

BRITISH SKYDIVING 2026 ACCURACY LANDING NATIONALS & GRAND PRIXS

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Section 1 - General Rules

DOCUMENTATION

All competitors will be required to produce the following documentation when booking in:

- A valid and in date British Skydiving membership.
- A completed current British Skydiving Declaration of Fitness to Parachute, Doctor's Medical Certificate or equivalent for EU Parachutists.
- The competitor's current and up to date Parachutists Log Book.
- Chief Instructors written permission to compete (Sport Novices only)

EQUIPMENT

Each individual is responsible for supplying their own equipment. This must consist of:

- A serviceable main and reserve parachute, container and harness.
- An in-date equipment inspection record and reserve packing card.
- A serviceable altimeter and suitable helmet, clothing and footwear of a protective nature.

NOTE: Footwear must not damage the AMD. If damage occurs due to inappropriate footwear the competitor may be disqualified.

N.B. All Documentation and Equipment must comply with the requirements of the BPA Operations Manual.

GENERAL

The competition will be conducted in accordance with the current FAI Sporting Code and FAI Competition rules for Style and Accuracy. These are available on the FAI website: <https://www.fai.org/isc-documents> or from the British Skydiving office, with changes as approved by the Elite Performance Committee and ratified by the Council of British

Skydiving. These and the current FAI rules will also be published on the competition notice board and extracts of these, and local rules appear below. Where an unforeseen change is felt necessary to ensure the smooth running of the competition, a meeting will be held between Chief Judge, Meet Director and competitors.

All participants accept these rules as binding by registering for the Championships. No departure from these rules is permitted.

Note: Competitors can enter either Classic or Sport events, not both. Once a sport category is entered, competitors should remain in that category throughout the year, if a category is moved then all of the individuals overall scores will be based on the more senior category entered

British Skydiving will provide funding towards the provision of Officials and necessary equipment for judging. The PTO host will charge for jumps at as near normal price as possible.

The competitions will have a start and end time as directed by the DZ Operator and Officials at the end of the registration period.

The minimum number of rounds will be two (2). If the competition category is not completed in two rounds it will be classed as a non-event. Overall points will still be awarded.

The judging for the events will be run according to the General Rules.

Accuracy events are for both men and women. There are no separate categories.

DRUG TESTING

British Skydiving fully supports Drug-Free Sport and is committed to preventing drug misuse in sport parachuting. Drug misuse is cheating and it may prejudice your safety and the safety of others. There is no place for the misuse of drugs in our sport. British Skydiving's Anti-Doping Policy and Rules are set out in British Skydiving Form 220 which is downloadable from the British Skydiving website and available on request from the British Skydiving Office.

ANY COMPETITOR may be required to take a random drugs test. Refusal to provide a urine sample for analysis will result in disqualification. Many medications that you may need to take for common medical conditions, such as asthma or hay fever, may contain Prohibited Substances. It is vital that you do not accidentally take a prohibited substance; the consequences are the same as if you were doping. Getting it from a doctor on a prescription is no defense!

For further information, please see the anti-doping page of the British Skydiving website which has links to the FAI and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) websites, where you can find up-to-date information about the prohibited list of substances and therapeutic use exemptions (see below).

Each competitor is **STRICTLY LIABLE**- this means that it is your own personal responsibility as a competitor to ensure you comply fully with this policy. A positive test result means disqualification for the whole team, a loss of any sponsorship, and a ban for the individual. British Skydiving Form 220 sets out the procedure to be followed in the event of a positive test. The test is concerned with whether a prohibited substance is present in the body, not how or why it got there.

The Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) application process gives competitors a means of attaining approval to use a prescribed Prohibited Substance or Method for the treatment of a legitimate medical condition. This process is in place to protect the rights of competitors to compete on a level playing field. Any competitor with a TUE must attach a copy to the competition entry form and must also file a copy with the British Skydiving Office before they compete. TUE forms may be downloaded from the anti-doping section



of the FAI website: <https://www.fai.org/page/anti-doping-therapeutic-exemptions>

LICENCE TO USE IMAGES

In entering this competition, competitors agree to grant the BPA Ltd a royalty-free non-exclusive license to use any video or other images submitted to the competition for training and judging purposes.

ACCURACY LANDING AREA

All accuracy competitors are to note that the safety of competitors, judges, officials and spectators is paramount. Therefore, competitors using classic accuracy canopies will land on a tuffet and will be scored in the normal manner. The tuffet will be placed in a location decided by the Chief Judge. Competitors using any other form of canopy will not land on a tuffet but will be scored on a clearly marked target at ground level.

Competitors are not to switch canopies during the competition without discussion with the Chief Judge.

TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT AND OBSERVATIONS

Wind Indicator:

A wind indicator capable of responding to winds of at least two m/s and be clearly visible will be used for both classic and sport accuracy and if possible be located within 20 metres of the edge of their respective target areas.

The judges determine its location.

Placement of the wind indicator is not subject to any protest.

An official appointed by the Meet Director and approved by the Chief Judge will observe the wind speed and direction at the anemometer.

Where resources are available, one or more observers should watch each jump made and observe the competitors on opening and during their descent.

The observer should check the time between opening and landing and any conditions that might constitute grounds for a re-jump.

A written record should be made of the observations.

If any judge observes a change in winds aloft which prevent one or more competitors from making a reasonable accuracy approach on the target despite having exited at the correct point, that judge must immediately inform the Event Judge or the Chief Judge of the observation.

If there is a serious or sudden change in the meteorological conditions or in the winds aloft, the Chief Judge or the Event Judge, with the concurrence of the Meet Director, may decide to interrupt an event.

This decision is not grounds for a protest.

The interruption must be made in a way which clearly shows it to the jumpers concerned, who must be granted re-jumps, and also to the judges at the target.

EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING

Competitors may be assigned numbers before the competition, and the assigned number must be visible on the individual during the events.



A competitor who willfully fails to properly display the assigned number shall receive the maximum score for that jump.

SCORING

Competitors are to sign the judging sheet after landing to confirm their score, failing to sign may result in a maximum score.

Any protest is to be made to the Chief Judge in the first instance.

A Jury (may/will) be assembled by the Meet Director which may include The Meet Director, The Chief Judge, The Event Judge not involved in the area of the Protest, and may also call upon the experience of others who are not directly involved or affected by the protest to adjudicate.

RE-JUMPS

A re-jump may be awarded if a competitor:

Experiences a malfunction:

A competitor with a canopy malfunction that creates a control problem must make no attempt to land in the target area.

A judge must verify by equipment inspection or observation that the competitor had a malfunction.

A control problem is an adverse condition of the canopy making it virtually impossible to safely attempt a precision target approach, or an adverse steering configuration which prevents a competitor from demonstrating his or her skill.

If a judge's inspection reveals that the canopy's condition resulted from faulty equipment, unacceptable rigging or deployment technique, or from any situation illustrating improper judgment or lack of control by a competitor, no re-jump will be awarded.

In the opinion of any judge is prevented by winds aloft from making a reasonable accuracy approach on the target, though having exited at the correct point

Is in the air during an official period of halted jumping due to exceeded wind speed or any other reason deemed appropriate by the Chief Judge or Meet Director.

Re-jump resulting from a conflict

A re-jump may be awarded to any competitor for whom the Event Judge determines that a canopy conflict with another jumper hampered his or her approach.

If the conflict is with the competitor's own teammate, the team is not awarded a re-jump, and the competitor's score for the landing after the canopy conflict counts toward the team score for that round.

SAFETY

The chief judge may issue a yellow card for a safety violation. They will be issued in general for unsafe actions, lack of sufficient canopy control or erratic canopy handling.

A second yellow card is the equivalent of the issuance of a red card.

The chief judge may issue a red card without a prior yellow card for any action that presents immediate danger and safety hazard to the competitor or others in the air or on the ground.

Examples of this include low turn approaches or flying the canopy in an uncontrolled or dangerous manner.



The issuance of a red card will result in the disqualification of the competitor from further participation in the Accuracy event, including the deletion of any results achieved already during the competition. They will be marked as "disqualified" in the ranking list after all competitors with regular results.

Section 1.1 - Rules Specific to Classic Accuracy

CLASSIC ACCURACY ELIGIBILITY: Competitors using classic accuracy, or docile canopies capable of landing on the tuffet safely.

This event will be undertaken as a Team event with individual scores to count.

Men and Women can jump in the same team, there is no distinction between male and female in the Team or individual events for British Skydiving accuracy competitions. Selection for invitation to First Category Events will be made in line with ISC Male and Female categories based on individual scores.

Teams should be made up of 5 individuals. Anyone without a Team at the start of the competition will be grouped into teams up to 5 by the Meet Director. They will jump as a Team of 5 or otherwise at the discretion of the competition Safety Officer/CI in liaison with the Meet Director.

Classic Team Accuracy Event. A Team consists of a maximum of 5 members. Four scores for each round will count in the Team event. A team can throw away the worst individual score per round. Teams with less than 5 members will receive a maximum score (20cms) for each missing member.

Scoring will be the first point of contact using a 2cms pad. Scores will be recorded up to 16cms on the electronic pad, if the first point of contact is on the rear strike pad, a score of 17cms is recorded, if the landing is on the top surface of the tuffet, a score of 18cms will be recorded. Any miss of the top surface of the tuffet a score of 20cms will be recorded. For selection to First Category Events, the positions will be based on a maximum score of 16cms as per ISC rules.

Exit Altitudes: Team Accuracy Landing jumps will be made from a maximum height of 3,500 ft (1,065M). to a minimum of 3000ft (915M). If necessary, altitude may be reduced to 2,600ft (770M) with 2 per pass, Scores will still count towards team scores.

Note; Minimum opening height for 'B' license is 3,000ft (915M).

Each team selects their own exit point.

WIND LIMITS AND GENERAL RULES SPECIFIC TO CLASSIC ACCURACY

The maximum allowable wind speed at ground level in the accuracy events is set by mutual agreement of the Chief Judge and Meet Director at a value no more than 7.5 m/s. This maximum limit will be given to the competitors at the initial briefing and will remain for the duration of the competition. The wind limit may be lowered for an entire round and will apply to any re-jumps from that round. The limit may be changed after each completed round.

The preferred wind limits of 6.9 m/s will be the norm where the wind must be no more than 6.9 m/s

A competitor who lands during the period 15 seconds before the wind speed exceeds the limit, while the wind speed is over the limit and 30 seconds after the wind speed has returned below the limit, and does not score a dead centre, may accept a re- jump.



The competitor must make an immediate decision and must inform the Event or Chief Judge of their decision, otherwise the competitor must do a re-jump.

The event will be automatically interrupted for a minimum of 5 minutes, if the ground wind speed reaches or exceeds 9.0 m/s.

Grand Prix will consist of 6 rounds for both Classic and Sport

Nationals will consist of 10 rounds for Classic and 6 rounds for Sport

A minimum of two rounds must be completed to declare a valid event.

To enable the smooth running of the competition the jump order can be changed by the Chief Judge or Meet Director at any time

Where possible, teams will jump in reverse order of placing's after completion of each round

Classic Nationals only

Each Team/Competitor will jump 8 rounds in the Team event.

At the end of the 8th round, the top 20 British individuals in the Classic event will qualify for the semi-finals (round 9).

The top 10 individuals at the end of round 9 will qualify for the finals and will do the 10th and final round. The 9th and 10th rounds will be jumped as Individual Accuracy from a minimum height of 800 metres / 2,600 ft.

Should there be 20 competitors or less in the event, then ALL competitors will complete rounds 9 and 10 as individuals.

In the event of a tie for the first three places*¹ in the Team or Individual Accuracy Landing the following rules apply:

**¹For the Classic Nationals, the top 5 male and top 5 female places must be considered*

If the minimum number of rounds has been completed and in the opinion of the Meet Director, in consultation with the Chief Judge, there is not enough time left to complete the next round with all competitors, where possible tie-break jumps shall be made.

If all rounds are complete and there is time, individuals and/or teams shall complete tie-break jumps. For Grands Prix, a maximum of 2 re-jumps will occur, there is no limit for the Nationals.

*² If this does not break a tie then the competitor or team with the greater number of low scores from all completed jumps, including the tie-breaking jumps, obtains the higher place. (See competition rules – Style and Accuracy for fuller details, which can be found on the documents page of the FAI website: <https://www.fai.org/isc-documents>)

If the tie remains, the competitor, or team with the lowest score, starting with the last completed jump, including tie-breaking jumps, and continuing in reverse order, jump by jump until the tie is broken, obtains the higher place. If the tie remains in the Team Accuracy Landing, all team scores are used for each round, then refer to the FAI rules.

If the tie cannot be broken, the competitors or teams concerned shall be declared co-medalists.




All other ties will be ranked equal.

If possible, a video system shall be used for all competition jumps. This will be used as per the FAI competition rules – Style and Accuracy, which can be found on the documents



Judging signals

The following signals will be used by the judges where a competitor lands on the electronic pad. For all landing off the pad and on the rear strike / tuffet the judges will point at the point of landing until an agreed point is decided.

		
Judge agrees with displayed score	Judge disagrees with displayed score	Judge unsighted or video review

Section 1.2 - Rules Specific to Sport Accuracy

SPORT ACCURACY ELIGIBILITY

SENIOR SPORT ACCURACY: Competitors to have a greater than 1.5 wing loading.

INTERMEDIATE SPORT ACCURACY: Competitors to have a wing loading between 1.1 and 1.5,

NOVICE SPORT ACCURACY: Competitors must have a wing loading 1.0 or less (Each competitor must show evidence that a minimum of the 5 pre declared landings has been completed towards BPA 'B' licence.

Competitors should enter the category appropriate to their ability.

The initial criteria for entering a category will be by canopy wing loading;

These categories are guides only, the exact category for individuals will be decided by the Chief Judge and Meet Director.

Competitors are encouraged to remember the spirit of the category and move on as ability/experience improves year on year.

If a pilot has won a category in previous years then they should normally move to a more senior category (applies to Novice and Intermediate only). Not doing so will be agreed by the Chief Judge and Meet Director.

General

Sport Accuracy is over a maximum of 6 rounds. A minimum of two rounds must be completed to declare a valid event.

All sport accuracy competitors will be scored up to 15metres.

The target dead centre is 0.40 metres in diameter.

The individuals with the lowest total accumulated scores will be the winners.

Exit Procedures

Exit Altitudes: Sport Accuracy Landing jumps will be made from a maximum height of 1525 metres / 5,000 ft. to a minimum of 900M / 3000ft.

Note; Minimum opening height for 'B' licence is 900M / 3,000ft.

Each competitor is personally responsible for selecting a proper exit point.

Scoring

Competitors will be judged on the following three tasks:

Accuracy: The distance between their first point of contact and the rim of the target dead centre will be measured with a possible score of zero metres (dead centre) to 15 metres maximum if the first point of contact is not within the 30-metre-diameter circle.

Stand-up landing: Failure to perform a stand-up landing will receive a penalty score depending on the category of the competitor;

Sport Senior - 15 metre score

Sport Intermediate - 7 metre score will be added to the score obtained, if this totals more than 15 metres then a 15-metre score will be recorded

Sport Novice - 3 metres will be added to the score obtained, if this totals more than 15 metres then a 15-metre score will be recorded

Landing control: The competitor will receive a penalty score depending on the category of the competitor if the competitor fails to contain the landing within the 30-metre diameter circle; this includes displaying a controlled stop to the judges.

All competitors will receive a 15-metre score if they fly through and out of the front area of the circle.

If due to strong winds the competitor lands within the 30 metre circle but is unable to collapse the canopy and in the Chief Judge's view this results in being blown backwards by the wind outside of the 30 metre circle, then the following penalties will apply

Sport Senior - 15-metre score

Sport Intermediate - 4 metres will be added to the score obtained, if this totals more than 15 metres then a 15-metre score will be recorded

Sport Novice - 2 metres will be added to the score obtained, if this totals more than 15 metres then a 15-metre score will be recorded

Judging and Recording Sport Accuracy

Landings are judged by at least three principal judges.

The only persons allowed within the 30-metre circle during jumping are members of the panel of judges and necessary members of the organising staff.

The dead-centre target must be repositioned or uncovered immediately after the landing of any competitor who moves or covers its location.

After a landing, competitors must leave the target area immediately.

WIND LIMITS AND GENERAL RULES SPECIFIC TO SPORT ACCURACY

For sport accuracy the maximum wind limit will be 10.2 m/s

A competitor who lands during the period 10 seconds before the wind speed exceeds the limit, while the wind speed is over the limit and 15 seconds after the wind speed has returned below the limit, and does not score a dead centre, may accept a re-jump

Sport Accuracy Pilots who have given two weeks' notice may be allowed to fly out of sequence to bank or catch-up flights at the Meet Director's discretion, subject to a credible reason. The pilot must present a credible reason due to unavoidable or prior commitments and must state the one day that will be missed. Should the pilot not be able to complete the missed rounds because of lack of time, weather, etc, (as determined by the Meet Director/Chief Judge) then they will receive the maximum score for any missed rounds. Once it has been agreed, the pilot cannot change the arrangement.



Where all rounds are completed and there are still catch up flights to complete, these should be done within a 2 hour period, and will be subject to the Meet Director/Chief Judge decision

Section 2 – Grand Prix Specific Rules

- Grand Prix Accuracy Landings
- Classic - Individual Accuracy Landings
- Classic - Team Accuracy Landings
- Senior - Individual Sport Accuracy Landings
- Intermediate - Individual Sport Accuracy Landings
- Novice - Individual Sport Accuracy Landings
- The Accuracy competitions will be in four categories; Classic, Sport Senior, Sport Intermediate and Sport Novice

All categories will be over a maximum of six rounds.

- a) All participants will accept these rules as binding on entering the Grand Prix competitions.
- b) At the pre-competition briefings any local rules will be made available by the Parachute Training Organisation (PTO) Management and must be adhered to.
- c) Prizes will be awarded for each Grand Prix competition and for the Overall Champions. The Overall Champions will receive their awards at the British Skydiving Annual General Meeting.
- d) In the event of less than five competitors registering, the event will be declared a non - event
- e) An Entry fee for each competition may be charged by the host PTO up to a maximum of £5.
- f) Teams and individuals must register online. The deadline for online entry is the start of competition day one.
- g) Grand Prix prizes will be awarded to the first three individuals and the first team. Grand Prix's are open competitions.

Section 3 – Overall British Champions

SCORING SYSTEM FOR OVERALL CHAMPION

The judging for the event will be run according to the Specific Rules above.

Points towards the Overall Champion will be awarded in the following manner:

1st place 20 points	6th place 5 points
2nd place 15 points	7th place 4 points
3rd place 11 points	8th place 3 points
4th place 8 points	9th place 2 points
5th place 6 points	10th place 1 point

Each competitor taking part will be awarded 1 point for each competition they attend, and an additional point if they register a score in the competition under the maximum score

If two or less rounds are completed only half points will be awarded.



Bonus points will be awarded if specific standards are achieved. They are as follows

4 Dead Centres 1 Bonus point

5 Dead Centres 2 Bonus points

6 Dead Centres 3 Bonus points

Bonus points will increase by 1 point for each additional DC above 6.

Bonus points will be cumulative across all GP & Nationals competitions for the year.

For the Overall Champion, prizes will be awarded to individuals only.

Section 4 – Nationals Specific Details

NATIONALS EVENTS

Accuracy Landings

1. Classic - Individual Accuracy Landings
2. Classic - Team Accuracy Landings
3. Senior - Individual Sport Accuracy Landings
4. Intermediate - Individual Sport Accuracy Landings
5. Novice - Individual Sport Accuracy Landings
6. National Club Accuracy Cup Competition

(1 x Classic pilot plus – 2 pilots from any of the sports accuracy categories per club entering)

Note: Competitors can enter either Classic or Sport events, not both

AIM OF THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- a. Determine the National Champions in:
 - National Accuracy Landing Champion 1st,2nd,3rd in each individual category
 - Open Champion in each individual category
 - National Team Champions in Team Accuracy Landing 1st,2nd,3rd *a
 - Open Team Champions in Team Accuracy Landing **b
 - National Club Team accuracy landing Champions
- *a Any team with a non-British National competitor will be classed in the open event*
- **b The open team champions will only receive medals if they are not all British Nationals*
- b. Establish new National Accuracy Landing records
- c. Promote and develop Accuracy Landing parachuting
- d. Exchange experience and strengthen friendly relations between the sport parachutists and Officials
- e. Allow participants to share and exchange experience, knowledge and information
- f. Improve judging methods and practices



PRACTICE JUMPS & JUDGES TRAINING

- a. Practice jumping will be available up to the competition draw, but any other event in progress will take priority.
- b. Competitors are to note that training jumps are to be paid separately to competition fees and jumps. Slots for training jumps are to be pre-purchased at manifest at the published rate.
- c. Judges training may take place during the competition.

DOCUMENTATION

Sporting Licences are not required for entry into the British National Championships. However, any competitor who feels they or their team may achieve a world record during the Nationals (or at any other time) must hold a current Sporting Licence(s) prior to achieving that record.

Also, any competitor wishing to be eligible to represent the UK at a World Championships or World Cup must be eligible for a current UK Sporting Licence (eligibility criteria can be found on British Skydiving Form 110).

Competitors may obtain a new Licence or the current 'stamp' at any time. Applications for a Sporting Licence or Sporting Licence renewal stamp must be made using British Skydiving Form 110 directly to the British Skydiving office. A fee applies. Sporting Licences or currency stamps will no longer be issued at British Skydiving affiliated Clubs. Sporting Licences should be applied for at least one month before the National Championships, as British Skydiving will require supporting documentation for those competitors not holding a UK passport. The Sporting Licence holder must be included on an FAI database by British Skydiving, at least one month prior to an FCE when representing the UK.

ELIGIBILITY

Only Classic Category eligible competitors can become British Champions for consideration and/or be considered for sponsorship from British Skydiving.

There are no restrictions on the nationality of guest competitors in the "Open" Championships.

SELECTION CRITERIA

2026 is a British Team selection year for the World Cup in 2027.

In the event of any circumstances that result in no National Championship competition jumps, the criteria used for the British team/s or individuals to be selected will be at the discretion of the Elite Performance Committee (EPC).

EQUIPMENT

Whilst there are facilities for reserve re-packing at Skydive GB Ltd it is unlikely that such a service can be offered immediately prior to, or during, the competition. In an emergency i.e. following reserve activation, such a service may be provided.

COMPETITION AIRCRAFT



At the time of writing the competition aircraft for the Accuracy Landings event is expected to be an Airvan.

TROPHIES

All competitors who won Accuracy trophies last year are asked to return them to the British Skydiving Office by June 2026 if they will not be attending the 2026 Nationals.

Trophy winners will be required to sign the Trophy Safe Custody Statement (Form 225), and adhere to the points listed on this form.

PRIZE-GIVING

Prize giving will begin as soon as the host Drop Zone can arrange after the event has been completed and once any dignitaries who will be involved in the presentation are available.

With the exception of the Open event and the Club Accuracy event, medals will be awarded in all categories as follows:

- Gold for first place
- Silver for second place
- Bronze for third place

In the Open event, only a gold medal may be awarded. The Open gold medal will, however, be awarded only if the winner is ineligible for the British Nationals **AND** has won the event in its entirety.

In the Club Team Accuracy, only gold medals will be awarded.

NATIONAL CLUB ACCURACY CUP COMPETITION

Clubs can enter any number of Teams.

The Team will consist of one Classic pilot, plus 2 pilots from any of the sports accuracy categories, and must register for this competition prior to the start of the Championships.

The winning Team will be the Team with the lowest combined placings in each category. There will be no 2nd or 3rd place awards. Evidence of membership to the Club being represented may be required.

DETERMINATION OF BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

The title of British National Accuracy Landing Champion will be awarded to the British competitor with the lowest total distance for all completed rounds.

Foreign competitors will only be eligible for the open events; their scores and positions will not be counted in the determination of British Nationals results.



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