banquet) and other possible additional events). The banquet shall not exceed the amount of 50 Euros and may be included in the entry fee or it may be a separate additional fee.
- b) Maximum fee = basic fee + lodging (hotel) + food + banquet.
- c) With the exceptions listed below, the maximum possible fee is 600 Euro for seven nights, except for events which require more than five judges or more than seven nights.  
F3A: 750; F3B: 660; F3C: 700; F3N: 700; F3D: 720; F4: 700; F5: 660
- d) For World Championship and Continental Championships that require more than five international judges, a separate additional fee may be charged to each contestant to cover the actual cost of travel, lodging and meals for those judges in excess of five. The additional fee is limited to a maximum of 165 Euro per contestant.
- e) The cost of hotel accommodation must be kept reasonable. Keep in mind that hotel accommodation is often the only possibility for overseas participants. Using the international standard of stars accommodation to two stars (\*\*) or equivalent is sufficient. To keep travel expenses of the team reasonable, organisers must not use the event to force teams to pay higher than the street price for accommodation. It is up to the teams whether they wish to book their own board and lodging.
- f) Details of an awarded offer must be submitted in Bulletin 0, via the FAI office, by November 15th (or March 15th, for Championships scheduled from January to April) to the relevant Sub-committee Chairman and the CIAM Secretary for review of the fee structure prior to consideration at the following Bureau Meeting.
- g) Bulletin 0 must contain a clear explanation of the hotel, food & banquet costs per person per day in Euros for CIAM Bureau approval. After approval, Bulletin 0 will be issued as Bulletin 1 as specified in B.7.1.

**B.7.5.** The organiser must acknowledge receipt of the entry form and entry fee.

**B.8. SPECIAL CONTEST ORGANISATION REQUIREMENTS****The organiser must:**

- B.8.1.** Secure a sufficient number of qualified officials, timekeepers and FAI Jury members.
- B.8.2.** Provide themselves with the necessary measuring apparatus adequate to check the characteristics of model aircraft or space models in question. A list of minimum measuring apparatus is given in the Organisers' Guide for each class.
- B.8.3.** Give the competitors opportunity to determine the characteristics of their models on the official measuring equipment before the contest.
- B.8.4.** Provide at least one practice day prior to the competition, to be announced in the invitation along with a flying schedule for the competition.  
The organiser will provide a schedule for the official practice giving all competitors equal practice time. The practice day must not be extended so as to delay the start of official competition.  
Depending on the type of the event or the class, a reserve day may be scheduled after the competition to allow for the completion of official flying in the event of weather or other delays preventing completion as scheduled.
- B.8.5.** The organiser must also provide the name and address of a contact person, who will be able to inform foreign teams.
- B.8.6.** Display the results of each round throughout the contest and publish the official results afterwards. The display and publication shall not contain any additional statistics or items other than those required by the Sporting Code. Abbreviations to indicate nationality must follow the list given in annex B.2.
- B.8.7.** Provide appropriate facilities for a Doping Control Station if requested by the National Anti-Doping Organisation of the host country or by the FAI or WADA.
- B.8.8.** Establish a suitable contest area allowing the full performance of the model aircraft and safe recovery.
- B.8.9.** Organisers of World and Continental Championships and of Open International events on the CIAM Contest Calendar must provide, at no cost to the competitor, third party liability insurance to the standard required for competitors participating in the competition including flying at off-site practice facilities.
- B.8.10.** All timekeeping shall be made with quartz-controlled electronic stopwatches with digital readout or an electronic system of equal or greater accuracy.

**B.9. Free Flight**

The organiser must:

- B.9.1.**
- a) Provide a starting line in Free Flight contests for classes F1A, F1B, F1C, F1G, F1H, F1J, F1K, F1P, F1Q and F1S from which launching must take place. This starting line must be approximately at right angles to the prevailing wind direction at the start of each round.
  - b) Starting positions are indicated by markers, spaced at least 10 metres apart along the starting line. In the case of F1A, the helpers shall launch the model at this pole. Each country and any reigning champion or defending junior champion (B.3.4 c), if not a member of his national team, is allotted a starting position for the first round by draw. In each successive round, all countries move a defined number of starting positions along the line in the same direction; upon reaching the end of the line, a country takes its next position at the other end of the line. The number of starting positions to be moved is established by dividing the number of starting poles by the number of official flights, the result to be rounded up to the next whole number above. Each competitor in the fly-off is allotted a starting position by draw for each fly-off round.
  - c) Spectators are not allowed within 25 m from the starting line. The only people allowed at the starting position are contest officials, the competitor, his helper, the team manager and the assistant team manager.
  - d) During the rounds test flying is not allowed near the starting line or upwind of the starting line. The Organiser shall specify an area to be used for test flying during the rounds.
  - e) In Free Flight contests for class F1E, provide a starting line facing the wind with, on both ends, one perpendicular parallel line following the slope. The timekeepers have to remain behind the starting line whereas the competitor can launch his model in any position on the slope between the parallel lines and below the starting line.

- B.9.2.**
- a) In Free Flight events, provide each starting position with two time keepers in Championships or with at least one timekeeper for other contests. For fly-offs an additional timekeeper must be provided (i.e. three for Championships, at least two for other contests). All time keepers must have binoculars. Each starting position must be equipped with at least one tripod for supporting binoculars.
  - b) In F1E Championships each country and the reigning champion, if not a member of this national team, is allotted a pair of timekeepers for the first round by draw. In successive rounds all countries change timekeepers by moving one down the list of timekeepers. In other F1E competitions timekeepers are allocated to competitors in the order in which they arrive at the starting line, the organisers may define a working time during which the timekeepers remain available to each competitor.

## **B.10. Control Line**

The organiser must:

- B.10.1.** Provide a protective wire enclosure at C/L speed and T/R contests 2.5 m high to ensure the safety of spectators. For temporary circles, the height shall be at least 2.0 m high. The circuit surface shall be firm, smooth and free of grit or dust. The radius of all circles shall be clearly marked with a white line at least 25mm wide. Provision of adequate areas shall be made before and during World Championships.

## **B.11. Radio Control**

The organiser must:

- B.11.1.** Provide a smooth flight area for R/C models to facilitate take-offs and landings
- B.11.2.**
- a) There is no requirement to impound spread spectrum transmitters.
  - b) A Spread Spectrum technology receiver that transmits information back to the pilot-operated transmitter, is not considered to be a “device for the transmission of information from the model aircraft to the competitor”, provided that the only information that is transmitted is for the safe operation of the model aircraft.
- B.11.3.** If there are competitors using am/fm transmitters on the same frequency band then a transmitter pound is required only for those transmitters.
- B.11.4.** If an AM/FM transmitter pound is found to be necessary then:
- a) Each day, on the competition site before the start of the competition, all am/fm transmitters to be used in the competition that day must be impounded and kept under the supervision of a special official.
  - b) All transmitters must be withdrawn at the end of the day’s flying activities, and may not be left in the pound, unless by special arrangement with the organiser.
  - c) The transmitter pound official(s) will issue the transmitter to the competitor only when he is called to make his flight (in accordance with the procedure laid down for the class concerned).
  - d) As soon as the flight has ended, the competitor must immediately return his transmitter to the pound official.

- e) A fine of 50 Euros per pilot will be imposed for failure to withdraw a transmitter, for whatever reason, during the specified period.

**B.11.5.** Specific rules for AM/FM transmitters:

- a) It is not permitted to use any am/fm transmitters on the competition site during the hours of competition unless:
- i) making an official flight or
  - ii) the specific permission of the contest officials has been given.
- b) Unless the contest director allows a change in advance, using a frequency differing from that assigned by the organiser in the starting list is considered as unauthorised transmission.
- c) Unless otherwise stated in the rules for a particular class the competitor is allowed only one frequency for the contest.

*Note: In the case of proven interference, another single frequency may be allotted by the contest director.*

- d) Any unauthorised transmissions during the period of the contest will result in automatic disqualification of the offender from the entire contest and render him liable to further penalties.
- e) The transmitter frequency must be displayed on the outside of the transmitter.
- f) Frequency synthesised transmitters must be designed to display the current frequency and to change to another frequency without RF transmission.

**B.11.6.** The organiser must provide a spectrum analyser or other adequate radio monitoring equipment for the purpose of detecting radio interference and a means of communicating this information to the pilot(s) and/or the Flight Line Director/Contest Director.

**B.11.7.** Unless otherwise specified, the initial starting order of the various competitors must be established by means of a random draw before the contest, and, except for F3B, F3J and F3K, frequency will not follow frequency. Team members will not be included in the same race in a heat of F3D or F5D and members of one national team must not be in the heat immediately following. For F3B, F3J and F3K, competitors from the same team should not, where possible, be drawn to fly in the next group.

- B.11.8.**
- a) The organiser must survey the site of any competition event scheduled to be held in order to determine possible cases of radio interference which would affect any competitors. Any such possibilities must be reported as early as practical to participating National Airsports Controls. Frequency bands or specific frequencies which have been shown to be reasonably free from interference at the site of the competition will also be reported to the National Airsports Controls.
  - b) Organisers must make surveys of the competition site during both weekdays and weekends to determine if any patterns of radio interference exist and notify the National Airsports Controls of any further problems- many commercial or industrial operations are weekday problems only. In any case, it is the organiser's responsibility to make certain that all competitors in a radio controlled event are notified in advance about any known radio interference problems that may exist at the flying site and at what frequency.

**B.12. SPACE MODELS**

The organiser must:

**B.12.1.** Provide a starting line divided in two sectors for seniors and juniors (if both classifications exist in an event). Each sector shall be composed of the launch boxes 5 x 7 metres marked by plastic, marking ribbon. The whole launching area shall be protected by marking ribbons of the access of non-authorized persons.

**B.12.2.** Provide for class S8:

- a) for S8A - S8F a landing area in accordance with Volume SM paragraph 11.2. and 11.5.c);
- b) for S8E/P a landing line with landing circles in accordance with Volume SM paragraph 11.7.5 and relevant subparagraphs.

Refer also to B.11 Radio Control.

**B.12.3.** Provide an official clock (digital with big ciphers if possible) posted next to the score board for timing of the rounds.

**B.12.4.** Provide a public-address system (which may be a megaphone at the events with smaller participation) for countdown and to inform competitors.

**B.12.5.** Provide tent(s) for model preparation for flights by competitors and/or model repair in case of a bad weather. A separate tent shall be provided for computer centre with a printer for result calculations and for the FAI Jury.

**B.12.6.** Provide a light, dry and warm room large enough for static judging of scale models in classes S5 and S7

with necessary measuring equipment (for measurement of length, diameters, thickness and weight) and static judging forms according to Volume SM Annex 1.

- B.12.7.** Provide at least two altitude measuring devices (theodolites) for altitude classes S1, S2 and S5 with proven qualified personnel and an appropriate radio communication system for data transfer from the tracking stations to the computer centre. In the case of electronic altitude measurements all electronic altimeters shall be impounded prior to the beginning of the competition and supervised by a special official qualified and equipped with the relevant devices to check and calibrate impounded equipment when necessary.
- B.12.8.** a) Organisers of World and Continental Championships must provide a relevant protected area and calibrated engine tester(s) of a level of accuracy according to the Volume SM paragraphs 3.12 and 3.13 to recheck samples of engines submitted for competition. An engine testing time-table shall be posted prior to the beginning of the testing and also distributed to the FAI Jury, engine testing officials and participating team managers.
- b) Only Jury members, persons authorised by the organiser, engine-testing officials and the Team Manager or Assistant Team Manager with one competitor or helper ie two persons from the team whose engines are being tested may attend engine testing. A report of by the organiser after the completed engine testing shall confirm which engines shall be used in competitions.
- c) The organiser also may issue a certificate with measurements and thrust-time curve upon a request of the relevant participating team.
- d) NAC certificates issued in accordance with the Volume SM paragraph 3.10 shall be accepted for Open International space modelling events on the CIAM Contest Calendar.
- B.12.9.** Organisers of World and Continental Championships must provide lockable plastic boxes with the names of the participating countries. After all the engines have been submitted for testing and samples tested, all the engine boxes shall be impounded in a separate, secure room. The boxes shall be guarded during transportation to the field by special official(s) and delivered to the time-keepers at the relevant launching box that shall control delivery of the engines to competitors.

### **B.13. TIMING**

*Note: These paragraphs apply to Free Flight and Space Models only.*

- B.13.1.** a) Each team shall have the right to provide a timekeeper for the following classes of World and Continental Championships: F1A, F1B, F1C, F1D, F1E, S3, S4, S6, S8, S9, S10; with the organiser to be responsible for providing lodging and food only. Teams must nominate only skilled timekeepers and the timekeepers must bring binoculars, watches and tripods for their own use. The organiser must use these timekeepers as a priority, before allocating duties to timekeepers of the host nation or other timekeepers.
- b) Competitors may act as timekeepers.
- B.13.2.** The timekeepers must familiarise themselves with the colour and shape of the model in order to recognise it during the flight.
- B.13.3.** The flight is considered ended when the model touches the surface of the earth, encounters an obstacle which definitely terminates its flight or when it definitely disappears from the timekeeper's sight. If the model disappears behind some obstacles or in clouds, the timekeepers are to wait for ten seconds; should the model not reappear, timing will cease and the ten seconds will be subtracted from the flight time.
- B.13.4.** a) The flights must be timed by two timekeepers during the first seven rounds and, in the fly-off, each flight must be timed by at least three timekeepers – the additional timekeepers preferably to be picked among the competitors – with quartz controlled electronic stopwatches with digital readout recording to at least 1/100th of a second.
- b) All timekeepers must be equipped with binoculars.
- B.13.5.** The timekeepers must remain within a circle of 10 metres radius during the flights and time the flights independently of each other.
- B.13.6.** The time recorded is the mean of the times registered by the timekeepers, rounded to the nearest whole number of seconds to the resulting mean time (0.5 second rounded up to the second above) unless the difference between the times registered shows evidence of an error in the timing, in which case the organiser will determine, with the FAI Jury, which time will be registered as the official time or what action should be taken.
- B.13.7.** Instructions for using binoculars at F/F Contests
- a) The binoculars must have a magnification of at least 7. On each starting position at least one of the binocular will be mounted on a tripod.

- b) The timekeeper will adjust the binoculars before timing, so as to suit his eyesight. To do this the focus will first be adjusted with the centre knob, and then by separate adjustment of the adjustable eyepiece. The distance between the eyepieces will be adjusted so as to give a circular field of view.

*Note: Binoculars with no central focusing device will be adjusted by altering each eyepiece in turn.*

- c) After adjustment and scale, readings will be noted. This should simplify readjustment if needed.
- d) The timekeepers must not use the binoculars whilst the model is being launched. Use of the binoculars is suggested after about one minute of flight, except that in class F1A binoculars should be used whilst the model is being launched with the aim of clearly fixing the moment of its release in case the competitor has gone far away from the starting point.
- e) Use of the binoculars must not be left until too late in the flight, when there is a risk of not finding the model with the binoculars.

#### **B.14. DURATION OF CONTEST**

- B.14.1.** Outdoor contests, including fly-off starts, must take place between the hours of sunrise and sunset, except classes F1A, F1B, F1C, also Space Models Duration. In these classes a minimum of two rounds must take place when wind and thermal activity are expected to be at a minimum. The contests may start earlier than sunrise if the distance covered by the models in relation to the size of the airfield suggests an interruption of the contest during the windiest part of the day. Such an interruption can be included in the contest programme or decided by the organisers with the approval of the Jury.
- B.14.2.** The contest programme including round durations, and starting and finishing times of the contest must be clearly indicated in the regulations.

#### **B.15. INTERRUPTION OF THE CONTEST**

- B.15.1.**
- a) The contest should be interrupted or the start delayed by the Jury in the following circumstances and in other exceptional circumstances decided by the Jury:
    - i) The wind is continuously stronger than 12 m/s (9 m/s for Free Flight, Control Line, Scale and Space Models) measured at two metres above the ground at the starting line (flight line), unless specified otherwise in the category rules for at least one minute (30 seconds for Control Line) (20 seconds for Free Flight).
    - ii) The visibility prohibits proper observation of the models (especially in case of F/F or R/C contest) or due to atmospheric conditions it would be dangerous to continue the competition.
    - iii) It is necessary to reposition the starting line. This may only take place between rounds, or between tasks or groups in F3B and between rounds or groups in F3J.
    - iv) The prevailing conditions are such that they may lead to unacceptable sporting results.
    - v) For F3A, F3M, F5A, F3C, F3N, F4C, F4H, F3D and F5D contests when the sun is in the manoeuvring area.
    - vi) Any incident affecting safety or requiring access for emergency services.
  - b) In the event of an interruption during a round, the Jury must decide the action to be taken to complete, repeat, or cancel the round. The remainder of the round may be completed as soon as conditions allow, with adequate notice given to all competitors and Team Managers.
- B.15.2.** In the cases described, the organiser is not obliged to return the entry fee nor repeat the contest. The results will be based on the scores of the finished rounds.
- B.15.3.** An interrupted contest can be extended if the requirements of article B.14.1. are met.

#### **B.16. CLASSIFICATION AND AWARDS AT WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

##### **B.16.1. Individual classification**

- a) In each contest category at a World Championship an FAI medal and diploma will be awarded to the competitors in the first, second and third places.
- b) In each contest category at a Continental Championship, an FAI medal and FAI diploma will be awarded to the competitors in the first, second and third places.
- c) If there is a Challenge Trophy, this is awarded to the NAC of the winning competitor for custody until the following Championship.
- d) The winner earns the title of World Champion or Continental Champion in the category.
- e) For those categories where a junior may participate in a Continental or World Championship National Team under B.3.5.(b), individual awards for junior competitors will be awarded to the first, second and third place juniors.

- f) Where at least four juniors from at least four different nations participate under B.3.5.(b), the winner shall earn the title of Junior World or Continental Champion in the category.

#### **B.16.2. National Team Classification**

- a) The national team classification for all CIAM classes for World or Continental Championships is established after the completion of the championship using one of the following two methods only:

- i) By adding together the numerical final placings of the three national team members using the full list of competitors unless there is a fourth member of the team (who must always be a junior) in which case it will be the three best placed members.

Teams are ranked from the lowest numerical places to the highest, with complete three-competitor teams, ahead of two competitor teams, which in turn are ranked ahead of one-competitor teams. In the case of a national team tie, the best individual placing decides.

or

- ii) By adding the scores of the three members of the team together unless there is a fourth member of the team (who must always be a junior) in which case it will be the three best scoring members.

In the case of a national team tie, the team with the lower sum of place numbers, given in order from the top, wins. If still equal, the best individual placing decides.

For F2C, in either method of national team classification, a “member” is a two-competitor team.

- b) For World and Continental Championships gold, silver and bronze team medals, produced by the FAI to a smaller size than the standard FAI medals, will be awarded to the first, second and third place team members and team managers, except for Space Modelling where only one medal shall be awarded per team per class per age division. The cost is to be borne by the organising NAC.
- c) When teams consist of four competitors or, in the case of F2C, four pairs of competitors (ref B.3.5) then all the team members in first, second and third place will be awarded medals.
- d) In each class a diploma will be awarded by the FAI to each member including the team manager of the teams in first, second and third places.
- e) If there is a Challenge Trophy, this will be awarded to the NAC of the winning team for custody until the following Championship.

#### **B.16.3 Team Classification – Multiple Contest Categories**

- a) In a World or Continental Championships with more than one contest category a classification may be made of the overall performance of the competing nations. This is established by taking the total scores of the three members of the teams or, in a four member team ie one containing a Junior, the three best scoring members in all of the contest categories.
- b) The highest total wins the award. In the case of a tie, the nation with the lower sum of team place numbers, given in order from the top, wins. If still equal, the total of the best individual placings in each class will decide.
- c) If there is a Challenge Trophy, this will be awarded to the NAC of the winning team for custody until the following Championship.
- d) There are no FAI medal or diploma awards assigned for this classification.

#### **B.16.4 Award Ceremony Procedure**

- a) A person from the ceremony staff will escort the medal winners to the medal staging area.
- b) The awards podium, flags of the three medal winners and the National Anthem of the Gold Medal winner will be prepared in advance. In addition, the FAI flag must be flown and the FAI anthem played.
- c) The announcer will introduce the award ceremony and then announce the category/class (as appropriate) receiving the medals as they march out in order with an escort to a position behind the awards podium.
- d) The awards podium will be set up in the following configuration:  
 Silver – Left-hand side (as viewed by the spectators) – Second highest podium (2)  
 Gold – Centre – Highest podium (1)  
 Bronze – Right-hand side – The same height or slightly lower than Silver (3)
- e) (The marching order must be in a sequence to position the medal winners behind the correct podium)
- f) The announcer will mention who (with title) will award the medals and diplomas (usually the FAI President, Air Sport Commission President or his designee).
- g) The competitor or team will be called by name and country separately and in the order – Bronze, Silver, Gold. The medal winner will step up on the podium when called by the announcer.

- h) First, the Bronze medal winning individual or team will step up to the podium and the medal and diploma will be awarded. Next, the Silver medal winning individual or team will be called to the podium and will receive the medal and diploma, followed by the Gold medal presentation using the same procedure. A moment will be allowed after the award of each medal for photographs.
- i) After all medals are awarded, the anthem of the Gold medal individual or team will be played as their country flag is raised (if no country anthem, play the FAI anthem). The flagpoles should be of different heights with the tallest in the centre for the 1st placed competitor and the two shorter ones to the left and right for the 2nd and 3rd placed competitors. All flags should be raised to the top of each pole.
- j) The individual or team winners will pose for group photographs for a minute before stepping off the award podium and being escorted away by the ceremony escort(s).
- k) First, second and third placed competitors (including 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed national teams) must attend the award ceremonies; all competitors are expected to attend the award ceremonies.

## **B.17. PROCESSING OF MODEL AIRCRAFT FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS**

### **B.17.1. The number of model aircraft eligible for entry are as follows**

Class Scale (all classes) .....	One (1) only
Classes, F3A, F3C, F5B, F3M .....	Two (2) only
Classes F2A, F2B, F2C, F3D, F2C, F3B, F3J, F5D, F3F, F3P .....	Three (3) only
Classes F1A, F1B, F1C, F1P .....	Four (4) only
Classes F1E, F3K.....	Five (5) only
Classes F1D, F2D, F3N.....	Unlimited (two per heat in F2D)

**B.17.2.** A model may only be used by one competitor during a competition.

**B.17.3.** The competitor may provide himself with spare propellers and rubber motors, piston motors, electric motors or gas turbines.

**B.17.4.** A competitor may interchange various parts as he wishes provided the resulting model conforms to the rules of the contest and that the parts have been checked before the start of the contest.

**B.17.5.** Repairs are permitted provided that the model still conforms to the requirements of the rules and regulations.

### **B.17.6 Identification Marks**

a) Model aircraft, except for Indoor Free Flight and Scale, shall carry:

- i) the national identification mark (as listed in annex B.2) followed by the National FAI licence number or FAI Unique ID number. The letters and numbers must be at least 25 mm high and appear at least once on each model (on the upper surface of a wing for Free Flight models). See annex B.1 for examples and annex B.2 for the list of national identification marks;
- ii) a model identification code (letters and/or numbers). This code has to be different for each nominated model aircraft of the competitor. The model identification code is to appear on each main part of the model (wing(s), tail, front and rear fuselage if detachable) so that the individual parts of a competitor's different models may be separately identified. The letters and/or numbers must be at least 10 mm high and clearly visible. The identification code of the nominated models shall be recorded on the score card. For World or Continental Championships this must be recorded on the Model Aircraft Specification Certificate.

b) A model aircraft must not carry a national identification mark, an FAI licence number, an FAI sticker, or any other reference which relates to any person other than the competitor. At the processing of the model aircraft, the organiser must mark each FAI sticker (if required) or, for Free Flight, each part of the model.

c) At the processing of the model aircraft for classes F2A, F2C, F2D and F3D, all piston motors which might be used during the contest shall be marked with an easily visible identification mark. For World or Continental Championships these details must be recorded on the Model Aircraft Specification Certificate at the time of checking the model. Motors which have been checked and recorded in this way may not be exchanged with other competitors.

**B.17.7.** For World or Continental Championships, each NAC shall process every model aircraft and shall issue for each model aircraft a Model Aircraft Specification Certificate, provided by the FAI (see note below). A sticker, also provided by the FAI or marking to the pattern of this sticker, shall appear on each model aircraft (except for Indoor Free Flight and Scale model aircraft). Examples of how to fill out and handle the Model Aircraft Specification Certificate and sticker are shown in annexes B.1.a and B.1.b.

*Note: the Model Aircraft Specification Certificate is only available as a download from the CIAM website. FAI stickers are still available from the FAI office or the design is available as a download from the CIAM website.*

- B.17.8.** Model aircraft not properly processed by their NAC, with FAI certificates and stickers, must be processed by the organiser at a cost of 8 Euro for each model.
- B.17.9.** Indoor free flight duration models must be processed before each flight to confirm that the model meets the dimensional and weight requirements of the class. Rubber motors are to be weighed before or after the flight to confirm that these are within the specification.
- B.17.10.** When, after official checking (for free flight, after registration of model specifications) a model is lost or damaged, the competitor shall have the right to present a further model and corresponding model specification certificate for checking up to one hour before the official starting time of the contest in that class. In any event, the competitor may have only the eligible number of models entered (see B.17.1) at the start of the contest.
- B.17.11.** The organiser must appoint at least two processing officials, who will process at random the important model characteristics of at least 20% of competing models during the official contest time.
- B.17.12.** Results are subject to the re-checking of the characteristics of the first, second and third place winning models.
- B.17.13. Processing of Free Flight Model Aircraft - Class F1A, F1B, F1C, F1E, F1P**
- Model specification certificates and corresponding models must be presented on arrival at the time of registration for the event. The organiser will indicate that these models have been registered by a stamp or marking on the model across the edge of the FAI sticker. This stamp or marking must not introduce any alternative model identification, this being provided by the model identification code (B.17.6)
  - Official processing of the model characteristics will not take place before the start of the contest.
  - Before the start and during the contest, the competitors have the right to have launching cables (F1A) and motors (F1B) and swept volumes of motors (F1C, and F1P) officially checked.
  - Before the start and during the contest, the competitors have the right to have the weight of their models checked.

## **B.18. COMPLAINTS AND PROTESTS**

- B.18.1.**
- The purpose of a complaint is to obtain a correction without the need to make a formal protest. It is recommended that a complaint is filed before submitting a protest (see Sporting Code General Section 6.1).
  - All protests must be presented in writing in English to the Contest Director of the competition, or the appropriate Contest Director for competitions with multiple classes and must be accompanied by the deposit of a fee. The amount of this fee shall be the equivalent of 50 Euro. The deposit is returned only if the protest is upheld.
  - The same person (Team Manager or competitor depending on the type of competition) is not permitted to present two consecutive protests on the same incident.

### **B.18.2. Time limit for lodging protests:**

- Before the opening of the contest: a protest against the validity of an entry, qualification of competitors, the contest rules, the flying and contest area, the processing of models, the judges or other contest officials, must be lodged at least one hour before the opening of the contest.
- During the contest: a protest against a decision of the judges or other contest officials or against an error or irregularity committed during an event by another competitor or team manager must be lodged as soon as the competition situation requires but not later than 60 minutes after the incident.
- After announcement of the results: any protest relating to the results must be submitted through the NAC within 15 days after announcement of the results by the organiser. If necessary this protest may be passed to the CIAM.

## **B.19. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

- The large majority of model flying today in most countries takes place as recreation rather than within a competition framework and sometimes on publicly accessible sites with little or no formal control. Any accident involving model aircraft may result in property damage, injury and possibly even death. Apart from the direct harm, a less obvious result is the poor image of model flying that comes from the media coverage of such incidents which leads to public antagonism and the loss of flying facilities.
- While the following information is intended primarily for FAI competition flying, much of it can be applied both to national contests and recreational model flying.

### **B.19.1. Premise**

- It is of the utmost importance that all model fliers observe safety rules. Any accident caused by carelessness is a hindrance to the progress of model aviation.



- b) Safety rules are not an obstacle to the enjoyment of model flying, they help to prove that model fliers are the responsible citizens they proclaim to be.
- c) It is not a sign of intelligence to show one's own skill among spectators. The flier may know what he is doing but has no way of knowing what anyone else will do. So, it is to his personal benefit to make certain that no action on his part will result in an accident. It is therefore very important not to fly any model aircraft in competition or in the presence of spectators until it has been proved airworthy.

#### **B.19.2. Competence**

The following officials are competent to apply and enforce safety rules:

- the Jury;
- the Contest Judges;
- the Contest Director/s;
- the Circle Marshals;
- the Flight Line Director/s;
- the Processing Officials;
- all officials of the Organising Body.

#### **B.19.3. Prohibited**

- a) Metal-bladed propellers and rotor blades;
- b) Repaired propellers and rotor blades;
- c) Improperly mounted engines;
- d) Knife-edge leading edges;
- e) Sharp spinners or propeller fasteners;
- f) Non shock-mounted radio equipment, where there is engine vibration;
- g) Any ballast or heavy parts subject to jettisoning;
- h) Any burning fuse that is not enclosed in a snuffer tube or similar device to retain and extinguish it;
- i) Propellers which fold forwards to have exposed propeller tips pointing forwards in the direction of flight.

#### **B.19.4. Required**

- a) The model should bear an identification of the owner.
- b) All spinners and other forward-facing metal or equally rigid projections should have a minimum radius of 5 mm.
- c) B.19.4 b) does not apply to F2 model aircraft.

#### **B.19.5. Pre-flight Checks**

- a) Immediately before each flight, the flier must verify the actual condition and the proper functioning of all parts contributing to efficient and safe flight of the model and the proper fitting and fixation of the various parts, with special reference to engines and propellers.
- b) Models that have not been tested and proven airworthy must not be flown in the presence of spectators. Endeavour to conduct all flights in a manner that avoids danger to spectators and other fliers.

**B.19.6.** Immediately after the flier has launched his model, he must leave the starting area, remove his equipment, and in the case of gliders wind up his launching cable.

#### **B.19.7. Flying Sites**

- a) It is imperative that all flying sites be situated sufficiently far from power lines.
- b) The starting area must be carefully chosen in such a way that adequate safety to persons and property be granted. The points to be considered in this context are: wind strength and direction, relative position of buildings, runways, vehicle parking and spectator areas, and the area where the models are assumed to land after a normal flight, according to the wind.
- c) Flying sites in the vicinity of an airport or airfield, especially along the landing path, can be chosen as contest venues only with the permission of the airport operator and in full compliance with its safety rules and requirements.

#### **B.19.8. Penalties**

All dangerous models must be excluded from a competition.

### **B.20. DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE CONTEST**

**B.20.1.** All competitors making use of a model, equipment or fuel which does not conform in all respects to the

rules and regulations of the contest or which have not been verified by the organisers shall be disqualified from the contest.

**B.20.2.** Disqualification must be applied after any action contrary to articles B.3.1.a) (unless specified otherwise in category rules), B.3.1b and B.3.1.c) or B.17.

**B.20.3.** The Jury shall notify the Team Manager immediately and quote the reasons for disqualification.

**B.21. FAI TROPHIES**

**B.21.1. Custody**

All trophies which have been adopted by the CIAM as awards to individual or team winners of Championships shall be considered to be in the custody of the FAI.

**B.21.2. Ownership**

Dependent upon the terms of presentation, trophies shall be considered the property of either the FAI or the donor. A schedule of ownership shall be maintained by the FAI Office.

**B.21.3. Award**

Trophies shall be awarded bi-annually. In those instances where for any reason a trophy is not awarded over a period of five years, custody of the trophy shall revert to the donor.

**B.21.4.** For purposes of identification, the holder shall be the National Airports Control concerned.

**B.21.5. Holders of the trophies shall be responsible for:**

- a) Maintaining the trophy in good condition.
- b) Engraving the name of the winner and date of award in the manner established by previous winners.
- c) Insurance against loss for the period during which it is held.
- d) Delivery of the trophy to the organisers of the next Championships to the address and by the date requested by the organisers. Should no request be made, the trophy shall be delivered to the NAC of the organisers at least six weeks prior to the date of the Championships.
- e) The cost of transporting a trophy to the organisers of the Championships shall be responsibility of the NAC holding the trophy.

**B.21.6. Collection of Trophies**

**B.21.6.1 Championship Trophies**

- a) Prior to the contest, the Championship organiser shall ask the FAI office for a copy of the previous year's trophy form which contains the contact data of the current trophy holder. The organiser shall inform the Jury President of the status of trophy delivery.
- b) At the Championship, the Jury President or a member of the FAI Jury appointed by him, will use the trophy form to verify the status of the trophy and note the details, including identification data, of the new holder.

**B.21.6.2 World Cup Trophies**

- a) At the transfer location, the World Cup organiser, or a member of the FAI Jury, will use the trophy form to verify the status of the trophy and note the details, including identification data, of the new holder.
- b) The World Cup organiser may ask the FAI office for a copy of the previous year's trophy form which contains the contact data of the current trophy holder.
- c) The World Cup Co-ordinator is responsible for the instigation of the trophy form procedure.

*Note: see the instruction at the top of the World Cup trophy form.*

**B.21.6.3 All CIAM Trophies**

- a) The winner's NAC is responsible for the safe delivery of any trophy/trophies to the organiser at the next Championship or to the agreed location for World Cup trophies.
- b) Completion of the trophy form:
  - i) If the Championship organiser arranges this then he must electronically send the completed form to the FAI office with the official electronic results. (See B.5.5.)
  - ii) If a member of the FAI Jury arranges this then the FAI Jury President must include the form with his Jury Report that he is required to send electronically to the FAI office. (See B.4.1.)
- c) The FAI office will forward the trophy form to the CIAM Secretary.

*Note i): The forms are available for download from the CIAM website.*

*Note ii): A list showing the current holder of each of the presented perpetual FAI trophies will be published on the FAI website.*

**B.21.7. Registration of Trophies**

The CIAM Bureau shall keep a master register of trophies listing the holders, donor and giving terms of presentation and acceptance. This register shall be maintained by the CIAM Secretary, and brought up to date each year, no later than at the CIAM Plenary Meeting.

**B.21.8 Acceptance of Trophies**

Donors of trophies considered to be "Perpetual" (i.e. remaining the property of the FAI or the donor) and proposed for award at Championships or World Cups shall declare their intent to the CIAM not later than the date of closure for the Plenary Meeting agenda each year. Acceptance of the trophy shall be conditional on a majority vote in favour by members of the CIAM.

**B.21.9 Loss**

In the event of loss or failure to award Championship trophies, organisers of Championships must present a statement of circumstances to the CIAM and propose replacement which shall be at the consideration of the donor of the original trophy and the CIAM.

### B.1.a

## SAMPLE FAI SPECIFICATION CERTIFICATE

<p><b>COMPETITOR</b>                  Family Name: <u>ANYONE</u>                  First Name: <u>DAVID</u>                  FAI Licence Number: _____</p>	<p><b>MODEL AIRCRAFT</b>                  Class: <u>F2A</u>                  Model Identification Code: <u>18B</u>                  National Identification Mark: <u>DEN</u></p>	<p><b>STAMP OF NAC</b></p>																																																				
<p>I certify that this model aircraft fulfils all requirements as specified in the FAI Sporting Code Section 4 and has been checked in accordance with the characteristics detailed below.</p> <p>Signature: <u>David Anyone</u> (Competitor) Date: <u>15/07/11</u>                  Signature: <u>Philip Somebody</u> (NAC Official/Team Manager)</p>		<p><b>Principal checks to be completed by the organising NAC</b></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Competitor Number:</td> <td style="width: 50%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>External Identification (✓)</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Olympic Identity Marks (Except F1D, F4C)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAI Sticker Affixed (Except F1D, F4C)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Model Aircraft Identification Code (on main parts) (Except F1D, F4C)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Motors Marked F2A, F2C, F2D, F3D</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>Measurements</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rubber Motors Weighed F1B</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> g</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wing Tip Guide Handle Spacing F2A</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> mm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fuel Capacity F2C</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> cm<sup>3</sup></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nose Radius F3B, F3C, F3A, F3K</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> mm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Flying Weight</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> g</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Weight of Power Source F5B</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> g</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>Special Requirements (✓)</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Motor Cowling Approved F2C &amp; F3D</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Silencer Fitted F2A, F2B, F2D, F3A, F3D</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fuel Shut-off Fitted F2A, F2C, F2D, F3D</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Exhaust Outlet Checked F2A, F2C, F2D</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Intake Size Checked F2D</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Any prohibited equipment? F3A</td> <td>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;"><b>CHECKED BY</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Sign: _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Sign: _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Date: _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;"><b>STAMP OF ORGANISING NAC</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center; border: 1px dashed black; height: 40px;"> </td> </tr> </table>	Competitor Number:		<b>External Identification (✓)</b>		Olympic Identity Marks (Except F1D, F4C)	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAI Sticker Affixed (Except F1D, F4C)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Model Aircraft Identification Code (on main parts) (Except F1D, F4C)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Motors Marked F2A, F2C, F2D, F3D	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Measurements</b>		Rubber Motors Weighed F1B	<input type="checkbox"/> g	Wing Tip Guide Handle Spacing F2A	<input type="checkbox"/> mm	Fuel Capacity F2C	<input type="checkbox"/> cm <sup>3</sup>	Nose Radius F3B, F3C, F3A, F3K	<input type="checkbox"/> mm	Flying Weight	<input type="checkbox"/> g	Weight of Power Source F5B	<input type="checkbox"/> g	<b>Special Requirements (✓)</b>		Motor Cowling Approved F2C & F3D	<input type="checkbox"/>	Silencer Fitted F2A, F2B, F2D, F3A, F3D	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fuel Shut-off Fitted F2A, F2C, F2D, F3D	<input type="checkbox"/>	Exhaust Outlet Checked F2A, F2C, F2D	<input type="checkbox"/>	Intake Size Checked F2D	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any prohibited equipment? F3A	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>CHECKED BY</b>		Sign: _____		Sign: _____		Date: _____		<b>STAMP OF ORGANISING NAC</b>			
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<p><b>Data for this box to be taken from the appropriate volume of the Sporting Code</b></p> <p><b>Weight Limits:</b> Minimum: <input type="text" value=""/> g Maximum: <input type="text" value="521"/> g  <b>Loading Limits:</b> Minimum: <input type="text" value=""/> g/dm<sup>2</sup> Maximum: <input type="text" value="100"/> g/dm<sup>2</sup></p> <p>(i) Weight limits are defined according to the class of model aircraft, either by the specific minimum/maximum weight or by the minimum/maximum loading of the surface area.                  (ii) Minimum/maximum loading in classes F1C, F1E, F2A, F2D, F3J, F5B, F5D</p>																																																						
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## ANNEX B.1.b

### EXAMPLES OF NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS

Ref. Section 4B paragraph B.17.6 and Annex B.2.

**SUI**                      **NED**


(Switzerland)

(The Netherlands)

The National Identification mark shall appear on the model aircraft at least once, and must be at least 25 mm high.

### EXAMPLE OF THE FAI MODEL STICKER

Ref: Section 4B, Paragraphs B.17.6 – B.17.10

	<b>FAI</b> Personal ID Number:
	_____
	NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION MARK & NUMBER
	_____
	COMPETITOR NAME
	_____
	MODEL AIRCRAFT IDENTIFICATION CODE
	_____

- 1 The sticker is shown larger than the actual size of 65mm x 34mm.
- 2 Only one sticker per model required (B.17.6)
- 3 However, the model aircraft identification code shall appear on each detachable main part of the model and be at least 10mm high. (B.17.6)
- 4 The national identification mark of the International Olympic Committee must appear at least once on each model and be at least 25mm high. (B.17.6).
- 5 Competitors who have been issued with an FAI sporting licence direct from the FAI must put "FAI" as their national identification mark.

## ANNEX B.2

### NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS

*This listing does not imply that the countries listed are current FAI member organisations.*

#### In Alpha Code Order

AFG	Afghanistan	CUB	Cuba
AHO	Netherlands Antilles	CYP	Cyprus
ALB	Albania	CZE	Czech Republic
ALG	Algeria	DEN	Denmark
AND	Andorra	DJI	Djibouti
ANG	Angola	DMA	Dominica
ANT	Antigua and Barbuda	DOM	Dominican Republic
ARG	Argentina	ECU	Ecuador
ARM	Armenia	EGY	Egypt
ARU	Aruba	ERI	Eritrea
ASA	American Samoa	ESA	El Salvador
AUS	Australia	ESP	Spain
AUT	Austria	EST	Estonia
AZE	Azerbaijan	ETH	Ethiopia
BAH	Bahamas	FIJ	Fiji
BAN	Bangladesh	FIN	Finland
BAR	Barbados	FRA	France
BDI	Burundi	FSM	Federated States of Micronesia
BEL	Belgium	GAB	Gabon
BEN	Benin	GAM	Gambia
BER	Bermuda	GBR	United Kingdom
BHU	Bhutan	GBS	Guinea-Bissau
BIH	Bosnia and Herzegovina	GEO	Georgia
BIZ	Belize	GEQ	Equatorial Guinea
BLR	Belarus	GER	Germany
BOL	Bolivia	GHA	Ghana
BOT	Botswana	GRE	Greece
BRA	Brazil	GRN	Grenada
BRN	Bahrain	GUA	Guatemala
BRU	Brunei Darussalam	GUI	Guinea
BUL	Bulgaria	GUM	Guam
BUR	Burkina Faso	GUY	Guyana
CAF	Central African Republic	HAI	Haiti
CAM	Cambodia	HKG	Hong Kong, China
CAN	Canada	HON	Honduras
CAY	Cayman Islands	HUN	Hungary
CGO	Congo	INA	Indonesia
CHA	Chad	IND	India
CHI	Chile	IRI	Islamic Republic of Iran
CHN	People's Republic of China	IRL	Ireland
CIV	Cote d'Ivoire	IRQ	Iraq
CMR	Cameroon	ISL	Island
COD	Democratic Republic of the Congo	ISR	Israel
COK	Cook Islands	ISV	Virgin Islands
COL	Colombia	ITA	Italy
COM	Comoros	IVB	British Virgin Islands
CPV	Cape Verde	JAM	Jamaica
CRC	Costa Rica	JOR	Jordan
CRO	Croatia	JPN	Japan

KAZ	Kazakhstan	PRK	Democratic People's Republic of Korea
KEN	Kenya	PUR	Puerto Rico
KGZ	Kyrgyzstan	QAT	Qatar
KIR	Kiribati	ROU	Romania
KOR	Korea	RSA	South Africa
KSA	Saudi Arabia	RUS	Russian Federation
KUW	Kuwait	RWA	Rwanda
LAO	Laos People's Democratic Republic	SAM	Samoa
LAT	Latvia	SEN	Senegal
LBA	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	SEY	Seychelles
LBR	Liberia	SIN	Singapore
LCA	Saint Lucia	SKN	Saint Kitts and Nevis
LES	Lesotho	SLE	Sierra Leone
LIB	Lebanon	SLO	Slovenia
LIE	Liechtenstein	SMR	San Marino
LTU	Lithuania	SOL	Solomon Islands
LUX	Luxembourg	SOM	Somalia
MAD	Madagascar	SRB	Serbia
MAR	Morocco	SRI	Sri Lanka
MAS	Malaysia	STP	Sao Tome and Principe
MAW	Malawi	SUD	Sudan
MDA	Republic of Moldova	SUI	Switzerland
MDV	Maldives	SUR	Suriname
MEX	Mexico	SVK	Slovakia
MGL	Mongolia	SWE	Sweden
MHL	Marshall Islands	SWZ	Swaziland
MKD	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	SYR	Syrian Arab Republic
MLI	Mali	TAN	United Republic of Tanzania
MLT	Malta	TGA	Tonga
MNE	Montenegro	THA	Thailand
MON	Monaco	TJK	Tajikistan
MOZ	Mozambique	TKM	Turkmenistan
MRI	Mauritius	TLS	Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste
MTN	Mauritania	TOG	Togo
MYA	Myanmar	TPE	Chinese Taipei
NAM	Namibia	TRI	Trinidad and Tobago
NCA	Nicaragua	TUN	Tunisia
NED	Netherlands	TUR	Turkey
NEP	Nepal	TUV	Tuvalu
NGR	Nigeria	UAE	United Arab Emirates
NIG	Niger	UGA	Uganda
NOR	Norway	UKR	Ukraine
NRU	Nauru	URU	Uruguay
NZL	New Zealand	USA	United States of America
OMA	Oman	UZB	Uzbekistan
PAK	Pakistan	VAN	Vanuatu
PAN	Panama	VEN	Venezuela
PAR	Paraguay	VIE	Vietnam
PER	Peru	VIN	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
PHI	Philippines	YEM	Yemen
PLE	Palestine	ZAM	Zambia
PLW	Palau	ZIM	Zimbabwe
PNG	Papua New Guinea		
POL	Poland		
POR	Portugal		

## In Alpha Country Order

Afghanistan	AFG	Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste	TLS
Albania	ALB	Denmark	DEN
Algeria	ALG	Djibouti	DJI
American Samoa	ASA	Dominica	DMA
Andorra	AND	Dominican Republic	DOM
Angola	ANG	Ecuador	ECU
Antigua and Barbuda	ANT	Egypt	EGY
Argentina	ARG	El Salvador	ESA
Armenia	ARM	Equatorial Guinea	GEQ
Aruba	ARU	Eritrea	ERI
Australia	AUS	Estonia	EST
Austria	AUT	Ethiopia	ETH
Azerbaijan	AZE	Federated States of Micronesia	FSM
Bahamas	BAH	Fiji	FIJ
Bahrain	BRN	Finland	FIN
Bangladesh	BAN	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	MKD
Barbados	BAR	France	FRA
Belarus	BLR	Gabon	GAB
Belgium	BEL	Gambia	GAM
Belize	BIZ	Georgia	GEO
Benin	BEN	Germany	GER
Bermuda	BER	Ghana	GHA
Bhutan	BHU	Greece	GRE
Bolivia	BOL	Grenada	GRN
Bosnia and Herzegovina	BIH	Guam	GUM
Botswana	BOT	Guatemala	GUA
Brazil	BRA	Guinea	GUI
British Virgin Islands	IVB	Guinea-Bissau	GBS
Brunei Darussalam	BRU	Guyana	GUY
Bulgaria	BUL	Haiti	HAI
Burkina Faso	BUR	Honduras	HON
Burundi	BDI	Hong Kong, China	HKG
Cambodia	CAM	Hungary	HUN
Cameroon	CMR	Iceland	ISL
Canada	CAN	India	IND
Cape Verde	CPV	Indonesia	INA
Cayman Islands	CAY	Iraq	IRQ
Central African Republic	CAF	Ireland	IRL
Chad	CHA	Islamic Republic of Iran	IRI
Chile	CHI	Israel	ISR
Chinese Taipei	TPE	Italy	ITA
Colombia	COL	Jamaica	JAM
Comoros	COM	Japan	JPN
Congo	CGO	Jordan	JOR
Cook Islands	COK	Kazakhstan	KAZ
Costa Rica	CRC	Kenya	KEN
Cote d'Ivoire	CIV	Kiribati	KIR
Croatia	CRO	Korea	KOR
Cuba	CUB	Kuwait	KUW
Cyprus	CYP	Kyrgyzstan	KGZ
Czech Republic	CZE	Laos People's Democratic Republic	LAO
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	PRK	Latvia	LAT
Democratic Republic of the Congo	COD	Lebanon	LIB



Lesotho	LES	Sao Tome and Principe	STP
Liberia	LBR	Saudi Arabia	KSA
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	LBA	Senegal	SEN
Liechtenstein	LIE	Serbia	SRB
Lithuania	LTU	Seychelles	SEY
Luxembourg	LUX	Sierra Leone	SLE
Madagascar	MAD	Singapore	SIN
Malawi	MAW	Slovakia	SVK
Malaysia	MAS	Slovenia	SLO
Maldives	MDV	Solomon Islands	SOL
Mali	MLI	Somalia	SOM
Malta	MLT	South Africa	RSA
Marshall Islands	MHL	Spain	ESP
Mauritania	MTN	Sri Lanka	SRI
Mauritius	MRI	Sudan	SUD
Mexico	MEX	Suriname	SUR
Monaco	MON	Swaziland	SWZ
Mongolia	MGL	Sweden	SWE
Montenegro	MNE	Switzerland	SUI
Morocco	MAR	Syrian Arab Republic	SYR
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Paraguay	PAR	Venezuela	VEN
People's Republic of China	CHN	Vietnam	VIE
Peru	PER	Virgin Islands	ISV
Philippines	PHI	Yemen	YEM
Poland	POL	Zambia	ZAM
Portugal	POR	Zimbabwe	ZIM
Puerto Rico	PUR		
Qatar	QAT		
Republic of Moldova	MDA		
Romania	ROU		
Russian Federation	RUS		
Rwanda	RWA		
Saint Kitts and Nevis	SKN		
Saint Lucia	LCA		
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	VIN		
Samoa	SAM		
San Marino	SMR		

## ANNEX B.3

### GENERAL ORGANISATION OF A WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

1. **Time to Elapse:** 12 months.  
**Planning:** Models Commission of National Airports Control or equivalent investigates sites, accommodation and business management of potential Championships including sponsorship. Produce estimates based upon number of competitors, administrators, supporting officials, press, etc.  
**Action:** Contact with airfield authorities and possible sponsors.
2. **Time to Elapse:** 11 months.  
**Planning:** Specialist committee created for organisation (Chairman, FAI Delegate, Treasurer, Event specialists and Contest Director). Financial estimates produced. Decision made to proceed with an offer to host event.  
**Action:** FAI Delegate briefed to present proposition to CIAM.
3. **Time to Elapse:** 9 months.  
**Planning:** Proposition made to CIAM Plenary Meeting, naming location, accommodation facilities, esteemed fees, period of meeting, associated events.  
**Action:** CIAM accepts offer, approves associated events and fees on estimate.
4. **Time to elapse:** 8 months.  
**Planning:** Decision made on contest site plan. Liaison Committee formed with site officials e.g. FAI Delegate, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Contest Director with Airfield or Contest site administration officials. Site measured and plan of proposed area prepared including flight areas and buildings.  
**Action:** Meeting of preliminary planning personnel on location; Minutes and data circulated to all organising personnel.
5. **Time to Elapse:** 7 months.  
**Planning:** Full Budget prepared. Based on quotation for accommodation, feeding, travel costs of Judges, equipment, purchase, printing, hire of materials and other expenses. First publicity release and advance information memorandum prepared. Cost of entry fee finalised. Programme visualised and advertisement support solicited.  
**Action:** Issue of invitation to all member NACs of FAI with memorandum containing rules for event(s).
6. **Time to Elapse:** 6 months.  
**Planning:** Jury, Judges and Timekeepers nominated. Fully detailed site plan prepared by Contest Director. Firm duties allocated for:
  - (1) Liaison with Site officials
  - (2) Field Organisation
  - (3) Printing and Publicity
  - (4) Finance
  - (5) Preparation of special equipment
  - (6) Accommodation.**Action:** Report to CIAM Bureau meeting by FAI delegate. Judges and reserves confirmed. Method of judging approved by CIAM Bureau.
7. **Time to Elapse:** 5 months.  
**Planning:** Meeting with site officials. Confirming accommodation available. Local town accommodation reserved for visitors, married personnel, etc. Flying area surface inspected, contest layout planned for ceremonies, pit areas, processing bays. Event emblem and programme layout defined. Second publicity releases issued. All Jury and Judges announced. Quotes accepted for public service toilets, field refreshments, etc. Banquet and prize giving planned.  
**Action:** All officials active in procurement of material, particularly publicity officer, FAI delegate and Programme Producers.
8. **Time to elapse:** 4 months.  
**Planning:** Personnel for each event nominated or chosen from volunteers in NAC. Requirements as follows: Processing team; Director for each event circle; timekeepers; scorers; lap counters; messengers; monitors.  
**Action:** All personnel advised of duties and obligations. Work delegated to spread responsibility.
9. **Time to Elapse:** 3 months.  
**Planning:** First entries acknowledged. By information memorandum, offering travel advice, cost and request for notice of arrival. Programme and contest recording printing ordered. Souvenir plaques ordered. Tents ordered. Early arrivals anticipated. Auxiliary events planned - exhibition, etc. Judges' travel tickets issued. Local practice area selected. Third Press release issued concerning entries.  
**Action:** By FAI Delegate and Publicity Officer.
10. **Time to Elapse:** 2 months.  
**Planning:** Entries officially complete. Numbers finalised for on-site and off-base accommodation. Supporters accepted where possible. Programme copy to printer. Delivery dates finalised for all equipment. Numbered waistcoats, flags, awards prepared. Final directive issued to all personnel stating responsibilities and financial obligations. All primary officials to be fully advised of each other's responsibilities. Daily programme prepared and issued to all competing NACs.

**Action:** Officers for accommodation, publicity. Contest director active in securing all arrangements.

11. **Time to Elapse:** 1 month.

**Planning:** Field equipment tested. Lap or score indicators checked. Delivery of barriers or wire mesh. Tables and chairs secured, work benches, spectator stands. Local transport secured. Accommodation fully planned. Programme passed for printing. Contest record cards delivered and prepared. Score boards stencilled. Full schedules of names for competitors, officials, supporters, VIPs and observers prepared with label badges for each. (Colour coded, White - Competitors, Yellow - Judges, Jury, Officials; Brown - General Staff; Green - Important persons and Chief Officials). Souvenirs allocated (brief cases) after making up. Fuels ordered including extra components for visiting entries unable to travel with fuels. Litter sacks ordered. Traffic control planned with highway authorities. Exhibition planned.

**Action:** All officials active. Full exchange of information between all concerned.

12. **Time to Elapse:** 3 weeks.

**Planning:** Final Liaison with Site Officials, catering and local authorities. Programmes delivered. All personnel involved in duties other than field events briefed by marshals and event directors as necessary. Fourth press release issued with photographs. Banquet and prizegiving to be finalised.

**Action:** Contest Director, Accommodation and Publicity Officer.

13. **Time to Elapse:** 2 weeks.

**Planning:** Flight areas marked and finally prepared. Directions issued to Main Line Railway stations to guide visitors. Treasurer accounts for advance payment of fees. Transport confirmed from nearest rail station. Bedding set aside. Banner, flags and poles prepared. Numbered waistcoats, souvenir plaques, posters delivered and distribution planned.

**Action:** Contest Director, Accommodation, Treasurer, Publicity Officer.

14. **Time to Elapse:** 1 week.

**Planning:** Advance party on location. To receive and erect tents, tables, barriers and airfield equipment. All scoring systems, loud speakers, light observation platforms positioned. All equipment tested. Ropes, stakes and litter sack positions planned. Special contest requirements anticipated. Early arrivals diverted to local areas. Press release for local papers.

**Action:** By Contest Director and staff. Publicity Officer.

15. **Time to Elapse:** 2 days.

**Planning:** All equipment on location including trophies and printed matter. Ropes and stakes established, public areas controlled. Toilets erected, exhibition staged. Sixth and final press releases issued. Advance radio, TV and photographic reception for publicity arranged. Processing team fully briefed and reception finally planned.

**Action:** All officers active on location.

16. **Time to Elapse:** 1 day.

**Planning:** Rehearsals. Models processed, specification certificates and FAI licences collected. Briefing of all officials, dummy event to establish standards, for all judges who are pre-briefed, trained through practice flights, then debriefed with analysis of scores. Timekeepers checked for proficiency. All circuits finally prepared. Draw cards and lists prepared for order of flying. Issue of memorandum detailing all decisions of contest management meeting.

**Action:** All officials, judges, jury, team managers.

*THE INTERNATIONAL CONTEST THEN TAKES PLACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPORTING CODE.*

17. **Time to Elapse:** 2 days.

**Planning:** Site Clearance. Rearguard party dispatches all loaned equipment, clears accommodation area, secures all found property, lists liabilities, breakages, etc.

**Action:** Rearguard and contest director.

**NOTE for WCh: Ranking** - International Team Classification - Complete three competitor teams are ranked ahead of two competitor teams, which are in turn ranked ahead of single competitor teams.

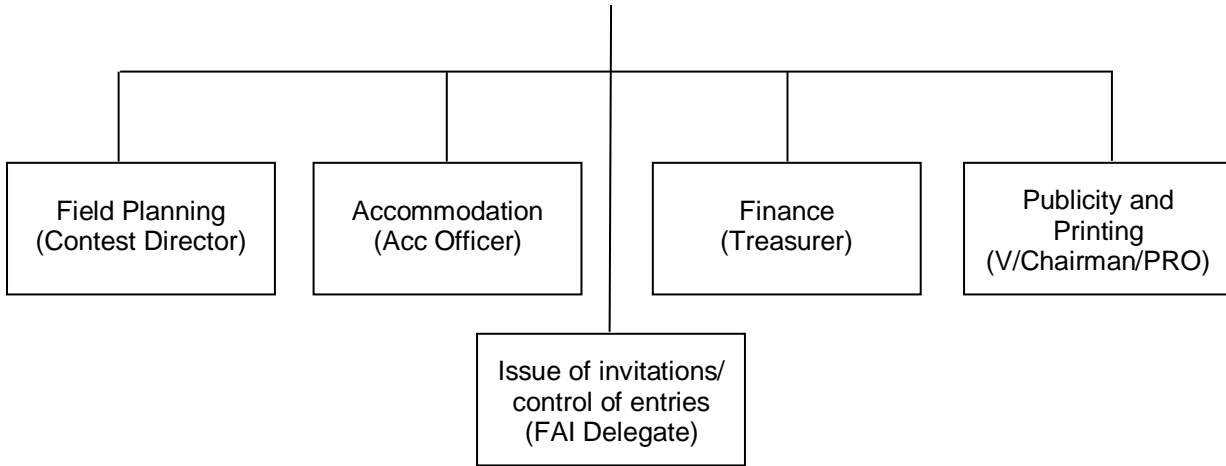
**Fuel** - See B.5.6.

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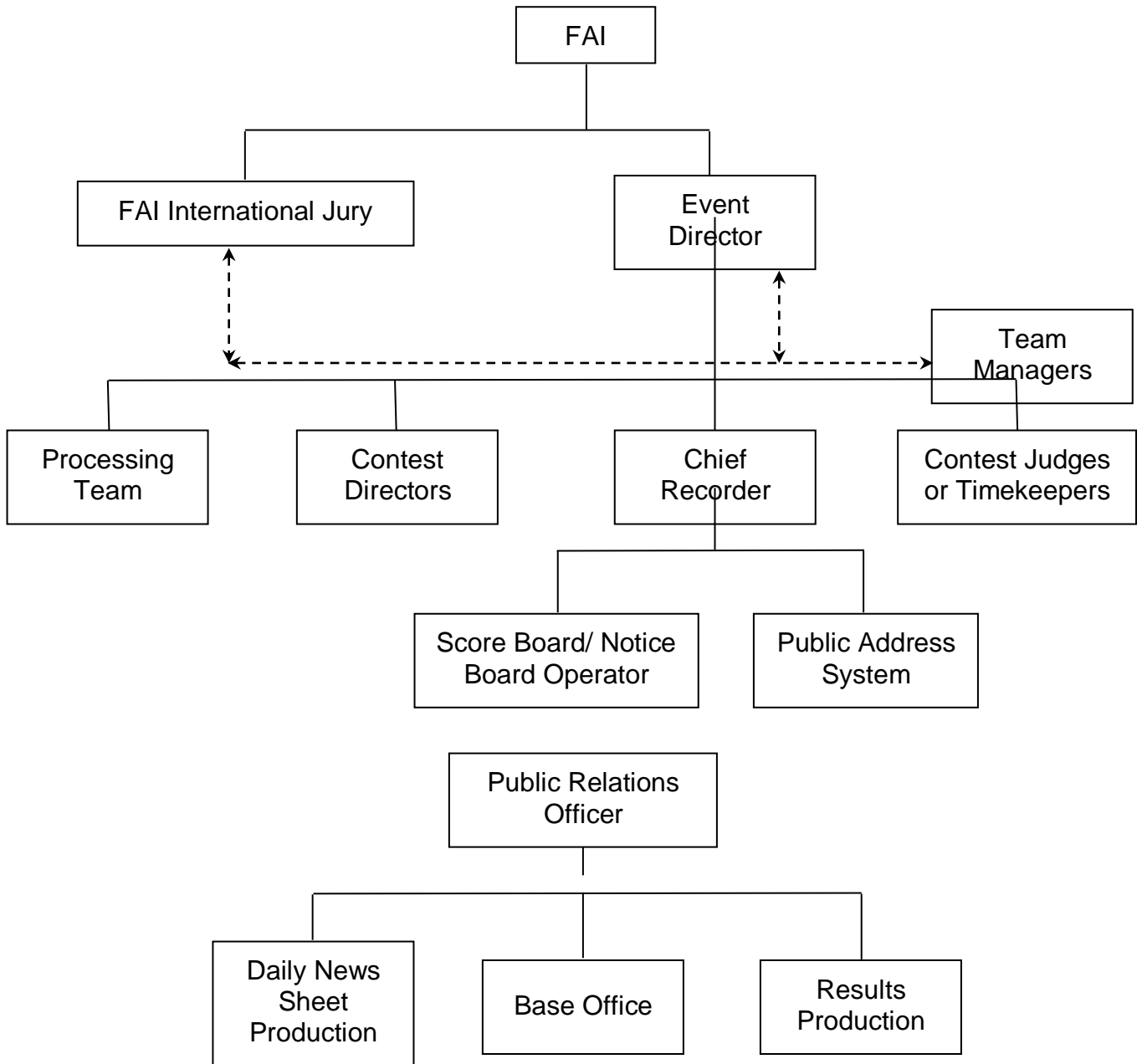
- 1) The actual situation, date for entries etc.
- 2) Undertaken preparations
- 3) Contest organisation:
  - FAI Jury
  - Contest management
  - Main officials and their duties
  - Arrival, how to find the place
  - Lodgings
  - Camping facilities
  - Hotels
  - Parking
  - Meals
  - Canteen, if any
  - Depots
  - Tracks
  - Conveniences
  - Practice flights
  - Processing
  - Information
  - Public Relations
  - Emergency, first aid
  - Insurance
  - Spectators
  - Programme
- 4) Distribution of maps of the contest area.

**ADMINISTRATION & ORGANISATION**

CHAIRMAN OF NAC MODEL COMMISSION



## EVENT DIRECTION



It is acknowledged that this memorandum can only be regarded as a general guide and is subject to variation according to the type of contest, venue and local conditions.

## SECTION 4C – MODEL AIRCRAFT

### PART ONE - GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR MODEL AIRCRAFT

#### 1.1. GENERAL DEFINITION OF MODEL AIRCRAFT

- a) A model aircraft is an aircraft of limited dimensions, with or without a propulsion device, not able to carry a human being and to be used for competition, sport or recreational purposes.
- b) For the whole flight, a radio-controlled model aircraft must be within visual line of sight (VLOS) of the person who directly assumes its control or who is in a situation to take the direct control at any moment, including if the model is being flown automatically to a selected location.
- c) For control line model aircraft, the flier must physically hold the control line handle and control the model aircraft himself.
- d) Free flight model aircraft must be launched by the flier, and must not be equipped with any device that allows them to be flown automatically to a selected location or controlled remotely during the flight other than to stop the motor and/or to terminate the flight
- e) In the case of record attempts conducted under Part 2, claimant(s) shall confirm that the submitted record claim is for a model aircraft record as noted in annex C.2.
- f) Regulations applicable to air law, air traffic and control in the respective countries take precedence over 1.1 (see Volume ABR page 2).

#### 1.2. GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF MODEL AIRCRAFT

- a) Unless otherwise stated, model aircraft shall meet the following general specifications:
 

Maximum flying weight with fuel .....	25 kg
Maximum surface area .....	500 dm <sup>2</sup>
Maximum loading .....	250 g/dm <sup>2</sup>
Maximum swept volume of piston motor(s) .....	250 cm <sup>3</sup>
Electric Motors power source max. no load voltage .....	72 volts
Maximum total thrust of turbines.....	25kg (250 Newton)
- b) Noise limits shall be applied to powered model aircraft categories, with 96 dB(A) at 3 metres for any category which does not have approval for any other noise rule. Specific noise measuring procedures are to be developed by each Sub-committee for its category.
- c) Noise limits do not apply to model aircraft with electric motors or equipped with turbines.

#### 1.3. CLASSIFICATION OF MODEL AIRCRAFT

##### 1.3.1. Category F1 - Free Flight

- a) This is a flight during which there exists no physical connection between the model aircraft and the competitor or his helper. Radio control functions are allowed only when specifically stated in the rules for the relevant class. Closed loop control systems with active sensors and operating aerodynamic flight controls or moving mass are not allowed, except for steering in F1E.
- b) Unless specifically stated in the rules for a class, Free Flight models must be launched with at least one hand holding the fuselage of the model.
- c) This category is divided into the following classes:
 

Class: F1A - GLIDERS
F1B - MODEL AIRCRAFT WITH EXTENSIBLE MOTORS "Wakefield"
F1C - POWER MODEL AIRCRAFT
F1D - INDOOR MODEL AIRCRAFT
F1E - GLIDERS WITH AUTOMATIC STEERING
F1G - MODEL AIRCRAFT WITH EXTENSIBLE MOTORS "Coupe d'Hiver"
F1H - GLIDERS
F1J - POWER MODEL AIRCRAFT
F1K - MODEL AIRCRAFT WITH CO2 ENGINES
F1L - INDOOR EZB MODEL AIRCRAFT
F1M - INDOOR BEGINNER'S CLASS
F1N - INDOOR HAND LAUNCH GLIDERS
F1P - POWER MODEL AIRCRAFT
F1Q - ELECTRIC POWER MODEL AIRCRAFT

F1R - INDOOR MICRO35 MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F1S SMALL ELECTRIC POWER MODEL AIRCRAFT «E36»

### 1.3.2. Category F2 - Control Line Circular Flight

- a) Control Line Circular Flight is flight during which all control is accomplished via physical connection to the pilot through one or more inextensible wires or cables directly connected to the model aircraft.  
 The control wires or cables must be attached to a hand held device (control handle). Automatic flight path control and/or automatic manoeuvring are not permitted.
- b) Powertrain control may be accomplished by the pilot via the wires or cables or by an onboard self-contained, automatic process.
- c.) For initial start-up of the engine(s), any device or system is permitted including the use of 2.4 GHz Spread Spectrum technology legal for use in the country of competition. The competitor will determine the suitability for use of the chosen system. Any such device or system must:
- i) be operated only by the pilot or assigned mechanics/helpers, and
  - ii) not affect any other model.
- d) For permanent shutdown of the engine(s), any device or system is permitted including the use of 2.4 GHz Spread Spectrum technology legal for use in the country of competition. The competitor will determine the suitability for use of the chosen system.  
 Any such device or system:
- i) must be operated only by the pilot, and
  - ii) must not affect any other model.
- e) A safety strap connecting the competitor's wrist to the control handle must be provided by the competitor and used during all flights. A pull test shall be applied separately to the safety strap. This pull test will be applied according to each class specification concerning the lines' pull test
- f) The regulations for classes must be set forth in class rules. Except for reasons of safety, class rules must not contradict or invalidate ABR 1.3.2.
- g) This category is divided into the following classes:
- Class: F2A - SPEED MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F2B - AEROBATIC MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F2C - TEAM RACING MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F2D - COMBAT MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F2E - COMBAT MODEL AIRCRAFT WITH COMPRESSION IGNITION ENGINES  
 F2F - DIESEL PROFILE RACING MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F2G - ELECTRIC SPEED

### 1.3.3. Category F3 - Radio Controlled Flight

This is a flight during which the model aircraft is manoeuvred by control surface(s) in attitude, direction and altitude by the flier on the ground using radio control.

This category is divided into the following classes:

- Class: F3A - AEROBATIC POWER MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F3B - MULTI-TASK GLIDERS  
 F3C - HELICOPTERS  
 F3D - PYLON RACERS  
 F3F - SLOPE SOARING GLIDERS  
 F3H - SOARING CROSS COUNTRY GLIDERS  
 F3J - THERMAL DURATION GLIDERS  
 F3K - HAND LAUNCHED GLIDERS  
 F3M - LARGE AEROBATIC POWER MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F3N - HELICOPTERS FREESTYLE  
 F3P - INDOOR AEROBATICS  
 F3Q - AERO TOW SOARING GLIDERS  
 F3R - PYLON RACING MODEL AIRCRAFT WITH LIMITED TECHNOLOGY  
 F3S - JET AEROBATIC POWER MODEL AIRCRAFT

F3T - SEMI-SCALE PYLON RACING AIRCRAFT WITH CONTROLLED TECHNOLOGY

**1.3.4. Category F4 - Scale Model Aircraft**

A scale model shall be a scaled down replica of a heavier-than-air man-carrying aircraft.

This category is divided into the following classes:

- Class: F4A - FREE FLIGHT FLYING SCALE MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F4B - CONTROL LINE FLYING SCALE MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F4C - RADIO CONTROLLED FLYING SCALE MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F4D - FREE FLIGHT INDOOR SCALE MODEL AIRCRAFT; Extensible motors  
 F4E - FREE FLIGHT INDOOR SCALE MODEL AIRCRAFT; CO2 or electric motors  
 F4F - FREE FLIGHT INDOOR SCALE MODEL AIRCRAFT; Peanut formula  
 F4G - LARGE SCALE MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F4H - STAND-OFF SCALE MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F4J - TEAM SCALE  
 F4K - RADIO CONTROL FLYING SCALE MODEL HELICOPTERS

**1.3.5. Category F5 - Radio Controlled Electric Powered Flight**

This category is divided into the following classes:

- Class: F5A - AEROBATIC MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F5B - MOTOR GLIDERS  
 F5D - PYLON RACERS  
 F5E - SOLAR MODEL AIRCRAFT  
 F5F - 10 CELL MOTOR GLIDERS  
 F5G - RADIO CONTROLLED ELECTRIC BIG GLIDERS  
 F5H - OPEN ELECTRIC MOTOR GLIDER  
 F5J - ELECTRIC MOTOR GLIDER – THERMAL DURATION  
 F5K - ELECTRIC INDOOR RACING

**1.3.6. Category F7 - Radio Controlled Aerostats**

This category is divided into the following classes:

- Class: F7A - HOT AIR BALLOONS  
 F7B - AIRSHIPS

**1.4 DEFINITIONS OF EXPRESSIONS USED FOR MODEL SPECIFICATIONS AND RULES**

**1.4.1. Surface Area**

- a) The surface area includes the total surface of the wings and that of the horizontal or oblique stabilising surface or surfaces. The surfaces taken for calculation are the orthogonal projection on to a horizontal plane of the surfaces in question with each surface at zero incidences.
- b) When wings or stabilising surfaces are built into the fuselage of the model aircraft the surface taken into account shall include that area contained within the normal contours of the flight surfaces extended so as to meet at the plane of symmetry of the model.

**1.4.2. Weight**

The weight taken to determine the wing loading and minimum or maximum weight, is that of the complete model aircraft in flying order but without fuel. The weight shall be measured in kilograms and/or grams.

**1.4.3. Loading**

When loading rules are applied the loading shall be defined at the weight in grams per square decimetre of surface area.

**1.4.4. Ballast**

When it is necessary to use supplementary ballast to obtain the stipulated weight or adjust the position of the centre of gravity, this must be located internally in the model and fixed in a permanent manner. Its position must be inspected and approved by a recognised official after insertion. When movable ballast is used to adjust the position of the centre of gravity, the model must be of the weight specified without the movable ballast.

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**1.4.5. Wingspan**

Wingspan is the maximum distance between two points terminating the wing.

**1.4.6. Extensible Motor**

Motor in which the energy is obtained by the torsion or extension of strands of elastic material.

**1.4.7. Piston Motor**

Motors in which the energy is obtained by the combustion or expansion of a fluid acting on one or more reciprocating or rotary pistons.

**1.4.8. Glow Plug Motor**

A glow plug motor uses a continuously incandescent element to provide ignition.

**1.4.9. Compression Ignition Motor**

A compression ignition motor is one in which the charge is ignited solely by the effect of compression. This may include a mechanical system specially provided to control compression when the engine is operating.

**1.4.10. Jet Reaction Motor**

a) Motor in which the energy is obtained by a combustion of a solid, liquid or gaseous fuel, or by the expansion of a fluid acting on a rotating or pulsating member. In the case of model aircraft driven by reaction motors, the following supplementary characteristics are imposed:

b) Maximum outside diameter of pulse-jet combustion chamber: 80 mm.

**1.4.11. Hand Launching**

This is effected by hand, the competitor or helper standing on the ground.

**1.4.12. Take-off**

The model must rise from the ground or water in the correct manner and, other than for Control Line, without any help from the flier or mechanic

**1.4.13. Landing**

The model is considered to have landed when it has first touched ground or water, or definitely terminated its forward movement.

**1.4.14. Seaplane**

This is a model aircraft which must take off from water, but without obligation to land on the water at the termination of the flight. Prior to the take-off, a flotation test of one minute must be imposed on each model during which it must float on the surface without external aid in normal take-off position.

**1.4.15. Helicopters**

a) A helicopter is a heavier than air model aircraft which derives all of its lift and horizontal propulsion from a power driven rotor system(s) rotating about a nominally vertical axis (or axes).

b) Fixed horizontal supporting surfaces up to 4% of the swept area of the rotor(s) are permitted. A fixed or controllable horizontal stabiliser up to 2% of the swept area of the rotor(s) is permitted. Ground effect machines (hovercraft), convertiplanes or aircraft which hover by means of propeller slipstream(s) deflected downward are not considered to be helicopters.

Specifications:

a) Area: Maximum swept area of the lifting rotor(s) counting only once any superimposed areas: 300 dm<sup>2</sup>, except for coaxial helicopters whose rotors are farther than one rotor radius apart, in which case the total area of both rotors is counted.

b) Weight: Maximum 5 kg with fuel.

c) Piston motor swept volume: Maximum 10 cm<sup>3</sup>.

d) Rubber motor: No restrictions.

**Note:** Metal bladed rotors are prohibited.

**1.4.16. Swept Volume**

a) Reciprocating engine

Swept volume is calculated as:

Swept piston area x stroke = swept volume

Swept piston area is calculated by measuring the bore of the liner at the top dead centre.

The calculation of volume shall be truncated to two decimal places (0,01 cm<sup>3</sup>)

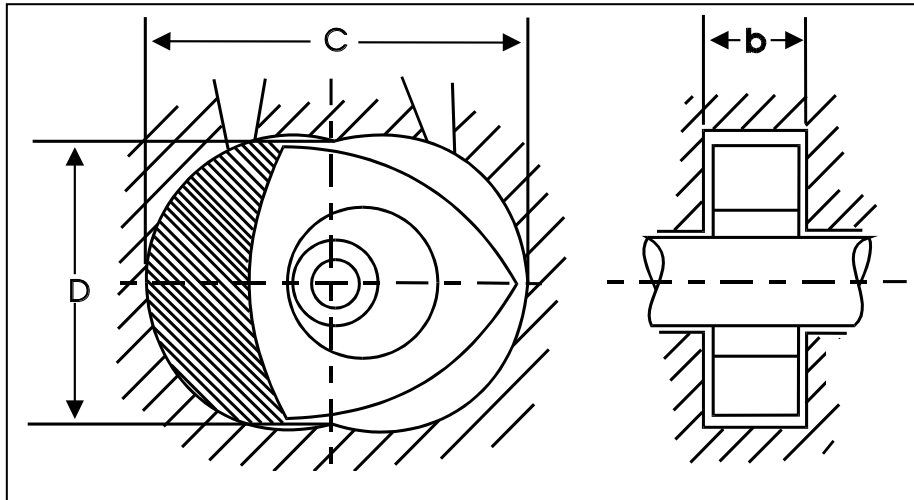
b) Rotary engine

Swept volume is calculated as:

$$0,325(C^2 - D^2).b$$

For the meaning of the letters see the figure below.

### DISPLACEMENT CALCULATION OF A ROTARY PISTON ENGINE





## ANNEX C.1

### WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS FOR MODEL AIRCRAFT

The following events are recognised as World Championships for model aircraft.

- 1. FF category for Seniors**
  - a) F1A Gliders
  - b) F1B Model aircraft with extensible motors
  - c) F1C Model aircraft with piston motors
  - d) F1D Indoor model aircraft
  - e) F1E Gliders with automatic steering
- 2. CL category for Seniors & Juniors**
  - a) F2A Speed model aircraft
  - b) F2B Aerobatic model aircraft
  - c) F2C Team racing model aircraft
  - d) F2D Combat model aircraft
- 3. RC category for Seniors**
  - a) F3J Radio controlled thermal duration gliders
  - b) F3K Radio controlled hand launch gliders
- 4. RC category for Seniors & Juniors**
  - a) F3A Radio controlled aerobatic model aircraft
  - b) F3B Radio controlled multi-task gliders
  - c) F3C Radio controlled helicopters
  - d) F3D Radio controlled pylon racing model aircraft
  - e) F3F Radio controlled slope soaring model aircraft
  - f) F3M Radio controlled large aerobatic model aircraft
  - g) F3N Radio controlled helicopter freestyle
  - h) F3P Radio controlled indoor aerobatic model aircraft
  - i) F5B Radio controlled electric powered gliders
  - j) F5D Radio controlled electric powered pylon racers
- 5. Scale category for Seniors & Juniors**
  - a) F4C Radio controlled model aircraft
  - b) F4H Radio controlled model aircraft
- 6. Free Flight category for Juniors**
  - a) F1A Gliders
  - b) F1B Model aircraft with extensible motors
  - c) F1D Indoor model aircraft
  - d) F1E Gliders with automatic steering
  - e) F1P Model aircraft with piston motors
- 7. RC category for Juniors**
  - a) F3J Radio controlled thermal duration gliders
  - b) F3K Radio controlled hand launch gliders

## PART TWO – RECORDS

### 2.1. WORLD CLASS RECORDS

2.1.1. The FAI recognises World class records in the categories of model aircraft and aerostats listed in Annex C.2.

#### 2.1.2. Holder(s) of Records

A World record may belong to one person or a team. Where the record is in the name of more than one person, FAI will list those persons in alphabetical order, unless otherwise directed by the claimants' NAC.

#### 2.1.3. Builder of the Model Aircraft or Aerostat

In all records, the claimant(s) must be the builder(s) of the model aircraft or aerostat flown in the attempt, except where the competition rules for the class exempt that class from rule B.3.1.a). The claimant(s) has/have to confirm this by his/their signature/s on the form "Application for Record Confirmation".

#### 2.1.4. Categories of World Records

- a) There are three categories of World Records:
  - i) Records performed with special record model aircraft or aerostats under the specifications given in paragraph 2.2. (Open Records)
  - ii) Records performed with model aircraft built to competition specification but with flights not necessarily in a competition (Specific Model Aircraft). These records can be set in classes F1D, F1L, F1M and F1N and in these classes the record may belong only to one person, not a team.
  - iii) Records performed in regular competitions with model aircraft and competitions defined in Sporting Code Section 4C, parts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (Competition Records).
- b) In Free Flight competition, duration records can be set in classes F1D and F1L and in these classes the record may belong only to one person, not a team.
- c) In Control Line competition the following records may be set only in World or Continental Championships:
  - i) speed records in class F2A (sub-class 134 in annex C.2);
  - ii) race time records in class F2C (sub-classes 136 & 137 in annex C.2).
- d) In classes F3D and F5D, records may be set only in World or Continental Championships.
- e) For the purposes of competition records, the National Airports Control of the claimant is responsible for lodging the record claim.

#### 2.1.5. Claimants

Claimants shall refer to the FAI Sporting Code General Section Chapter 7, as well as the whole of this Part Two - Records section of Volume ABR Section 4C.

## 2.2. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS OF MODEL AIRCRAFT AND AEROSTATS FOR RECORD ATTEMPTS:

### 2.2.1. Weight

- a) For records mentioned under 2.1.4, item 1), the total weight of the model aircraft or aerostat in flying order, with fuel when carried, shall not exceed 5.00 kg. The maximum total weight in flying order with fuel of a helicopter shall not exceed 6.00 kg. For records in regular competition under 2.1.4. item 3), the model aircraft must comply with the specifications required for the class concerned.
- b) No refuelling shall be permitted after the model aircraft or aerostat is airborne during any record attempt.

### 2.2.2. Motive Power

- a) The total swept volume of the piston(s) of the motor(s) shall not exceed 10 cm<sup>3</sup>. Pulse-jet reaction motor(s) are not permitted except for circular flight (record No. 135).
- b) The maximum no load voltage for electric motors shall be 72 volts, except for competition records.
- c) Power sources for electro model aircraft:
- d) There will be three different possibilities of power sources:
  - F5 - "S" With rechargeable sources of current only (secondary elements).
  - F5 - "SOL" Solar cells only permitted.
  - F5 - "COMB" All sources of current are allowed. All kinds of combinations are expressly allowed. There must be a minimum of two sources of current.
- e) No connection between the source of current aboard the record model aircraft or aerostat and the ground, or to another model aircraft or aerostat or flying object is allowed.

- f) There are no restrictions on the weight of extensible motors in model aircraft records except in the case of competition records.
- g) Metal bladed propellers are not permitted.

### 2.2.3. Surface Area

- a) Fixed wing aircraft
  - i) For fixed wing aircraft the maximum surface area shall be 150 dm<sup>2</sup>.
  - ii) See 1.4.1.

- b) Rotary wing aircraft  
See 1.4.15

### 2.2.4. Surface Loading

- a) For free flight model aircraft, the loading on the surface area must be between 12 g/dm<sup>2</sup> and 50 g/dm<sup>2</sup>.
- b) For radio control model aircraft, the loading of the surface area must not exceed 75 g/dm<sup>2</sup>. For control line model aircraft, the loading of the surface area must not exceed 100 g/dm<sup>2</sup>. There are no area loading requirements or wing span restrictions for indoor model aircraft for record purposes.

### 2.2.5. Controlling the Model

For radio controlled model aircraft or gliders in F3 or F5 record attempts, the pilot must be in direct control of the model aircraft via a transmitter for the whole of the flight.

### 2.2.6. Sight of the Model

For radio controlled model aircraft or gliders in F3 or F5 record attempts and aerostats in F7 record attempts, the model aircraft must be in the pilot's sight for the whole of the flight other than for momentary periods.

### 2.2.7. Launching

- a) The model aircraft may be hand-launched or take off from the ground for record attempts in any category except seaplanes, the launcher standing on the ground. Aerotow is not permitted. Seaplanes must take off from a water surface. Model aerostats must take off from the ground.
- b) For free flight a glider is launched by means of a cable of maximum 100 m in length. For radio controlled flight a glider is launched by means of a cable of 300 m maximum length. Launching of a glider may be carried out with the help of various devices such as winches, single or multiple pulley trains, or by running etc. To facilitate observation and timing the cable must be equipped with a pennant having a minimum area of 2,5 dm<sup>2</sup>. All types of auxiliary stabilising devices are forbidden.
- c) A parachute may be substituted for the pennant provided it is not attached to the glider and remains packed and inactive until the release of the cable.
- d) The claimant, or a member of the team, must operate the launching device and must be standing on the ground, except for R/C gliders where an assistant may operate the device.
- e) All freedom of action and movement is permitted to allow the best use of the cable length.
- f) Auxiliary take-off devices, such as a cart or a dolly undercarriage are permitted for all model aircraft except seaplanes. No means of auxiliary power is permitted on such devices. The device may become airborne and subsequently ejected.
- g) For seaplanes, the landing gear must remain attached to the model throughout the flight.

### 2.2.8. Point of Landing

The point where the model first touches the ground or water shall be considered the Point of Landing. It is not required that seaplanes land on water.

### 2.2.9. Jettisoning or Loss of Parts:

The voluntary or involuntary jettisoning of any part of the model aircraft or aerostat, except auxiliary take-off devices, during the flight, is forbidden.

### 2.2.10. Assistant Pilots

Following Rule 2.1.2, in case of a team effort, each member of the team may act as pilot during the attempt. Team records are not permitted in Aerostats (see 2.10.1.3)

*Note: In the event that it is desired that a distance or duration record shall be listed in a single name only, an assistant pilot may be utilised after two hours from the start of the flight, up to a maximum of 10% of the total flight time recorded.*

### 2.2.11. Difference between Consecutive Records

There is no minimum figure by which the old record should be exceeded.

**2.2.12. Officials and Observers**

The head official shall be delegated by the National Airsports Control of the country where the attempt is made and the attempt must be witnessed by a minimum of 2 additional observers who are approved by that National Airsports Control.

**2.2.13. Flying Site**

Duration and Distance in Closed Circuit records for powered model aircraft (any power source) shall be made without the benefit of slope lift, rotors, lee waves and similar forms of lift. The land within a sufficient distance from the course must be free from objects which during the attempt are generating such lift including but not limited to hills, tree lines, vehicles and hand held devices.

**2.2.14. Repeated Record Improvements on One-and-the-Same Day**

On any date that a record is broken by more than one claimant, or repeatedly by the same claimant and model aircraft or aerostat, the best performance only will be awarded the new record.

**2.2.15. Safety**

All safety precautions and instructions of paragraph B.19 are applicable to record attempts

**2.2.16. Competition Timing**

In situations where records are claimed for flights made during the course of Championship competition, it may not be possible for the claimant to determine the specific stopwatches or timing device employed for recording the flight, or the claimant may not have access to the device for calibration purposes. In such cases, the Jury shall, to the best of its ability, attest to the accuracy of the devices.

**2.3. SPECIAL RULES FOR DURATION RECORDS****2.3.1. Recording the Time**

- a) For all powered sub-classes the flying time starts at the moment when the model aircraft is released.
- b) For model aircraft rising off the ground or water, the model aircraft must become airborne in a period that does not exceed 2% of the total flight time.
- c) For all gliders, the timing starts when the glider is released from its launching device, or after hand launching.
- d) For radio controlled model aircraft with piston engines or electric motors, the engine must be turning the propeller (fully unfolded if a folding propeller is fitted) for at least 98 % of the time claimed as a record.

**2.3.2. End of Flight**

- a) The flight ends when the model aircraft or aerostat touches the ground or water or encounters an obstacle which definitely terminates its flight, or when it definitely disappears from the sight of the timekeepers, or from the sight of any devices being used by the timekeepers to track the model. The use of optical devices, electronic devices and other means of proving the model remained airborne is permitted if approved by the National Airsports Control.
- b) For radio controlled models, excluding hot air balloons, the point of landing must be within a distance of 500 metres of the point at which the model was released from the ground during the launch.
- c) In the case of a simultaneous record attempt for distance in a straight line and duration, the landing must be within 500 metres of the indicated landing point for the distance record.

**2.3.3. Timekeeping**

- a) In the event the time is taken by using electronic stopwatches, two timekeepers must be used. The times registered must be recorded at the scene of the record, and must be signed by the officiating timekeepers. Only these times will be officially recognised. To follow the model in flight, the timekeepers are permitted to move by any means of locomotion available to them
- b) Recording barographs or electronic means of recording time other than stopwatches may be used if they have received prior approval by the organising National Airsports Control. In such cases the time which is established is that recorded by the barograph or electronic device. The loss of altitude between the starting and landing points must not exceed 2 metres for each minute of flying time.

**2.3.4. Accuracy of Measurement**

- a) In the case of the use of stopwatches, a synchronous electric clock may be used as a standard of calibration. When other electronic forms of measurement are used, commercial or governmental means may be employed for certification.
- b) Fractions of a second will not be retained in a time registered for a record flight.

**2.3.5. Competition Records in Free Flight**

- a) Competition records are recognised for free flight models in competitions which have been registered on the FAI Sporting Calendar. All types of international contests are eligible: Open International, Limited International, Continental Championships, World Championships.
- b) In competition, records are recognised for the following duration in classes F1D and F1L:
  - i) the longest duration single flight;
  - ii) the longest total of the two best flights (as used for F1D and F1L classification).
- c) The claim must be supported by data from the competition. The supporting documentation must include copies of the flight cards recorded at the competition and signed by the timekeepers of the flights. The Contest Director must certify that these records are authentic and certify that the model aircraft used in the record were processed in accordance with the Sporting Code.
- d) For indoor competition records, there is no subdivision according to ceiling categories.

**2.4. SPECIAL RULES FOR DISTANCE RECORDS IN A STRAIGHT LINE****2.4.1. There are two possibilities of setting a distance record in a straight line:**

- a) Distance from A to B;  
and
- b) Goal and Return, that is, from A to B and back to A.

**2.4.2. Measurement of Distance**

- a) The distance of the record shall be that measured in a straight line between the point of departure and landing, whatever may have been the actual path of the model aircraft or aerostat.
- b) In the case of Goal and Return record, the record distance is the distance from the starting point to turning point plus that from turning point to the landing point.
- c) Distances up to 50 kilometres may be measured on an official map of a scale at least 1:100.000.
- d) Distances up to 500 km may be measured on an official map at least 1:200.000 in Gauss/Krieger system.
- e) Distances greater than 500 km shall be calculated from the earth model WGS84 ellipsoid. The exact position of the take-off point, landing point and turning point may be determined by GPS. For further details, refer to the Sporting Code General Section Chapter 8.
- f) The dossier claiming the record must contain a detailed calculation, made by a recognised scientific body, of the distance, with reference to the geographical ordinates of the place of departure and arrival.
- g) The degree of accuracy of the measurement must be stated in the dossier.
- h) The distance shall be calculated to an accuracy of at least 1% for distances up to 500 km and 0.5% for distances in excess of 500 km.

**2.4.3. Point of Departure:**

- a) For powered model aircraft the point of departure is the place where the model was released. For aerostats it is the point when the model leaves the ground. For models rising off the ground or water, the distance covered in take-off cannot exceed 2,0% of the total record claimed.
- b) For gliders, the point of departure is the place where the claimant is at the time when the glider is released from the launching device.

**2.4.4. Point of Landing as Defined in 2.2.8.**

For radio controlled model aircraft and airships the pilot must indicate in writing before the flight the place where his model aircraft or airship will land. The actual point of landing must be within a radius of 500 m of the point indicated.

**2.4.5.** For radio controlled model aircraft and aerostats, the pilot, with his transmitter, may follow the model aircraft or aerostat by any means of transport, the official observers accompanying him.

**2.4.6. Turning Point**

In the case of Goal and Return distance records, the turning point must be as specified for the landing point in Rule 2.4.4. and the official observers must certify that the turning point has been properly rounded.

**2.5. SPECIAL RULES FOR SPEED RECORDS IN A STRAIGHT LINE****2.5.1. Base**

- a) For model aircraft of the Free Flight sub-classes, the record is measured over a base of 50 m for model aircraft with elastic type motors and of 100 m for model aircraft with piston type motors.
- b) The course must be flown in both directions within 30 minutes.
- c) For radio controlled model aircraft the base must be 200 m, and it must be traversed in both directions without any intermediate landing.
- d) The altitude of the model aircraft must remain below 35 m and above 5 m during the 100 m entry and 200 m course. These altitudes are measured from the point where the pilot is standing.
- e) The dossier of the record must include a certified measurement of the course and a statement of the methods used to determine altitude and speed.
- f) For radio control speed record attempts the model aircraft must be fitted with a throttle or any other device to stop the motor by radio control.

**2.5.2. Timing**

- a) The timing of speed records must be accomplished by timing instruments approved by the organising National Airsports Control. If electronic stopwatches are used, timekeeping must be effected by two timekeepers, utilising devices which register to at least 1/100 of a second. The difference between the times registered by the two timekeepers must not exceed 0.05 second. Automatic and other electronic timing devices which register a single time are allowed, provided the system is properly documented in the dossier and approved by the NAC of the claimant(s).
- b) For speeds above 300km/h, manual activation of timing devices is not permitted. Only automatic means of timing which eliminate human error factors are permitted and must be certified accurate within 1/100 of a second.
- c) The data that the Directing Official signs (refer to 2.12) must be the data generated automatically at the time of the flight. Note that hand-written data is not acceptable.
- d) The mean of the two speeds of the two runs over the timing base gives the record speed.

**2.6. SPECIAL RULES FOR SPEED RECORDS IN A CLOSED CIRCUIT****2.6.1. Base**

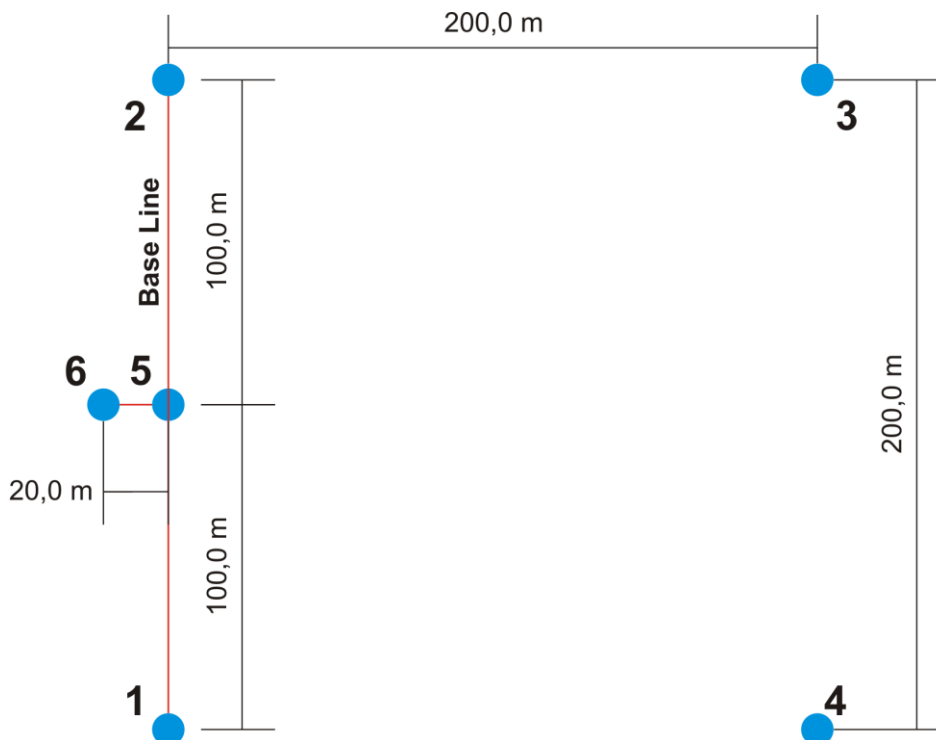
- a) The course consists of a square, defined by four prominently coloured pylons set 200 m apart on a 90° angle to each other, situated on flat land, or land with a maximum fall not to exceed 1 metre in 200 m within 1 km of the course. Each pylon shall be consecutively numbered one through four. Using a line between Pylon One and Pylon Two as a base line, set Pylon Five (or a wire sighting device) midway between them (i.e. 100 m from each pole). At an angle of 90 degrees to the Base Line set Pylon Six 20 m distant from the Base Line. Place a 10 mm wide reflective (contrasting) strip of tape between Pylon Five and Six as the Start/Finish line.

*Note: It is essential for accurate speed measurement that all pylons be absolutely vertical in order to prevent course length differences with altitude.*

- b) R/C gliders must be free of the launching cable (specified in 2.2.7.) prior to crossing the Start/Finish line.
- c) Models which land prior to completion of all four legs of the course, or intrude into the forbidden airspace (except after timing is completed) are disqualified and the flight voided. There is no altitude restriction or prohibition against circling in thermals outside the course.



### Diagram of the Course Layout



#### 2.6.2. Timing

- The timing of speed records must be effected by timing instruments approved by the National Airsports Control.
- Timing begins when the model aircraft or airship crosses the Start/Finish line and ends when the model completes the course and again crosses the Start/Finish line still airborne within 30 minutes from launch.
- Timekeeping must be effected by two timekeepers equipped with timepieces timing to at least 1/100 of a second. The difference between the times registered by the two timekeepers must not exceed 12/100 of a second.
- Four judges will be situated immediately under each pylon and will raise a red flag when the model aircraft or airship infringes the space bounded by the poles.
- The pilot, his helper, timekeepers and the timing equipment must be located and remain during the record attempts inside the course at Pylon Five. Each pylon judge, also inside the course, will signal with a light when the nose of the model aircraft has passed the sighting device.
- Each pilot may have one (1) helper who may launch or release the model aircraft or aerostat for take-off and keep the pilot informed of the position of his model during the record attempt.

#### 2.6.3. RC Pylon Race Time Record (10 laps):

Time records in pylon racing can be set over a ten lap course provided the record performance is achieved during a race under normal contest conditions in a World or Continental Championship. The record figure will be the time recorded for completing the appropriate course.

### 2.7. SPECIAL RULES FOR SPEED RECORDS IN CIRCULAR FLIGHT

#### 2.7.1. The speed will be timed over a minimum distance of one kilometre.

Minimum flight circles must be:

- Sub-class 130: Swept volume of motor 0 to 1,0 cm<sup>3</sup> inclusive. .... R = 13,27 m (12 laps = 1 km)
- Sub-class 131: Swept volume of motor 1,01 to 2,5 cm<sup>3</sup> inclusive..... R = 15,92 m (10 laps = 1 km)
- Sub-class 132: Swept volume of motor 2,51 to 5 cm<sup>3</sup> inclusive..... R = 15,92 m (10 laps = 1 km)
- Sub-class 133: Swept volume of motor 5,01 to 10 cm<sup>3</sup> inclusive..... R = 19,90 m ( 8 laps = 1 km)
- Sub-class 134: Swept volume of motor 1,01 to 2,5 cm<sup>3</sup> inclusive..... R = 17,69 m ( 9 laps = 1 km)
- Sub-class 135: Jet reaction motors. .... R = 19,90 m (8 laps = 1 km)

*Note: Longer lines may be used providing that the distance of one kilometre is made up by a whole number of laps except for competition class 134.*

### **2.7.2. Control Line(s)**

For record attempts there shall be no limit to the diameter of the control line(s) or restrictions on the construction of the control line(s). This does not apply to competition classes F2 (sub-class 134) or F2C (sub-class 136 and 137).

### **2.7.3. Fuel**

There shall be no restriction to the composition of the fuel except in competition class 134.

### **2.7.4. Timekeeping**

- a) The timing must be carried out by two timekeepers using stop watches or an electronic timing apparatus registering to at least 1/100th of a second.
- b) The difference between the two recorded times must not exceed 12/100th of a second.
- c) The timing commences officially when the competitor has placed his handle in the pylon fork and the model, having made 2 complete circuits again passes the height marker on the edge of the circuit directly opposite the timekeepers.
- d) The handle and pylon must conform to the specifications for control line speed contests except that in the case of single line control the competitor may use any handle with a single flexible point of attachment on the control handle and a horizontal bar (handle pivot) as for two line handles, with a 6 mm maximum distance between the flexible point of attachment and the point of contact on the horizontal bar on the pylon fork.
- e) Also for single line control systems, no rigid reinforcement of the line in front of the handle shall be permitted and any torsional, geared or other control mechanism must be positioned behind the pylon fork.
- f) During the whole of the timed portion of the flight, the horizontal bar must rest in the pivoted fork.
- g) All physical effort for the purpose of increasing the speed of the model during a record attempt is forbidden and will entail immediate cancellation.

### **2.7.5. Height of Flight**

The normal flying height must be between 1 and 3 metres.

### **2.7.6. Accuracy of Measurement**

- a) The speed recorded will be in kilometres per hour rounded to the nearest lower 1/10th of a kilometre.
- b) Team Race, (Race Time) records over 100 laps (sub-class 136) and 200 Laps (sub-class 137) (10 and 20 km):

Race time records in team race can be set over a 10 km (100 laps) course (normal race or semi-final) or a 20 km (200 laps) course (final) provided the record performance is achieved during a race under normal contest conditions in a World Championship or Continental Championship. The record figure will be the time recorded for completing the appropriate course.

## **2.8. SPECIAL RULES FOR ALTITUDE RECORDS**

### **2.8.1. Verification of Measurements**

- a) In order to establish the height above the starting point it is required:
  - i) either to use small barographs made especially for model aircraft or aerostats and carried on board; the barographs having previously been approved by the National Airports Control.
  - ii) or by means of an electronic device carried on board the model aircraft or aerostat and designed to register altitude and record the readings either in graph or digital format. Any such electronic device must be calibrated prior to the attempt and the calibration certificate included in the record claim dossier.
  - iii) The measuring device must be zeroed at the point of launch. If the device does not have such a facility, then the start (launch) point altitude must be established and recorded. A statement clearly indicating the altitude of the start (launch) point, and the altitude attained, is required. This must be signed by the pilot and substantiated by the official observer(s) and must be included in the dossier.
  - iv) Or, to ensure control by qualified observers using theodolites or telemeters, provided these instruments have been previously approved by the National Airports Control.
  - v) Or, by means of a barograph carried in an aircraft which follows the model but never exceeds the maximum altitude of the model. An official observer must be present in the aircraft during the flight,

and the barograph record must be counter signed by the official observer and the pilot of the aircraft.

- b) If theodolites or telemeters are used, the National Airsports Control:
- i) Must give a description of the instruments and the methods employed in using them, a signed statement certifying the degree of accuracy reached and a check report on the instruments and the method used.
  - ii) In the case of a barograph, the calibration must be performed against an absolute pressure gauge and the International Civil Aeronautics Organisation Pressure vs. Altitude Tables may then be used to compute altitude.

## **2.8.2. Point of Landing**

For radio controlled models, excluding hot air balloons, the landing must occur within a radius of 500 metres of the point of departure as described in 2.3.2. In the case of simultaneous attempts for distance and altitude, the landing must be made as described in 2.4.4.

## **2.9. SPECIAL RULES FOR DISTANCE IN CLOSED CIRCUIT RECORDS**

**2.9.1.** For radio controlled models, the length of the circuit must be over a straight base of 500 m for piston/electro type motor models, and over a base of 100 m for gliders.

**2.9.2.** Fractions of a circuit will not be included in the record claimed.

## **2.10. SPECIAL RULES FOR AEROSTATS**

### **2.10.1 General**

#### **2.10.1.1 Surface area**

The volume of the envelope must be recorded.

#### **2.10.1.2 Point of landing**

For hot air balloons, the point of landing is not required to be defined before the flight.

#### **2.10.1.3 Assistant pilot**

Assistant pilots are not permitted for aerostat records.

#### **2.10.1.4 Flying site**

For outside attempts with aerostats, the flying site is open land.

### **2.10.2 Hot Air Balloons Duration Records**

#### **2.10.2.1 Recording the time**

The flight time starts when the lower part of the balloon leaves the ground. At take-off, rebounds are not allowed.

#### **2.10.2.2 End of flight**

The flight time ends when any part of the balloon touches the ground or any obstacle.

#### **2.10.2.3 Timekeeping**

Refer to rule 2.3.3.

### **2.10.3 Aerostats Distance Records in a Straight Line**

#### **2.10.3.1 Point of departure**

The point of departure is the point at which the model leaves the ground. At take-off, rebounds are not allowed.

#### **2.10.3.2 Point of landing**

For hot air balloons, the point of landing is not required to be defined before the flight.

### **2.10.4 Airships Speed Records in a Straight Line**

#### **2.10.4.1 Base**

For airships, the base must be 200 m for outside records and 50 m for indoor records and must be run in both directions without any intermediate landing.

### **2.10.5 Airships Speed Records in a Closed Circuit**

#### **2.10.5.1 Base**

For Airships, the base for outside records is a rectangle of 100 x 50 m. For indoor records, the base is a rectangle of 50 x 25 m. The corners are defined by vertical pylons. The flight area must be flat or with a maximum fall not to exceed 1 metre in 200m. The course consists of a rectangle, defined by four prominently coloured pylons set on each corner. Each pylon shall be consecutively numbered one

through four. The base line is the side Pylon One to Pylon Two (longest side of the rectangle). At the middle of the side One-Two, set Pylon Five (or a wire sighting device). At an angle of 90 degrees to the Base Line set Pylon Six 20 m (outdoor) or 5 m (Indoor) distant from the Base Line. The line between Pylon Five and Pylon Six is the start/Finish line. The base is to be run five times.

For Outdoor records, the rectangle is 100 x 40 m. For Indoor records, the rectangle is 25 x 10 m.

## **2.10.6 Airships distance in Closed Circuit Records**

### 2.10.6.1 Base

Refer to rule 2.10.5.1

## **2.10.7 Hot Air Balloons Stationary Flight Duration**

### 2.10.7.1 Flight Level

The hot air balloon must have a stabilised flight between the ground and a limited altitude. The maximum height of the flight is defined by using a rope fixed to the bottom of the basket. The length of the rope below the basket is 25 cm for indoor records and 1 m for outdoor records. The free end of the rope must have a small weight attached to maintain contact with the ground for as long as possible.

### 2.10.7.2 Flight Time

The flight time starts when the balloon leaves the ground.

The flight time ceases when:

- i) the basket makes contact with the ground;
- ii) or the rope loses contact with the ground;
- iii) or any part of the balloon makes contact with any obstacle (building, wall, tree, line).

### 2.10.7.3 Timekeeping

Refer to rule 2.3.3.

## **2.11 DOSSIER OF A RECORD ATTEMPT**

It is the purpose of homologation procedures and requirements to ascertain as well as possible, that a given model aircraft indeed attains the flight performance claimed and that the flight was made within the requirements and standards of this Sporting Code. The many factors involved in the flight require that adequate data be submitted to confirm a record attempt. In unusual circumstances, FAI may request additional substantiating data to insure that these purposes have been achieved.

### **2.11.1.** A dossier must be submitted to the FAI within 120 days of the Record Attempt. It shall include:

- a) A completed official form as shown on Application for Record Confirmation form (available from the CIAM website. Refer to Documents, then Forms).
- b) A three view drawing of the model aircraft showing all basic dimensions and stating the scale of the drawing. Certification countersignature of the National Airsports Control official is required.
- c) A photograph of the model aircraft. Certification countersignature by a National Airsports Control official is required.
- d) A statement of supporting data as listed in 2.12 below.
- e) A properly filled form "Checklist record dossier - Model aircraft" (also available from the CIAM website).

### **2.11.2.** Photocopies of record dossiers are available, upon written request of a National Airsports Control, at a fee of 40 Euro for dossiers up to 10 pages and 5 Euro for each additional page.

## **2.12. SUPPORTING DATA**

- a) Whenever numerical limits are established for special categories, such as 2.3.2. for point of landing, duration of motor run, or as 2.4.3. for take-off run a measurement of these specific quantities should be stated in the supporting data section.
- b) If barographs, special electronic devices, timing equipment, etc., are employed, a description adequate to ascertain the accuracy and validity of the devices must be included.
- c) A statement must be made that all requirements for the specific categories were met.
- d) Latitude and longitude of take-off and landing points, as well as mathematical calculations must be shown for records involving great circle distances.
- e) A listing of all officials and participating observers shall be included. The supporting data sheet shall be signed by the directing official.
- f) For historical purposes, a brief description of the flight is desired. Pertinent factors, such as weather, special equipment in the models or on the ground, or any unusual circumstances occurring during the

flight will be of value. This section is not officially required but officials are encouraged to submit it on a separate sheet of paper for future reference.

- g) For Duration and Distance in Closed Circuit records for powered model aircraft (any power source), a statement must be made which shows beyond reasonable doubt that the requirements of paragraph 2.2.13 Flying Site, have been met. Documentation such as photographs, maps, and weather observations may be part of such statement.
- h) TIME-KEEPING 2.3.3 (Duration) 2.5.2. and 2.6.2 (Speed) plus Aerostats (2.10).
  - i) Describe in brief, the method of timekeeping employed.
  - ii) No. of watches
  - iii) Position of timekeepers
  - iv) Electronic equipment used
- i) BASE 2.4.1. (Distance) 2.5.1 & 2.9.1, (Speed Closed Circuit) 2.6.1. plus Aerostats (2.10).
  - i) Describe in brief, the method of establishing the base measurement.
  - ii) Measuring equipment
  - iii) Method of marking base limits
  - iv) Number of observers at base limits
  - v) Method of signalling, base to pilot
  - vi) Supply a sketch of the course, defining base, turning points, marker poles, altitudes of base limits and position of officials relative to course.

ALL REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLES 2.4.2, 2.8.1, 2.12 MUST BE OBSERVED AND RECORDED IN THE DOSSIER.

**ANNEX C.2**  
**CLASSIFICATION OF RECORDS**  
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SUB CLASS		CATEGORY (Type of model aircraft)	GROUP (Method of propulsion)	TYPE			
				Duration	Distance in a straight line	Gain in altitude	Speed
<b>F1</b> <b>FREE FLIGHT</b>	Open	Glider	n/a	101	102	103	n/a
		Aeroplane	Extensible Motor	104	105	106	107
			Piston Motor	108	109	110	111
	Open	Indoor Aeroplane	Extensible Motor	<b>DURATION</b>			
				<b>Ceiling Cat I &lt;8M (a)</b>	<b>Ceiling Cat II 8-&lt;15M (b)</b>	<b>Ceiling Cat III 15-&lt;30M (c)</b>	<b>Ceiling Cat IV &gt;30M (d)</b>
				115 (a)	115 (b)	115 (c)	115 (d)
				125 (a)	125 (b)	125 (c)	125 (d)
				116 (a)	116 (b)	116 (c)	116 (d)
				117 (a)	117 (b)	117 (c)	117 (d)
				118 (a)	118 (b)	118 (c)	118 (d)
	F1N	Indoor Glider	n/a	118 (a)	118 (b)	118 (c)	118 (d)
	Open	Indoor Aeroplane	Extensible Motor	<b>DURATION IN COMPETITION</b>			
				One Flight		Two Flights	
				119		120	
F1D			122		123		
F1L			122		123		
<b>F2</b> <b>CONTROL LINE CIRCULAR FLIGHT</b>	Open	Aeroplane	Piston Motor	<b>SPEED</b>			
				<b>SWEPT VOLUME cm<sup>3</sup></b>			
				0,00 to 1,00	1,01 to 2,50	2,51 to 5,00	5,01 to 10,00
				130	131	132	133
	F2A				Speed in Competition		
					134*		
	Open				Reaction Motor	135	
			<b>TEAM RACE (Race Time)</b>				
F2C		Piston Motor	100 laps - 136*		200 laps - 137*		

\* Only in World Championships & Continental Championships  
Reference paragraph 2.1.4.

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SUB CLASS		CATEGORY (Type of model aircraft)	GROUP (Method of propulsion)	TYPE						
				Duration	Distance in a straight line	Gain in altitude	Distance goal and return	Speed	Distance in a closed circuit	Speed in a closed circuit
<b>F3</b> <b>RADIO CONTROL FLIGHT</b>	Open	Aeroplane	Piston Motor	141	142	143	144	145	146	147
		Seaplane		148	149	150	151	152	153	154
		Glider	n/a	155	156	157	158	159	160	161
		Helicopter	Piston Motor	162	163	164	165	166	167	168
	F3D	Aeroplane		In Competition – 10 laps						
<b>F5</b> <b>RADIO CONTROL FLIGHT</b>	Open	Aeroplane	Electric Motor S	171	172	173	174	175	176	177
			Electric Motor SOL	185	186	187	188	189	190	191
			Electric Motor COMB	192	193	194	195	196	197	198
		Helicopter	Electric Motor	199	200	201	202	203	204	205
	F5D	Aeroplane		In Competition – 10 laps						
* Only in World Championships & Continental Championships. Reference paragraph 2.1.4.										
<b>F7</b> <b>RADIO CONTROL FLIGHT</b>	Open	Airships		<b>Outdoor</b>						
				206	207	208	209	210	211	
				Piston Motor	<b>Indoor</b>					
			212		213	214				
				<b>Outdoor</b>						
				215	216	217	218	219	220	
		Electric Motor		<b>Indoor</b>						
			221	222	223					
		Hot Air Balloons	n/a	<b>Outdoor</b>						
				Duration	224	Distance in a straight line			225	
Gain in altitude	226			Stationary Flight Duration			227			
<b>Indoor</b>										
Duration	228			Stationary Flight Duration			229			

\* Only in World Championships & Continental Championships  
Reference paragraph 2.1.