

Local Regulations for the Dutch Open Flatland Competition 2005

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Getelo - Germany

May 21st and 22nd, 2005
(May 28th and 29th, 2005 in case of unsuitable weather)

ON BEHALF OF THE



The World Air Sports Federation
Fédération Aéronautique Internationale

General:

Generally all matters concerning paragliding championships are subject to the rules of the FAI/CIVL Sporting Code General Section and Section 7.

The purpose of the championship is to have good and satisfying flying, exchanging experiences and strengthening of friendship among pilots and nations, in order to determine: Paragliding champion (Overall, Dutch and Dutch female champion)

Competition site: Getelo - Germany.

Competition date: May 21st and 22nd, 2005

(in case of unsuitable weather May 28th and 29th, 2005)

Program:

May 21th (or 28th) - Arrival, Registration and the first day of flying.

May 22nd (or 29th) - Second day of flying, closing ceremony and awards.

Officials:

Meet Director - Unknown at this moment

Assistants to Meet Director - Unknown at this moment

Office Manager - Eddy Binnenveld

Launch Supervisor - Lucas ten Napel

Assistant launch supervisor - Unknown at this moment

Jury President, Jury Assistant, Steward, Take off Marshall, Finish line Marshall, Scorer and Meteorologist will be announced at first briefing.

Entry:

The Championships are open to all Member and Associated Member countries of FAI.

Entries must be made on the official Entry Form, which is available on the internet.

Entry deadline is 20.04.2005.

The entry fee will amount 45 Euro and must be paid before April 20th. The entry fee must be transferred to

KNVvL, Afd. Schermvliegen Rotterdam – The Netherlands

Postbank Account number: P896830 or for international payment:

IBAN: 'NL95 PSTB 0000 8968 30' and BIC: 'PSTBNL21'

With the description "Dutch Open 2005".

Payment in cash on the day of the contest is *not* possible.

Personal registration at the competition site is required:

On May 21th (or 28th) 09.00-10.00 before the start of the contest.

Office open: May 21th (or 28th) 09:00 – 10:00.

The entry fee for registered pilots covers: a competition t-shirt, an information map, GPS downloads of all coordinates of turn and goal points, retrieval transport from main roads and to the camping site (with showers, toilets, electricity). For tents a (modest) additional fee is required.

Waiver:

Every competitor will be requested to sign the waiver (agreement on release of liability) before entering the competition.

The following licenses are required for all contesting pilots:

Valid national license or IPPI card

Valid FAI sporting license

Medical insurance (including medical evacuation and repatriation)

Third party insurance

Rescue parachute and helmet

GPS with data cable to computer

(Make sure your GPS is supported by the Check'in software

<http://www.cquest.org/checkin>)

Radio:

FM 2m radio is required. Emergency, retrieval, etc. frequencies will be announced at first briefing.

Tasks:

Open distance, speed run (with turn-points) depending on weather conditions and wind direction.

Task period:

Times for launch window open, launch window close, finish line close, presentation of results close will be displayed in writing at first briefing of each flying day.

Goal:

A logical finish line located at goal. Pilot who does not cross the finish line correctly will receive no time points. In case a pilot crosses the finish line after last landing deadline he will score only the distance made at deadline time.

Starting procedure:

The contestant can launch as often as he or she wants during the launch window. Once on the field, a list will be held for all pilots who wish to launch. This launch list will be kept by the assistant launch supervisor. Pilots are entered in consequential order. Each contestant who wants to be put on the list must report with the assistant launch supervisor in person.

Contestants can only be registered on the list once in between flights.

If your name is on top of the list, you are required to start. If you don't start your name will be removed from the list and you will have to register again.

The launch supervisor will determine if weather conditions are suitable for a safe launch. If so, due pilots must launch as soon as possible. If a launch is interrupted for safety reasons, pilots are granted one more attempt. The launch supervisor can decide to allow more attempts.

Towing Procedure:

The launch supervisor coaches the pilots during launch and is authorised exclusively to communicate with the winchman.

The launch supervisor will determine upfront if extra pulls are allowed. Flying extra pulls without the launch supervisors consent will mean disqualification for that particular task. Competing pilots must have a release at their disposal. When flying extra pulls a safety release is compulsory.

Releasing during launch is only allowed on indication of the winchman. Releasing early will mean disqualification for that particular task. If you want to release early, you can ask the winchman's permission. This can be done by radio or by spreading your legs. It is not permitted to release when the line is still being pulled!

Additional safety rules:

Pilot's entering the competition must have gliders that are suitable for towing.

Competitors take full responsibility for competing.

Scoring:

The international GAP system will be used.

The individual score's will be determined by adding up the scores of all valid tasks.

Validation of tasks:

The task is valid when at least 20 (twenty)% of the pilots have covered nominal distance. Nominal as well as minimum distances will be announced at first briefing and are depending on weather conditions.

Complaints and protests:

Organizers shall publish provisional task results in the evening or the morning after the day the task was flown.

Competitors are advised to request correction of mistakes as soon as possible.

Complaints must be presented in writing by Team Leaders to the Meet Director pointing out reasons, violated rules and demands one hour after the announcement of preliminary results.

A protest in writing must be given by Team Leader to Meet Director in 1 hour after publishing of official results. The protest fee is 20 Euro. It will be returned if the protest is upheld.

Awards:

Awards are being given to the three best pilots in the following categories:

The best overall pilot,

The best Dutch pilot and

The best Dutch female pilot.