

Reply to protest from competitor # 3 Edoardo Barbieri
On task 28 in flight 7 on 11/11/2025 AM

The Jury received the protest and protest fee. The protest was made in accordance with the Sporting Code and the rules. All timing conditions were met and the protest was admitted.

The Jury invited the competitor Edoardo Barbieri; and Event Director Eugenijus Komars to a hearing on October 11, 2025 at 16:00.

All three Jury members were present.

The hearing lasted for 20 minutes and both parties were given the opportunity to explain their arguments in detail.

Also a video was shown with the rotation much more than 180° around itself close to the MMA. Which imply a penalty of 250pt when there is no competitive advantage.

Finding of the Jury:

According to rule 3.1.3 of AXMER 2025

The use of vents which are designed to propel a balloon is prohibited. Turning vents may only be operated in flight for the purpose of orienting the basket. Prolonged or excessive use of the turning vents is prohibited. Penalty 250 to 500 task points.

According to rule 3.1.3 Vents of COH 2025

Prolonged or excessive use may include using both ("turn right" and "turn left") vents at the same time, rotations of greater than 180 degrees and repeated use of the vents in a short period of time. Without competitive advantage, 250 TP, otherwise 500 TP.

Decision of the Jury:

The protest is not upheld and the scores remain as published.
The Jury also decided to return the protest fee.

The decisions by the Jury were unanimous.

Respectfully

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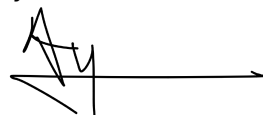
Jury President

Paul Cuenot



Jury member

Aymeric Moizard



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