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## 4<sup>th</sup> Southern Alps Big Tasks Open

11 to 19 August 2018, Aspres sur Buech, France

### Open Ranking Regulations

#### 1. Purpose

ADPUL, free flight non profit organisation, who organized 3 times its Southern Alps Big Tasks international FAI category 2 competition, has proved the potential of that area to host events where 300km+ tasks **with return to the start point** can easily be achieved, and that, with a high percentage of pilots at goal.

ADPUL's goal is to promote cross-country flying.

So this year, for it's 4th edition, it's board has decided to open the competition to all class 2 pilots having a reasonable experience in cross-country flying, whether they fly with a pure glider or one equipped with an **auxiliary engine**, as well as the best **class 5 & class 1** pilots of the world pilot ranking system.

Each class will have a separate official FAI scoring, and will score to the WPRS (FAI category 2 competition). But to make that event more attractive, and to try to find new ways of competing together, there will be an open ranking including all the pilots from all the classes using **handicap factors** to compensate the differences in performances of the different classes. This ranking is experimental, and hopefully will generate a lot of fun flying cross-country. Here are the rules for the scoring of that open ranking.

#### 2. General rules

The attached local rules of the 4th Southern Alps Big Tasks FAI category 2 competitions for Class 2 as well as Class 1 & 5 will apply (registration, safety, etc), except the rules for scoring.

#### 3. Concept

The ranking will only be based on the **distance flown** until a specific time.

The kilometers flown by each pilot at this time will be converted to points by multiplying them by the handicap factor of its FAI class:

for class 1 flexwings, this factor is equal to 1

for class 2 ultralight gliders, this factor is equal to 0,75

for motorized class 2 ultralight gliders this factor is equal to 0,75

for class 5 hang-glidern, this factor is equal to **0,9 (may be still adjusted)**

#### 4. Tasks

The tasks will be exactly identical to those of the 4th Southern Alps big Tasks FAI category 2 competition.

For class 2 (including motorized), the task will be the task of the class 1 & 5, plus an extension:

- the goal of the class 1 & 5 will only be a waypoint of their task

- the minimum distance of the extension is 25% of the total distance of the class 1 & 5 task.

## Launch

There will be 3 separate take-off lines:

- 1 for the class 2 aerotowed
- 1 for the class 1 & 5 aerotowed
- 1 for the class 2 motorized

Class 2 with auxiliary engine have to take off by their own, and must take off between 2 aerotows, not delaying them.

## 5. Starts

Start line and start time will be the same for everybody.

There will be more than one start time, in order not to penalize, in their category 2 competition scorings, the last pilots being aerotowed.

## 6. Time for scoring the distance

The time of arrival of the **first pilot making the goal**, which ever class it is, is the reference time.

At this time, the "Open competition" task is completed, pilots continue to fly in their own class FAI category 2 competition task.

To ease the scoring, the reference time for the calculation of the distance will be diminished by one second. The individual distances flown are set as if the task is stopped at that time.

## 7. Complaints and protests

Any open minded talk about this ranking are welcome, but not any complain or protest will be accepted

The purpose of this open ranking is:

- to emulate the cross-country flying together
- to experiment new ways of competing.

## 8. Other rules

See the attached respective **local rules** of the 4th Southern Alps Big Tasks FAI **category 2** competitions, for class 2 and for class 1 & 5