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Introduction

iFLY in Australia is the responsible authority for the management of Indoor Skydiving in Australia around competitions and records.

iFLY in Australia administers competitions under the FAI Sporting Code's General Section, Section 5 and relevant Competition Rules issued by the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale.

For the purpose of iFLY in Australia Competitions, the following references shall apply:

- FAI/ISC.....iFLY
- NACAustralian Parachute Federation (APF)
- FAI Sporting Calendar.....iFLY Event Calendar

This document outlines further information for events and competition rules that are specific for Australian Indoor Skydiving activities.

NOTE: numbering in this document is done in line with FAI Documents. Where a number appears to be missing or omitted, this means that there are no iFLY specific requirements or additional information required.

General Section

1. Principles and Authority

1.1. Principles

iFLY in Australia is responsible for the management and overseeing competition and records in Australia.

1.2. Sporting Code

iFLY operates under the FAI Sporting Code (including the General Section, Section 5, Competition Rules), and the further rules contained in the iFLY in Australia Sporting Code and relevant iFLY in Australia Competition Rule addendums.

The current version of the FAI Sporting Code, General Section, Section 5, and Competition Rules, approved for Australia are:

FAI Sporting Code	Approved Date/Edition	Effective Date
General Section	2025 Edition	1 January 2025
Section 5	2025 Edition	1 March 2025
ISC Competition Rules		
Formation Skydiving and Vertical Formation Skydiving	2025 Edition	1 May 2025
Indoor Solo Freestyle	2025 Edition	1 May 2025
Dynamic and Solo Speed	2025 Edition	1 May 2025

All documents listed above can be downloaded from the ISC website at <https://www.fai.org/isc-documents>.

1.3. Sporting Code Authority

1.4. Amendments

Updates to the above documents issued by the FAI are reviewed and adopted by iFLY after review and approval in consultation with competitors and the National Competition of the relevant year. The above tables will be updated annually to reflect the adopted version of the FAI Sporting Code sections and Competition Rules.

2. Classes and Definitions

3. Sporting Licences

4. Sporting Events

4.1. Classification

4.2. Participants

4.3. Champions

4.4. Responsibilities of Participants

4.4.1. Acceptance of the Sporting Code and Rules

Competitors are required to know and understand the FAI Sporting Code and the iFLY in Australia Sporting Code for the event as well as the iFLY Values, Conduct & Respect Policy.

4.4.2. Doping, Alcohol, Illness, and Injury

iFLY may elect to conduct random tests to ensure compliance with FAI Anti-Doping Rules and Procedures. These shall be conducted by an iFLY approved regulatory authority.

4.5. General Regulations

iFLY National Championships may be held annually and may consist of multiple disciplines and events including iFLY specific events.

Bids will be accepted from Organisers on 01 March of each year. If no bid is received, iFLY may nominate a location and organise a National Championships in conjunction with the Tunnel Operator(s).

4.6. Sporting Calendar

4.7. Entry Criteria

4.8. Entries

4.9. Suspension, Cancellation of Events

4.10. Results and Prize-Giving

Only Australian Teams may be awarded as Australian Champions. Visiting competitors/teams will be recognised in overall results and awarded medals but may not hold the title of Australian Champion. Visiting competitors/teams shall be identified as such in official results.

Medals are awarded for Nationals Championships where there are two or more competitors/teams in an event. Where there is only one competitor/team, a gold medal may be awarded if it is the first competition of the discipline/event or where the competitor/team exceeds the result of the previous competition by more than 30%.

5. Control of Sporting Events

5.1. NACs Responsibility

5.2. Officials for First Category Events

5.3. Officials for Second Category Events

Officials for Australian event, may hold multiple positions/roles although any position/role held, should not conflict with another (ie: jury members may be participating in a competition, but should not hold a position on the jury for the event they are participating in).

5.4. Officials for Badges

5.5. Officials for Records

Where a performance record is being attempted, Judges shall hold a current National Judges Rating or higher (eg: International Judges Rating) for the relevant discipline category.

6. Penalties, Complaints, Protests, Appeals

6.1. Penalties

6.2. Complaints

6.3. Protests

The Protest Fee for Australian National Championships is A\$50.

There are no administrative fees applicable for Australian competitions.

7. Records

iFLY will maintain a register of National Records including Competition and Performance Records.

- 7.1. Definition
- 7.2. Absolute Records
- 7.3. Holders of Records
- 7.4. Administration
- 7.5. Responsibilities for Authorisations
- 7.6. Simultaneous Records
- 7.7. Multiple Records
- 7.8. Certification
- 7.9. Verification
- 7.10. Notification

8. Measurements, Calculations, Margins

- 8.1. Measurements
- 8.2. Calculations
- 8.3. Margins and Precision
- 8.4. Approvals

Section 5

1. General Regulations

1.1. Validity, Definitions and Abbreviations

1.1.1. Principles, Authority

Additional Australian specific events include:

- FS 2 Way: ISC rules for FS 4-Way will be used for this event unless otherwise stipulated in this document.
- VFS 2 Way: ISC rules for VFS 4-Way will be used for this event unless otherwise stipulated in this document.
- JNR Intermediate & Intermediate Freestyle: ISC rules for Solo Freestyle will be used for this event unless otherwise stipulated in this document.

Sub-categories may include:

- Novice
- Intermediate
- Advanced
- Open

To compete in a category other than Open, no more than 25% of the team shall consist of a team member who has won a gold medal in the relevant category within the previous five years.

1.2. Personal Requirements

1.3. General Safety Conditions

All competitors must, at minimum, be signed off as a Competent Flyer under IBA (International Bodyflight Association) and be able to participate safely in tunnel flying.

Minimum flying ability would require each individual to be able to show control when moving forwards and backwards, slow and fast fall, side sliding and turning, remembering that they are sharing the tunnel space with other people.

Coaches and Instructors are to never touch the competitors inside the wind tunnel other than to spot a potentially dangerous situation.

For safety reasons, if an individual flyer demonstrates unsafe or less than the minimum flying skills expected, he or she might be disqualified during the event or asked to exit the wind at any time, if deemed unsafe. Questions regarding your suitability for this competition contact the event organiser or communicate with your wind tunnel coach/meet director.

1.4. Payments

Payments relating to competitions (application fee, sanction fee, deposit) are to be paid to iFLY.

1.5. Expense Reimbursement Policy

2. Certificates of Proficiency

2.1. General Conditions

2.2. Certificate Category Requirements

2.3. Documentation

2.4. Minimum Requirements

3. Records

3.1. Provisions

3.1.1. Sub Classes of Records

3.1.2. General Conditions

All record attempts must be performed according to the relevant ISC or iFLY in Australia Competition Rules where appropriate.

3.2. Competition Records

Australian competition records are maintained by iFLY for all events conducted during competition (ie: includes novice, intermediate, female, and junior) sub-categories as separate record categories.

Additional Australian Competition Record categories include:

- 2-Way Formation Skydiving
- 2-Way Vertical Formation Skydiving

3.3. Performance Records

Australian Performance records must be assessed by a minimum of three judges. A majority of assessing Judges must be iFLY Rated Judge (or higher) in the relevant discipline for the record to be recognised.

3.4. Continental Regional Records

4. Organisation of Competitions

4.1. General Provisions

4.1.1. Selection of Site and iFLY Control

4.1.2. Schedule of Organisation

4.1.3. Sanction Fee

iFLY will determine any sanction and other fees that shall be payable to the iFLY.

4.2. Competition Rules

4.3. Technical Arrangements, Accommodation

4.4. Participation

4.5. Competition Management

4.5.1. Start of Competition

The iFLY Controller and the Chief Judge may approve for competition to start.

4.6. Judges

4.6.1. Attendance at Australian Competition

Sufficient Judges will be selected for iFLY Competitions and Events as required. Additional assistants or volunteers may be appointed as necessary.

As a minimum, an event panel shall consist of an odd number of principle judges which can include the Event Judge.

National Championships may have a single Chief Judge nominated, and Event Judges may undertake this role for multiple disciplines at a Championship with the only provision being that they hold a National Judges Rating in the relevant discipline.

4.7. Jury

Jury members may serve at multiple events during a calendar year.

A Jury President will be nominated prior to the start of competition. Additional Jury Members may be appointed during the competition as need arises.

4.8. Safety

4.9. Conclusion

4.10. Minimum Participation

There are no minimum participation requirements for Australian competitions. However, iFLY or an organiser will include any minimum participation levels they require to undertake an event.

5. General Competition Rules

5.1. General provisions

5.2. Execution of Jumps/Performances

5.2.1. Other Jumps or Wind Tunnel Time

5.2.2. Order of Performances (indoor skydiving)

5.2.3. Order of Events

5.2.4. Flight and/or Traffic Patterns

5.2.5. /Indoor Skydivers

Intermediate events shall have an additional 15 minutes to the times listed in the ISC Section 5 document for the minimum time from arriving or returning to the competition site

5.3. Protests

Protests must be submitted to the Chief Judge along with any associated fees.

5.4. Penalties

6. Skydiving Judges

iFLY Judge Ratings are valid throughout Australia and may or may not be recognised by other national parachuting organisations.

iFLY and the iFLY Director of Judges may assess guest/visitor Judge Ratings to evaluate their qualifications to act as a Judge at an iFLY competition, or to transition to become an iFLY Judge. Evidence and documentation may be requested to support a Judges application to act as a Judge at an iFLY competition, or to become an iFLY Judge. Acceptance as a Judge at an iFLY event or as an iFLY Judge, is solely at the discretion of the iFLY and the Director of Judges.

6.1. Judge Ratings and Requirements

iFLY Judge Ratings should be endorsed to indicate which events a judge is rated for First Category Events (ie: internationally rated).

6.2. Judge Training Course

6.3. Skydiving Judges

6.4. Judge Rating Category

6.5. Annual Nominations

iFLY will retain a list of rated Judges including details of endorsements.

To maintain a rating, iFLY judges must, in addition to the requirements outlined in Section 5 of the ISC Sporting code must:

- In the preceding two years, have judged at least one National Championship or equivalent competition acceptable to the iFLY Director Judges.
- In the preceding two years, have judged at least 60 jumps in competition, in each category for which revalidation is required.
- Facilitated or participated in a Judge Training Course or Practice Course consisting of a minimum of 60 jumps/performances, using other FCE or SCE footage in each category, as approved by the iFLY for which revalidation is required.

An iFLY Judge who acts as a Chief Judge, Assistant Chief Judge, Event Judge or Chief of Training Judges at a National Championship, or FCE, shall be considered to have satisfied the revalidation requirements for the events of that competition.

6.6. Judge Selection Process

The Chief Judge (CJ) for an event may be proposed by an Organiser from the list of iFLY Judges. This shall be approved by iFLY.

At the discretion of iFLY and the Director Judges, a Judge may be approved to serve as a Chief Judge after having served as an Event Judge for at least one National Championships.

At the discretion of iFLY and the Director Judges, in consultation with the nominated Chief Judge of the event, a Judge may be approved to serve as an Event Judge after having served as a Judge for at least one National Championships.

6.7. Duties of Judges

6.8. Judges Meetings

6.9. Judge Video Librarian