

Michael Suchy Ballooning

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ballooning career (CV 2025)

Objective

Main life occupation:

Aircraft industry / ballooning for over 35 years

Valid qualifications:

- free manned hot air balloon pilot licence
- instructor, senior examiner
- aircraft maintenance licence

Work experience

1987-1989 worker in Aerotechnik Kunovice on balloons type AB

1990-2015 worker, pilot, sales manager, sales/marketing director, co-owner of Kubicek Balloons company.

Since 2016 – co-owner of Skydea company, Hangar 1013 company, working on commercial flights, training and exam flights, balloon maintenance, balloons and parts sales/trade, Cameron dealer since 2016.

Pilot experience

EASA and FAA hot air balloon and airship ratings

Pilot licence since 1988

Flight hours as a pilot in command: +2300 incl +400 test flights

Flight hours as an instructor and examiner: +500

Qualification for night flights rating.

Competition experience

In Czech National Team since 1993 (20 years continuously).

Best achievements as a pilot:

7x Champion of the Czech Republic, winner of Austrian and Slovakian Nationals, podium place on Europeans.

Top events in total: 10 Worlds and 11 Europeans championships, 2 WAGs.

The best position on the World Rank List - 12th (2010)

Memorable flights / achievements

Introduction flights with Kubicek factory demo balloon in 34 countries

Complete Alpine Crossing

3x Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta Flight of Nation pilot

Maintenance experience

Release-to-service approved person in Kubicek factory

Maintenance inspector in DK.CAO.0003 since 2019

Safety in ballooning experience

Main inspector of Czech Balloon Federation, safety seminars lector, investigation of accidents and incidents, consultant for Air Accidents Investigation Institute.

Skills

Communication skills: excellent with many years of experience in team leadership.

Language skills: Czech native speaker, English ****, German **

Driving skills: International driving licence A,B,C,E ratings



Profile

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