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WINGSUIT FLYING COMMITTEE Annual Report - ISC MEETING 2025

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Committee members 2024:

Chair	: Mike Pennock (NED)	
Deputy Chair	: Steve Hubbard (USA)	
Members	: Michael Cooper (USA)	
	: Bert Ham (NED)	
	: Scott Callantine (USA)	
	: Sudeep Kodavati (USA)	
	: Arvid Endler (GER)	-> Jason Dodunski (AUS)
	: Vera Asquith (CAN)	-> Ali Asker (KUW)
	: Max Diebold (FRA)	-> Jack Peploe (GBR)



2025 Committee Member Changes

According to IR's 6.4, the committee is asking the Plenary to approve the proposed committee changes. Arvid Endler (GER), Vera Asquith (CAN) and Max Diebold (FRA). All 3 have asked voluntarily to leave the committee. The proposed new members are Jason Dodunski (AUS), Ali Asker (KUW) and Jack Peploe (GBR). With these new members we have representatives from 2 extra continents.

FAI FCE Competition – 2024

Oct 2024 – 5th World Championships of Wingsuit Flying – Beaufort USA.

We have experienced a huge and well-organized championship with some technical challenges for the PLD's acquiring satellites. All key players, FAI Controller, Jury and Judges panels, worked together to the benefit of the competitors and the common goal to conclude a successful event.

In spite of the very high entry fee, WS had a slightly lower number of participants than last year. Several new FAI records were established. One protest and one complaint were brought forward in the Wingsuit Flying Performance Championship.

The discussions during the competitor's meeting were constructive. We have been sharing information about the ISC procedure and deadlines for changing Competition Rules. The outcome was that we received detailed proposals from Italie, Finland, Poland and the USA. The competitors themselves even made a survey where 33 of the 36 competitors have responded. This survey is very valuable, as it represents the wishes of the majority of the competitors. We used the information as guideline to write the CR proposals for 2025.

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From my point of view as the chair of the committee, we are taking the right steps in the interest of the discipline. We do this by listening to the competitors wishes and input.

A big thanks goes out to the hosts Skydive Chicago, Paraclete XP and Crystal Coast Skydiving for hosting these combined World Championships but especially to Meet Director Melissa Nelson, to FAI controller Alberto Paracuellos, Jury President Rina Gallo, Ron Miasnikov and Gernot Rittenschober for their professional work with the protest but especially the records.

Participation:

Performance = 36 participants from 12 NAC's

Acro = 15 participants from 4 NAC's

Changes to the Wingsuit Flying Competition Rules 2025

As mentioned before, we have received a very useful survey from the competitors themselves as well as proposals from Italie, Finland, Poland and the USA. We have had several competition meetings after the World Championships in Beaufort which our ISC President was attending as well. We summarized all proposals and used the survey as guidelines to write the 2025 proposals.

We are asking the 2025 plenary for approval of the attached rule changes. Please review the 2025 WS CR Changes Proposal document for details:

-  1. SC5 - 1.1.2_11 MONDIAL
-  1. SC5 - 1.1.2_15 DEFINITION
-  2. EXIT DEFINITIONS
-  2.1 GENERAL DEFINITIONS
-  2.3 ACROBATIC EVENT
-  3.2 EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS
-  4.2 TIME BETWEEN EVENTS
-  5.1 EVENT DESCRIPTION - ADD FEMALE
-  5.4.5 EXIT SPACING
-  5.4.6 GRP ASSIGNMENT AND ROTATION
-  5.5.2 VALIDATION WINDOW
-  5.5.3 PROXIMITY
-  7.1.4 SCORES
-  7.2.6 SCORING COMPULSORY ROUNDS
-  8.3 COMPOSITION OF DELEGATIONS
-  8.5 PRIZES AND AWARDS
-  ADDENDUM D
-  ANNEX A. Acro Sequences
-  WS Acro Infringements

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Future Competitions:

The Wingsuit Committee is always eager to receive bids. Please send them to isc-ws@fai.org

FCE 2025

There is a bid on the agenda for the 3rd European Championships and 5th World Cup in 2025

FCE 2026

One bid for the 6th Wingsuit World Championship in 2026 was reviewed by the WS committee and we have mentioned that we need a discussion about who pays for rejumps.

FCEs 2027 and beyond

The Wingsuit Committee is actively contacting Dropzones and NAC's, to host future competitions. Currently we are talking with representatives from Egypt, Kuwait, the USA and the Czech Republic.

NAC delegates are kindly asked to check the possibilities in their home country and send any possible hosts to isc-ws@fai.org

Committee Members

My gratitude and sincere thanks go to our leaving committee members, Arvid Endler, Vera Asquith and Max Diebold.

Max has contributed his knowledge for the Performance event, Arvid contributed for the Acro event and Vera was my guardian angel for reviewing documents. We are going to miss all your expertise and input.

My sincere thank also goes to the other committee members who contribute very actively throughout the whole year. I know I can be demanding but you all contribute to all meetings and discussions. This consistency and participation are the backbone of the Wingsuit Committee and helps the discipline to grow and stabilize as one of the younger ISC competition discipline.

Without disregarding the other committee members, I want to give my special thanks to Steve Hubbard for not only being the Deputy Chair, but specifically for all the work he is doing for the competition rules. I also want to thank Michael Cooper for all the work and effort he puts in the cleaning and checking of all records and helping Steve with the competition rules.

Last, but not least, I want to thank the other committee chairs for a wonderful year of working together and synchronizing as much as possible of the competition rules. Especially Gernot for his incredible work on the FAI Records Database.

Kind Regards
Mike Pennock
Chair of the Wingsuit Committee