



# Academy of Model Aeronautics

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## RULES CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

## INSTRUCTIONS

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### SELECT APPLICABLE COMPETITION REGULATIONS

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### Brief summary of the proposed change.

Delete sentence from Section 7 titled "Pattern Event Classes" that defines Sportsman as a supplemental class.

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

### 7. Pattern event classes

The outdoor Radio Control Aerobatics event shall be divided into five (5) classes. The first four (4) classes shall (in order of increasing difficulty) be referred to as Sportsman, Intermediate, Advanced and Masters. The fifth class shall be referred to as the FAI class. Competitors must be advised prior to the start of the contest of any planned deviations from standard AMA rules pertaining to the events they have entered.

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

The Sportsman class is currently listed as a supplemental class. The Sportsman class has been an active class at local and regional contests for decades dating back to when it was called the Novice class. It should no longer be considered a provisional or supplemental class.

The only practical effect of the change is that the AMA would then consider the Sportsman class to be deserving of Nationals trophies when the class is flown at the Nats. It does not mean the Sportsman class would be a required class at the Nats.

**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.**

As a class "Sportsman" has been tested in most local and regional pattern contests since the 1970s.

**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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