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Slalom format

Introduction

Since the final version of slalom rules is still not available, this draft text is meant as an addition to the FAI 1-st category Paramotor Slalom Championships Local Regulations, starting from 2016

New text

All FAI 1-st category Paramotor pylon competition flights should be carried out on the water, effectively from the season 2016

- Competitors must carry rescue knifes and personal automatic rescue floatation devices like Agama or similar.
- Organisers must provide rescue service and reliable rafts to hold pylons securely, with recommended water depth of 1 to 1.5 meters.

Reasons

As all paramotor pilots know that low flying is dangerous, especially in maneuvering and in max speeds. The most of danger appears not in competitions but in trainings as everybody is trying to train in similar conditions as in competitions.

Instead of attracting more pilots and countries to FAI competitions, such default life threatening situation would rather distract more pilots from this sport, not to mention overall damage to FAI and CIMA reputation.

PS: Mean time there are FAI member countries which are trying to avoid maneuvres at low level, some try to restrict low flying or restrict use of the speedbar at low level flying completely.

Results

New standard will create incentive to follow, to keep all pylon competitions and trainings on the water, which saves a lot of lives and prevents serious injuries.