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Registration – Action Required

Formal registration for WGC 2023 has opened.

We ask all Team Captains, who have not yet done so, to provide us with your Google linked email address as per Bulletin #4, so that we can provide you access to your team's registration folder.

Please provide your email address linked to a Google account to registration@wgc2023.com.au and we will provide access and any required support.

Thank you to the Team Captains who have already started to complete their registration data and upload the required documents for their teams, this will greatly assist with expediting on-site registration.

Vehicle Hire Contact Details

There has been a change in the contact details for Hertz in Dubbo for hire of a vehicle with a towbar. Revised contact details below:

Phone : +61 2 6884 8688

Email: dubbo@go2investments.com.au

Team Huts

As documented in Bulletin 2 there are air-conditioned team huts available for hire in Dubbo.

Once delivered to site, the area they will be located on the airfield is documented in the Self Briefing (Slide 8 – Facility Map).

There is power available at this location and the team huts can be connected by a standard electrical lead.

Parachute Packing

Neil Fergie : parachute man extraordinary, will be on site at Narromine from the 18th to 27th November and is available to repack parachutes if required.

Task Area Map

The Task area map is distributed with this bulletin in PDF format and is available for download via the web site.

https://wgc2023.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/WGC2023_Pilot_Map_A3_V1.0.pdf

We are printing A3 copies of the map for distribution to Pilots and Team Captains at registration.



Foreign Pilot Licence Recognition

As documented in the Local Procedures we will issue a GPC (Glider Pilots Certificate) upon completion of the NAC entry, payment of the entry fee, and presentation of an equivalent pilot licence from the country of origin.

For a pilot to use the GPC to fly a glider in Australia within the regulations, the pilot must have the following evidence for the period they intend to fly in Australia:

1. A current medical. This can be certification from a doctor that the pilot meets the standard for issuing a driver's licence, or a current Class 2, or above, aviation medical.
2. A current flight review. The minimum requirement is to have a flight review certified in the pilot's logbook by an instructor within the two years prior to the end of the competition (ie: the flight review date must be after 16th December 2021).

During the registration process, either online, or in person, we will need to sight evidence of the licence, and the current medical, and flight review, to meet our regulatory obligations.

We encourage Team Captains to complete the entry process, and prioritise the registration process for pilots, at their earliest convenience so we can verify the documentation and issue GPC's prior to arrival.

Foreign Aircraft Flying in Australia

Those aircraft flying in their home country on a Certificate of Airworthiness, can be flown in Australia in accordance with their home country regulations.

Those aircraft which are flying in their home country under either an Experimental Certificate, or Permit to Fly, must apply for an equivalent Australian approval as outlined below:

1. Sailplanes operating on experimental certificates (ECs) issued by their state of registry need to apply and supply proof that they comply with their state of registry requirements. The GFA can then process the application and issue the permission letter. No fee to competitor.
2. For those aircraft operating on a permit to fly (PtF). Apply to the GFA, and the GFA will process the application. When all requirements have been satisfied, the GFA will forward the application to CASA (Civil Aviation Safety Authority) and CASA will issue the Special Flight Authority (SFA). GFA will email the SFA to the applicant. The SFA fee is expected to be approximately \$160 AUD paid to CASA direct. GFA will forward the CASA invoice to the competitor for payment.

Please contact the GFA directly to organise for Experimental Certificates, and a Permit to Fly where these are required:

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Annex A 2023 Published – Local Procedures Updated

The 2023 Edition of Annex A has been published:

https://www.fai.org/sites/default/files/sc3a_2023.pdf

A document summarising the changes can be accessed here:

https://www.fai.org/sites/default/files/2023_changes_to_annex_a.pdf

The changes in Annex A 2023 were anticipated in the Local Procedures and the material changes are listed below:

3.5.4a Additional Documentation Required

In the Local Procedure this includes:

- Calibration of the registered GNSS FR's

As per Annex A 2023 5.4a, FR calibration certificates are no longer mandatory, and this requirement is removed from the Local Procedures.

5.4g Clarification

The Local Procedure now replicates the rules in Annex A and this clause is removed to avoid any potential confusion.

7.4.5b Pre-Start Altitude (MSL) Limit

The Local Procedure now replicates the rules in Annex A and this clause is removed to avoid any potential confusion.

7.4.5d – PEV Start Procedures

The Local Procedure now replicates the rules in Annex A and this clause is removed to avoid any potential confusion.

As a result of these changes Local Procedures V1.1 September 2023 has been published and accompanies this Bulletin.

