

SECTION I - EVENT DETAILS

I. 1 TITLE

The Event shall be known as:
Copa Brasil de Balonismo de Rio Claro 2025

I. 2 SANCTION

THE EVENT IS SANCTIONED BY THE CBB – CONFEDERAÇÃO BRASILEIRA DE BALONISMO.

I. 3 ORGANIZATION

The Event is organised by:
Confederação Brasileira de Balonismo

I. 4 CORRESPONDENCE

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I. 5 PERSONNEL

Event Director :	Jonas Maes
Deputy Director :	Marcos Bonincontro
Safety Officer :	Marcos Bonincontro
Jury President	Ricardo Almeida

I. 6 PLACE

The Event will be held at:
Hotel Vivendas
Av. 1, 1030
Centro, Rio Claro - SP, 13500-402

I. 7 DATES

The Event will run from 22 June 2025 until 24 June 2025. First Flight will be on 22 June in the morning.
The last flying day will be 24 June in the morning.
If the flight on Monday morning 23 June is cancelled, this flight will be completed on Monday afternoon 23 June, weather permitting.

I. 8 PROTEST FEE

THE AMOUNT OF THE PROTEST FEE TO ACCOMPANY A PROTEST SHALL BE R\$300,00 - THREE HUNDRED REAIS.
IN CASE OF A JOINT PROTEST, EVERY PROTESTING PERSON MUST PAY THE PROTEST FEE. (S1 An3 8.3)

I. 9 LANGUAGE

I. 9.1 THE RULES AND INFORMATION CIRCULATED TO NACS AND COMPETITORS OR ISSUED DURING THE EVENT SHALL BE IN ENGLISH AND, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ORGANISER, THE LANGUAGE OF THE HOST COUNTRY. IN ALL INTERPRETATIONS THE ENGLISH-LANGUAGE VERSION SHALL PREVAIL. (GS 4.5.4)

I. 9.2 Printed material (e.g. Task Data, Meteorological information etc) shall be in English and may additionally be in Portuguese. The language used verbally during briefings shall be English.

I. 9.3 In the rules the masculine form is used as a standard. Wherever you find the masculine form, it is implied that the feminine form is included.

I. 10 CLOSING ENTRY DATE

The closing entry date for the Event is:
19 of June 2025

I. 11 RISK

The balloon and other property of a competitor shall be at the risk of the competitor at all times.

I. 12 INSURANCE

Each balloon shall be insured against all claims by third parties to a minimum of R\$50,000,00 (fifty thousand reais).

The competitor shall produce documentary evidence of this insurance valid for the period of the Event covering any balloon which he may fly.

SECTION II - COMPETITION DETAILS

II. 1 CONTEST AREA (7.1)

The competition map is Internet Maps.

The contest area is:

NW: 218000/7548000 - NE: 248000/7548000

SW: 218000/7506000 - SE: 248000/7506000

The grid system is UTM/UPS WGS84, map zone 23K.

Magnetic declination: 21,41° W.

II. 2 OUT OF BOUNDS (7.2)

All Red and Blue PZ's are considered Out Of Bounds.

Ground contact and other penalties will be applied.

II. 3 PZ LIST (7.3)

PZ Number	Colour	Shape	Description	Radius	Altitude	Coordinates
Competition Map	Blue	-	Contest Area	-	7000ft	See Section II.1
PZ01	Red	Circle	Closed institution	200	2750ft	3207 / 1730
PZ02	Red	Circle	Chemical Factory	200	3000ft	3348 / 1914
PZ03	Red	Circle	Chemical Factory	200	3000ft	3253 / 2021
PZ04	Red	Circle	Fazenda	400	2500ft	2911 / 2042
PZ05	Red	Circle	Chemical Factory	200	3000ft	3758 / 2588
PZ06	Red	Polygon	Fazenda	-	2500ft	-

II. 4 COMMON LAUNCH AREA(S) (9.1.1)

TBA

II. 5 COMMON LAUNCH POINT(S) (9.1.2)

TBA

II. 6 LANDOWNER'S PERMISSION (9.2.2)

Additionally to Rule 9.2.2 the following applies: Public areas, such as public parks, squares and river sides, are considered as places without need for permission for take-off and landings. Furthermore, a take-off without permission may be made from minor roads or tracks, if the balloon envelope can be laid out in the adjacent field and provided, it is freshly harvested and/or not cultivated and no damage is done. The road traffic may not be obstructed.

II. 7 LIVESTOCK AND CROP (10.6)

Balloons shall not fly closer than 500 ft from livestock or buildings containing livestock.

II. 8 DRIVING LAW (10.11)

According to Brazilian National Law.

II. 13 LOCATION OF OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD (5.3.3)

The Official Notice Board will be at Watchmefly.net

<https://watchmefly.net/events/event.php?e=rioclaro2025&v=enb>

II. 14 COMMUNICATION TIMES (5.1.5+5.2.5)

Replies to general inquiries or notification of replies to complaints will be posted immediately as available on the ONB.

Timing requirements of 5.1.5+5.2.5 will start at the time of the ONB posting.

II. 15 PUBLICATION TIMES ON THE LAST FLYING DAY (5.1.6+5.2.6)

All scores, complaints, responses to complaints, protests and jury reports will be posted immediately as available. Electronic notification of postings to the ONB may be made simultaneously using a text messaging system.

II. 16 DETAILS FOR TIME LIMITS (rest hours) (5.1.5+5.2.5)

The hours between 20hr and 05hr local time will be disregarded for the purpose of the time limits of complaints and protests.

II. 17 FLIGHT CREW (2.2.2)

N/A

II. 18 DETAILS FOR THE USE OF GPS LOGGERS (6)

a) Logger:

The Logger used in this Event is the FAI "Balloon Live" app with a connected Balloon Live sensor, an external GPS or the internal GPS of the pilot his mobile device. The app is available for iOS and Android and must be installed by each competitor beforehand on his own recording device (smartphone or tablet).

Details and instructions on how to purchase and use can be found on balloonlive.org

b) Change the operation mode:

Start the app "Balloon Live" > Menu > Change mode

Select Application Mode

Training mode

To test the app in training flights, the mode "TRAINING" must be used to familiarise with the use of the app. In this mode, no competition data (tracks, declarations and marker drops) is stored. Press the red button at the bottom to start a new flight.

Competition Mode

Select the profile icon at the top right to log in with your credentials from watchmefly.net. Then select the event from the available competitions. You will then be in competition mode and the latest competition data is retrieved from the server. The device must be online to do this. It is recommended to load the competition data during flight preparation. The connection of a Balloon Live sensor, an external GPS or the internal GPS of the pilot his mobile device is mandatory for all flights.

To start the flight, the latest flight data must also be loaded from the server. This flight data is valid for 5 hours only. Therefore it is recommended to be online within the last 5 hours before the start of the recording, or just before start, to load the flight data.

Press the red button to start a new flight and transmit the track data to the server.

c) Preconfigured setup for this competition:

- Competition name: Copa Brasil de Balonismo de Rio Claro 2025
- Logging interval (seconds): 1
- UTC offset (seconds): -10800
- Allow multiple marker drops: inactive
- Allow multiple goal declarations: active
- Declaration format: 4/4
- Altitude mode: Barometric Feet
- Geodetic system: UTM WGS84

Multiple recording devices may record the flight at the same time. The first started recording will be considered as the primary recording and will be used for scoring.

d) Handling by competitor:

- Throughout the event the competitor is responsible for storing, charging, handling as well as the proper functioning of the devices used (phone, tablet, sensor...).
- The Balloon Live app an external GPS or the internal GPS of the pilot his mobile device must be started 10-5 min before the intended take-off to allow proper GPS initialization. The recording must also be started at the same time by pulling down the red label.
- The competitor is considered entering the competition flight according to the selected TDS with the start of the track recording and the take off.
- During flight the recording device must remain attached to the basket (uprights or basket edge) to ensure optimum GPS reception.
- Declarations must be made in 4/4 format unless otherwise stated in the TDS.
- Altitudes do not need to be declared unless otherwise stated in the TDS. Altitudes must be indicated with the minimum needed digits.
- Goal declarations are registered at the time when the DECLARE button is pushed.
- Electronic marker drops are registered at the time when the DROP button is pushed.
- 5-10 minutes after landing and safe balloon handling the track recording should be stopped by selecting "stop flight" under the actions menu at the top right in the Balloon Live app.

For the transfer of the data, please see under point f) below.

e) Scoring:

- Unless otherwise stated in the TDS, an electronic mark is mandatory for each task

where no valid mark has been achieved by physical marker.

- In case the same logger-goal is declared more than once the last valid declaration will be used.
- If an electronic mark is used more than once, the first mark will be used.

f) Track data:

The track data is transferred to the server automatically if a data connection is available during flight or when made available after the flight. To resume the data transfer later after the flight, reopen the app and the transmission will start within a minute. Make sure all track points are sent before closing the app or disconnecting the internet connection of the device.

A red upload icon at the top left indicates that a large number of track points still need to be uploaded. If the icon is yellow, the upload is finalizing.

Once it is green, the entire track has been transferred to the server and the app can be closed.

The track must be transferred to the server latest 6 hours after the flight has been started. For tracks that are transferred later, the competitor will be penalised by 10 competition points per minute (or part) late in the last task.

The track data remains the property of the competitor but may be made available to the public for live tracking. Tracks where competitors have given explicit permission will be published.

The publication will have a minimum of 10 min delay. No publication of a track should be made before the end of the launch period.

Anonymized tracks may be used by CIA for analysis.

g) Recommendations:

- Only use recording devices in online mode as the accuracy of the recording is increased and the data transferred immediately.
- Use a powerbank to avoid problems with the battery capacity of your device.

Failure to follow the instructions 'Details for the use of GPS Loggers' may be penalized without warning.

Flight Report Forms must be completed on Watchmefly.net as quick as possible and maximum NINETY (90) minutes after the landing of that specific flight !! When there are problems during your retrieve, please contact the Event Director and ask for an 'extension of time' : +44 7876 343 994 (Zuz Bryant – Chief Scorer ONLY BY WHATSAPP)

If the FRF is received too late without an extension of time you may be penalized up to 1000 points!

II. 19 BALLOON SIZE (3.3)

N/A

II. 20 ALTITUDE (14.6.4)

All altitudes in this event are described in feet AMSL.

The logger's measured Barometric altitude will be used for scoring.

II. 21 2D/3D SCORING METHODS (12.15)

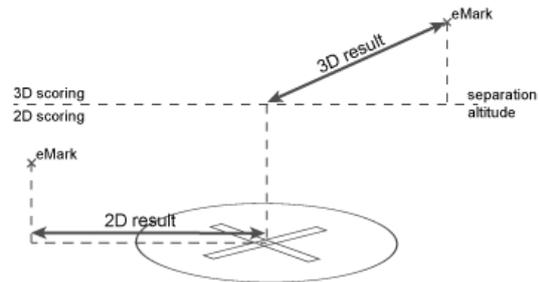
The separation altitude between 2D and 3D scoring in this event is 2500ft MSL.

When goals or targets on the ground are used, results based on electronic marks will be the:

- 3D-distance to the point at the separation altitude above the goal/target if the electronic mark is above the separation altitude

or

- 2D-distance to the goal/target if the electronic mark is at or below the separation altitude.



When goals/targets above the ground are used, results based on electronic marks will be the 3D-distance.

II. 22 COMPETITION STRUCTURE

The competition will be conducted using markers in MMA and logger-scoring only.

II. 23 MAP COORDINATES (7.8)

The basic map coordinate of a UTM map with WGS84 datum is:

23K (Zone reference, where 23=zone and K=latitude band)

229290 (6 digit Easting)

7421700 (7 digit Northing)

To identify a point on the competition map, the coordinates must be written in one of the following formats:

- 6-7 format: this complies with the standard UTM grid format. First six digits easting and second, seven digits northing. (e.g. 458565-5552261 alternatively 0458565-5552261)
- 4-4 format: this format uses two times four-digits. First four digits easting and the second four digits northing. (e.g. 5857-5226), leaving out the 1m digit.

Coordinates may be written in one of the following formats:

- For declarations in Logger see II.18 otherwise in 4/4

Easting's may be separated from Northing's by: a carriage return (= new line), by a blank space, by the minus character or the slash character. In all cases the parts of the coordinates shall be clearly separated and with Easting's first.

II. 24 AXMER VERSION

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