

**PARAGLIDING LEAGUE OF SERBIA - ROUND 3**  
**FAI 2 competition**

**DISCIPLINE: ACCURACY LANDING**



**July 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> (reserve date July 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>) 2021**  
**Airfield Grcki mlin, peak Grabak – Prokulje**

Organizer: ASSOCIATION OF EXTREME SPORTS “TOPLICA” PROKUPLJE

These local rules should be used according to the General sports rules of the Aeronautical Union of Serbia, paragliding rules for the discipline of accuracy landing of the Aeronautical Union of Serbia and the FAI rules, Section 7C.

The official language of the competition is Serbian, and since the competition is open for everyone - FAI 2, the other language is English.

Two competition days, July 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, are scheduled. In the case of bad weather conditions, the organizer can suspend the competition completely and wait till the reserve date, from July 17<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>.

### GENERAL

The aim of the competition is to ensure safe, fair and satisfactory competitive flying, and as a result to get the winner of the **PROKUPLJE OPEN 2021** in the discipline of the paragliding accuracy landing. Also, one of the most important goals is spreading friendships among the participants in the competition.

### CONTACTS & OFFICIALS

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Competition delegate: needs to be confirmed

Chief judge: Zdravko Komazec

The competition jury consists of the director of the competition, the delegate of the competition and two representatives of the competitors, who will be selected at the main briefing.

### THE COMPETITION PROGRAM

<b>Official registration and inspection of equipment:</b>	<b>Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> (8:00 - 8:30)</b>
<b>Mandatory briefing:</b>	<b>Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> (8:30 - 10:00)</b>
<b>Competition days:</b>	<b>Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Award ceremony and closing:</b>	<b>Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup> (16:00)</b>

**Warning:** The training of accuracy landing with a paraglider is not provided by the registration fee, but falls at the expense of the competitors, i.e. they either organize themselves or use the help of the organizers.

COMPETITION HEADQUARTERS: Hotel “Hammeum”, 34a Knez Mihajlova Street, Prokuplje 18400 (conference hall)

## Typical daily schedule

### First competition day (July 10<sup>th</sup> 2021)

08:00 – headquarters open

08:00 – 08:30 – registration of participants, sharing contest numbers, accreditation, lunch package and souvenirs, pilot briefing

08:30 – 09:00 – opening of the competition, transportation to the take off, pilot briefing at the start, start of competition day

18:00 – end of competition day

19:00 – headquarters closes

20:00 – complaints resolution published

### Second competition day (July 11<sup>th</sup> 2021)

08:00 – headquarters open

08:15 – deadline for appeals/protests of the previous day

08:30 – pilot briefing

09:00 – 10:00 – transportation to take off, pilot briefing at the start, start of competition day

16:00 – end of competition day

17:00 – headquarters closes, announcing winners, awarding of prizes and closing the competition

The maximum number of competition series is 12. The competition is valid even if one competition series is held.

The daily schedule can be changed, and that is up to the director and the organizer of the competition.

## CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The maximum number of competitors is 120.

The composition of teams is based on the model TEAM = CLUB, clubs cannot register more than one team, so the number of competitors of one club, i.e. teams is not limited and consists only of competitors of the home club, regardless of gender and age.

### The registration fee is:

- 4.700 dinars per pilot - 40 e

Payment of registration fees is at the competition headquarters or by transferring money to the bank account.

ACC fees should be paid to the following bank account:

ESA "Toplica", Prokuplje

purpose: registration fee for the competition

amount: 4.700 - dinars (40e)

account: 160-467447-64 BANCA INTESA

### Registration fee includes:

Transport to the airfield and retrieve from the airfield to the headquarters / airfield,

Medical help

Radio connection  
Electronic data processing  
Medals, trophies and diplomas  
Water and sandwiches  
T-shirt or other suitable souvenir of the competition  
Free access to events organized by the organizer

### **Refunds**

If the pilot cancels his participation before July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 and cannot be replaced by another pilot, the organizer will return the complete registration fee. After this deadline, the registration fee will not be refunded, unless the organizer determines otherwise.

### **INSURANCE**

The organizer requires the following: insurance covering a minimum of €4500 against third parties and personal insurance (optional).

The organizer will not allow the purchase of insurance when registering competitors.

### **REGISTRATION**

The official registration will be on Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> (8:00 - 8:30) in the competition headquarters. Registration forms will be completed during registration.

#### **Every competitor needs to bring:**

ID proof  
Competition permit  
Proof of possession of insurance

#### **Every competitor needs to sign:**

The Waiver Declaration  
The Certified Glider/Equipment Statement  
Registration form

#### **Attention!**

The obligatory briefing for all participants will be held in the competition headquarters on July 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 8:30 p.m. Pilots who do not attend the meeting will not be able to participate in the competition, nor will their registration fee be refunded.

### **EQUIPMENT**

All pilots must fly with a certified glider, a helmet, and a spare parachute.  
Only certified gliders are allowed to compete in accordance with EN 926 or LTF 91/09. It is not allowed to change the glider in any form, unless it is permitted in the manufacturer's instructions for the glider. The pilot must fly at the permitted weights for the glider.  
The gliders will be checked after the appeal. The Meet Director may also request a glider check. The pilot must give the glider a check immediately after the request. Otherwise he may be punished by disqualification.

There are two possible methods of verification:

By comparing with other gliders of the same model and size.

By measuring in accordance with the parameters given by the manufacturer.

It is recommended that all competitors in FAI2 competitions fly with certified seats in accordance with EN1651, LTF03 or LTF09. The seat should be equipped with a back protector in accordance with LTF09 or LTF03. All pilots must wear certified helmets in accordance with the EN966 standard.

All pilots must have certified and usable spare parachutes during the flight.

### **RADIO**

Radios are allowed.

Radio transmitters are prohibited.

Only frequencies specified by the organizer can be used.

The radio must not be used to give information to the pilot in order to gain an advantage or to instruct the pilot how to fly for better results. Radios are used for emergencies.

The safety frequency is 146.675MHz.

Voice-activated microphones are strictly prohibited (VOX).

### **Competitor Identification Numbers (ID)**

The ID numbers are assigned by the organizer at the draw, after the obligatory briefing, and must be worn on the seat, or on a leg, so that they are visible.

### **Rescue and medical service**

Medical assistance (doctor) will be at the take-off and / or landing site. In case of need, the Prokuplje Health Center provides transportation.

### **THE AIRFIELD**

Airfield Grcki mlin, peak Grabak, at 460 m above sea level GPS N 43.225631, E 21.561513

The height difference to the landing site is 180 m.

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### **The take-off area**

During the competition, the take-off area will be reserved for pilots, media and the organization of the competition. Spectators will be outside the runway.

### **Take-off**

Competitors must take off in the published order, unless they have the permission of the Airfield Manager - Starter. Competitors who are not ready to take off after being called by the Starter, or those who took off without the permission of the Starter, will receive the maximum number of points for the series.

A flyer who is not on the runway will be marked with ABS in the results, and will receive the maximum number of points.

A flyer who has not flown, or has had a bad start 3 times under normal take-off conditions, will be marked with DNF and will receive the maximum number of points for the series.

The recommended take-off interval is 90 seconds, which can be changed by the starter.

### **Final approach**

Competitors should be able to approach the landing site in a fair and sporty manner. They should have enough time during the flight to approach the finish line directly from the airfield so that they can have a good way of finally approaching the finish line in the end.

### **LANDING SITE**

Competitors will be judged according to the distance in centimeters between the first touch on the ground and the edge of the center (2 cm) with a maximum of 500 cm.

The field in which the result is measured will be clearly marked at 1 m, 2.5 m and 5 m.

The landing area will be made of non-slip material.

Landing must be done on foot. A fall is not allowed, and in that case it is evaluated with the maximum result.

If the competitor lands with both feet at the same time and if it cannot be determined with accuracy which foot he first touched the ground with, then the foot that is farther from the center is evaluated.

### **FREE FLIGHT**

Since it is necessary to achieve a larger number of competition series, free flyers will be allowed to take off only between competition series on the first day of the competition and when the starter determines the moment that is unfavorable for competitors and favorable for free pilots (thermals). Depending on the number of free flyers, the Starter determines the number of sounding flights just before the start of each competition series. On the second day, the competition series are scheduled to end by 3 pm, and after that time, free flyers can fly unhindered.

### **Status of free flyers**

Anyone who wants to apply as a free flyer at the Prokuplje Open 2021 competition must have a flyer's license. Otherwise, he cannot get the status of a free flyer or fly during the competition. It is understood that free flyers must have all the necessary equipment for flying, as well as a radio connection.

The free pilot is obliged to sign a statement to fly exclusively at his own risk and to be familiar with the conditions and rules of flying during the competition. The organizer reserves the right to limit the number of free flyers in case of too many competitors.

### **Rules for flying for free flyers at the Prokuplje Open 2021 competition**

Each of the free flyers must have a radio link and use it on the same frequency as the competitors, solely to listen to or receive certain information from the organizers. The use of a radio link by a free flyer is only permitted if the safety of any of the flight participants has been compromised. Free flyers are allowed to take off only under the supervision and permission of the Starter of the competition. If a free flyer is in the air at the time of the announcement of the start of the competition series by the competition manager, he is obliged to adjust his flight so that he is not allowed to fly or fly over the competition flight zone at any time, i.e. the path from the take-off point to the destination.

Free flyers must respect the advantage of the competitors when flying and landing, as well as respect the instructions of the competition managers.

Free flyers are determined the place of landing, which is located outside the area with the measuring field. It is allowed to land in the area around the measuring field, only in the incident case, i.e. that it is the only way to land a free flyer safely.

NOTE: Any arrogant behavior and disrespect of the competition organizer by a free flyer is sanctioned by removing him from the competition. The money paid in the name of the registration fee, the organizer in this case is not obliged to return to the free pilot.

### **BATCH INFORMATION**

There will be a maximum of 5 full series. A minimum of 1 series must be completed for the competition to be valid.

The bulletin board will display: results, weather information, information related to the competition and social events.

### **MAXIMUM WIND SPEED**

The maximum wind speed for the competition to take place properly will be determined at the obligatory briefing.

### **RESULTS**

#### **Individual results**

Individual results are the sum of all results achieved by one competitor.

When 5 or more series are completed successfully, the worst result for each pilot individually is discarded.

#### **Team results**

The team counts all members from the same club who appeared in the competition, and the 3 (three) best results are taken into account for scoring the team result for each team in the current series.

There is no rejection of bad series in the team standings.

A team can only be made up of members of the same club.

The team that wins the least negative centimeters (when the three best results from the team are added up for each series) will be declared the winner of the competition at the end of the competition. If a team has less than three competitors at the end of each series in the calculation of team placement, the team will be added 500 points for each missing competitor (maximum for two missing competitors).

### **Publication of results**

As far as possible, after the end of each series, the results will be published on the bulletin board, as provisional results. The date and time of posting on the bulletin board must be written on the results. Any appeal against the result must be submitted no later than 2 hours in relation to the set time and date (except for the last round). If the provisional results are set for more than 2 hours after sunset and before 6 am, then the deadline for complaints and protests is at 8:00 am the next day.

### **Penalties**

Dangerous flying:

First time: a stern warning.

Second time: maximum score for the series.

Third time: exclusion from the competition.

The Chief Judge and the Launch Marshall, in cooperation with the Safety Director and the Meet Director, will make a report on incidents and dangerous flying.

Other policy violations:

Same as for dangerous flying.

## **TRIAL**

### **Judging team**

The competition is conducted by a qualified licensed judging team, according to all the rules defined in the HJC Rules on paragliding for the discipline of precision landing (section judges' rules).

### **Video evidence**

Optionally, the organizer will provide a recording of the landing. In the event that there is an amateur video of the landing, and there is a complaint by a competitor, the Director and the Chief Judge have the right to use such video for the purpose of a fair trial. The decision is made on a case-by-case basis. Information on how to use the videos will be given at the first briefing of the competition.

The Chief Judge can decide whether to use the video record or not.



If there is no video, it does not mean that the flyer will not be assigned to take off again if the chief judge decides so.

### **SAFETY**

The Safety Director oversees all aspects of safety. This includes, but is not limited to: mandatory briefing, checking the weather situation, checking wind speed, preventing the pilot from taking off with unsafe equipment, collecting incident reports from the pilot, discussing any incidents with the flight attendant and presenting conclusions at the pilot briefing.

The Safety Director in cooperation with the Meet Director may stop the competition for the safety of the flyer. Any decision made by the Director of Safety is communicated to the President of the Jury.

The safety director must know the airfield and have experience of similar competitions.

Competitors must have a good start in low winds, as well as in strong winds for these airfields.

In case of strong wind, the competition can be temporarily suspended until the conditions improve.

The airfield director may decide to temporarily or permanently exclude any pilot from the competition if he or she does not demonstrate sufficient ability to fly in light or strong winds.

A failed take-off attempt or a safety-related problem that occurred immediately after take-off (not related to a poor pre-flight check by the pilot) that resulted in landing on the runway, or away from the target, results in the pilot taking off again for a series in which a problem arose, provided this did not happen 3 times.

The Safety Committee includes: The airfield director (or his deputy), a member of the judging team, a minimum of two experienced flyers (one local, one guest - must be competitors).

### **COMPLAINTS AND PROTESTS**

Complaints and protests are conducted in accordance with Section 7C and the General Section of the FAI, the HJC Paragliding Regulations for the discipline of accuracy landing (Complaints and Protests Section), as well as these local rules. An appeal is lodged with the Chief Judge. It must be submitted within two hours of the publication of the provisional results.

If the complainant is dissatisfied with the response to the complaint, the team leader may write a written protest to the Meet Director or his deputy. The time for filing a protest is limited to 2 hours (one hour after the last round) after the announcement of the results of the appeal. Registration fee for protest and appeal is 30 €. The money is refunded if the protest / complaint is accepted.

### Entry form for the competition

Name and surname:

Email:

Phone number:

State:

Name of team:

Sex: Male Female

Date of birth:

Sporting licence number - valid 2021

Pilot licence number:

Manufacturer of paraglider:

Type of paraglider:

I declare with full responsibility that I will fly in the competition on a certified and technically correct paraglider. In addition to the specified wing, I use a technically correct seat with a protector in accordance with FAI section 7C, a spare parachute and a certified helmet. With full responsibility that I will at competition fly the certified and technically correct paraglider. In addition to the wing using the technically correct seat of the protector according to the FAI section 7C, parachute and certified helmet.

I declare with full responsibility that I am aware of the risk that competitive paragliding carries, and that I approach each competitive flight at will. In the event of an accident and injury, I will not demand any liability and / or monetary compensation from the organizers. With full responsibility that I am familiar with the risk that competitive flying paraglider carries, and that I approach every competition flight at will. In case of accident and injury, the organizer will not require any liability and compensation.

I declare with full responsibility that I have an insurance policy against third parties.

Signature of participant: \_\_\_\_\_