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# GRAND PRIX CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024 RULES & CONDITIONS FOR ACCURACY LANDINGS

The Accuracy competitions will be in four categories; Classic Accuracy, Senior, Intermediate and Novice in Sports Accuracy

All categories will be over a maximum of six rounds.

## 1. GENERAL

- a. The Grand Prix Competitions will be conducted where practicable in accordance with British Skydiving National and FAI rules, except where specific changes have been made for judging and scoring purposes to determine the placings and winners of the Grand Prix Competitions and Overall Champions.
- b. The British Skydiving Anti-Doping Policy and Rules (See Form 220) apply to all competitors at Grand Prix Competitions. By entering a Grand Prix Competition, all competitors agree to take a random drugs test if required failure to provide a sample for analysis will result in disqualification.
- c. All participants will accept these rules as binding on entering the Grand Prix competitions.
- d. At the pre-competition briefings any local rules will be made available by the Parachute Training Organisation (PTO) Management and must be adhered to.
- e. Prizes will be awarded for each Grand Prix competition and for the Overall Champions. The Overall Champions will receive their awards at the British Skydiving Annual General Meeting.
- f. In the event of less than five competitors registering, the event will be declared a non event
- g. British Skydiving will provide funding towards the provision of Officials and necessary equipment for judging. The PTO host will charge for jumps at as near normal price as possible. An Entry fee for each competition may be charged by the host PTO up to a maximum of £5.
- h. The competition will have a start and end time as directed by the DZ Operator and Officials at the end of the registration period.
- i. Teams and individuals must register on Form 132(a) or online entry by the start of day the actual competition commences.
- j. The minimum number of rounds will be two (2). If the competition category is not completed in two rounds it will be classed as a non event.

## 2. DOCUMENTATION

All competitors on booking in will produce the following:

- a. A valid and in date British Skydiving membership.
- b. Current Medical declaration or Doctor's certificate.
- c. A skydivers' current logbook.
- d. Chief Instructor's written permission to compete (Novices only).

# EQUIPMENT

Each individual is responsible for supplying their own equipment, which should consist of:

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- a. A serviceable main and reserve parachute, container and harness.
- b. An equipment inspection record and a reserve packing card.
- c. A serviceable altimeter and suitable helmet, clothing and footwear. [NOTE: Footwear must not damage the AMD. If damage occurs due to inappropriate footwear the competitor may be disqualified.
- N.B. All of Paras 2 and 3 (above) must comply with the requirements of the British Skydiving Operations Manual.

#### THE EVENTS

# a. Classic Accuracy

Competitors in Classic Accuracy must satisfy the Chief Judge and Meet Director of their ability to safely compete

## b. Sports Accuracy

Competitors should enter the category appropriate to their ability. The initial criteria for entering a category will be by canopy wing loading;

A Novice: Wing loading 1.0 or less

B Intermediate: Wing loading from 1.1 to 1.5

C Senior: Wing loading above 1.5

These categories are guides only, the exact category for individuals will be decided by the Chief Judge and Meet Director

Competitors are encouraged to remember the spirit of the category and move on as ability/experience improves year on year.

### CONDUCT OF EVENTS

- a. A team event with Individual scores to count. 5 person teams with the worst individual score on each round to be discarded in the team event.
- b. Teams will be made up of five individuals. Individuals not in a team will be grouped into `Teams' by the officials for manifesting and jumping purposes.
- c. Classic team accuracy jumps will be made from a maximum height of 3,500ft AGL. Sport Accuracy jumps will be made from a maximum height of 5,000ft AGL. The exit altitude may be lowered due to weather conditions, the lowest opening altitude being 3,000ft for 'B' licence, and 2,500ft for 'C' licence and above.

Sport competitors will be judged on the following three tasks:

- 1. Accuracy: The distance between their first point of contact and the rim of the target dead centre will be measured with a possible score of zero metres (dead centre) to 15 metres maximum if the first point of contact is not within the 30-metre-diameter circle
- 2. Stand-up landing: Failure to perform a stand-up landing will receive a penalty score depending on the category of the competitor;

Sport Senior - 15 metre score

Sport Intermediate - 7 metre score will be added to the score obtained, if this totals more than 15 metres then a 15-metre score will be recorded

Sport Novice - 3 metres will be added to the score obtained, if this totals more than 15 metres then a 15-metre score will be recorded

3. Landing control: The competitor will receive a penalty score depending on the category of the competitor if the competitor fails to contain the landing within the 30-metre-diameter circle.

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All competitors will receive a 15-metre score if they fly through and out of the front area of the circle

If due to strong winds the competitor lands within the 30 metre circle but is unable to collapse the canopy and in the Chief Judge's view this results in being blown backwards by the wind outside of the 30 metre circle then the following penalities will apply

Sport Senior - 15 metre score

Sport Intermediate - 4 metres will be added to the score obtained, if this totals more than 15 metres then a 15-metre score will be recorded

Sport Novice - 2 metres will be added to the score obtained, if this totals more than 15 metres then a 15-metre score will be recorded

## SCORING SYSTEM FOR GRAND PRIX AND OVERALL CHAMPIONS

The judging for the event will be run according to the rules for the UK National Championships . Competitors: Classic , – will be scored to 2.50cm; Sport Accuracy all categories will be scored to 15 metres for the Grand Prix competitions. Points towards the Overall Championship will be awarded in the following manner:

1st place	20 points	6th place	5 points
2nd place	15 points	7th place	4 points
3rd place	11 points	8th place	3 points
4th place	8 points	9th place	2 points
5th place	6 points	10th place	1 point

Each competitor taking part will be awarded 1 point for each competition they attend, and an additional point if they register a score in the competition under the maximum score

In the event of a tie for the first 3 places in the Team or Individual Accuracy Landing the following rules apply:

- a) If the minimum number of rounds has been completed and in the opinion of the Meet Director, in consultation with the Chief Judge, there is not enough time left to complete the next round with all competitors where possible tie-break jumps shall be made.
- b) If this does not break a tie then the competitor or team with the greater number of low scores (i.e. for teams the score as defined 5.1.8 in the 2024 isc cr style and accuracy 0.pdf (fai.org) competition rules from all completed jumps, including the tie-breaking jumps, obtains the higher place.
- c) If the tie remains, the competitor with the lowest score, starting with the last completed jump, including tie-breaking jumps, and continuing in reverse order, jump by jump until the tie is broken, obtains the higher place. If the tie remains in the Team Accuracy Landing all 5 team scores are used for each round, then 7.2.3 of the 2024\_isc\_cr\_style\_and\_accuracy\_0.pdf (fai.org) competition rules is again used with these scores.
- d) If the tie cannot be broken, the competitors or teams concerned shall be declared co-medallists.
- e) All other ties will be ranked equal.

If **two** or less rounds are completed only **half points** will be awarded. Bonus points will be awarded if specific standards are achieved. They are as follows:

4 Dead Centres5 Dead Centres6 Dead Centres3 Bonus points

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Bonus points will only be awarded on full point scoring competitions.

There is no distinction between men and women – both compete as equals and mixed teams are allowed.

Prizes will be awarded to the first three Individuals and the first team.

In the Overall Championship, prizes will be awarded to individuals only.

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