



## 2022 Virtual Australian Skydiving Championships



## Guidelines

### Event Goals

- Provide a National performance measure / point of reference for competitors and APT selection process for 2022 WPC
- A fun event, engaging the Nation, experienced at a local community level
- We're building on the success of 2021 to make a national event possible in 2022, due to these unprecedented times. To keep as many people involved as possible there will be one host DZ in each state, which means different aircraft (however all states except SA will be using a Cessna Caravan). Judging will be done remotely and results available within 24 hours

### **APT Context**

- If a competitor cannot compete at any event due to exceptional, covid related, circumstances, including WA competitors being unable to attend the CP/AL Nationals, an application for Australian Parachute Team membership may be made to SCC. SCC will consider and approve team membership on a case-by-case basis, final decision by National Coach
- Where domestic and international travel require passengers to be fully vaccinated, APT membership, and access to related Performance Based Funding for 2022, will be dependent on full vaccination (as defined by Federal law). This pre-requisite is valid for 2022

### **Meet Director**

- There will be one overall Meet Director, appointed by the APF
- The Meet Director will be Jules McConnel, based at Sydney Skydivers, Picton, NSW
- The Meet Director will appoint individual 2ic's to be based at each State DZ location – responsible for liaison with the DZ operations, State based event management, governance, liaison with comms and marketing, logistics and reporting

### **Event Locations**

- A DZ will be designated as the competition event location for each State:
  - SA – SA Skydiving, Langhorne Creek
  - WA - Jurien Bay
  - NSW - Sydney Skydivers, Picton
  - VIC - Nagambie
  - QLD - Ramblers, Toogoolawah
  - NQLD - Tully

### **Registration Timing**

- Registration coming soon
- Registration will close - **5pm Sunday 20th March (for all events)**

### **Event Schedule**

- At the 2ic Meet Director's discretion, for each DZ, the event schedule can be adjusted to accommodate weather or local logistics
- The overall event window will be from Saturday 26 to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - any competition videos submitted on other dates will not be deemed valid
- Draws will be released on the night before the designated event weekend
- At the 2ic Meet Director's discretion, for each DZ, the draws for disciplines scheduled for 1-3 April can be released to registered teams earlier, to accommodate weather or local logistics
- Should restrictions in any State at the time of the competition prevent competitors in that State participating in the competition, registered teams will be given the opportunity to forfeit their participation.

## **Judging**

- It is accepted that different teams in the same discipline will be using different aircraft - it is assumed that there is no disadvantage or advantage for any team, and all will be treated equally
- The Chief Judge will be Peta Holmes, based in WA
- Competitors will be asked to upload their videos in a timely manner after each jump, to the onsite dubber
- All completed rounds will be judged - judges will endeavour to post results within 24 hours of a jump being submitted
- Protests and reviews must be made within 24 hours of the scores being posted. Protests and reviews must be submitted to the 2ic Meet Director who will communicate with the Chief Judge
- Placings for each event will be determined from the last complete round of that event
- Where all States have completed at least 1 round of a competition on the designated event weekend, the discipline will be deemed to have been completed
- Where any State has failed to complete 1 round of a competition in a specific event, the event will be deemed incomplete unless the teams from that State agree to forfeit their participation in the competition
- Participants will be asked to compete in good faith that they will take full advantage of available weather and logistics at their nominated competition drop zone and will not practice competition jumps in the tunnel or in the air between Friday 25 March through to Sunday 3 April inclusive
- Due to the difference in weather and logistics of this competition, records will not be ratified. Exceptions may be given to teams in disciplines that aren't affected by the weather in their discipline
- Wingsuiting will be judged using Skyderby software
- The Chief Judge and the Meet Director will be the final point of contact for any grievance

## **Awards**

- Medals will be issued to winning teams and competitors by post

## **COVID-19**

- APF COVID SAFETY PLAN - each competition DZ will follow their own COVID Safety Plan as per their state government requirements
- Drop zone management will be accountable and responsible for having and maintaining an appropriate COVID-19 Safety protocols as per their State Government's guidelines which may include a Plan for Community Sporting competitions and full training activities
- Where required by State Government guidelines, participants must provide their own masks and follow safety protocols required of them by the drop zone management

## **Roles and Responsibilities**

- APF - Event registration and payment processing, management and administration
- APF - Judging hub set up, equipment and resourcing, competition judging
- APF - Event set up and closure
- APF - Event communications and marketing
- APF - Appointment of the Meet Director
- Meet Director - appointment of the 2ic's in each State
- Meet Director / 2ic's - Role description as per the related competition and operational regulations to include event management, governance, logistics, liaison with APF comms and marketing, liaison with the DZ operations
- DZ - Provision of aircraft capacity and DZ facilities in support of agreed competition events

- DZ - Provision of a designated room for the Meet Director / 2ic's

### Costs

- Registration fees - an individual event registration fee will apply for each participant, payable to the APF - fees will cover all costs associated with event resourcing, preparation and delivery incl. management, administration, logistics, judging, awards, marketing, and comms
- Any camera flyer will be treated as an individual who must also register and pay a registration fee - any arrangement for the team to cover this cost should be managed within the team
- Jump tickets - jump tickets must be purchased directly with the DZ, for each team member - any arrangement for the team to cover this cost for their camera flyer should be managed within the team
- Jump tickets - each DZ will set jump ticket prices per discipline - these will be communicated in advance to participants
- Daily DZ fees - where a DZ has a precedent of charging for a daily DZ fee or camping fee, these will be applied as usual to competition participants on that DZ
- On site coaching - this will not be provided by the APF as the cost and logistics would be untenable across all DZ's - competitors are asked to support each other in good spirit

### Media

- As per APF Club waiver: Use of Image – You acknowledge and consent to photographs and electronic images being taken of you during your undertaking the Parachuting Activities. You acknowledge and agree that such photographs and electronic images are owned by the APF and/or The Providers and the APF and/or The Providers may use the photographs for promotional or other purposes without your further consent being necessary
- Participants are encouraged to tag **@apfskydive** to any Instagram stories relating to the competition to keep the competition connected online