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6th BRITISH NATIONAL CANOPY PILOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2012

Venue: Rhine Army Parachute Association (RAPA), Flugplatz, 33175 Bad Lippspringe, Germany.
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Events: CP Speed Event
CP Distance Event
CP Zone Accuracy Event

1. COMPETITION & PRACTICE DATES

- a. Canopy Piloting practice jumps may be undertaken from 0900hrs Saturday 23 June until 1800hrs on Thursday 28 June 2012.
- b. The Canopy Piloting competition will run through 0700hrs Friday 29 June to 1500hrs Sunday 1 July 2012.

2. OTHER DATES & TIMINGS

- a. Entry Forms are to arrive at RAPA no later than 1800hrs Thursday 28 June 2012. (Early pre-booking by fax or e-mail is requested).
- b. Entry Fees are to be paid no later than 1800hrs Thursday 28 June 2012.
- c. Competitors who 'pre-book' are requested to 'Book in' and pay entry fees with the competition registration staff by 1800hrs Thursday 28 June 2012.
- d. The Competition Draw will take place on the evening of Thursday 28 June 2012. (Time 1900hrs TBC) Competitors will be informed of the result of the draw at this time.
- e. A Competitors' Briefing will be held on the evening of Thursday 28 June 2012 immediately after the competition draw.
- f. The competition prize giving ceremony is planned for 1500hrs on Sunday 1 July 2012, however competitors are to note that this may be brought forward should the competition close early or it may move back if required.

3. PRACTICE JUMPS

- a. Practice jumping will be available up to the close of registration at 1800hrs on Thursday 28 June 2012.
- b. Competitors are to note that training jumps are to be paid for separate to competition fees and jumps. Tickets for training jumps are purchased at manifest.

4. ENTRY FORMS AND FEES

- a. Completed Entry Forms accompanied by the CP Entry Fee must reach RAPA by 1800hrs Thursday 28 June 2012 unless pre-booking and payment must be made on arrival. (Nationals Entry Form can be found at Annex A). Additional copies of the Nationals Entry Form and Indemnity Form can also be found on BPA Form 274.

- b. Team Leaders are responsible for the payment of entry fees for their entire team.
- c. General entry fees are not refundable under any circumstances.
- d. Entries will only be accepted until 1800hrs Thursday 28 June 2012. No entries will be accepted after that date/time.
- e. In the event of any competitor being unable through personal commitments, or injury, to complete any part of the competition, no outstanding jump fees will be refunded.
- f. Full refunds will be available for jumps not made due to incomplete events at the discretion of the Meet Director.

5. **BOOKING IN**

- a. All competitors must book in by 1800hrs on Thursday 28 June 2012.
- b. All outstanding competition jump fees must be paid for when booking in (see note below)
- c. CP ENTRY FEE €105 per person (see note below)
- d. ZONE ACCURACY - FEES €17 Per Jump (3 rounds) = €51 per jumper
- (see note below)
- e. SPEED EVENT – FEES €17 Per Jump (3 rounds) = €51 per jumper
- (see note below)
- f. DISTANCE EVENT – FEES €17 Per Jump (3 rounds) = €51 per jumper
- (see note below)
- g. PROTEST FEE €20
- h. RE-JUMPS All re-jumps are to be paid for at rate above

Note:-

- 1. The above tariff includes a BPA levy towards the British Team Fund of £5.00 per entry fee and £1.00 per person per jump.
- 2. Current rate of exchange €1.21 = £1.00 (as at 12 May 12).
- 3. Credit cards are not accepted at RAPA. Cash & cheques only.

6. **DOCUMENTATION**

All competitors will be required to produce the following documentation when booking in:

- a. British Championship Senior Category Competitors – Full valid BPA membership.

Open Class Competitors - a valid BPA Membership (Full or Temporary). Except in the case of other European Union (EU) parachutists, who are current members of their own country's parachuting governing organisations, are FAI certificated, have a minimum of 1000 descents and hold current third party liability insurance cover of a minimum of €1.300,000.
 - b. A valid FAI Sporting Licence complete with Current Stamp.
(2012 FAI Stamps can be purchased from the BPA office)
 - c. A current BPA Medical Certificate/Declaration.
 - d. The competitor's current and up to date Parachutists Log Book.
 - e. All BPA Members must be CP2 qualified. Non BPA members must be able to demonstrate logbook evidence of a minimum of 1,000 descents and suitable experience of high performance canopy landings.
- N.B. BPA members must arrive at the venue holding ie. in possession of CP Grade 2, as training and testing for gaining CP Grade 2 will not be allowed during the practice days.

7. ELIGIBILITY

- a) To participate in the British National Parachute Championships, the BPA has decided to comply with the FAI rule which states:-

"The competitor can either hold a British Passport or meet the criteria laid down in the FAI rule 8.1.3.1.2 which covers residency and personal occupation."

<http://www.fai.org/component/phocadownload/category/?download=5347:sporting-code-general-section-2012-edition>

- b) There is to be no restriction to the nationality of the competitors in the Open category.

8. FUNDING AND SELECTION CRITERIA

2012 is not a funding year for World Championship participation support. However, British National champions, medalists and competitors, in both or either categories, may be considered on a more favourable basis for consideration of any targeted funding (if any) made available from time to time by the Competitions or other BPA Committees in line with their ongoing and future Action Plans.

Invitations from the BPA to teams for places for World Cup events will be prioritised based on Championship results.

9. EVENT ELIGIBILITY

See Appendix 1.

10. EQUIPMENT

Each individual is responsible for supplying their own equipment. This must consist of:

- a. A serviceable main and reserve parachute, container and harness.
- b. An equipment inspection record and reserve packing card.
- c. Suitable clothing and footwear of a protective nature.

N.B. All equipment and documents (including those of other EU / non BPA parachutists) must comply with the requirements of the BPA Operations Manual.

11. COMPETITION AIRCRAFT

At the time of writing the competition aircraft for the CP event will be:

Cessna Caravan.

12. COMPETITION OFFICIALS

Competition Officials will be notified during the Competition Briefing.

13. TROPHIES

CP competitors are to note that the main BPA trophies are not allowed to be taken away from the prize-giving site. They will be available for photographs after the prize-giving ceremony. The names of winners will be engraved on these trophies post competition and returned to the BPA Office.

14. CATERING FACILITIES

Uncle Toms Cabin will be open for the sale of refreshments (snacks, sandwiches, a variety of hot and cold food, drinks etc) from 0800-1700 daily, and the bar is available from 1900 hrs.

15. **DRUG TESTING**

The BPA fully supports Drug-Free Sport and is committed to preventing drug misuse in sport parachuting. Drug misuse is cheating and it may prejudice your safety and the safety of others. There is no place for the misuse of drugs in our sport. The BPA's Anti-Doping Policy and Rules are set out in **BPA Form 220** which is downloadable from the BPA website and available on request from the BPA Office.

ANY COMPETITOR may be required to take a random drugs test. Refusal to provide a urine sample for analysis will result in disqualification. Many medications that you may need to take for common medical conditions, such as asthma or hay fever, may contain Prohibited Substances. It is vital that you do not accidentally take a prohibited substance; the consequences are the same as if you were doping. Getting it from a doctor on prescription is no defence!

For further information, please see the anti-doping page of the BPA website <http://www.bpa.org.uk/competition/drug-free-sport> which has links to the FAI and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) websites, where you can find up-to-date information about the prohibited list of substances and therapeutic use exemptions (see below).

Each competitor is **STRICTLY LIABLE**- this means that it is your own personal responsibility as a competitor to ensure you comply fully with this policy. A positive test result means disqualification for the whole team, a loss of any funding, and a ban for the individual. BPA Form 220 sets out the procedure to be followed in the event of a positive test. The test is concerned with whether a prohibited substance is present in the body, not how or why it got there.

The Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) application process gives competitors a means of attaining approval to use a prescribed Prohibited Substance or Method for the treatment of a legitimate medical condition. This process is in place to protect the rights of competitors to compete on a level playing field.

Any competitor with a TUE must attach a copy to the competition entry form, and must also file a copy with the BPA Office before he or she competes. TUE forms may be downloaded from the anti-doping section of the FAI website:

<http://www.fai.org/component/phocadownload/category/511-anti-doping?download=5381:fai-therapeutic-use-exemption-tue-form>

16. **PRIZE GIVING**

Prize giving will begin as soon as possible after the event has been completed and once any dignitaries who will be involved in the presentation are available.

In the Open event, only a gold medal may be awarded. The Open gold medal will, however, be awarded only if the winner is ineligible for the British Nationals AND has won the event in its entirety.

17. **LICENCE TO USE IMAGES**

In entering this competition, competitors agree to grant the BPA Ltd a royalty-free non-exclusive licence to use any video or other images submitted to the competition for training and judging purposes.

2012 RULES AND TECHNICAL CONDITIONS FOR CANOPY PILOTING EVENTS

1. **BPA Authority**

The competition will be conducted under the authority granted by the FAI, according to the regulations of the Sporting Code of the FAI, General Section, and Section 5 as approved by the IPC and validated by the FAI, and these rules. All participants accept these rules and the FAI regulations as binding by registering in the competition.

2. **Definitions of Words and Phrases used in these Rules**

- 2.1 Course:** The designated path that competitors must navigate as indicated by a series of course markers or course outline.
- 2.2 Gate:** Consists of two markers or electronic sensors separated laterally by a variable distance designated as G1, G2, etc.. Gates are used to define the flight path of the course.
- Entry Gate (G1): The first gate set at the beginning of the course.
- Exit Gate (G4, G5): The last gate set at the end of the course.
- Water Gates: The series of gates positioned on the water portion of the course.
- 2.3 Course markers:** Objects to mark and indicate the boundaries of the course. The construction of all markers must be acceptable to the Chief Judge, the Course Technical Director and the Meet Director.
- 2.4 Body:** All or any part of the human anatomical structure, including normal prosthetic appendages, that make up a competitor's physical being.
- 2.5 Vertical Extension:** When a competitor passes between but above the course markers of a gate, so that no part of the body breaks the imaginary plane between the two markers that make up that gate.
- 2.6 Marker Strike Penalty:** Assessed in the Speed Event when any part of the competitor's body or equipment contacts a course marker and causes the marker to become non-functional or to need repair of any description.
- 2.7 Zones:** In the Accuracy Event, zones are landing areas that have assigned point values.
- 2.8 Maximum Penalty:** The minimum score for a round:
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| Distance: | 0 points |
| Accuracy: | 0 points |
| Speed: | 0 points |
- 2.9 Closing the course:** For any reason, such as excessive wind speeds or an accident, the course will be closed with a floatable, orange smoke canister placed at the beginning of the course or other location mentioned during the pre-event competitors' briefing. In this case, the next competitor is not allowed to navigate the course. The competitor should stay outside the course, but if an alternative landing area is not available, the competitor may make a non-aggressive landing on the course. If the competitor does not follow this procedure, the competitor will receive the minimum score for that round.
- 2.10 Course Technical Director:** A person proficient in course planning, appointed by the Organiser and accepted by the IPC Canopy Piloting Committee for that position. The Course Technical Director is responsible for planning, setup and maintenance of the courses before and during the competition.
- 2.11 Safety zones:** The zones outside the course as specified in Addendum A.
- 2.12 Stand-up landing:** A landing performed where no part of the body other than the feet come in contact with the surface.

- 2.13 Surface Contact:** The point at which any part of the competitor's body or equipment (except the pilot-chute, where separately stated) comes in contact with any part of the earth's surface, including grass, ground, trees and water.
- 2.14 Kited (Kiting):** A situation in the Speed Event in which the competitor keeps the canopy (excluding the pilot chute) flying without it coming in contact with any part of the earth's surface.
- 2.15 Dragging Water:** Maintaining uninterrupted contact with the surface of the water.

3. THE EVENTS

3.1 Event Descriptions

Speed: The competitor navigates his parachute through a course as fast as possible.

Distance: The competitor navigates his parachute through a course for the longest distance possible.

Accuracy: The competitor navigates his parachute through a course collecting points for contacting the surface of the water and for a precision landing.

3.2 Objective of the Events

- 3.2.1 Objective of Speed Event:** To navigate a parachute through the entry gate and continue flying the parachute through the course and through the exit gate in as fast a time as possible.
- 3.2.2 Objective of Distance Event:** To navigate a parachute through the entry gate while dragging water, remaining below the height of designated course markers, and continuing to fly for as far a distance as possible before touching any part of the earth's surface.
- 3.2.3 Objective of the Accuracy Event:** To navigate a parachute through the entry gate contacting the water surface through as many of the water gates as possible before flying to a precision landing in the landing zones.

3.3 Determination of the winners.

- 3.3.1 Speed Event:** The winner is the competitor with the highest cumulative points for all of the completed Speed Event rounds.
- 3.3.2 Distance Event:** The winner is the competitor with the highest cumulative points for all of the completed Distance Event rounds.
- 3.3.3 Accuracy Event:** The winner is the competitor with the highest cumulative points for all of the completed Accuracy event rounds.
- 3.3.4 Combined Champion** see paragraph 9.2.

4. GENERAL RULES

4.1 Equipment

- 4.1.1** A hard-shell protective head covering must be worn by all competitors. Full-face helmets must have the visor removed.
- 4.1.2** All competitors must wear footwear that covers the whole foot.
- 4.1.3** Failure to wear protective head covering and footwear as per 4.1.1. and 4.1.2. while navigating a competition course will result in the minimum score for that round.
- 4.1.4** Protective body equipment may be worn and is strongly recommended. This must be of the type that will not hinder the competitor's parachute equipment or compromise safety.

- 4.1.5 The competitor's normal dressed weight, including parachute equipment, but not including additional weights, is used as a basis to define the maximum amount of additional weight. Random checks of maximum weight allowed will be performed either before or after a jump and recorded by a person designated by the FAI Controller and any competitor in excess of their allowed maximum weight will receive minimum score for that round. The maximum amount of additional weight, in accordance with addendum E, is calculated in relation to the competitors dressed weight and parachuting equipment. A competitor will be allowed a variation of one additional kilogram of weight above the maximum amount shown in Addendum E. The organiser must provide the scale used for weight checks. The scale must be available before and during official practice days and during competition days so that competitors have the opportunity to check additional weight loads.

Additional weight must have quick releases, must not come loose by itself and must be acceptable to the FAI Controller.

4.2 Safety violations

- 4.2.1 The first safety violation by a competitor will result in a yellow card warning from the Chief Judge to that competitor. Yellow cards will be issued for unsafe actions such as (but not limited to): low turns or low approaches into the course, crowding or cutting off of lower competitors or erratic canopy control.
- 4.2.2 A second safety violation, resulting in a second yellow card, is the equivalent of the issuance of a red card. (see 4.2.3 below)
- 4.2.3 The issuance of a red card by the Chief Judge will result in the disqualification of the competitor from the competition, including the deletion of any competition results during this competition, and in the elimination of the competitor from further jumping in the competition.

A red card may be issued by the Chief Judge without a prior yellow card warning for any action that presents immediate danger to the competitor or others on the ground. Examples of this include low approaches over the crowd or flying the canopy in an uncontrolled manner into any person outside the course.

- 4.2.4 Notwithstanding and in addition to the above, a competitor may be disqualified from any event, at any time, by the mutual agreement of the FAI Controller and the Chief Judge, if it is determined by them that the competitor is performing in an unsafe manner. Safety violations observed during official practice jumps may also result in the issuance of yellow or red cards.

4.3 Jump Order

- 4.3.1 With the agreement of the Meet Director and Chief Judge, one event may be completed prior to the beginning of another. No event holds priority.
- 4.3.2 Each competition day the order of exit passes will be rotated by 20%, rounded down. If convenient, by decision of the Meet Director, the order of exit passes will be rotated also between events, applying the same procedure.
- 4.3.3 All competitors must have the opportunity on the Official Practice Day(s) to make at least one jump on both a straight course and a Speed Event course, weather permitting. All practice jumps shall be judged by the Official Panel of Judges, or Judges in Training under direct supervision of the Chief of Judge Training.

4.4 Exit Order

- 4.4.1 Aircraft load and pass assignment for the first round shall be determined from the results of the previous FCE (WPC/World Cup). Those participating at the previous competition will be grouped in reverse order of placing and will jump at the end of the round. Those that did not compete previously will be grouped by blind draw and shall jump at the beginning of the round. Number consolidation will take place if a previous competitor is not in attendance. The Meet Director may make an updated reverse order of placing for the final round (Round 9) of competition.
- 4.4.2 Within an exit pass, the exit order will be determined by the competitors, supervised and recorded by a person designated by the Chief Judge. The Meet Director or Chief Judge must be notified of any change prior to boarding.
- 4.4.3 There will be a maximum of four (4) competitors per exit pass.
- 4.4.4 The exit delay between competitors must be such so as to ensure safe separation and time to allow for any judging and course maintenance.

4.4.5 Competitors must enter the course in order of exit. Any competitor wilfully violating this rule will be issued the minimum score and possibly a yellow or red card warning. In circumstances beyond the control of the competitor, provided there will be no conflict with other competitors, he may enter the course and receive the assessed score.

4.4.6 The aircraft pilot will signal the competitors when they are clear to exit. All the competitors will be briefed on the specific exit and spotting signals at the pre-event competitors' meeting.

4.5 **Exit Altitude**

The minimum exit altitude with 3 or 4 competitors on one pass shall be 1500 meters AGL. The minimum exit altitude with 1 or 2 competitors on one pass shall be 1200 meters AGL.

4.6 **Scoring Gates**

The entry gate is scored when any part of the competitor's body breaks the electronic sensor beam at the entry gate. Failure to do this by vertical extension or by missing the entry gate will result in the minimum score for that round.

4.7 **Malfunctions**

4.7.1 A competitor experiencing a control problem or malfunction requiring the use of the reserve canopy must make no attempt to navigate the course and must utilize an alternate landing area if accessible. A competitor will be granted only one re-jump during the competition, by reason of a control problem or malfunction.

4.7.2 A malfunction of the main parachute canopy, that creates a control problem for a competitor not requiring canopy release, may merit a re-jump. In this case the competitor shall make no attempt to land on the course. A qualified person, appointed by the Chief Judge, shall make an inspection of the equipment immediately after the competitor has landed to confirm that the competitor did suffer a malfunction that was not created by the competitor himself (i.e. packing error). The competitor will not disturb the canopy condition prior to inspection.

A control problem is a condition of the parachute that makes it is virtually impossible to attempt a safe approach to the course.

4.8 **Re-jumps**

4.8.1 **Re-jumps due to weather conditions:** If the winds exceed the maximum limit at any time after the competitor initiates their turn to final approach, and ending when the competitor either passes through the electronic sensors at the end of the course or makes final contact with the surface, the competitor will make a re-jump.

If the competitor experiences adverse weather conditions, as determined by the Chief Judge or Event Judge, the competitor may be offered a re-jump.

A competition may be suspended if the Chief Judge or FAI Controller deems that the existing wind or weather conditions may pose a danger to competitors.

4.8.2 **Re-jumps due to interference:** A competitor who suffers interference from other competitors, jumpers or aircraft, either on the ground or in the air, may be offered a re-jump by a decision of the Chief Judge or Event Judge.

After landing, competitors shall exit the course immediately. If a competitor does not comply with this rule the competitor will get a minimum score for that round unless the circumstances are beyond the competitors' control as determined by the Chief Judge or the Event Judge. Any other competitor suffering interference as a result of a competitor not clearing the course immediately may be offered a re-jump, at the sole discretion of the Chief Judge or Event Judge.

If two or more competitors approach and/or enter the course close together and in the process create interference between each other, a re-jump may be offered to one or more competitors, at the sole discretion of the Chief Judge or Event Judge.

4.9 Wind Conditions

4.9.1 The maximum allowable wind speed in Canopy Piloting, measured by an anemometer, is 7 m/s in any direction on the competition course.

4.9.2 Near the course, there shall be an anemometric wind measuring system (SC5, 4.3.5) that shall be checked at 10-minute intervals. If the winds exceed 5 metres per second they shall be monitored constantly until the winds have remained below 5 metres per second for at least 15 minutes.

If there is a sudden change in ground wind direction of more than 90 degrees when the wind speed is more than 3 m/s, and automatically recorded by an electronic device, a competitor landing within

30 seconds after the wind change must be offered a re-jump. The competitor's decision must be made immediately.

A windssock shall be positioned within 50 metres of the course and must be fully visible for competitors approaching the course. The windssock must be capable of responding to winds of at least 2 m/s and shall be acceptable to the Chief Judge.

A wind direction indicator (streamer) mounted on a pole near, and within 20 metres of the entry gate, that is capable of responding to winds of less than 2 m/s, shall be placed by the Chief Judge or Event Judge.

4.9.3 The Chief Judge or Event Judge will decide the positions of the wind indicating devices. This decision is not subject to protest.

5. RULES SPECIFIC TO THE SPEED EVENT

5.1 The course must be laid out as specified in these rules.

5.2 Any part of the competitor's body must pass between the course markers to score the entry gate, and at least part of the competitor's body must remain within the boundaries of the course, as defined by the course markers, to obtain a score. A competitor that is assessed a Vertical Extension on any course gate or fails to navigate the course will be marked as "No Score", and will be ranked below those competitors who do obtain a score and will be given zero points for that round for the purposes of the calculation in 9.3.2.

5.3 The time – measured to the thousandth of a second - starts when any part of the competitor's body or equipment breaks the electronic beam at the entry gate. Electronic sensors shall be placed inside (after) the entry gate and outside (after) the exit gate, maintaining the prescribed length of the course (distance between sensors).

5.4 The time stops when any part the competitor's body breaks the electronic beam at the exit gate. The competitor must clear the course as soon as possible.

5.6 A marker strike penalty (see 2.6) of 1 second will be added to the competitor's time for each marker strike assessed in each round. This penalty may also be assessed after the time has stopped. No more than two marker strike penalties may be awarded in each round.

5.7 If a course marker has been rendered non functional and cannot be repaired before the next competitor(s) navigate the course, those competitor(s) shall be awarded a rejump.

5.8 There is no penalty for landing before the end of the course; however the competitor must keep the canopy flying kited as any part of his body passes through the exit gate to receive a time.

5.9 If at any time before the competitor passes through the exit gate the canopy (excluding the pilot chute) comes in contact with the surface or at any time comes in contact with a transmitter or sensor, including fixation devices, causing one or all to become non functional, the run is over and the competitor will be marked as "No Score", and will be ranked below those competitors who do obtain a score and will be given zero points for that round for the purposes of the calculation in 9.3.2.

5.10 A competitor's score for a round is recorded as the time taken to navigate the course. The ranking in each round is calculated from the lowest time to the highest time. Competitors with no recorded time are scored accordingly and ranked after those competitors with a recorded time.

6. RULES SPECIFIC TO THE DISTANCE EVENT

- 6.1 The course must be laid out as specified in these rules.
- 6.2 Any part of the competitor's body must pass between the course markers to score the entry gate, and at least part of the competitor's body must remain within the boundaries of the course, as defined by the course markers, to obtain a score. Vertical Extension of any course marker, G1 through G5, will result in minimum score for that round.
- 6.3 Competitors must drag any part of their body on the water when passing through the imaginary line running across the surface of the water between the course markers of the entry gate (G1).
Failure to maintain contact with the surface of the water when passing through the entry gate (G1) will result in minimum score for that round.
- 6.4 The first point of contact with the surface within the course once past course marker G5, other than the water drag through the entry gate (G1), providing any part of the competitor's body remains within the course, is marked as the distance.
- 6.5 Competitors landing between the entry gate and water gate G2 shall receive a result of 10 metres; between water gate G2 and water gate G3, 20 metres; between water gate G3 and water gate G4, 30 metres; and between water gate G4 and course marker G5, 40 metres. A touch of the surface, while navigating the course between course markers G1 and G5 is not considered a landing.
- 6.6 If the first point of contact with the surface, other than the water before the entry gate, is outside the course the competitor will receive the minimum result for that round. If the competitor's body stops outside the course the competitor will receive the minimum result for that round. Sidelines are considered to be part of the course.
- 6.7 Results for each round are recorded in metres to the second decimal point for the distance attained while navigating the course. The ranking in each round is calculated from the longest distance to the shortest distance. Competitors with no recorded distance are scored accordingly and ranked after those competitors with a recorded distance.

7. RULES SPECIFIC TO THE ACCURACY EVENT

- 7.1 The course must be laid out as specified in these rules.
- 7.2 Any part of the competitor's body must pass between the course markers to score the entry gate, and at least part of the competitor's body must remain within the boundaries of the course, as defined by the course markers, to obtain a score. After scoring the entry gate there is no penalty for vertical extensions. Vertical extension of the entry gate will result in minimum score for that round.
- 7.3 The competitor's result for a round is the sum of water-gate points, landing zone points and penalty zone points.
- 7.4 Water-Gates
- 7.4.1 The competitor earns gate points for each water-gate when he drags any part of his body through the imaginary line running across the surface of the water between the markers of that water-gate.
- The water-gates have the following points:
Water-gate G1 = 21 points
Water-gate G2 = 05 points
Water-gate G3 = 08 points
Water-gate G4 = 16 points
- 7.5 Landing zones
- 7.5.1 Zone 0 is the part of the surface within the course between the water/shore-line and Zone 1.
- 7.5.2 The landing zone points earned by a competitor are equal to the point value of the zone within which the competitor first makes contact with surface, and remains within the course with any part of the body.

The landing zones have the following point values:
Zone 1 = 11 points Zone 2 = 19 points
Zone 3 = 27 points Zone 4 = 34 points
Zone 5 = 41 points Zone 6 = 46 points
Centre Zone = 50 points Zone 7 = 17 points
Zone 8 = 36 points

7.5.3 The line between the water and zone 0 is defined as part of zone 0.

The line between zone 0 & 1 is defined as part of zone 0
The line between zone 1 & 2 is defined as part of zone 1.

The line between zone 2 & 3 is defined as part of zone 2.
The line between zone 3 & 4 is defined as part of zone 3.
The line between zone 4 & 5 is defined as part of zone 4.

The line between zone 5 & 6 and 5 & centre zone is defined as part of zone 5.

The lines between zone 6 & centre zone are defined as part of zone 6.

The lines between zones 6 & 7 and centre zone & 7 are defined as part of zone 7.

The line between zone 7 & 8 is defined as part of zone 8.

The line between zone 8 & 0 is defined as part of zone 0.

The side-lines of all zones are defined as part of the zones.

7.5.4 All areas surrounding the course, but not within the boundaries of the course, are considered Out of Course (OOC).

7.6 If the competitor fails to make a stand up landing, a penalty of 10 points will be deducted from the total earned points for that round.

7.7 If the competitor has earned water gate points, makes surface contact in a landing zone with positive points and comes to a complete stop within a landing zone with negative points, the competitor's score will be the sum of the water gate points, the positive landing zone points and the negative landing zone points.

7.8 If the body of the competitor stops outside the landing zones the competitor will receive the minimum score for that round.

7.9 If the competitor's first point of contact with the surface, other than the water, is within zone 0 or OOC the competitor will receive the minimum score for that round.

7.10 Competitors not scoring at least one water gate, in combination with a positive scoring zone, will receive the minimum score for that round. If a competitor scores water gate points and then the first point of contact is a penalty zone, the competitor will receive minimum score for that round.

7.11 Results for each round are recorded as the cumulative number of points awarded for navigating the course. The ranking in each round is calculated from the highest points to the lowest points. Competitors with no recorded accuracy points are scored accordingly and ranked after those competitors with recorded points. The minimum score is 0 points.

8. JUDGING

8.1 Each performance shall be assessed by at least 6 qualified FAI Canopy Piloting Judges.

8.2 All Judges must be FAI Canopy Piloting Judges. Judges in Training, provided they are under the direct supervision of the Chief of Judge Training or his designee, having attended the Judge's Conference, may be used in addition to the Panel of Judges.

8.3 Judging the Events

8.3.1 For all events there must be one primary digital PAL video camera set up on a tripod or other fixed platform at the exact height of the entry gate (G1). The camera must be operated by an experienced videographer, appointed by the organiser and approved by the Chief Judge, or an FAI Canopy Piloting Judge. An FAI Canopy Piloting Judge shall be positioned at this point and shall be responsible for determining, subject to video review, whether a vertical extension penalty

shall be given for the entry gate. The primary video system must be capable of reduced speed playback. The competitor numbers and names shall be recorded on the digital recording media.

- 8.3.2 For the Speed Event there shall be a secondary video camera, positioned at the height of the entry gate (G1) course marker for panning the speed course from entry gate to exit gate. If available, at the discretion of the Chief Judge, additional video cameras may be used.
- 8.3.3 For the Distance Event there shall be a secondary video camera, positioned at the height of the entry gate for panning course markers G1 through G5. If available, at the discretion of the Chief Judge, additional video cameras may be used.
- 8.3.4 For the Accuracy Event there shall be a video camera at the entry gate (G1) that gives a view of the entry gate and the immediate water area and a camera for use at the end or side of Zone 8, elevated if possible. If available, at the discretion of the Chief Judge, additional video cameras may be used.
- 8.4 The Judges must also note if the competitor flies outside of the course or violates other rules. This shall be noted and recorded on the score sheets.
- 8.5 The scores will not be final until the data and/or recording media have been reviewed, if needed. The Chief Judge shall be responsible for determining a competitor's final result and placing.

8.6 **Video review**

Without exception, and only at the request of a member of the judging panel, and only if a recording sheet has been noted as requiring a video review, the Chief Judge or Event Judge, if possible the panel member that requested the review, and at least one other judge, at the earliest opportunity, shall review the jump in question and render a decision. If needed, the score sheet shall be adjusted and the adjusted score will then be entered on the master score sheet. A review cycle is comprised of a maximum three viewings of the jump in question – reduced speed playback may be used. At any time during the review process, and without discussion, the judges may render their decision, which must be unanimous, otherwise the result shall be in favour of the competitor.

8.7 **Judging Speed**

- 8.7.1 An electronic scoring system will be used in the speed event. Malfunctions of the electronic scoring system will result in a re-jump to those competitors affected.
- 8.7.2 Competitors shall receive a result if they break the electronic sensor beams at the entry and exit gates.

8.8 **Judging Distance**

- 8.8.1 The Judges must be positioned along the perimeter of the water and ground portion of the course. Judges will also be assigned to video the course markers or other portions of the course for later review, if needed.
- 8.8.2 The Judges, positioned outside the course, will determine the point of first contact with the surface, which shall be recorded as the distance scored. If the first point of contact with the surface is determined to be on a course side-line, that shall be recorded as the distance scored.
- 8.8.3 If electronic sensors installed at the entry and exit gates fail in any manner, judges will assess whether the performance requirement has been met.
- 8.8.4 If available, an electronic or video measuring system will be used in the distance event. If unavailable, a metric measuring tape will be used.
- 8.8.5 The score will be recorded in metres to the second decimal place.

8.9 **Judging Accuracy**

- 8.9.1 In addition to a Judge monitoring the entry gate, there will be one Judge assigned to each water gate. There will also be at least two Judges assisting the Chief Judge or Event Judge in the landing zones.
- 8.9.2 Judges at the water gates will be in line with the gate they are judging. They are responsible for determining whether part of the competitor's body stayed in contact with the surface of the water when passing through the imaginary line between the markers at the surface.
- 8.9.3 When a competitor earns points for a gate the Judge will indicate this by holding up a card showing the number of points for that gate. A Judge or a recorder must also record the

information on an observing sheet. One of the Judges working with the Chief Judge must also record this information.

8.9.4 The Judges are responsible for determining the first point of contact with the surface and where the competitor stops. If the first point of contact with the surface is determined to be on a side-line of the course and the competitor remains within the course, the competitor shall be scored as having landed in the zone in which the contact took place.

8.9.5 Judges assigned to landing zones may be positioned so that they are able to evaluate more than one zone.

8.9.6 After the competitor lands those assigned to course maintenance will quickly adjust or repair the zones, if necessary, and everyone will clear the course to prepare for the next competitor.

8.10 **Other judging responsibilities**

All Judges shall watch for unsafe canopy flight by competitors. If a Judge witnesses what they feel was an unsafe act they shall inform the Chief Judge, so a yellow or red card may be issued, if appropriate.

During all events, a judge or other person appointed by the Chief Judge, shall be positioned on or near the course to warn of approaching competitors. This person shall be equipped with an audible warning device of sufficient decibel levels that all Judges and support staff are aware of possible danger.

The Chief Judge must organize a Judges' conference prior to the start of the competition. All Judges shall attend the conference.

During official practice the Chief Judge will announce a time period per event during which that event can be judged and practised.

9. **AWARDS**

9.1 **Champion of each Event:** The competitor with the highest total number of points after completed rounds in each event. If two or more competitors have the same cumulative total number of points the competitor with the highest score in any round of the event will have the higher standing.

9.2 **The Combined Champion** will be the competitor with the highest total number of points out of 3 valid events. The maximum number is 900 points.

9.3 The calculation to turn measured results of each round into points is as:

The competitors are ranked in each round of each event in order of the actual result collated for this round (Distance and Accuracy, highest result first, Speed, lowest result first). In Speed, competitors with no recorded time are scored accordingly and ranked after those competitors with a recorded time.

9.3.1 In Distance and Accuracy the result of the top ranked competitor in each round is set to 100%, expressed as 100 points. The remaining competitors' results of the round are calculated as a percentage of the top ranked competitor's result – expressed in points, calculated to the third decimal place with no rounding applied.

9.3.2 In Speed each recorded time-result is raised to the power of 1.667, calculated and displayed to the third decimal with no rounding applied. The ensuing time-result of the top ranked competitor in each round is set to 100%, expressed as 100 points. The remaining competitors' results for the round are calculated as the inverse percentage of the top ranked competitor's result - expressed in points, calculated to the third decimal place with no rounding applied.

9.4 If two or more competitors have the same cumulative total number of points the competitor with the higher placing in the events will have the higher standing (i.e. two firsts and a third beat one first and two seconds). The second tiebreaker is the single longest distance scored in the distance event.

9.5 Medals will be given for the following:

Speed:	1 st Place,	2 nd Place,	3 rd Place
Distance:	1 st Place,	2 nd Place,	3 rd Place
Zone Accuracy:	1 st Place,	2 nd Place,	3 rd Place
Combined:	1 st Place,	2 nd Place,	3 rd Place

10. RULES SPECIFIC TO THE COMPETITION

10.1 Aims of the Competition

10.1.1 To determine the Champions of Canopy Piloting

10.1.2 To promote safety and develop canopy piloting training and competition.

10.1.3. To exchange ideas and strengthen friendly relations between sport parachutists, judges and support personnel of all nations.

10.1.4 To allow participants to share and exchange experience, knowledge, and information.

10.1.5 To improve judging methods and practices.

10.2 Composition of Delegations

Each delegation may be comprised of:

a) One Head of
Delegation b) One
Team Manager

c) A maximum of 8 Competitors for a World Parachuting Competition.

d) A maximum of 12 Competitors for a World Cup or a Continental Regional Championship.

10.3 Program of Events

The competition shall be comprised of three rounds in each event.

The minimum number of rounds required for a valid event is one round. A valid competition requires one valid event.

10.4 All protests shall be accompanied by the fee specified in SC5 5.3.1.

ADDENDUM A – GENERAL COURSE SPECIFICATIONS

1. All courses must be 10 meters wide over the total length of the course.
2. All courses must begin over a body of water as specified in these rules.
 - 2.1. The body of water must be at least 15 meters wide, at least 65 meters long and at least 60 cm deep over this area. If the water is more than 1.5 meters deep a safety boat and rescue personnel are mandatory.
 - 2.2. For all events, the body of water must include at least 20 meters of safety area before the entry gate and must be at least 60 cm deep over this area.
3. All courses must have a 5-meter wide safety zone along both sides and at the end of the course between the course outline and the spectator areas.
4. Course Markers
 - 4.1. All course markers, G1 through G5, for the specific Events must be 1.5 meters in height above the surface. Entry gate (G1) course markers must be of the standard inflatable type for all events. Course markers G2 through G4, and G5 where applicable, may be (Polyform A-0-F) marker buoys of a minimum 20cm in diameter.
 - 4.2. Safety zone markers must not be higher than five (5) meters.
5. The course outline must be indicated by lines or markings clearly visible from above.
6. A marker line must indicate the beginning of Zone 0 between the water-to-land transition area.
7. All courses must be acceptable to the Course Technical Director and the Chief Judge.

ADDENDUM B – SPEED COURSE SPECIFICATIONS

1. The Speed course must have an angle of 75° and shall be 70 meters long measured along the centre-line of the course (see addendum F). This measurement is taken between electronic sensors. The carving course must have a radius of 53.48 meters.
2. The direction of the carve must be specified in the accepted organisation bid. There shall be 5 pairs of course markers, including entry and exit gates. The course markers on the inside of the course shall be of contrasting colour, visible from above.
3. At least 10 meters at the end of the course must be out of the water.

ADDENDUM C – DISTANCE COURSE SPECIFICATIONS

1. Beginning at the course marker G5, a measuring device (metric tape) must run down the edge of the land portion of the course laid flat on the surface, with attaching devices placed at each end and at least every five (5) meters. The measuring tape and attachments must not create an obstacle for the competitors or judging staff. Position of the measuring tape must be acceptable to the Chief Judge.
2. Electronic sensors shall be placed at the entry gate (course marker #1) and exit gate (course marker #5). The height of the sensors shall be 1.5 metres.
3. Water gates: Two rows of course markers that form a series of four gates on the surface of the water. The distance between the water gates must be 12 meters. The distance between course marker G4 and course marker G5 shall be 14 metres. Course markers must be 1.5 metres in height.
4. A clearly visible course outline must extend from the course marker G5 to the end of the course.
5. For venues located 1000m MSL and lower a minimum course length of 200m is required.
6. For venues located higher than 1000m MSL a minimum course length of 250m is required.

ADDENDUM D – ACCURACY COURSE SPECIFICATIONS

1. The body of water will cover 44 (+/- 1m) meters from entry gate to shoreline.
2. Water gates: Two rows of course markers that form a series of four gates on the surface of the water. The distance between the water gates must be 12 metres. The distance from water gate G4 to the shoreline shall be 8 metres +/- 1 metre.
3. Landing zones
 - 3.1. The shape and dimensions of the landing zones must be laid out as described in these rules.
 - 3.2. The depth of the zones must be:

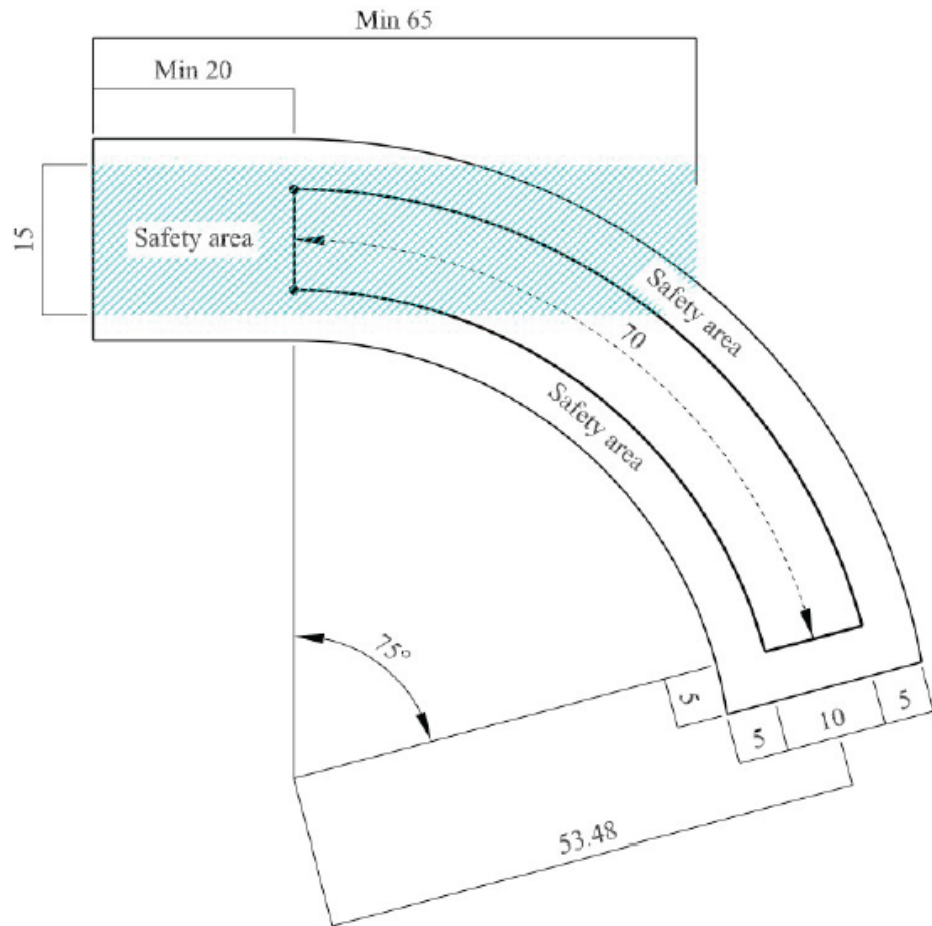
Zone 0	- 5 metres	Zone 5	- 2 metres
Zone 1	- 6 metres	Zone 6	- 2 metres
Zone 2	- 5 metres	Centre Zone	- 2 x 2 metres
Zone 3	- 4 metres	Zone 7	- 2 metres
Zone 4	- 3 metres	Zone 8	- 4 metres
 - 3.3. Lines must mark the area separating each zone so they are clearly visible. The lines should be approximately 8 centimetres in width, designed to minimize injury, fast to repair and acceptable to the Course Technical Director and Chief Judge. Centre Zone grid lines must be of a contrasting colour, other than red, to other grid lines and the centre zone must have side-line markers to indicate its location (i.e. flags).
 - 3.4 The zones must be covered with a material designed to minimize injury and must be acceptable to the Course Technical Director.

ADDENDUM E If a competitor's weight with equipment is lower than 77.2 kg, the maximum extra weight will apply.

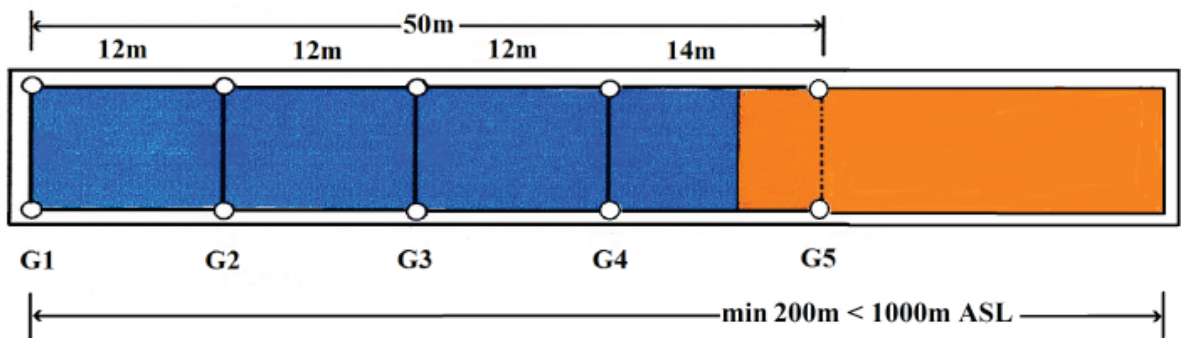
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<79.0	14.6	93.6
<79.5	14.3	93.8
<79.9	14.0	93.9
<80.4	13.7	94.1
<80.8	13.4	94.2
<81.3	13.0	94.3
<81.7	12.7	94.5
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<89.5	7.3	96.8
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<90.4	6.7	97.1
<90.8	6.4	97.2
<91.3	6.0	97.3
<91.7	5.7	97.5
<92.2	5.4	97.6
<92.6	5.1	97.7
<93.1	4.8	97.9
<93.6	4.5	98.0
<94.0	4.1	98.1
<94.5	3.8	98.3
<94.9	3.5	98.4
<95.4	3.2	98.6
<95.8	2.9	98.7
<96.3	2.5	98.8
<96.7	2.2	99.0
<97.2	1.9	99.1
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ADDENDUM F- Examples of course layouts.

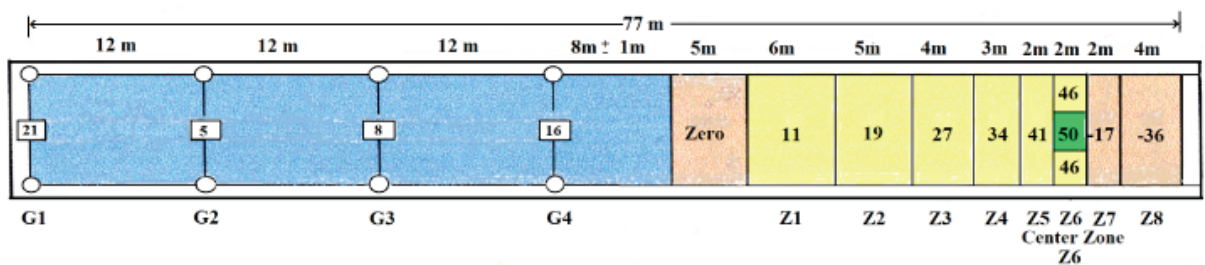
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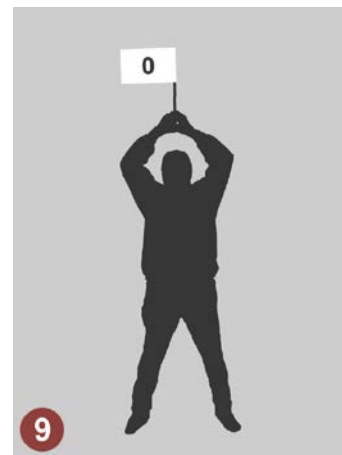
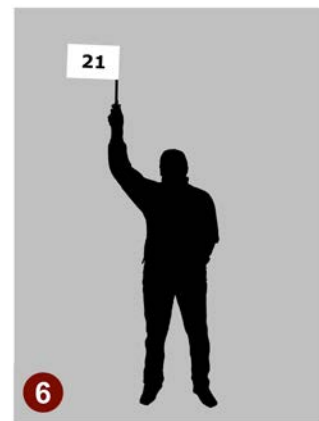
2. Distance



3. Accuracy



ADDENDUM G – RECOMMENDED STANDARD JUDGING SIGNALS



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DESIGNS

1. VERTICAL EXTENSION – ALL EVENTS
2. OUT OF COURSE – ALL EVENTS
3. VIDEO REVIEW – ALL EVENTS
4. MARKER STRIKE PENALTY – SPEED EVENT
5. CANOPY TOUCH DOWN – SPEED EVENT
6. WATER GATE SCORED – ACCURACY EVENT
7. STAND UP LANDING – ACCURACY EVENT
8. FALL DOWN LANDING – ACCURACY EVENT
9. NO WATER DRAG – DISTANCE EVENT

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ENTRY FORM AND ENTRY FEES To reach RAPA no later than 1800 hrs Thursday 28 June 2012. Teams and individuals who wish to pre-book and pay on arrival are to send this form by fax or e-mail clearly annotated 'Pre-Booking'. (Additional copies of the Nationals Entry Form and Indemnity Form can also be found on BPA Form 274).

PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS

I (Mr. Mrs. Miss. etc.) _____

of (Address) _____

_____ Tel No. _____

BPA No. _____

FAI Sporting Licence No. _____

I wish to take part in the following Event(s) (Please TICK✓ as appropriate)

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| | | € 105 for general entry fee |
| 1. | <u>CP Zone Accuracy Event</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> € 51 for 3 rounds |
| 2. | <u>CP Speed Event</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> € 51 for 3 rounds |
| 3. | <u>CP Distance Event</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> € 51 for 3 rounds |

Total = Use exchange rate of € 1.21 = £1 (as at 12 May 12)

I enclose the sum of £ _____ being the general entry fee and event fees.
See Paragraph 5 - General Rules. Cheques made payable to **Rhine Army Parachute Association (RAPA)**.

CHEQUES ONLY BY POST PLEASE -NO CASH
(Cash may be paid with entry fees on the day of registration if pre-booking)

I confirm that I will abide by the Competitions Rules including the BPA's Anti-Doping Policy and Rules, which makes individuals and team members subject to drugs testing at this competition, and the Sporting Code of the FAI. In entering this competition, I agree to grant the BPA Ltd a royalty-free non-exclusive licence to use any video or other images submitted to the competition for training and judging purposes.

Signature _____

BPA No. _____

Date _____

Total Fee _____

Notice for Competitors with Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE)

Any competitor with a TUE must attach a copy to the competition entry form, and must also file a copy with the BPA Office before he or she competes. TUE forms may be downloaded from the anti-doping section of the FAI website: <http://www.fai.org/component/phocadownload/category/511-anti-doping?download=5381:fa-therapeutic-use-exemption-tue-form>

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Date Received:

6th BRITISH NATIONAL CANOPY PILOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2012

To: Rhine Army Parachute Association

FORM OF INDEMNITY AND COMPETITIONS DECLARATION

Competitor’s Statement of Indemnity to the British Parachute Association Ltd and their servants and agents:

I hereby undertake and agree that, in consideration of my being permitted to compete in the 6th British National Canopy Piloting Championships, neither I nor my heirs, executors or administrators, will make any claim against the British Parachute Association Ltd, its servants or agents, in respect of, or damage to, property or injury to person (including injury resulting in death) which I may suffer whilst, or in consequence of, my competing in the British National Open Parachute Championships. I further understand that no compensation will be paid by the British Parachute Association Ltd against any claim which may be made by any Third Party against the British Parachute Association Ltd arising out of any act, neglect or fault on my part during, or in connection with, the said Championships.

**In the case of persons under 18 years of age, a Form of Indemnity signed by a parent or guardian is also necessary.*

<p>I agree in full to the Competitor’s Statement of Indemnity as set out above. I declare that I am under 18 years* / over 18 years of age. <i>delete as applicable.</i> PLEASE COMPLETE IN CAPITALS:</p> <p>Name of Competitor_____ BPA No_____</p> <p>Signature of Competitor _____</p> <p>Name of witness_____</p> <p>Signature of witness_____ Date_____</p> <p>Address (or, if applicable, BPA No) of witness_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Competitions Declaration and agreement to Drugs Testing at the Competition</p> <p>I agree to compete in the British National Parachute Championships according to the rules laid down by the organisers, and any subsequent decisions by them, and will accept their decision on points of dispute as being final. I understand and agree that under the BPA’s Anti-Doping Policy and Rules, I may be subject to drugs testing at this competition, and that refusal to take a drugs test if requested will disqualify me from the competition.</p> <p>Signature of Competitor_____</p>
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It is a condition of entry that ALL INDIVIDUALS AND MEMBERS OF EACH TEAM - including videographer and alternate/s, as appropriate to the discipline - MUST complete this form - please cross-refer to the Entry Form to ensure this has been done.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE

It is vital that this questionnaire is fully completed in order that the Nationals can obtain the maximum exposure possible in the Press and other Media, and that competitors local media can be informed of their participation, and also if sponsors are to be approached in the future.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Tel. No. _____

OCCUPATION _____

Age _____ Club _____

Married/Single

Number of Jumps _____ Number of Years in the Sport _____

Type of Canopy _____ Reserve _____

Previous Competitions Entered (last 3 years) and results obtained

COMPETITION	VENUE	DATE	PLACING
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Please give details of participation as a member of British National Teams at World Championships/European Championships/Equivalent

Name of Local Newspaper _____

Name of Local Radio Station _____

Name of any Local Magazines _____

AN UP TO DATE PHOTOGRAPH, KITTED OUT, WOULD BE MOST WELCOME FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES.

Note: Please photocopy this form, one for each team member.

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ACCOMMODATION

The Rhine Army Parachute Association welcomes you to the 2012 Canopy Piloting National Championships. The staff will endeavour to make your stay as enjoyable as possible.

A camping and caravan site is available on the airfield only 150 metres from the main RAPA facilities. There are a limited number of electric hook ups and these will be allocated on a first come – first served basis.

Charges are as follows:

Caravans/RVs €5 per night with power supply.
€3 per night without power supply.

Tents €3 per night with power supply.
Free – without power supply.

LOCAL ACCOMMODATION

There are plenty of hotel and B&B accommodations available locally in Bad Lippspringe village. The following are recommended:

Bohner Hotel & Apartments (1000m from DZ)
Armenius Str 25
33175 Bad Lippspringe

Double Room: €39.00 per night / person
Single Room: :€39.00 per night / person

Tel: (0049) 5252 96670 Fax: (0049) 5252 966767
Website: www.cafeboehner.de
E-mail: cafeboehner@t-online.de

Further information can be obtained from the Bad Lippspringe tourist office (English spoken).

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LOCAL REGULATIONS

RAPA will endeavour to make your visit both enjoyable and unforgettable. Please help us to ensure your safety and comfort by staying within these simple rules:

1. Drivers of vehicles must only approach RAPA through Bad Lippspringe village via Bielefelder Strasse and around the golf course ring road. You must not attempt to transit the range road unless you have been issued a range pass. Range passes are only issued to personnel based in Germany.
2. Keep all public areas clean and tidy at all times. Please put litter in the bins provided and all personnel are requested to follow basic hygiene rules in the toilet and ablution areas.
3. Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times. They must not be exercised on the airfield or public areas. Dogs are not allowed on the packing areas. They poop – you scoop.
4. All buildings are strictly out of bounds unless signposted as a public area.
5. RAPA is within an MOD establishment therefore all buildings are no smoking zones. Smoking is only allowed on the patio area.
6. Normal manifest operations will take place therefore all jumping will be on a ticket basis until the competition starts. Flight line and pre jump checks are mandatory.
7. The refuelling area and aircraft hangar is strictly out of bounds.
8. Please make yourself acquainted with local fire regulations.
9. Limited first aid cover will be available from RAPA staff. Casualties requiring professional care will be referred to a nearby hospital. **A European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) is required.** These are available from the Post Office and online.
10. Please do not enter onto the ranges or surrounding land unless accompanied by a member of RAPA staff. The ranges will be live and hunters operate in nearby woodland.