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AMA Competition Regulations Rules Change Proposal Form (electronic)

Please complete this form and click on the SUBMIT button at the bottom of the page. This will send the proposal to the Competition Department at AMA HQ. A copy will then be sent to the appropriate Contest Board Chairman. The current issue of the Competition Regulations must be referenced.

Proposal Number: GEN19-02

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Select Proposal Type:

Basic

Select Applicable Competition Regulations this proposal relates to:

General Section

Give Brief Summary of the Proposed Change:

To allow each individual Contest Board the ability to decide if they will continue or discontinue the practice of setting multiple records with one flight.

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

This proposal adds paragraph 3.2 to the General Rules "Records" section (page 22). Paragraph 3.1 is the current wording and is unchanged.

Exact wording below to appear in the rule book:

3. Multiple Records

3.1. When the specifications of a model, the method of timing, and the conditions of flight comply with the rules of more than one class or category, such model with a single flight (or single series of flights) may establish national records in more than one class or category if the

performance exceeds the existing records. Responsibility for applying for national records rests with the flier and Contest Director.

3.2. Individual Contest Boards with record setting classes, by default, will permit the setting of multiple records as specified in 3.1. Individual Contest Boards may restrict or prohibit the setting of multiple records for specific classes or categories by means of the Competition Regulations for those classes.

**State logic behind proposed change, including alleged shortcoming of the present rule(s).
STATE INTENT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE:**

For at least 49 years (based on available published AMA rule books) the AMA has allowed a model that fits multiple classes to set multiple national records with one flight. This was most importantly true when I was a Junior setting my first indoor National records as I was able to set multiple records with one flight with a model that fit the rules of two classes. Presently there are still standing Indoor FF national records that were set in this way and some Indoor FF classes were intentionally created to allow this overlap to occur.

Because of a recent General Rules proposal that wants prohibit this long standing practice, it has become evident that various modeling disciplines may intentionally or unintentionally become affected by such a General Rules changes. Due to the way voting is done on a General Rules changes, it is possible that a rule change may pass even though one specific contest board votes unanimously against the proposal. This essentially allows other Contest Boards to alter the rules of a board they are not a member of.

This rules proposal allows each affected Contest Board to decide on their own if they wish to continue or discontinue the multiple records practice based on the needs of their specific sport. This proposal by default will keep the rules exactly the same as they have been for 49+ years. So for those Contest Boards that are content with the multi records practice, nothing else further needs to be done after adopting this proposal. For those Contest Boards that would prefer to restrict or discontinue the multi records practice, this proposal adds a pathway for those Contest Boards to make those changes by means of their Competition Regulations.

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.

Not a new event

State effect, if any, on current AMA records:

No effect on current records

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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