

IAC Year 2007 Approved Rule Changes

For procedural reasons, the bulk of the 2007 rule change proposals were tabled by the Board of Directors and will be reconsidered in 2008. The following proposals to the IAC Official Contest Rules were approved by the Board and will become effective 1 January 2008.

No.	Submitter	Synopsis	Effectuated Rule	New Proposed Rule	Submitter's Rationale
07-9	K. Gilhousen	Eliminates the 2 nd <u>different</u> Known for Sportsman Gliders.	Table 5.1.2, et al.	Change applicable sections of Chapter 5 to eliminate the second, different Known II currently required of Sportsman Glider competitors. Instead, the Sportsman Gliders would be given the identical option of Power Sportsman to fly either the same Known twice, or to fly a Free program.	Having two Known sequences unduly handicaps the glider competitors relative to power competitors in the Collegiate point series and serves no other useful function.
07-10	K. Gilhousen	Allows safety pilots in all glider categories.	2.2	Change first sentence to read: The competitor will be the sole occupant of the aircraft during competition flights except in Primary through Intermediate (power and glider) and Unlimited Glider categories wherein "safety pilots" are authorized as passengers.	Fox gliders, the only two-seat Unlimited glider, can make it easier for more Unlimited competitors to be involved in the sport. Fox owners, individuals and schools (and their insurers), are understandably nervous about renting their aircraft for solo use. Allowing a safety pilot in Unlimited Gliders will ease this problem. It might even encourage Fox owners to bring their gliders to competitions that they would not otherwise come to.
07-11	V. Cruse	Adds judges' visibility issues due to the sun to the current "cloud" situation.	4.22.5	Revise the first sentence to read: If any judge determines that the pilot can no longer be judged because of clouds (either the airplane being flown into or behind clouds), or the position of the sun, the Chief Judge will immediately notify the pilot by radio and request that a break occur.	The original intent of 4.22.5 is to prevent the situation where all judges give an Average score because they could not see some or all of a figure due to clouds. Although less common, it is logical to add viewing difficulties resulting from the position of the sun to the current "cloud" criteria.

