

# SECTION I - EVENT DETAILS



## I. 1 TITLE

The Event shall be known as: 2011 British National Championships

## I. 3 ORGANIZATION

The Event is organised by: BBAC Competitions Club

## I. 4 CORRESPONDENCE

All entries and official correspondence should be addressed to:

[chairman@ballooncomps.org.uk](mailto:chairman@ballooncomps.org.uk) or

Andrew Holly, Exclusive Ballooning, Breadstone, Gloucestershire, GL13 9HF

## I. 5 PERSONNEL

Event Director : Andrew Holly

Chief Observer : Jo Slade

## I. 6 PLACE

The Event will be held at: Berkeley Primary School, Berkeley, Gloucestershire

## I. 7 DATES

The Event will run from the afternoon of Monday August 1st, the first flight being Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup> am and the last flight will be the morning of Sunday August 7th.

### Registration

Provisionally 19:00 – 20:00 and post general briefing for 30 minutes Monday August 1<sup>st</sup> located at the School ST 6830 9940

Provisional mandatory general briefing Monday August 1<sup>st</sup> 20:00 located at the School ST 6830 9940

**Provisional** 1<sup>st</sup> task briefing at 05:30 Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup> this will be confirmed at the general briefing.

## I. 8 PROTEST FEE (S1 An3 8.3)

THE PROTEST FEE TO ACCOMPANY A PROTEST SHALL BE £50.00

## I. 9 LANGUAGE (GS 3.9.5 part)

I. 9.1 THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE(S) OF THE EVENT SHALL BE ENGLISH IN ALL INTERPRETATIONS THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION SHALL PREVAIL.

## I. 10 PARTICIPATION (GS 3.6.1 part)

In order to enter this event you are required to be a member of the BBAC, the BBAC Competitions Club, have a valid PPL/CPL for hot-air balloons, have a valid FAI Sporting Licence, 50hrs P1 and the appropriate medical certificate.

## **I. 11 CLOSING ENTRY DATE**

The closing entry date for the Event is: 13th June 2011

## **I. 12 RISK**

The balloon and other property of a competitor shall be at the risk of the competitor at all times. By entering the Event a competitor agrees to waive all claims against the BBAC Competitions Club or its officers, for injury to himself or loss or damage to his property.

## **I. 13 INSURANCE**

Each balloon shall be insured against all claims by third parties to a minimum as required under EC directive EC785/2004. The competitor shall produce documentary evidence of this insurance valid for the period of the Event covering any balloon which he may fly.

# **SECTION II - COMPETITION DETAILS**

## **II. 1 CONTEST AREA (7.1)**

The contest area is OS Maps 162 and 163

## **II. 2 OUT OF BOUNDS (7.2)**

River Severn and sands as shown on the Official Competition Map; R105/2 Highgrove House (ST 8750 9165 house and grounds only as shown on the Official Competition Map), Slimbridge Wetlands centre north and west of the Severn Way within the PZ shown on the Official Competition Map;

## **II. 3 PZ LIST (7.3)**

All BBAC PZ as published. Additional PZs may be announced during the event.

Blue PZ – 6000 feet GPS Altitude

## **II. 4 COMMON LAUNCH AREA(S) (9.1.1)**

Information on a number of CLA will follow.

## **II. 5 COMMON LAUNCH POINT(S) (9.1.2)**

Common launch points will be defined as required during the event.

## **II. 6 LANDOWNER'S PERMISSION (9.3)**

Competitors must ensure permission has been obtained from the landowner or occupiers before driving onto, or launching from, any land which is enclosed or cultivated or apparently used for agricultural purposes. The Permission must be obtained in the presence of an observer or official.

## **II. 7 LIVESTOCK AND CROP (10.6)**

Balloons shall not fly closer than 500 feet from livestock or buildings containing livestock.

## **II. 8 DRIVING LAW (10.11)**

Vehicles must be driven safely during the competition and comply with local driving laws. Please also note rule 3.10.3.

## **II. 9 AIR LAW (10.14)**

Pilots should comply with the current UK air law.

## **II. 10 RECALL PROCEDURE (10.15)**

SMS message service backed up by broadcast by the event director on 122.475MHz

## **II. 11 GOALS (12.2)**

The centre point of the intersections of roads will be:

The centre of the largest circle that can be accommodated within the area of hard road surface at the intersection.

The following types of roads are permitted for the purpose of goals selected by competitors:

Goal must be an intersection of at least 2 roads each of which must have at least 1 solid line.

## **II. 12 SAFETY LIMITATIONS (12.4)**

No goal selected by a competitor shall be:

- a. within a built-up area as shown on the Official competition map
- b. on the following roads; All Red or Green roads as marked on the Official map
- c. within 200 meters of a Red PZ
- d. within 200 meters of a motorway or a road designated to be of motorway status (measured from the outer edge as shown on the map).
- e. within 200 meters of a power line shown on the competition map

## **II. 13 LOCATION OF OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD (5.10)**

To be advised

## **II. 14 COMMUNICATION TIMES (5.3)**

11:00 and 17:00.

## **II. 15 PUBLICATION TIMES ON THE LAST FLYING DAY (5.6.3)**

Results will be published on the hour following the last flight.

## **II. 16 FLIGHT CREW (2.2.2)**

Bring your own.

## **II. 17 DETAILS FOR THE USE OF GPS LOGGERS (6.8)**

GPS Loggers will be supplied to the competitor at each briefing. Whilst it is intended to use observers for most tasks, the Director reserves the right to set some tasks that may be scored exclusively from the logger track. The competitor is responsible for ensuring the GPS logger is attached to their balloon prior to each flight. More details of the protocol surrounding the use of GPS loggers will be announced at the general briefing. If a GPS logger supplied by the organiser fails to record a log, the GPS log recorded by the GPS of the competitor may be used as backup provided it is set to record at 3 second intervals.

## **II. 18 DETAILS FOR TIME LIMITS (rest hours) (5.6)**

The hours between 23:30 – 05:30 and 11:30 – 15:30 local time will be disregarded for the purpose of the time limits of complaints and protests. The total rest period per day shall be a minimum of 10 hours and may be divided into two parts, depending on the daylight period.

## **II. 19 BALLOON SIZE (3.3)**

No restrictions apply.

## **II. 20 ASSESSED MARK (12.15.2)**

In the event of a lost marker, an assessed result based on the least advantageous interpretation of evidence available will be given, provided that the marker was released from lower than 2000' AMSL as explained in 12.16.2

## **II 21 ALTITUDE (14.6.4)**

The altitude recorded by the GPS logger, which records GPS altitude.

## **II. 22 2D SCORING ALTITUDE (12.21.3)**

Where relevant, 2D scoring takes effect up to 500 ft above the relevant goal.

## **Additional information**

Official Sunrise / Sunset 05:40 / 20:50

The event will be run under CIA AX model combined event rules 2011 with the following amendments

## **Section III**

Chapter 4

4.5 Selection of a Jury

When a Protest has been received by the event director and there has not been an International Jury appointed or approved by the CIA, The director shall invoke this clause to call together a Jury

The jury shall be made up of 3 people selected as follows.

2 pilots selected at random from All competing pilots who are eligible excluding any pilots bring the protest or any earlier related complaint.

An Observer selected at random from all nominated observers who are eligible excluding the observer nominated by or, for the relevant flight, observing the pilot bringing the protest.

To be eligible the pilot or observer must have attended at least 2 previous British nationals and at least 1 Category One CIA event and not advantaged or disadvantaged significantly by the result of any decision. If a jury cannot be formed, then the earlier decision of the director will be final.

The Jury shall amongst itself select a President. The responsibility of the selected Jury is to deal with this single protest.

Following the discharging of their duties under rule 5.5.4 the jury shall be disbanded.

## Chapter 5

### 5.8.2 *shall now read.*

All non refunded deposit fees from protests will be sent to the Competitions Club Treasurer.