

Decision of the International Jury No. 2

Protest from the Italian team received by the Championship Director 6 Aug 2008 10:30

The original complaint and the protest were both received within the correct deadlines and the correct protest fee was included with the protest.

The jury took evidence from the Championship Director and the Italian team leader.

The essence of the protest was that in task 1, two Italian pilots, competition numbers 50 and 54 landed in less than the 60 second minimum time, but because they claimed to have both endured some sort of 'aerological event' which had caused them to descend much faster than intended, and that a similar penalty for another pilot had been lifted for the same reason, then they should also have the penalty removed, but the Championship Director refused.

The task briefing sheet follows the standard rules from the task catalogue for this task and states: *Contestants will be awarded a zero score for: Flying less than 60 Sec.*

The jury could find no evidence in either S10, the local regulations, the task briefing sheet or the team leaders briefing that a penalty for landing before the 60 second deadline could or would be lifted in any circumstances.

In "Decision of the International Jury No 1", which is closely related to this protest, the International Jury instructed the Championship Director to re-apply all penalties for *Flying less than 60 Sec.* and re-publish the results for task 1 in a final Scoring.

Decision of the Jury

The International Jury can find no reason why the penalties imposed by the Championship Director on the two Italian pilots, competition numbers 50 and 54 should be changed.

The international Jury does NOT support the Italian protest , however it returns the protest fee.

International Jury President.....

Jury Member

Jury member

Date and time