

Answer to complaint regarding scoring of task 33 (21.08.2025 – AM) from Competitor #26

Task 33 was set according to rule 15.5 (rules for Europeans 2025 approved from CIA rules SC) with following task data information:

Task	33	FON	Fly On (Rule 15.5)	Task order	in any order
a. Method of declaration				in loggergoal #1, max. 1 valid declaration	
b. Number of goals permitted				1	
c. Goals available for declaration				any coordinate with altitude (above 1999ft): goal altitude must be at least 1500ft higher or lower than declaration point	
d. minimum and maximum distance between previous mark and declared goal				-	
e. minimum and maximum distance between declaration point and declared goal(s)				min. 4km, no max.	
f. minimum and maximum distances of declared goal(s) from any goal set by the director				1km	
				If you declare before TO, TO is your declaration point.	
				MMA	-
				Marker color	-
				Marker drop	-
Scoring period		ends at 09:00:00		Loggermarker	7
Scoring area		entire contest area			

General information during the general briefing as general clarification to the present rules:

General Clarification



- All markers not listed on the task sheet are unauthorized markers according Rule 12.5
- If the pilot does not declare an altitude, the altitude is automatically calculated at the altitude separation line of 1,500 ft
- ALL declarations are valid and will be scored based on the percentage of infringement. Only declarations made outside the competition map are invalid.
If a clearly defined limit (e.g., declaration BEFORE a grid line) or time (before the start/green flag) has been specified and this is violated, the declaration is invalid.

Scoring procedure for this task in general:

Relevant rules:

15.5 FLY ON (FON)

15.5.1 Competitors will attempt to achieve a mark close to a goal selected and declared by them before take-off or during flight.

15.5.2 Task data:

- a. method of declaration,
- b. number of goals permitted
- c. goals available for declarations
- d. minimum and maximum distance between previous mark and declared goal
- e. minimum and maximum distance between declaration point and declared goal(s)
- f. minimum and maximum distances of declared goal(s) from any goal set by the director

15.5.3 The result is the distance from the mark to the nearest valid declared goal. Smallest result is best.

12.3.7 Goals not meeting distance or relative altitude limitations will be scored according to the rule on distance infringements. Declarations not meeting boundaries or absolute altitude limits will be invalid.

13.3 DISTANCE INFRINGEMENTS

13.3.1 Where the individual launch point, a goal selected by a competitor, a mark, or a final landing infringes a distance or altitude limit at any time, the competitor will be penalised.

13.3.6 For competitors taking off too close to a goal or target, declaring a goal outside the limits specified in the TDS or otherwise abusing the set distance or altitude limits of a task, the penalty will be 2 task points per 0,1% infringement. Above 25% infringement the competitor will be scored in group B.

For Elbow, Angle and Land Run Tasks, the percent infringements will be the sum of the percent infringements of each 'leg', unless otherwise defined in the TDS.

A competitor penalized under this rule cannot achieve a score less than Group B as a result of the distance infringement penalty.

Relevant chapters in the current COH 2025:

R13.3 Distance Infringements

Percentage infringement should be calculated by truncating the result of dividing the infringement by the distance limit to a lower integer value. For example, if a competitor infringes a 1,000m limit by 251m, the result of the division would be 0.251, or 25.1%, which should be truncated to 25%. This method ensures that a competitor will not be scored in Group B because of infringements slightly over the 25% limit (and likely within the accuracy of measurement).

When does 13.3.6 apply to altitude infringements?

In which cases does 13.3.6 distance infringement also apply to altitude infringement? Only in cases when the altitude infringement can be determined relative to a differential (not absolute – e.g X must be 500ft higher/lower than Y) altitude. An absolute altitude cannot be used to determine a relative infringement.

Declaration with relative altitude limits. This is a task where the allowed declared altitude depends on the altitude of the declaration point. Example: «the altitude of the declared goal must be 500ft higher or lower than the declaration point». In this case 13.3.6 can be applied and the reference for the relative calculation is the required altitude difference.

Answer to the actual request:

According to the current task setting (R15.5) and the definitions regarding a valid goal in rule (12.3.7) the requested declaration has to be handled according to R13.3.

In the COH you find the definition of relative altitude limits in chapter R13.3 with the concret example «the altitude of the declared goal must be 500ft higher or lower than the declaration point»

So the scoring is made to the first declaration with relative altitude infringements because it is valid according to the previously listed.

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