

FORMATION SKYDIVING

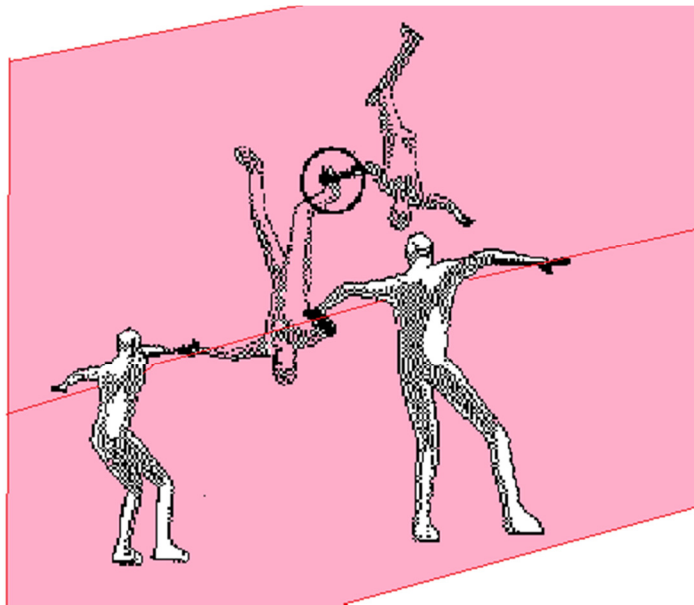
IPC MEETING 2012

Rule change proposals

1. VFS Rule changes

- Clarify definition for 2.3 Grip Line (the vertical plane and how this concerns the grips) based on feedback. New rule:

2.3.1 Clarification regarding random I) and M) – There is an imaginary vertical plane passing through the handgrips, with outside competitors having hand grips on one side of the vertical plane and the competitor taking the leg grip on the other side of the vertical plane. No grip line (ref 2.3.) may cross the vertical plane within the formations.



- Clarify wording in 4.4 Jump Order (make wording like the FS rules)
Old rule 4.4 Jump Order
 - 4.4.1 The jump order for the first competition round will be determined by a draw.
 - 4.4.2 An updated reverse-order-of-jumping shall be implemented after every break in the competition jumps which occurs after a completed round.

Proposal for new rule 4.4 Jump Order (wording like FS rules)

- 4.4.1 *The jump order for the first competition round of each event will be in the reverse order of the first ten placings in that event at the most recent IPC sanctioned World Parachuting Championships of Vertical Formation Skydiving. All teams not covered by this procedure will jump at the beginning of the round, with their jump order determined by a draw.*
- 4.4.2 *An updated reverse-order-of-jumping shall be implemented after every break in the competition jumps which occurs after a completed round. The semi-final and final rounds will be in reverse order of placing.*

2. FS and VFS Rule changes

- To be included in chapter 4.5 Video Transmission and Recording after wish from the judges:
 - New centens in red:

4.5.2 *For the purpose of these rules, "freefall video equipment" shall consist of the complete video system(s) used to record the video evidence of the team's freefall performance, including the camera(s), recording media, and battery(ies). All video equipment must be able to deliver a High Definition (HD 1080i AVCHD) PAL digital signal through a compatible video connection approved by the Video Controller. The videographer is responsible for ensuring the compatibility of the freefall video equipment with the scoring system.*

- New rule:

4.5.8 *The Organizer must provide the teams with a way of identification of the team showing the team number to be recorded by the Videographer just before exit. The recording should continue with the jump without a stop in recording.*

- Judging process: Proposal from USA (with changed wording)

Existing rules:

5.4. The Judges will watch the video evidence of each jump to a maximum of three times at normal speed. If, after the viewings are completed, and within fifteen seconds of the knowledge of the result, the Chief Judge, Event Judge or any Judge on the panel considers that an absolutely incorrect assessment has occurred, the Chief Judge or Event Judge will direct that only that part(s) of the jump in question be reviewed. If the review results in a unanimous decision by the Judges on the part(s) of the performance in question, the score for the jump will be adjusted accordingly. Only one review is permitted for each jump.

5.5. The Judges will use the electronic scoring system to record their evaluation of the performance. At the end of working time, freeze frame will be applied on each viewing, based on the timing taken from the first viewing only. The Judges may correct their evaluation record after the jump has been judged. Corrections to the evaluation record can only be made before the Chief Judge signs the score sheet. All individual Judge's evaluation will be published.

Proposal for new rules:

- 5.4 *The Judges will watch the video evidence of each jump at normal speed to determine points in time to a maximum of (2) two times. The moment of freeze frame at the end of working time will be determined at the first viewing. At the request of the Event Judge a (3rd) third view of part(s) of the jump will then be conducted at reduced speed between 70-90 percent of normal speed. The same reduced speed shall be used to judge all jumps requiring a third viewing. The Chief Judge will decide prior to the start of the Competition the percentage of reduced speed to be used for the different Events. The freeze frame from the first viewing will be applied on each viewing.*
- 5.4.1 *If, after the viewings are completed, and within fifteen seconds of the knowledge of the result, the Chief Judge, Event Judge or any Judge on the panel considers that an absolutely incorrect assessment has occurred, the Chief Judge or Event Judge will direct that only that part(s) of the jump in question be reviewed at reduced speed in accordance with 5.4. If the review results in a unanimous decision by the Judges on the part(s) of the performance in question, the score for the jump will be adjusted accordingly. Only one review is permitted for each jump.*
- 5.5 *The Judges will use the electronic scoring system to record their evaluation of the performance. The Judges may correct their evaluation record after the jump has been judged. Corrections to the evaluation record can only be made before the Chief Judge signs the score sheet. All individual judge`s evaluations will be published.*

- Clarify wording in 6.3.5 (VFS and FS) and 6.3.6 (FS)

Old FS rules 6.3.5 and 6.3.6

- 6.3.5. *If any 4-Way team consists of competitors from the 8-Way team, they should be listed separately on the entry form.*
- 6.3.6. *Any 4-Way competitor (including Videographers) can only enter in one 4-Way team. A competitor in the 4-Way Open event cannot also enter in the Female 4-Way event.*

Old VFS rule 6.3.5

- 6.3.5. *Any 4-Way competitor (including Videographers) can only enter in one 4-Way team.*

Proposals for new rules 6.3.5 and 6.3.6 (both FS and VFS)

- 6.3.5 *No Competitor (including Videographers) may compete in more than two Formation Skydiving events (including Vertical Formation Skydiving). In addition no competitor may compete in both the FS 4-Way Open event and FS Female 4-Way event.*
- 6.3.6 *Any Competitor that competes in two different events must be listed separately on the entry form for each event.*