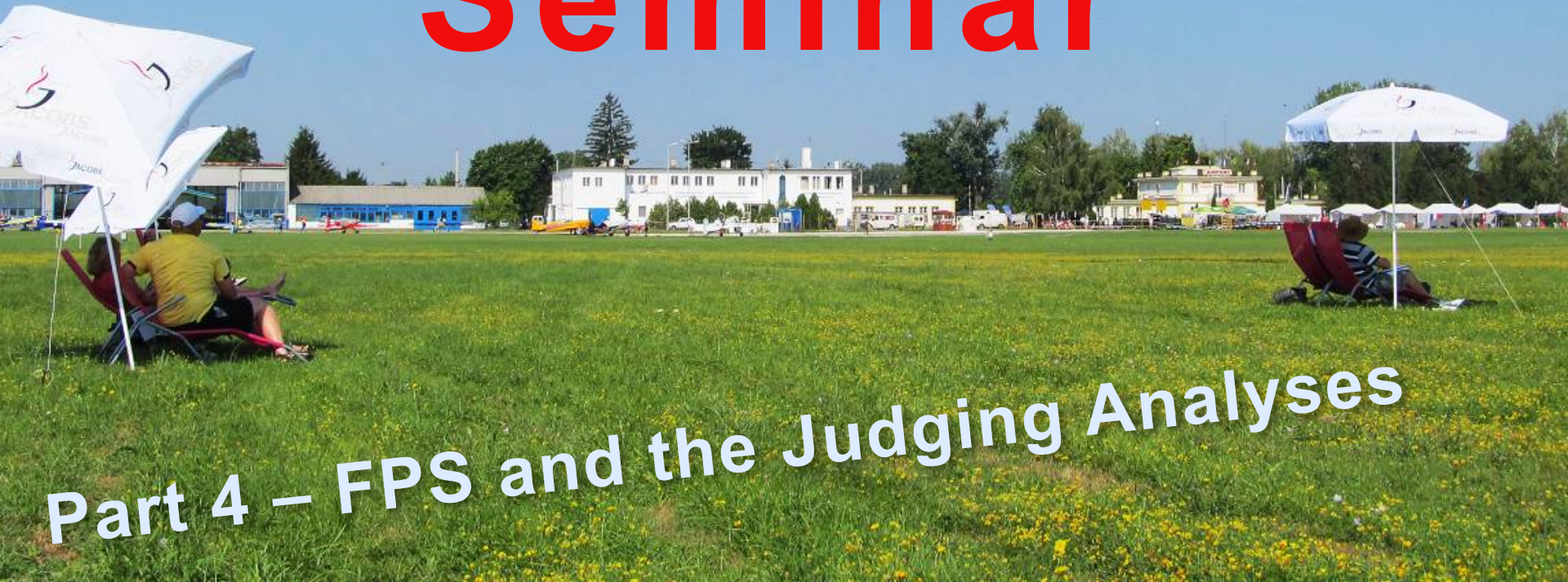


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Part 4 – FPS and the Judging Analyses

# Remember! a Judge is ...

- *Detective*
- *Examiner*
- *Analyst*
- *Interpreter*
- *Reviewer*
- *Theatre critic*
- *Commentator*
- *Pilot ...*

A competition aerobatic sequence is a demonstration of aircraft control requiring extreme levels of technical ability and discipline from the Pilot.

The Pilot attempts to convince the Judges that the figures are flown exactly according to the rules.

The Judges view the performance to discover where the rules are not fully met. They award downgrades for imperfections and errors seen.

***An aerobatic Judge uses ALL of these skills to mark the performance properly.***

***Calculating  
and  
Measuring***

# **Contest Results Judge Performance**

***Let's look at:***

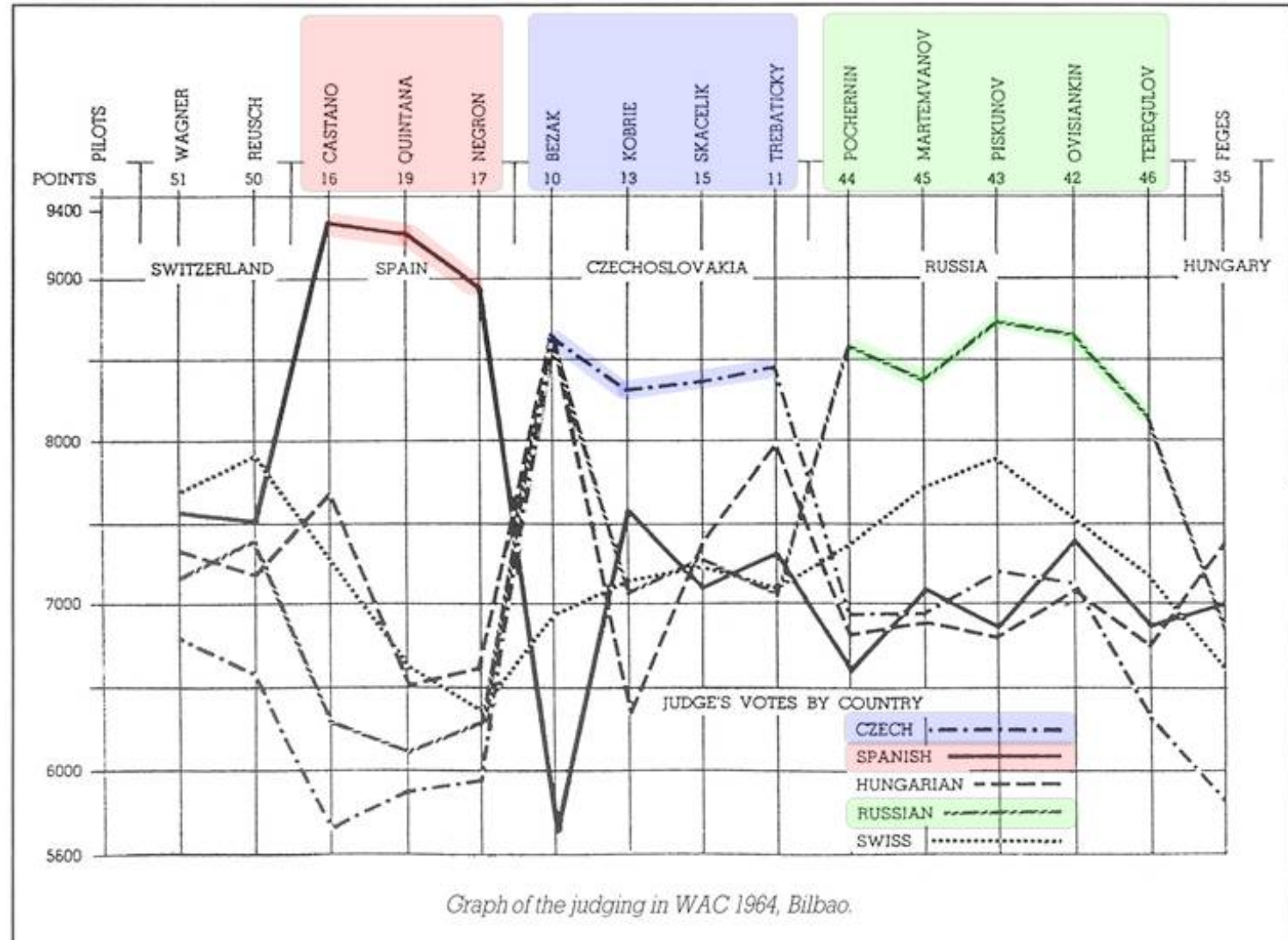
- 1. Why and how CIVA calculates the Pilots scores so that they are FAIR**
- 2. How we review the performance of each Judge, comparing their marks with the statistical “average” of the output from whole judging panel**



# Why 'FairPlay' and ACRO?



# Is this what you'd call "Fair play" ?



# The FairPlay Statistical System

## Why do we need it?

- ❑ Judges don't all see the same things all the time
- ❑ We must eliminate style and unconscious bias
- ❑ Small differences are OK
- ❑ Major differences are problems to be resolved in a sensitive and appropriate manner

### Causes:

- ❑ Poor team work
- ❑ Poor understanding
- ❑ Poor application of the rules

## How does FPS work? It:

1. Divides the figures into suitable groups by K-factor & figure type
2. Normalises the groups of marks to eliminate individual judging style
3. Sets 'wrong' HZ's and marks and also any 'AV's to "*Missing*"
4. Tests every mark, and if any are not acceptable or "*Missing*" it replaces them with a calculated Fitted Value
5. Makes a table of scores, normalises them and tests again for BIAS
6. Subtracts the penalties to give the sequence **Final Results**

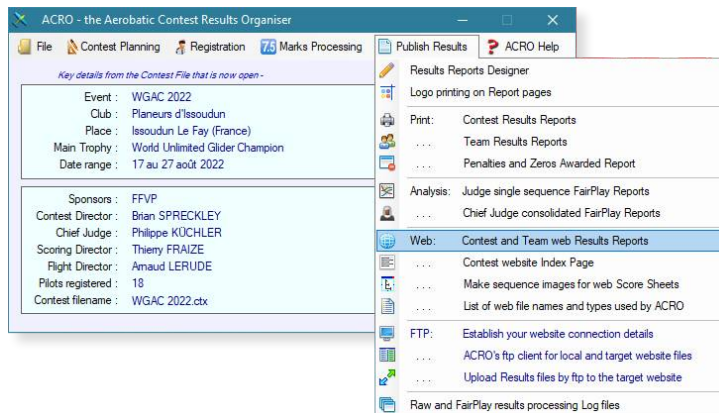


# The ACRO scoring software includes both Raw Grade scoring and the CIVA FairPlay System



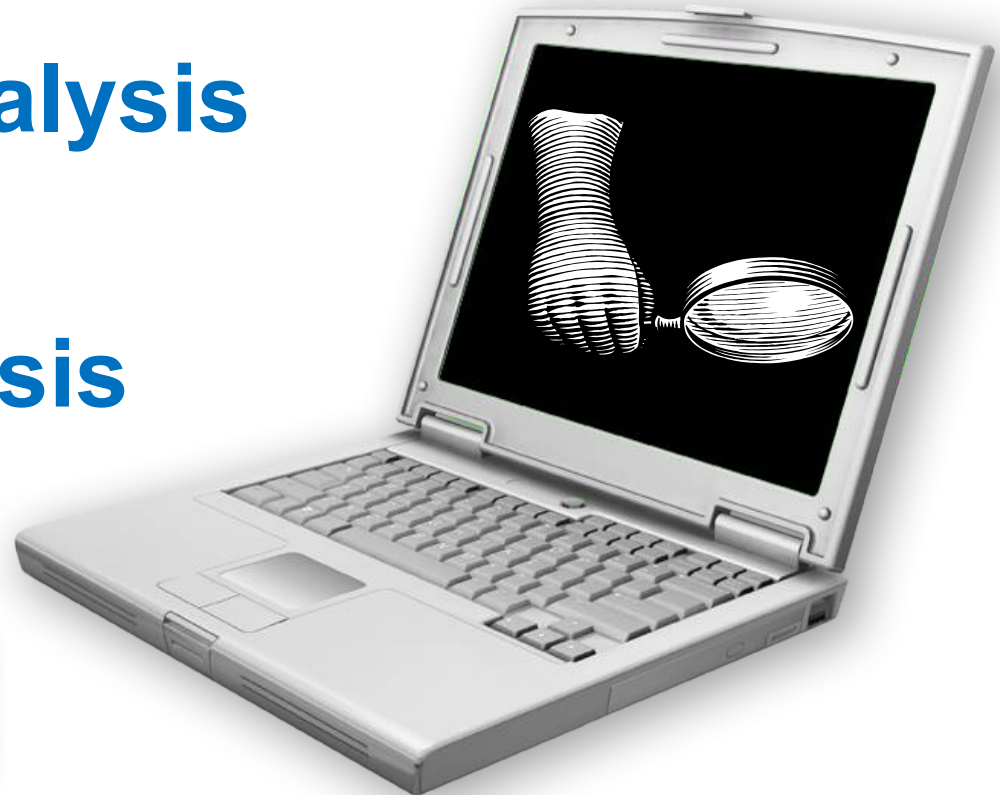
For ACRO – look at:  
<https://www.acro-online.net/>

*Includes a very detailed explanation of the complete FairPlay system*



# In ACRO - Two useful analyses:

- The Judges  
Individual Analysis
- The Judges  
Overall Analysis





### Judge Individual Analysis example

The judges raw grade for each pilot is shown in italic type.

The normalised grade is shown below the raw grade, rounded to 2 decimal places. ¶

¶ Note the system works in double-precision mode using 16 significant characters, for example 123.456789012345

The printed output is rounded to two decimal places for clarity.

Example ONLY !

The standard data describing the event, judge, place, date, level and sequence.

Pilots are presented in the rank order of their final FPS scores PRIOR to the deduction of penalties.

Where an FPS fitted value is substituted for the judges grade it is boxed in red and the anomaly identified.

Reasons are:

Hi – the grade is too high  
Lo – the grade is too low  
6R – the 60% rule is applied

Pilots with the same nationality as the judge have a different back-colour to show this association

The FPS Ranking Index (RI) for this judge.

Summary of the grades revised to fitted values.

The Histogram shows judges use of each raw grade compared to post-FPS all judges average use.

Histogram key.

### Single Sequence FPS Analysis for Judge 6 Violeta Geminaitė (LTU)

WAC 2022, Lotnisko Leszno, 3rd to 13th AUG 2022

Unlimited - Power, Programme 3: Free Unknown #2

FP Rank before Penalties	Fig-1	Fig-2	Fig-3	Fig-4	Fig-5	Fig-6	Fig-7	Fig-8	Fig-9	Fig-10	Fig-11	Fig-12	Fig-13	Fig-14	Posi	No.	From RI marks x K's: RI / FP J-rank Diff			
1. Florent Oddon	8.0	9.5	8.5	9.0	8.0	8.5	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.5	9.0	9.0	9.0	8.5	0	4461.25	1			
FRA Extra 330SC F-TGCI	8.03	9.35	8.25	8.66	7.84	8.31	8.66	8.38	8.99	8.66	9.50	8.85	8.84	7.79	8.83	4460.72				
2. Rob Holland	9.0	9.0	8.0	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.0	9.0	8.5	9.0	8.5	8.5	9.0	8.0	9.0	4395.66	3	-1		
USA MXS F-WPAE	8.87	8.73	7.84	8.31	8.17	8.43	7.65	8.85	8.30	8.38	8.25	8.22	8.91	7.79	9.50	4391.65				
3. Olivier Masurel	8.5	8.0	8.0	9.0	8.5	9.0	8.5	9.0	8.0	8.5	7.5	8.5	8.5	8.0	9.0	4344.82	4	-1		
ESP Extra 330SC D-ECYZ	8.45	8.24	7.78	8.66	8.38	8.92	8.17	8.38	7.87	8.16	8.49	8.18	8.30	7.79	9.50	4354.95				
4. Louis Vanel	8.5	9.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.0	8.0	9.5	9.0	8.5	9.0	8.5	8.0	7.5	8.0	4305.17	5	-1		
FRA Extra 330SC F-HMKF	8.45	9.35	8.25	8.22	8.38	8.92	7.69	9.00	8.99	8.16	8.91	8.18	7.75	7.32	8.17	4304.04				
5. Alexandre Orlovski	8.0	9.5	8.5	9.5	8.0	9.0	8.5	9.5	9.0	8.5	9.0	8.5	9.0	8.0	9.0	4446.63	2	+3		
FRA Extra 330SC F-TGCI	8.03	9.35	8.25	9.09	7.84	8.92	8.17	9.00	8.99	8.16	8.91	8.18	8.84	7.79	9.50	4446.84				
6. Jeff Boerboon	8.5	Lo 7.0	8.0	9.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.5	9.0	9.5	8.0	8.5	9.5	8.0	8.5	4266.15	7	-1		
USA Extra 330SC F-HMEL	8.45	8.73	7.84	8.92	7.69	7.87	7.65	8.18	8.84	9.00	7.78	8.22	9.50	7.79	8.83	4277.31				
7. Victor Lalloue	8.0	8.5	8.5	7.0	7.0	8.0	8.5	8.0	8.5	8.0	8.5	8.0	8.0	7.5	8.0	4021.39	13	-6		
FRA Extra 330SC F-TGCI	8.03	8.11	8.25	6.91	6.78	8.92	7.69	7.76	7.87	7.65	8.32	7.50	7.75	7.32	8.17	4019.24				
8. Castor Fantoba	8.0	8.0	9.0	8.5	8.5	9.0	8.5	9.0	7.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	7.0	8.0	4208.89	9	-1		
ESP Sunchol 26 M EC-HPD	8.03	7.84	8.73	8.25	8.22	8.85	8.16	8.92	7.31	7.76	8.17	8.32	8.30	6.84	8.17	4209.36				
9. Thomas Libaud	8.0	9.0	8.5	7.0	8.0	9.0	9.5	9.0	8.5	8.0	8.5	8.0	8.5	8.0	8.5	4251.43	8	+1		
FRA Extra 330SC F-HMKF	8.03	8.73	8.25	6.91	7.84	8.92	9.14	8.38	8.43	7.65	8.32	7.50	8.30	7.79	8.83	4249.47				
10. Florian Berger	6.5	9.0	7.5	8.5	7.0	9.0	8.0	9.0	7.5	7.0	7.5	7.5	8.0	7.5	8.5	3904.22	16	-6		
33. Dennis Stachelin	7.0	7.5	8.5	6.5	6.0	HZ	5.0	8.0	5.5	8.0	7.0	8.5	7.0	7.0	8.0	3210.07	34	+1		
GER Extra 330SC F-HLAS	7.20	7.31	8.11	6.38	6.04	HZ	4.60	7.69	5.07	7.13	6.73	8.32	6.65	6.84	8.17	3209.34				
34. Andrei Mihai Serbu	8.0	9.0	8.0	8.5	Lo 0.0	8.5	5.0	8.0	7.0	8.0	8.5	HZ	7.0	6.5	7.0	2978.93	36	-2		
ROU Extra 330SC YR-EXC	8.03	8.73	7.78	5.17	5.18	8.31	4.80	7.13	6.75	7.65	8.32	HZ	6.65	6.37	6.83	3212.92				
35. Alex Balcells Querol	6.5	8.5	6.5	6.0	8.0	8.5	6.5	7.0	8.5	8.5	7.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	0	3212.93	30	+5		
ESP Extra 330SC D-ECYZ	6.79	8.11	6.38	6.04	5.71	8.31	6.25	HZ	4.51	6.63	8.32	8.18	7.20	6.37	6.17	3212.40				
6. Leone Gambardella	7.5	Hi 6.5	6.5	7.5	6.0	8.5	7.0	5.0	5.5	7.0	9.0	6.0	6.5	5.0	8.0	3246.86	32	+4		
GRE CAP 232 D-ETOJ	7.62	0.15	6.25	6.87	5.62	8.31	6.85	5.17	5.18	6.05	8.91	5.63	6.11	4.94	8.17	3054.78				
7. Markus Leibundgut	7.0	7.5	7.5	9.0	8.0	8.0	7.5	HZ	HZ	HZ	8.5	9.5	7.5	7.5	0.0	7.0	2845.00	38	-1	
SUI Extra 330SC HB-MLG	7.20	6.23	7.21	8.73	7.65	8.92	7.32	HZ	HZ	7.76	9.50	7.31	7.20	0.00	6.83	2841.48				
8. Alexander Van Den Broeck	6.0	8.5	7.5	4.0	5.0	8.0	6.0	7.0	5.0	7.0	8.0	6.0	7.0	4.0	6.0	2	2929.55	37	+1	
BEL Extra 330SC F-HMTM	6.37	8.11	7.32	CHZ	4.64	7.69	5.77	5.89	4.51	6.63	7.72	CHZ	6.65	3.99	5.50	2539.64				
9. Philippe Varinot	6.0	8.5	6.0	HZ	5.0	8.0	6.5	9.0	7.0	6.0	7.5	HZ	HZ	5.0	6.5	0	2335.20	39		
LUX CAP 232 F-HIST	7.46	8.11	5.92	HZ	4.64	7.69	6.25	8.38	6.75	5.62	7.13	HZ	HZ	4.94	6.17	2470.94				
10. Hanspeter Rohner	HZ	HZ	GR 6.5	7.0	8.0	8.5	6.5	5.5	HZ	7.5	Lo 7.0	6.0	HZ	3.0	7.5	6	1712.84	41	-1	
SUI Extra 330SC HB-MTR	6.77	HZ	3.18	6.26	7.65	8.31	6.38	5.60	HZ	CHZ	8.97	CHZ	6.55	9.04	7.50	2264.29				
41. Gianfranco Cillario	7.0	9.0	5.0	HZ	HZ	HZ	6.0	8.0	6.5	5.5	8.0	HZ	HZ	HZ	6.5	0	1834.71	40	+1	
ITA CAP 232 F-GXCM	7.20	8.73	4.98	HZ	HZ	HZ	5.77	7.13	6.19	5.11	7.72	HZ	HZ	HZ	6.17	1830.44				
42. Manuel Rey	7.5	HZ	6.0	9.0	HZ	8.0	6.5	8.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	8.0	HZ	0.0	5.5	1	1704.08	42		
ESP Extra 330SC D-ECYZ	7.31	HZ	5.62	8.73	HZ	7.69	6.19	7.13	5.92	0.00	3.84	7.72	HZ	CHZ	4.84	1696.68				
	1	2	3	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	2	1	4	1	1	0	20	2	142	

In this column the number of FPS fitted values for this pilot is cumulated.

The upper number in each pair is the judges raw score for each pilot, cumulated from the raw data prepared for the RI and each figure's K factor.

The lower number is the FPS score for this judge per pilot, cumulated from the judges own final FPS grades and each figure's K factor.

— This is the rank for each pilot based on this judges raw score.

The **difference** between the judges raw pilot rank and the pilot's final overall FPS rank (excl. penalties) is given.

Where the FPS confidence test shows the judges sequence score to be too high or low and replaces it with a fitted value, the score is boxed in red and the anomaly identified.

A Hard Zero is here replaced by a fitted value because the Chief Judge did not give a CHZ.

Cumulative totals line for anomalies in the above data.

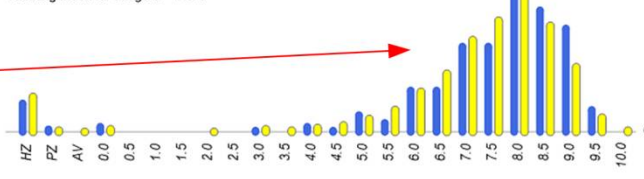
Number of times the most used grade was applied.

### Figure Anomalies Summary

	Judge	O'all	
Mark to CHZ	8	60	
PZ to CHZ	-	2	
AV to CHZ	-	1	
AV to Mark	-	2	
PZ to Mark	1	9	
HZ to Mark	2	13	
Lo to Mark	5	31	
Hi to Mark	2	13	
The 60% Rule	1	7	

### Distribution of Raw Marks - Judge 6 vs. Panel

Ranking Index for Judge 6 = 11.70



*Judge Anomalies vs. totals from all Judges*

■ This Judge: Raw Marks  
■ Panel Avg: After FPS

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## Judge Overall Analysis example

The standard data describing the sequences in this analysis and the event, place and date.

The use of marks by each judge, cumulated in 5 categories.

Cumulative totals in each analysis area from all judges.

Comparison of Judges marking style against the Panel Average style

The FPS figure anomalies from each judge, cumulated in 9 categories.

The FPS sequence anomalies from each judge, cumulated by pilots nationality.

### Analysis of Judges Combined Anomalies

Sequences: Programme 1: Free Programme (UNL), Programme 2: Free Unknown (UNL)

#### 17th FAI EAC

#### Touzim CZE

02. - 12.Sep.2010

#### Use of Marks:

	All Judges		RUS	FRA	UKR	RUS	HUN	SUI	LTU
	No	%	Vladimir Kotelnikov	Francis Itier	Lyudmila Zelenina	M. Bezdenezhnykh	Gabor Talabos	Georges Brocard	Algis Orlickas
HZ - Hard Zeros	74	1.1	11 1.1	10 1.0	12 1.2	10 1.0	10 1.0	10 1.0	11 1.1
PZ - Perception Zeros	35	0.5	6 0.6	1 0.1	3 0.3	7 0.7	15 1.5	2 0.2	1 0.1
Marks from 0.0 to 6.5	988	14.1	151 15.1	173 17.3	137 13.7	156 15.6	200 20.0	110 11.0	61 6.1
Marks from 7.0 to 10.0	5888	84.1	828 82.8	816 81.6	845 84.5	825 82.5	774 77.4	875 87.5	925 92.5
AV - averages	15	0.2	4 0.4	0 0.0	3 0.3	2 0.2	1 0.1	3 0.3	2 0.2
Total marks ... (Pilots/Judge)	7000		1000 ... (81)	1000 ... (81)	1000 ... (81)	1000 ... (81)	1000 ... (81)	1000 ... (81)	1000 ... (81)

#### Style Comparison:



Vertical axis scale:  
1 mark = 31mm

#### Raw Marks Factors:

Average %:	100	99	97	100	98	98	103	103
Style %:	100	102	85	93	97	137	96	91

#### Figure anomalies

HZ to fitted value	5	0.1	-	1	1	-	2	-	1
Mark to confirmed HZ	7	0.1	-	2	-	1	2	1	1
PZ to confirmed HZ	0	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PZ to fitted value	23	0.3	3	1	-	4	14	1	-
AV to confirmed HZ	1	0.0	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
AV to fitted value	14	0.2	4	-	3	2	-	3	2
Lo to fitted value	70	1.0	9	6	12	11	13	7	12
Hi to fitted value	44	0.6	8	4	6	1	11	5	9
The 60% Rule	7	0.1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total figure anomalies	171		25	15	23	20	44	18	26

#### Sequence anomalies

CZE Czech Republic	3 Lo 3 Hi	- 3 Hi	-	-	1 Lo -	-	1 Lo -	1 Lo -
FRA France	2 Lo 3 Hi	- -	- 2 Hi	- 1 Hi	2 Lo -	-	-	-
GER Germany	5 Lo 6 Hi	2 Lo -	- 1 Hi	- 1 Hi	- -	- 2 Hi	1 Lo -	2 Lo 2 Hi
GBR Great Britain	1 Lo 2 Hi	- -	-	-	-	- 1 Hi	-	1 Lo 1 Hi
HUN Hungary	1 Lo 1 Hi	- -	1 Lo -	-	-	-	-	- 1 Hi
RUS Russia	7 Lo 4 Hi	- -	2 Lo 1 Hi	-	- 3 Hi	-	3 Lo -	2 Lo -
SUI Switzerland	2 Lo 1 Hi	1 Lo -	-	-	-	1 Lo -	- 1 Hi	-
ISR Israel	1 Lo 0 Hi	- -	-	-	-	-	-	1 Lo -
EXP Expain	2 Lo 1 Hi	- -	-	-	1 Lo -	-	1 Lo -	- 1 Hi
Total sequence anomalies	24 Lo 21 Hi	3 Lo 3 Hi	3 Lo 4 Hi	- 2 Hi	4 Lo 3 Hi	1 Lo 3 Hi	6 Lo 1 Hi	7 Lo 5 Hi

Number of sequences judged by each judge.

The FPS RI for each judge, either for a single sequence or averaged for multiple sequences.

Total data in this category per judge.

Percentage that this category represents of each judge's marks.

Totals of figure anomalies in each category per judge.

Grand total of figure anomalies per judge.

Totals of sequence Hi's and Lo's per nationality from each judge.

Data is boxed in blue where the judge and pilot nationalities match.

Grand total of sequence Hi's and Lo's from each judge.

Example ONLY!



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## How to 'de-code' your Pilots ACRO Raw Marks sheet

The bold header shows the pilot, nationality, team flag and aeroplane details, the level and sequence being flown and the event, place and date.

Figure numbers and K-factors and (for Free programmes) the SuperFamily for each figure.

For a non-scoring Chief Judge, the gradable figures are labelled "OK" whilst figures given a Confirmed Hard Zero are shown as "CHZ".


The Chief Judge has awarded this figure a "Confirmed Hard Zero" and any non-HZ Judges marks are accordingly boxed.

The Positioning mark and if applicable the Harmony mark are shown by their first 4 characters.

Each of the Penalty categories is listed together with the quantity given, the value of the penalty, the deduction(s) to be made in each case, and the total awarded.

The ACRO version and FairPlay settings are shown above the time and date of the report.

**Example  
ONLY !**



**Raw Marks Check-Sheet**  
**Joe Bloggs Extra 330SC G-ABCD (GBR)**  
**Level: Advanced, Sequence: Programme Q: Known Compulsory**  
Aerobatic Championships, Mid-Europe, 10-15 August 2011  
Chief Judge: Nick Buckenham (GBR) - non-scoring  
Judges: 2 - Guy Auger (FRA), 3 - Maciej Bialek (POL), 4 - Bernard Courtois (FRA), 5 - Violeta Gedminaite (LTU)  
6 - Philippe Kuchler (SUI), 7 - Vladimir Razhin (RUS), 9 - Gabor Talabos (HUN), 10 - Kimmo Virtanen (FIN)  
11 - Lyudmila Zelenina (UKR), 12 - Algis Olickas (LTU)

Fig No.	K Factor	CJ	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	J9	J10	J11	J12	Average marks	Equivalent scores
1	41	OK	8.0	9.0	7.5	8.0	5.5	7.5	8.0	6.0	6.5	9.0	7.5	307.5
2	41	OK	7.5	6.0	6.5	6.0	AV	8.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	5.6	227.8
3	14	OK	7.0	8.0	9.0	7.5	5.0	5.0	8.0	6.5	6.0	8.0	7.0	98.0
4	17	CHZ	HZ	0.0	0.0	4.5	4.5	HZ	2.0	3.5	0.0	4.5	0.0	0.0
5	31	OK	6.0	7.5	5.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	6.5	7.5	6.5	6.5	7.0	215.5
6	29	OK	5.0	6.5	6.0	4.5	6.0	5.0	9.0	7.5	8.0	5.0	6.3	181.3
7	34	OK	5.5	7.0	6.5	7.5	7.5	6.5	5.0	6.5	5.0	6.5	6.4	215.9
8	28	OK	7.5	6.0	8.0	6.5	HZ	6.0	6.5	7.5	9.0	5.0	6.9	192.9
9	20	OK	6.5	5.0	7.5	7.5	6.5	6.5	8.0	5.0	8.0	7.5	6.8	136.0
Posi	40		7.5	5.5	6.0	6.5	5.5	5.5	7.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.9	234.0

**Penalties:**


	Qty	Value	Deduct
Too Low	0	200	0.0
Too High	0	30	0.0
Box Outs	1	20	20.0
Interruptions	0	100	0.0
Insertions	1	100	100.0
Missed Slot	0	200	0.0
Trg. Violation	0	30	0.0
Faulty W/Rocks	0	30	0.0
Other Penalty	0	10/sec	0.0
<b>Total awarded:</b>			<b>120.0</b>

Max. possible score: 2950.0  
Raw equiv. score total: 1808.8  
Minus 120 penalty points: 1688.8  
Pre-FP score estimate: 57.2%

Calculations by: FairPlay (non-scoring CJ + CHZ Summary)  
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*Joe Bloggs*

Pilots signature:

  
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The Chief Judge (here with non-scoring or scoring status) and the Judges details are listed in full.

An "Average" mark has been requested by this Judge, and FPS will subsequently provide a Fitted Value.

For information purposes only and to assist Pilots to quantify the relative value achieved in each figure, the two right-most columns display the average mark for all Judges together with the "equivalent" score.

These are NOT formal FPS steps, nor is this data used in any subsequent calculations.

This Hard Zero (HZ) will be replaced by an FPS Fitted Value because the majority decision for this figure, as recorded by the Chief Judge, was not a Confirmed Hard Zero (CHZ)

This is the maximum possible score for this sequence.

For information purposes only, the three lines in italic quantify the possible "equivalent" pre-FPS score derived from the raw marks, and a valuation of the percentage that would be achieved by this estimation.

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# PILOTS . . .



- **AVOID LOWS: DON'T FLY ANYWHERE NEAR THE LOW LINE !**
- **Don't get clever with the rules**
- **Do not show off – Safety is always crucial**
- **Before you part with your Euros/\$/Roubles . . . .  
*Read the Rules & Ask for Advice!***
- **Get the opinion of your Team Manager**
- **Check with the Chief Judge if the problem that you have is a technical issue**
- **Be factual . . . . NOT emotive !**





# JUDGES and PILOTS



- Treat judges fairly even if you think they have an easy job !! They do actually work very hard.
- Do not expect them to favour the “Home Team”
- Remember that during a competition a judge may have looked at as many as 4,500 figures, and He/She will make some mistakes. That is why we have at least 7 judges.



# Open Forum

- Go on – ASK A QUESTION !!
- What do you think ?
- What can you add ?
- What else would you like explained ?

*Feedback ?*

