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## **AMA Competition Regulations Rules Change Proposal Form**

**The current issue of the Competition Regulations must be referenced.**

Proposal Number: RCP24-06

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**Proposal Type:** Basic

**Applicable Competition Regulations this proposal relates to:**

RC Pylon Racing

**Give Brief Summary of the Proposed Change:**

The proposal is to clarify the recording of results of a heat when the finish order the start line personnel witness disagrees with the heat times for the involved pilots.

**State exact wording proposed for the Competition Regulations. List paragraph number where applicable. Example: Change "quote present rule book wording" to "exact wording required".**

Add paragraph 13.1.16.

In the event that the finish order visually witnessed by the start line personnel disagrees with the heat times captured for the involved planes by the timing personnel, the finishing order will be recorded based on the finish order the start line personnel witness. Heat times are considered secondary to the finish order witnessed by the start line personnel. When this circumstance occurs, the involved aircraft in front of the other involved aircraft, as determined by the start line personnel, will be awarded the time recorded by the lap counter in that lane. The pilot visually determined to finish behind the other involved aircraft of the heat but with a faster time, will be awarded the appropriate points and will be given a "No Time" for the heat.

**State logic behind proposed change, including alleged shortcoming of the present rule(s).**

AMA Pylon Racing is a sport scored through heat points awarded based on finishing order in each individual heat. The Starter and Assistant Starter are required to determine the finish order based on the order that the aircraft in a heat cross the finish line. Times for each pilot are then recorded. In a close finish, the heat times for the pilots involved may not agree with the finish order the Starter and Assistant witness. This is largely caused by reflexes of the personnel performing the lap count/timing function at the event. The visual order of finish takes priority over the heat times for the involved pilots and is used to determine the final point scores in the heat.

**If this proposal is for a new event, include all event test data/information here. Please provide information on what testing of this new event has taken place to include number of participants and number of contests.**

**State effect, if any, on current AMA records:**

None

**Note: The Contest Board Chairman may, in coordination with the submitter of the proposal, at any time prior to submitting a proposal to the contest board for Final Vote, edit proposal wording to increase clarity and to avoid ambiguity, provided the proposal intent is not changed.**

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