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By applying to participate in the SAP, the pilot declares:

- that he/she is aware that the pilot is solely responsible for the conduct of the flight, and that he/she therefore releases the SAP organizer, its staff and the pilots involved from any and all liability for damage or inconvenience generated by the undersigned or which may be caused to the undersigned in connection with his/her participation in the SAP;
- to be a holder of glider pilot license (GPL) and corresponding valid medical certificate until at least the end of the SAP;
- to be a holder of a valid FAI card and personal insurance policy for flight risks;
- that I have read, accept and undertake to comply with the general conditions of participation in the SAP given below and the participation fees given on the acao.it website;
- to fly only on gliders equipped with FLARM apparatus and with certificates of airworthiness/ARC/permit to fly, as well as liability insurance certificate, both valid until at least the end of the SAP;
- to be equipped with glider and/or personal emergency locator equipment (es: ELT, PLB, SPOT, DELORM).

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PARTECIPATION

1. Participation in the stage does not in any form constitute, nor is it a substitute for, flight instruction activities aimed at obtaining and/or maintaining and/or renewing pilot licenses and/or ratings.
2. The stage is only intended to provide participating pilots, moreover, who already hold a glider pilot license (GPL), with a theoretical and practical illustration of sport gliding activities (so-called "performance").
3. For the flying activities envisaged in the SAP, the sole person responsible for the conduct of the aircraft is, also in terms of the law, the participant as the pilot of the aircraft, who is required to check before take-off the airworthiness of the aircraft in his possession or placed at his disposal (both from a technical and administrative point of view) and the perfect efficiency of the equipment at his disposal (parachute, Flarm, ELT/PLB, radio, etc.).
4. The pilot participating in the stage is responsible for assessing, prior to takeoff, whether his mental and physical condition allows him to safely undertake physically and mentally demanding flights. The participating pilot must maintain a safe condition at every phase of the flight in relation to both weather conditions and landability in the flight area. It is therefore solely up to the participating pilot to decide whether to abort the flight, returning to the base airport or another closer airport, if he or she assesses that continuing the flight could compromise safety.
5. In the presence of an experienced pilot ("coach"), to whom the organizing body (ACAO) may delegate the task of supervising the flight activities under the program, the coach will provide participants with information on weather conditions, orography and its possible influence on flight activities, and techniques for using weather conditions. Each participant should evaluate this information in relation to his or her own experience and piloting ability as well as to the specific flying situation in which he or she finds himself or herself and act accordingly and under his or her full and sole responsibility.
6. The eventual presence of the coach in close proximity and/or in radio connection with the participants' aircraft and/or his presence as a passenger on two-seater aircraft, does not relieve the participating pilot of his responsibility - sole and exclusive - in the conduct of the flight and the maintenance of safe conditions.
7. For safety reasons, attendance at the stage briefings is mandatory. In case of an excused absence, it will be the pilot's duty and responsibility to retrieve the information given at the briefing before taking off.
8. During glider gridding operations, take-offs and landings, pilots must strictly follow the instructions of the Airport Director of Flight Operations (DOV).
9. By registering for and participating in the SAP, pilots declare that they have the flight documents required by current regulations, good mountain flying experience, full control and effectiveness of centering and thermal ascent techniques, and good mental and physical fitness.
10. Participants' gliders must be in good conditions (insurance, CN, etc.) and, in order to fully benefit from the SAP, must be equipped with a logger, glide calculator, computer graphic, oxygen system and, if not Club class, equipment to charge water.
11. The Organizer has the right to remove a pilot from the SAP at any time for serious violations of the SAP rules and/or flight rules and for incorrect or dangerous behaviour on the part of the pilot.
12. The participation fee paid is refundable only in the event of cancellation of the event by the organiser. In the event of cancellation by the pilot with at least two weeks' notice prior to the start of the stage, the fee paid is non-refundable but, net of the registration fee of €90.00, may be recognised, at the pilot's request, as a deposit for participation in any SAP edition to be held at ACAO in the following year.