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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: RCFWS19-05

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Select Proposal Type:

Safety/Emergency

Select Applicable Competition Regulations this proposal relates to (select one from drop-down box):

RC Fixed-Wing Scale

Give Brief Summary of the Proposed Change: (Note: You can drag the right bottom corner of the box to enlarge for additional space.)

Having the requirement that jets only have to have brakes is just not fair.

Plus if a jet runs into some one(not at speed) what happens? Nothing!!! No cuts, no stitches, no trips to the hospital

So how about some equity and simplicity.... all tricycle landing gear aircraft in excess of 20lbs must have brakes.

Keeping a twirling knife from running into someone's leg is the goal.

If a judge was to as you:

When it comes to brake requirements... why only jets and not the aircraft with the twirling knife on the front? What is your answer going to be? Not a very good one at this point in time I would guess.

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

required". (Note: You can drag the right bottom corner of the box to enlarge for additional space.)

Delete: All jet turbine powered fixed wing aircraft require brakes.

Change to read :

All tricycle landing gear fixed wing RC aircraft in excess of 20 lbs are required to have brakes.

State logic behind proposed change, including alleged shortcoming of the present rule(s). STATE INTENT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE (Note: You can drag the right bottom corner of the box to enlarge for additional space.):

When the turbine regulations were written it was never taken into consideration that turbine powered jets would also get smaller ...not just larger. We now have jets that can fly completely safely at less than 20Lbs and land in 400 ft of runway and roll to a stop on their own.(no brakes needed)

rollout is a function of how much runway you have to play with.

It is also way safer for any tricycle landing gear model that swings a twirling knife to also have brakes. Even brakes on a P-51 could keep the person from getting cut, only at the risk of losing a propeller.

Keeping a twirling knife from running into someone's leg is the goal here.

But the requirement should just not be laid at the feet of the turbine pilot....

If a judge was to ask you:

When it comes to brake requirements... why only RC jets and not the other fixed wing RC aircraft with the twirling knife on the front?

What is your answer going to be?

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. (Note: You can drag the right bottom corner of the box to enlarge for additional space.)

No test data:

a twirling prop is more dangerous than a turbine power jet.... if it bumps into somebody's leg.

State effect, if any, on current AMA records:

AMA turbine fixed wing aircraft records

I fly both turbines and warbirds.

Brakes on a p-38 -p-61 P-39 or any other tricycle landing gear aircraft is only going to make it safer and give the pilot another option to stop and accident.
(Plus the cool factor of saving your own aircraft from hitting a post or other airplane magnet!!!
let alone a human.

The stiches not sewn into a leg may be yours.

The current model technology allows for us to do this extra safety device at little cost to the modeler... while gaining both extra greater safety for both the aircraft and humans in and around our hobby/sport.

This safety upgrade is "overdue" for all tricycle landing gear aircraft over 20 lbs.

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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