

PGAWC Turkey Alanya

I'm writing to inform you about an incident at this PGAWC in Alanya, Turkey, that happened on 30 April, 2023 at the end of the competition before flying ties. These are events described as they followed:

- The last (8th) round of the competition was cancelled because there was no time left to fly the whole round before the end time of the competition (3:00PM)
- All pilots were present at the take off and briefed, by Umut Akcl (organizer) and Koray Cocuk (Launch Marshal), that there is no more time to fly the last round and that take off is closed for all competitors except for the pilots who were supposed to fly ties for the third place, pilots names were also announced
- After announcement pilot Marketa Tomaškova continued to prepare to fly, she was warned again that the take-off was closed and that she should not fly. In spite of the warnings, she decided to fly and she took off.
- The first information about this incident came to me from pilot Matjaž Ferarič, he explained the whole situation to me and raised serious concern about the whole situation
- Next I talked with Protest Committee member and he confirmed to me events that happened on the takeoff, we discussed about disqualification pilot Marketa Tomaškova from this competition, and we agreed on the subject
- After that I talked with another member of Protest Committee and he said if we decide to disqualify pilot Marketa Tomaškova he will support our decision
- Next step was discussion with Meet Director Abdullah Kahraman then , Safety Director Ergün Ulu and in the end Technical Delegate Kyoung Young Park, we all agreed on the disqualification based on unsportsmanlike behaviour we also talked about severity of transgression considering that this pilot is very experienced in accuracy competitions, knows the rules and presents a role model for new coming pilots.
- Because MD was occupied preparing for the award giving ceremony I was asked to announce our decision to all pilots, and I did it right before the ceremony started.

Kind regards,

Meet Director Abdullah Kahraman

Safety Director Ergün Ulu

Technical Delegate Kyoung Young Park

Chief Judge Maja Karas