

To: Claude Weber, Event Director

From: Joe Zvada, Pilot #105

Subject: Complaint regarding no result on Task 4 and no result on Task 5.

I respectfully request the Event Director review the application of rule 15.5.4 on my score for Task 4, 12.3.6 on my score for Task 5, and – as per our discussion during the clarification/assistance phase - the addition to the rules in II.17 e) which was distributed in the General Briefing Notes for the following reasons:

1. The General Briefing Notes document states text to be added to rule II.17 e), however, per rule 8.5, rules may not be modified once approved by the CIA. This is in line with the FAI Sporting Code 5.7.4 which states that approved Event Rules must be distributed to each entrant no later than three months before the start of the event. Therefore, the new rule added to II.17 e) during General Briefing does not apply.
2. Rule 15.5.4 – as cited on my Task 4 result - does not apply as the rule states it applies to events with observers.
3. Rule 12.3.6 – as cited on my Task 5 result - does not apply as my declarations, while inappropriately placed, met all 'time, point or boundary' criteria.

I believe and request that rule 7.8 apply in this case because while my declarations were inappropriately placed in the incorrect loggoal in the BLA, they were unambiguous by meeting all time, declaration point, distance, boundary, and corresponding electronic mark criteria. I met all other requirements of the TDS including the number of required declarations while not exceeding the maximum number of declarations permitted for both tasks in any loggoal location. The error in loggoal location of the declarations was unintentional and no competitive advantage was gained at any point.

Rule 7.8 of the Event Rules for this event are aligned with R7.8 of the most recent Competitor Operations Handbook which states that 'An inappropriate but unambiguous declaration should be accepted and be penalized with 100 TP.'

For these reasons, I believe rule 7.8 applies to my declarations on Task 4 and Task 5 which permits a competitor to achieve a result with a penalty in such situation up to 100 task points.

Thank you for your time and attention.



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