

Report

Name of the Event: 8th FAI World Paramotor Championship 2014

Location: Matkopuszta Hungary Airport

Date: 9-16 August 2014

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Function: Steward

As for the start, thank you very much for the opportunity to act as a steward in place of absent of Marta Denis. I arrived at the event on 10th of August. Throughout the period of the competition I was in contact with all the competitors and the team Leaders therefore as requested I'm writing this report (including comments I received from them).

The Championships involved:

- 103 crews (124 participants) from 16 countries
- In class PF1 raced 63 competitors including 4 women.
- In the class PL1 exactly 19 competitors took part in the event including one woman.
- In the class PF2 competed six teams from three countries (with the CIMA approval the class was classified in the competition)
- In class PL2 started 15 crews.

Accommodation:

The accommodation conditions at the airport may be considered appropriate. Only you have reservations for the proper deployment teams. The organizer does not take into account the size of crews setting for each country the same amount of space.

Was sufficient sanitary facilities were seldom problems with hot water in the camping part. For the future, when the number of competitors should provide more showers and a separate place with hot water where you can wash the dishes.

Internet access was good with occasional problems. For the future, with so many competitors should prepare the Internet with greater efficiency.

Conduct of the event:

During the competition 9 tasks were conducted (including one canceled).

Objections about the competition held

- All competitions navigation should be carried out in quarantine. Only in this way the pilot alone prepares the route navigation.
- There were no separation between competitors which resulted in a group of pilots flying various teams
- The technical event's organizer did not have electronic timing. As a result of an error in the manual measurement time Japanese slalom competition had to be canceled.
- Weather conditions and time allowed it to carry more of the competition, unfortunately, the director this time it was not used during the competition
- Organizer has not published the results of each competition to date. Only after many requests have been placed on the internet individual tracks. Published tracks did not have the amount of time and height which made it unavailable to validate task completion. They also don't published in separate collections of waypoints.

In Task 8 finish point was improperly appointed (no URL field). After the competition director attempted to change the rules of the competition setting a different finish point. Such actions have no basis in the rules as well as the purity and spirit of conducted competition. There are no clear rules as well as changing the rules after the fought on competition resulted in an unprecedented amount of complaints (total number of 197).

This situation led to the failure to prepare final results on time and closing ceremony was delayed by 14 over hours. Closing ceremony took place late at night without proper approach for such event rank. Most competitors did not stay until the end and left before medals giving.

Despite these problems, the organizers managed to complete successfully the competition. In the future to avoid such situations it would be desirable if well-organized organizer of the sporting event.

At this point, he wants to thank that I could take part as a steward in this championship event is really taught me a lot and I hope I will have the opportunity in the future to use the experience gained on it.

Best regards,
Natalia Paska