

MINUTES
of the
Rally Sub-Committee Meeting
of the
General Aviation Commission (GAC)
held in
Catania, Sicilia Island, ITALY
on
28 February 2025 (Sub-Committee Meetings)

1. Attendance. As per list attached.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting, 8th March 2024 were approved.
3. Discussion on Previous Competitions
There was no discussion as there have not been any International Competitions since the last meeting.
4. Amendments to Rules for 2025

01 Proposal GAC-Fees-Schedule-01-Sept-2024.
New wording was circulated to the committee. Approved

02 Turn of more than 90° from course
New wording was circulated to the committee. Approved

03 Additional Trophies.
New wording was circulated to the committee. Approved
5. WRFC 2025 (Ferrara, Italy)
Filippo Papale presented his update, and introduced us to the Competition Director.

Preliminary Entry date to be extended to the 15 th March 2025.
Aircraft rate to be amended to Dry Rate.
6. WRFC 2028 - Greece
Nikos Samprakos presented his proposal for the competition, either in Tympaki - Crete or Messolonghi - Western Greece. After some discussion, the meeting felt that the aircraft ferry cost would be expensive for Crete, and with a proposed taxiway at Messolonghi, that venue would be preferred.

The proposal was accepted.
7. Future Expression of interest.
This would be for a competition in 2031 which is a long way away.
8. Manual of Procedures for International Competitions
to be added to our website.
9. Landing Training Videos
to be added to our website.

10. Other Business
No other business was raised.

11. Meeting Closure

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Proposal for Amendments to Rally Rules for 2025

Proposal Number 01

1. **Subject** GAC Fee Schedule

2. **Proposer** Ralf Grunwald

3. **Motivation** The GAC have published their Fee Schedule as attached, extracted from our rules. These are to be harmonised between the various competitions.

4. **Old Rule**

A.6.9 The prescribed fee in connection with any protest submitted to the jury will be EURO 100, - and shall accompany the written protest. The fee will be returned in the case of a successful protest only.

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Sanction Fee World & Continental Championships - CHF 50.00 Per Competitor

5. **New Rule**

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6. **Discussion**

There was a discussion about having the protest fee available in CHF and it was decided that the equivalent in Euro was acceptable.

7. **Decision**

Approved.

Proposal for Amendments to Rally Rules for 2025

Proposal Number 02

1. **Subject:** Turn of more than 90° from course
2. **Proposer:** Nikos Samprakos
3. **Motivation** I believe that the procedure for applying a penalty in cases of turns of more than 90 degrees should be specified in detail.

In particular, in cases where a crew has failed to pass one or more turn gates, the approved RallyWin7 scoring application, applies a penalty at the last turn point where a crossing was made according to the course of the leg defined after the initial turn point where a crossing was made.

4. **Old Rule**

A 2.4.8 The chief judge or appointed international judge must check all en route track deviations of more than 90° and all “critical” time gate passages and decide if the penalties are to be applied.

A 3.1.8 Each turn of more than 90° from the track between SP and FP will incur penalties when the FR shows this deviation for more than 5 seconds in sequence, except on a leg defined by scenic features. The penalty sequence to be explained to the crews at the general briefing.

5. **New Rule**

A 3.1.8 Each turn of more than 90° from the track between SP and FP will incur penalties when the FR shows this deviation for more than 5 seconds in sequence, except on a leg defined by scenic features.

It should be noted that if a crew fails to pass one or more consecutive turning points, the 90° penalty is to be applied to each of the current legs where applicable..

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6. **Discussion** This back tracking rule is introduced to prevent crews from back tracking to loose time and for safety to prevent incident of a crew flying the course in the wrong direction.

When a crew is lost, the software is generally unable to resolve the course and therefore the penalty needs to applied manually (See Rule A 2.4.8)

7. **Decision**

Approved.

Proposal for Amendments to Rally Rules for 2025

Proposal Number 03

1. **Subject:** Additional Trophies
2. **Proposer:** Tarryn Myburgh
3. **Motivation** The Low Time Crew award is defined by age and the women Crew should be women pilot.
4. **Old Rule**
A 7.10 The World or continental Low Time Crew Champion will be the crew with the least number of penalties, where pilot's age is less than 29 years at the beginning of the Championship.

A 7.11 World or continental Women Crew Champion will be crew, consist of women only, with the least number of penalties. In case, less than three Women crews will participate, no Women Crew Champion will be declared.

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b) The first six pilots and navigators in low time category should be announced, starting with 6th position, and each one should receive an FAI diploma, the top three should receive small FAI medals with the diplomas.

c) With respect to A 7.11, the first six women pilots and navigators should be announced, starting with 6th position, and each one should receive an FAI diploma, the top three should receive small FAI medals with the diplomas.

5. **New Rule**
A 7.10 The World or continental ~~Low Time~~ **Best Young** Crew Champion will be the crew with the least number of penalties, where pilot's **both crews** age is less than 29 years at the beginning of the Championship.

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6. **Discussion**

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The meeting felt that since it is a crew sport, a women pilot with a man navigator should not receive this award.

Similarly a young pilot with and older navigator should not receive this award.

If we require a minimum of 3 women crews, we should also require a minimum of 3 young crews. I propose that we remove this requirement, and this makes it easier to label the trophy and not have separate trophies for World or continental Women Crew Champion / Best Women Crew or World or continental Crew Champion / Best Young Crew.

I propose that these awards should be renamed Best Women Crew or Best Young Crew.

7. **Decision**