

## LSF Levels

### Section 11 - Competition

Competition requirements specified in the Soaring Accomplishments Program, Requirements Summary, section 12, may be fulfilled only in LSF recognized contests which are defined to be those meeting the following specifications:

#### A-Size

All contestants must compete at the same location on the same date.

Level II - Five (5) or more participants

Level III - Ten (10) or more participants

Level IV - Fifteen (15) or more participants

Level V - Twenty (20) or more participants

#### B - Rounds

Three or more separate opportunities to score

#### C - Events

Fifty percent (50%) or more of the contest events must adhere to at least one of the following guidelines:

Thermal Event Guideline - Extended thermal duration, distance, or speed; precision aerobatics, or altitude.

Slope Events Guideline - Duration, distance, speed, precision aerobatics, or altitude.

Two alternative methods of scoring may be used to meet competition requirements.

Either the Place System, where a place is recognized to be first (1st), second (2nd), or third (3rd) in the final standing of a contest; or the Competition Points System, where a minimum total of competition points from any six (6) contests may be used. Competition points are computed by first dividing the participant's score by the winner's score and multiplying by 100; then, multiplying the resultant value by one (1) plus the number of lower standing contestants. A minimum of six (6) contests must be flown no matter which scoring method is used.

#### Example:

(a) Winner earns a score of 531

(b) Participant earns a score of 312

(c) Participant beats 5 other contestants.

(d) Participant's Competition Points are:

$312 / 531 \times 100 \times (1 + 5) = 352.$

#### D - FAI World Records

The establishing of a world record - recognized by the Federation Aeronautique Internationale - shall constitute the requirements for a contest win. However, six contests or records or a combination of six contests and records must be recorded on all performance vouchers from Level II through Level V. The 12,000-point requirement must also be fulfilled for Level V.

Requirements	Primary	Intermediate			Advanced
Level	I	II	III	IV	V
Thermal Duration	5 min.	15 min.	30 min	1 hr	2 hrs.
Slope Duration	15 min.*	1 Hr.*	2 hrs.*	4 hrs.*	8 hrs.
Precision Spot Landing	5 landings 3m (9.84 ft) or less	10 landings 1.5m (4.92 ft. or less)	None	None	None
Goal and Return	None	None	1km (0.62 mi.)	2km (1.24 mi.)	10km(6.2 mi)
Competition	None	6 contests** w/ 1 place or 3,000 pts	6 contests** w/ 2 place or 4,500 pts	6 contests** w/ 2 places and 1 win or 6,000 pts	6 contests** with 12,000 points including 3 wins