



Minutes

Scoring Working Group FAI CIA Commission

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12 March 2025

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1 ATTENDIES

David Bareford (GBR)– Co-Chair
Erwin Pellegrom (NED) – Co-Chair
Steve Ireland (AUS) - Member
Marc Andre (SUI) – Member
Mike Meinel (GER) – Member
Eric Decellieres (FRA)

2 APPOLOGIES

Lynn Sullivan (USA)

3 REVIEW

3.1 REVIEW 2024 SCORING WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Niclas is from SWE not FRA. No further comments.

3.2 REVIEW 2024 CIA PLENARY MINUTES AND SWG ACTIONS

No actions referred.

3.3 AX: RED PZ CALCULATION

Can we use the blue PZ calculation as a starting point? The current is a % of the PZ. if it's a large PZ, like a CTR, then the penalty is relatively light. We will ask the programmers of scoring software to program as an alternative calculation a new version: using Pythagoras for the 3D infringement meaning the vertical and horizontal infringement to the closest edge of the PZ (relatively doubling to blue PZ formula) with a maximum of 1000 pts.

3.4 CALCULATIONS OF PENALTIES FOR TIME INFRINGEMENTS

This was discussed in our pre-meeting. The decision was made to leave this as is: meaning out of time results in a NR.

3.5 GROUP B POINTS DISTRIBUTION

The points difference in group A for 1 meter can be much bigger than in group B which looks unfair with GPS results. Can we do something with the scoring software to make this fairer. Suggested is to maybe move the median but we need a formula to decide how far, which is a problem. For now we are closing this discussion, but welcome feedback.
Note: this discussion started in 2018 proving it's a difficult one.

4 REFFERALS

ITEMS REFERRED TO THE SWG FROM EVENT DIRECTOR'S AND JURY PRESIDENT'S REPORTS, FROM OTHER SCS OR WGS BEFORE OR DURING THE CIA MEETING OR DISCUSSIONS OF ITEMS ON THE CIA-SWG FORUM

4.1 COLLISIONS AT LOW SPEEDS

We will ask the safety commission to have a look at this.

4.2 ANY NEW REFFERALS

- FRF: There was a question for the need of more info in the FRF. It was felt that if information is needed then there should be a titled box asking for that information. A suggestion is to make some fields mandatory. FRF and to add
 - TO / Landing Time
 - TO / Landing information (Type of field, Landowner. Text field)
 - Estimates
- Some clarification and best practice remarks will be added to the COH
 - o If a marker is partly on the fabric of a cross or on tape scoring in or out will always be in favor of the pilot, this also needs to be clear on the TDS.
 - o It has nowadays become best practice to hand out all the markers during the GB. Used markers during a flight will be on the table at the next task briefing
 - o Make the TT aware that markers should not be removed before the last balloon has passed the target
 - o Recommend pilots to use a camera, on top of the balloon, for extra

safety/awareness

- Discussion about what a good vertical limit would be for limit 4 is forwarded to safety

5 COMPETITION OPERATIONS HANDBOOK (COH)

5.1 ADVICE ON COMPLAINTS

David Bareford wrote this advice and put this in the CIA forum. After some extra clarification the group agrees to put this in the COH.

5.2 RESPONSIBLE FLYING SCORE

If the rules get changed i.e. more clearly, then a update to the COH might be needed as well.

5.3 REFERENCE COH IN AXMER?

David Bareford checked the AXMER to get this updated with references to the COH. He will propose these to the Rules subcommittee:

Subject	AXMER ref	COH ref
Anti-doping	2.3	2.12
Complaints & protests	5.1	2.11
Penalty Guide	13	A
Points formula	14.5	2.10.6
Responsible flying score		P70

6 INPUT & REQUIREMENT FOR POTENTIAL NEW SCORING SOFTWARE

Not needed at the moment

7 ANY NEW BUSINESS

See 4.2. The points there were discussed in the pre-meeting. After that there was no new business.

8 2025 SWG CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS

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Mike Meini (GER)
Marc Andre (SUI)
James Smith (USA)

James Smith (USA) was added

9 MOTIONS

Approve the update to the COH and publish it as COH 2025.



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