

“FAI-2 Paragliding XC Estonian Open 2018” LOCAL REGULATIONS

General info

Competition goal: to promote and develop XC-paragliding in Estonia

Launching sites (according to wind direction):

Nurmsi airfield (all winds, except strong S)

Ridali airfield (in case of strong S winds)

Competition headquarters HQ: “Keelutsoon club”, Nurmsi (58.875926, 25.732913)

Competition date: 25-27.05.2018

Competition organizer: ParaglidingEE club

Competition personnel

Meet director: Aurelijus Andreliūnas

Task Director: Viktor Usanov

Safety Director: Jaano Räsäsa

Chief Judge: Juozas Kaunas

Take-off Marshal: TBA

3 Pilots will be elected during General briefing to Task Comitee.

Schedule

May be adjusted as per weather conditions and additional events.

First day (25.05. Friday)

07:00 Registration of participants.

09:00 End of registration.

09:10 Opening ceremony, General briefing.

10:00 Participants transportation to launching site.

11:00 Briefing at take-off, XC-task setting.

11:30 Take-off window open.

17:00 Take-off window close, transportation to HQ.

18:00 Goal deadline.

20:30 Results delivery deadline.

Second day (26.05. Saturday)

08:00 Breakfast (tea/coffee, snacks).

09:30 Participants transportation to selected launching site.

10:30 Briefing at take-off, XC-task setting.

11:00 Take-off window open.

17:00 Take-off window close, transportation to HQ.

18:00 Goal deadline.

20:30 Results delivery deadline.

Third day (27.05. Sunday)

08:00 Breakfast (tea/coffee, snacks).
09:30 Participants transportation to selected launching site.
10:30 Briefing at take-off, XC-task setting.
11:00 Take-off window open.
17:00 Take-off window close, transportation to HQ.
18:00 Goal deadline.
20:00 Results delivery deadline.
20:30 Closing and awarding ceremony.

Record attempt day

In case of very good weather conditions during one of the competition's days organizers would like to give all the pilots competing a chance to set a new Estonian Open Distance Record. In this case day schedule will be changed. Information will be provided at Task Briefing of the day.

Competition Regulations

Competition regulations are based on and follow Section SK 7 the FAI Sporting Code and Local Regulations. Protests and disagreements are resolved by the order defined in these rules, FAI Sports Code Section SK 7 and Local regulations. In case of information conflict, the rules priority is considered as follows 1) FAI Sporting Code SK 7, 2) Local regulations.

Participation

Number of pilots limited to 40.

Pilots compete individually.

Categories: *Overall* (all EN certified gliders), *Sport* (up to EN C gliders), *Fun* (up to EN B gliders), *Woman* (if 3 or more women compete)

Take-off: pay-out winch towing.

Requirements for competitors

Competitors must hold a valid license with IPPI card (ParaPro3 and up), valid medical insurance (will be checked at the registration) take part in briefings and follow instructions of the Meet Director, Take-off Marshal and Judges. To get FAI competition points, FAI sport license is required and activated.

Competitors must have airworthy flying equipment, which corresponds to their skill level, reserve parachute, helmet, tow release, working radio equipment and GPS device. XC results will be valid only if presented with GPS device.

Entry and take-off fees

Entry Order:

No selection. First paid, first in.

At least 10 places reserved for non-Estonian pilots.

5 wildcards are reserved at organizers discretion.

Entry fee – 70€.

Should be paid ASAP.

Entry fee can be paid via Bank Transfer to these requisites:

Company: Noorte Lennuklubi OÜ

Company Code: 12333942
Company Address: Allika 2-11, 76607, Keila, Estonia
IBAN: EE212200221055829963
SWIFT: HABAE2X
Swedbank
Description: EstOpen18 Name Surname

OR using PayPal:
paypal.me/estopen18
Description: EstOpen18 Name Surname

Entry fee includes:

- Pilots' pick-up
- Lunch-pack
- Competition Souvenir
- Camping facilities (WC, shower, electricity, etc.)
- Breakfast snacks, coffee, tea
- Competition awards and prizes

Towing not included. One tow = 5€ (estimated altitude - 400m).

Registration

Pilots pre-register at web page airtribune.com and at competition place according to competition schedule. Pilots must personally present a valid license, medical insurance and confirm their data with signature.

1.1 Registration deadline is 24.05.2018.

1.2 First 40 pilots with Confirmed status form the competition.

1.3 Confirmed status received only after payment is made. This is the selection method.

1.4 Pilots who are not involved in the list according to 1.2 section will stay in the waiting list.

1.5 Pilots who pay the entry fee until 18.05.2018 make the Confirmed list.

1.6 Pilots who do not pay the entry fee until 18.05.2018 are moved to the bottom of the waiting list.

Pilots who are on the top of the waiting list are invited to pay the entry fee on the registration day and participate in the competition.

1.7 25% of places are reserved for pilots from other countries.

1.8 Organizers have the right exceptionally add 5 more pilots according to their discretion.

Take-off order

Determined by Chief Judge and controlled by Launch Marshal. The First day launch order will be determined at registration, +20 places rotation will be applied on each following day.

Pilots can have multiple launch attempts during take-off window open.

Tasks

XC tasks: elapsed time to goal, elapsed time to goal with turn points. Chief Judge and Task Committee will determine the task before take-off window open.

Scoring

Scores will be calculated with GAP formula and FS software. The best attempt of the day will score.

Task validity

The task is valid if two participants fly distance over minimum. Nominal distance, nominal time and minimum distance will be announced at take-off briefing.

Competition validity

Competition is valid with at least one valid task

Protests

Must be given to the Chief Judge in written, indicating the reasons and violated rules. The protest deposit is 10 EUR which is returned in case the protest is upheld. In case the protest is denied, the deposit is kept for the competition budget.

Limitations

The wind speed limit is 7m/s.

In case of unsafe conditions, the Chief Judge has the power to close the window or cancel the task.

Liability

The pilot is personally responsible for his actions and equipment and he confirms this by his signature at registration.

Disqualification

A pilot might be disqualified and removed from competitions at any violation of these regulations or other laws or any other non-sportive behavior. A pilot might be disqualified and removed from competition if he poses a risk for his or other person's safety, or he appears to be under influence of alcohol or drugs. The decision to remove a pilot is taken by the organizers and judges.

Non-competition actions

Any non-competing person staying at the competition area must respect current rules and agree with the event organizers to be a part of the event. Any advertising and other commercial actions during competition days must be agreed with the organizers before General Briefing.