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EXHIBIT A RULES CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

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REVISE DATE 4/29/2015 VERSION NUMBER 2

RULES CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

Send to AMA Headquarters via email at ruleschanges@modelaircraft.org A copy will be forwarded to the appropriate Contest Board Chairman.

PROPOSAL TYPE (Check One): Basic Cross Indicate Original Proposal Number : 16-7

- Urgent/Safety/Emergency Interpretation
- General Section Executive Council Outdoor Free Flight Indoor Free Flight CL Speed
- CL Racing CL Navy Carrier CL Aerobatics CL Combat CL Special Events RC Aerobatics
- RC Scale Aerobatics RC Pylon Racing RC Helicopter RC Soaring Scale Electric
- Special Events RC Combat

Brief summary of the proposed change.

This is a cross proposal to 16-7 suggested by the Contest Board and amended to meet the intent of the original proposal. The purpose is to add additional safety procedures in order to provide a safer environment to the pilot, spectators, fellow competitors and crew. This proposal also falls in line with the current FAI Sporting Code Sec. 5.1.11 Paragraph L for electrics and adds similar criteria for gas/glow powered aircraft

Exact wording proposed for the rule book. (List paragraph numbers where applicable. Example: Change “quote present rule book wording” to “exact wording required”.

ADD SECTION 6.x TO THE SECTION 6 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

6.x At no time will a model be left unrestrained or unattended while running or with the electric motor power circuit(s) physically connected unless the model is on the runway. If maintenance or testing needs to be done and the model must be running or have the electric motor power circuit(s) physically connected, this must be done in an area designated by the CD, be physically restrained, and must be attended at all times. First infraction of this rule will result in a warning. Second infraction will result in loss of the highest round. Subsequent infractions will result in loss of the highest round remaining and, at the CD’s discretion, disqualification of the pilot.

Logic behind proposed change, including alleged shortcomings of the present rules. State intent for future reference.

This change makes the flying field environment safer for contestants, judges, crew and certainly spectators during a contest as the current description of Rule 6 clearly states as its intention. The model having a physical break in the connection between the batteries and the ESC/motor makes the disarmed state clear and insures that the motor cannot restart. In addition, gas/glow engines must be shut down. As part of the cross proposal, it became clear that simply plugging in the electric motor power circuit(s) did not necessarily “arm” the ESC but certainly must be disconnected to disarm the ESC. Due to this, we have changed the wording to reflect that the electric motor

power circuit(s) must not be physically connected and removed the wording “armed state” to avoid any misunderstanding. We have adopted all of the suggested changes made by the AMA Contest Board

New event test data/information (new events only), please provide what testing of this new event has taken place to include number of participants and number of contests.

N/A

Effect, if any, on current AMA records.

N/A

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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