

Belgian Balloon Trophy 2026

Subject: Compliant pilots #9, #10 & #13

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Dear Event Director,

During the morning flight task #11 was cancelled, which was an understandable decision given the fog situation and which was also clearly communicated during the flight. This is also in line with AXMER 8.2.2 and the cancellation can be interpreted as due to safety reasons.

However, after the morning flight task #10 was cancelled as well due to the fog situation. The statement was: "Because not all pilots had yet performed a marker drop on Task 10, and because not all pilots were given an equally fair chance to achieve a score on Task 10 as well, we have decided to cancel Task 10".

We disagree with this decision since, in our opinion, it is rather controversial to let all the pilots fly to this goal (19 out of 27 pilots performed a physical marker drop in task 10) and then afterwards still cancel the task. Also this is in our opinion not in line with AXMER 8.2.2, as no safety benefits are achieved when cancelling the task afterwards. Since 19 out of 27 pilots performed a physical marker drop, which appears to us as achieving a score was doable, and since the fog appeared mainly in the area after task 10 we would ask the Event Director to reconsider his decision and to score task 10.

Pilot #9, #10 and #13

#9 

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#13 

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#10 

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