

15m CLASS NATIONALS - ASTON DOWN 2006

22nd July ~ 30th July 2006

LOCAL RULES

The local rules cover areas where the competition may be operated differently from the Rules and Guidelines in the current (2006) BGA Competitions Handbook [c.f. section 7] and where those Rules require options to be decided, such as start and finish arrangements. All times in these local rules are BST. The 2006 Rules for BGA Rated Competitions can be downloaded from the BGA website www.glidering.co.uk

1. Registration

The Registration Office will be open from 15:00 hours on Friday 21st July 2006 until 22:30 hours, and again from 07:30 hours Saturday 22nd July 2006 until 09:00 hours. Competitors are requested to register as soon after arrival at the airfield as possible to assist the organisers.

2. First Briefing

The first briefing will be held at 09:30 hours on Saturday 22nd July 2006. (It will take longer than the normal daily briefing, so if the weather is good it is suggested you are ready to grid early).

4. Towing out to the launch grid

All competing gliders must be on the launch grid in launch position 10 minutes before the first competition launch. In the event of Force Majeure (e.g. essential repairs to a glider or equipment delaying tow out), permission for delay must have been sought from, and granted by the Competition Director.

Once launching has commenced late tow-outs to the grid for runway 21 (north end of airfield) will be held at the glider park and rigging areas until the Director's permission for a tow-out is granted. This is mandatory due to the need to cross the grass landing area between the parking / rigging areas and the runway.

For launching from the south end of the airfield on runway 03, once launching has commenced access of towed gliders is only available on the west side of the airfield to a holding point on runway 09/27 stopping west of the intersection of 03/21 and 09/27. Gliders can be towed out along this route to the holding point during launching, without the Director's permission.

5. Airfield Boundary

For the purposes of BGA rated competitions only, Aston Down airfield boundary is defined as the paved perimeter road commencing at the CGC clubhouse then heading clockwise around the north, east, south and western boundaries as far as R/W 09 threshold. The boundary then continues as the fence line between R/W 09 threshold and CGC clubhouse.

6. BGA Registration Form and Temporary Membership of Cotswold GC

A registration form is attached to these Local Rules. Competitors are requested to complete and return this form as soon as possible, preferably on line. Competitors will be required to complete a temporary membership form for Cotswold Gliding Club at registration.

7. Competition Licence

All competitors must have a current FAI Competition Licence, which can be obtained from the BGA.

8. Scoring

The competition will be scored according to the BGA National Championship rules using a BGA approved See You script.

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9. Launch Fees

The launch fee is £24 for an aerotow to 2000ft above Aston Down during the competition. Payment for aerotows must be made at registration. Unused aerotows will be refunded at the end of the competition.

10. Turning Points

All turning points will be selected from the BGA 2006 List of Turning Points.

11. Start Zone

The Start Zone type will be the semi-circle as defined in Para 19.1.1 of the 2006 Rules for BGA Rated Competitions, with the Start Point based on the coordinates of AST, unless otherwise briefed at the daily briefing.

The following additional decimal waypoints have been created to assist in positioning the Start:

Aston Down N	- N51 46.667 W002 07.567
Aston Down NW	- N51 45.217 W002 12.067
Aston Down SW	- N51 37.917 W002 14.950

12. Finishing

Finishing will be controlled by a Finish Ring of one-and-a-half km (1.5 km) radius centred on the decimal coordinates of N51 42.417 W002 07.817. During the whole flight and while in the finishing area, gliders are to be flown safely maintaining a minimum of 30 feet clearance from the ground and other objects, except when landing, and are to change course and attitude smoothly and progressively, both vertically and horizontally. Low level finishes over built up areas, the public road at the north end of the airfield, the hangars, control tower, caravan site or trailer park are to be avoided. Any hazardous manoeuvre or contravention of this rule, during the finish phase, including any sudden change of attitude other than for the purposes of avoidance of other aircraft, airfield objects or people, will be penalised. The circuit pattern to be followed after crossing the finishing ring will be briefed at Daily Briefing and co-ordinated on 130.100MHz by the designated finish line marshal.

13. Radio Frequencies

The radio frequencies in use during the Competition will be:

Tugs and Launch Control: 129.975MHz
Start and Finish: 130.100 MHz

The above frequencies may be changed at Daily Briefing if there is potential for conflict with other concurrent gliding competitions at Dunstable and Husbands Bosworth.

Competitors returning for a relight are to make an advisory call downwind on 129.975MHz and then vacate the landing area as soon as possible.

14. Flight Recorders

All IGC approved Flight Recorders will be acceptable. It should be noted that the BGA Competition Rules require motor gliders and gliders with enabled turbos to use only IGC Approved GPS Flight Recorders with an Engine Noise Level (ENL) detector. Competitors with enabled turbos will be required to carry out a short 30 second engine run prior to making a start on the first day. Thereafter, they will not normally be required by the organization to run their turbos before starting. All pilots who have used turbos/self launchers to self-retrieve must state this when handing in their flight recorders to Control.

15. Control

The Control telephone numbers will be 01285 760415 and 01285 760476. Pilots who land out are required to telephone control as soon as possible after landing and again when the pilot and crew have met up. This is a mandatory procedure for flight safety reasons to assist the Director in accounting for all gliders flying from the site at the end of the day.

16. Free Fall Parachute Zones

The following free fall parachute zones are prohibited airspace for the duration of the competition and pilots will be penalised for any incursion, Weston on the Green, Hinton in the Hedges, Langar and Peterborough/Sibson. The status of other parachute zones will be given at briefings.

17. Kemble

The setting of task routes through the Kemble ATZ will be avoided as far as possible. In the event of inbound or outbound routes necessitating routing through Kemble's ATZ, the Director will liaise with Kemble to ensure that Kemble ATC will facilitate transit.

18. Map

The master reference for controlled airspace for the Competition is the CAA 1:500,000-scale map, 2171CD, Edition 32 published on 16 March 2006. All Competitors are to have a copy of this map and are required to carry it on all competition flights. Competitors are reminded that recent permanent amendments to the Luton airspace were promulgated by the CAA under AD 2-EGGW-4-1 dated 11 May 06 and do not appear on the Edition 32 map. Copies of this AIP will be provided to each pilot at registration or first briefing.

19. Third Party Insurance

The CAA has indicated that they WILL attend the Competition to inspect Competitor's insurance documentation to ensure that it complies with EC Regulation 785. Accordingly, all Competitors are to ensure that they bring sufficient documentation to demonstrate their compliance with this Regulation.

David Roberts

Competition Director
19th July 2006

**BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION
COMPETITION REGISTRATION FORM**

15m CLASS NATIONALS 2006
at
COTSWOLD GLIDING CLUB, ASTON DOWN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

22nd July to 30th July 2006

Read this form carefully. All questions must be answered and the Declaration signed. The BGA and the Cotswold Gliding Club (Organiser) reserve the right to call for verification of any answers given. Please note that incorrect answers may lead to rejection of your entry or disqualification.

Pilot Name Date of birth

Competition licence number Home Club

Glider

Type Span (m) BGA No.

Competition markings. Competition No. Paid for 2006 ? Yes / No

C of A Expiry date Max AUW (Kgs)

Insurance Company / broker

Insurance Policy Number Expiry Date

Third Party Cover £.....

Radio licence Expiry date

Logger type(s) Primary..... Secondary

Declaration to be signed by Competitor

I declare that the information given on this form is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that it forms the basis on which my entry to the competition is accepted. I agree to be bound by the Competition Rules. I am in current flying practice, including aerotows.

Prior to the competition I undertake to have in my possession a set of 1:500,000 scale aeronautical maps of the competition area showing the current controlled airspace, as marked on the Official map so designated for that purpose by the Competition Organisers.

Signed Pilot Date