



**2023 FAI F5J  
World Championships  
for Electric Powered  
Thermal Duration Gliders  
seniors and juniors**

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13 - 19 August 2023  
Dupnitsa, Bulgaria**

**Bulletin 2**

2023 FAI F5J World Championship for Electric Powered Thermal Duration Gliders, seniors and juniors will be organised by the Bulgarian Aeromodelling Federation and Modelclub Ikar from 13-19 August 2023, Dupnitsa, Bulgaria.

**Competition Rules**

Class F5J seniors and juniors

World Championships will be run according to:

- FAI Sporting Code Section 4 - CIAM General Rules 2023 Edition
- FAI Sporting Code Section 4, Aeromodelling Volume F5 Radio Control Electric Powered Model Aircraft, 2023 Edition
- FAI Code of Ethics
- FAI anti-doping regulations

Valid FAI sporting licenses will be mandatory for each competitor, team manager. Only licenses which are registered on the FAI central database are valid.

**Official languages**

The official languages is English and Bulgarian.

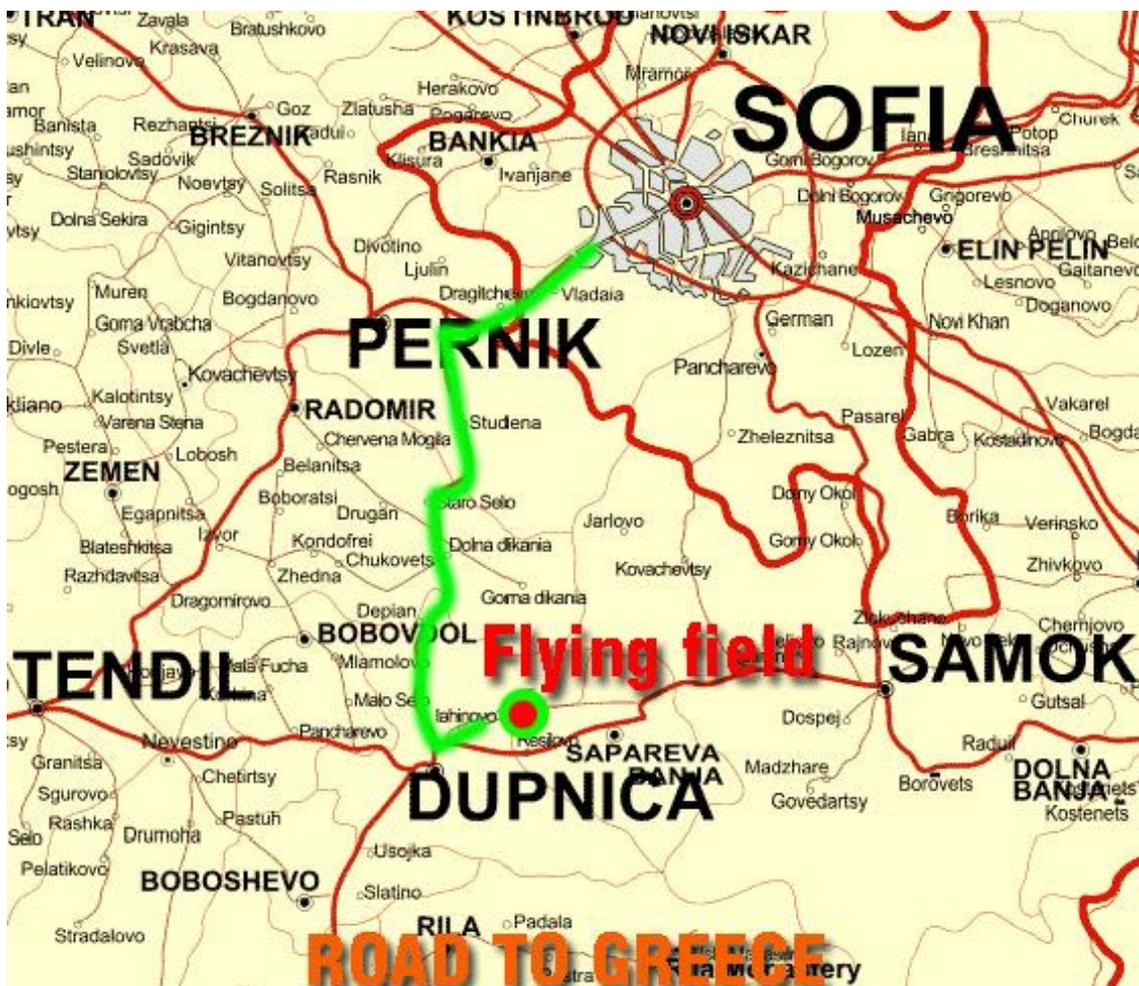
**Visa requirements**

Visitors from most countries do not require a visa to enter in Bulgaria. In case of doubt, please enquire in your own country. Organizer can provide invitation letter for participation.

## Organisation

2023 FAI F5J World Championship for Electric Powered Thermal Duration Gliders gliders, seniors, womens and juniors,  
13-19 August 2023, Dupnitsa, Bulgaria will be organised by Bulgarian Aeromodelling Federation, Modelclub Ikar Dupnitsa and Municipality Dupnitsa..

**Location:** Field near Dupnitsa town – 64 km south of Sofia , 42°17'48.62"N 23° 9'29.69"E



**Transport:** You can reach Dupnitsa:

- by car (highway from Sofia 65 km, 120 from Greece border);
- by train from Belgrade, Istanbul; Bucharest to Sofia then to Dupnitsa. Dupnitsa is on the railway from Sofia to Athens.
- by bus from Sofia central bus station - every hour.
- by air to Sofia International Airport, then by car to Dupnitsa.

## Visa

EU citizens not require visa when entering Bulgaria.

For more info - Ministry of foreign affairs of Bulgaria - [www.mfa.bg](http://www.mfa.bg)

## Organizers

President of Organising Committee: Metodi CHIMEV

Vice president of Organising Committee: Konstantin RANOV

Contest Director: Sotir LAZARKOV - BUL

## FAI Jury

President of Jury: Andras REE - HUN

Member of Jury: Antonis Papadopoulos - GRE

Member of Jury: Emil GIEZENDANNER - SUI

Reserve: Dobri MARINOV – BUL

Reserve: Plamen VASILEV – BUL

## Schedule

10 August - Arrival

11-12 August - F5J Ikar FAI World Cup event

13 August - Registration, Model processing, Team manager meeting,  
Opening Ceremony in Dupnitsa

14 -18 August - Competition flights and Fly-offs

19 August - Fly-offs, Prize giving Ceremony, Banquet

20 August - Departure

The daily flying schedule will begin at **09.00** and will continue through the various rounds till **18.00**. The organiser reserves the right to change the daily schedule if necessary.

## Classifications and awards

FAI medals and FAI diplomas for 1-2-3 individuals (seniors and juniors) and teams (3 members, 1 female and including the Team Manager) will be awarded. Additional organizer prizes will be awarded. For the team ranking the best three results of the team (3 competitors and 1 female) will be considered.

FAI medals and diplomas will be awarded to the first, second and third placed females.

**Frequencies:** 2.4 GHz

## National teams and competitors

Senior team may consist of:

- team manager, assistant team manager
- 3 senior competitors
- 1 female competitor

Junior team may consist of:

- team manager, assistant team manager
- 3 junior competitors (age limit 18 years in 2023)
- 1 junior female competitor (age limit 18 years in 2023)
- official helpers and supporters

## Weather

Continental climate without big contrasts.

Average temperature in August is 27 degrees.

Light wind North-West.

Sunrise: 7.00 - Sunset: 20:00

## Entry fees

- 300 EUR for the team manager
- 300 EUR per adult male competitor
- 150 EUR per woman competitor
- 150 EUR junior competitor
- 70 EUR per helper, supporter

## Bank account:

Bulgarian Aeromodelling Federation  
Address: 75, Vasil Levski blvd, Sofia 1000, Bulgaria

UniCredit Bulbank  
IBAN: BG15 UNCR 7527 1052 7624 10  
SWIFT/ BIC: UNCRBGSF  
Bank address: 7, Sveta Nedelya Sq.; 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria

Donation F5J WCh 2023 team (name of country)

## Deadlines

1. Official entry (Final Entry Form) including competitors names: 15 June 2023
2. Receipt of all entry fees: 15 June 2023

Entry fees submitted after 15 June 2023 +10 % penalty.

Any submitted after 15 July 2023 + 20 % penalty.

Entry fees will not be accepted on arrival.

## Protest fees

All protests must be presented in writing to the contest director and must be accompanied by the deposit of a fee. The amount of this fee shall be 50 Euros. The deposit is returned only if the protest is upheld.

## Lodging

Accommodation:

Three stars hotel Rila

City center, TV, shower, WC, fridge, breakfast, WiFi, SPA

DOUBLE room:

BB – 65 EUR per night

Three stars hotel Rila in

City center, TV, shower, WC, fridge, breakfast, WiFi, SPA

SINGLE room:

BB – 55 EUR per night

**Camping:** A camping with electricity, water, showers and toilet facilities is available 12 km from flying field - <https://camping-verila.com/>.

### **Official Meals**

Breakfast on the spot 8 Euros per person

Lunch or dinner on the spot  
(starter, main course, dessert) 15 Euros per person

There will be drinks, snacks and food available to purchase on the field all the days of the Championships.

**Banquet:** 40 Euros per senior person, 30 Euros per junior person

### **Anti-doping**

If a competitor has to take, by a medical condition, any of the substances listed on the WADA

Prohibited List then he must have a Therapeutic Use Exemption from the FAI.

[www.wada-ama.org](http://www.wada-ama.org)

Quotation from the FAI anti-doping regulations: "If you regularly take medication prescribed by your doctor and this medication is on the WADA prohibited list, you need to get a form called a TUE (therapeutic use exemption) filled out by your doctor. International level athletes must send the form to the FAI Secretariat, national level athletes send it to their National Air Sport Control".

### **Insurance**

The Organiser will provide third party insurance cover to all participants for accidents involving injury to others or damage to property according to the host country's legislation. Participants should provide their own health insurance to cover accident and illness.

### **COVID-19 Safety Information**

Bulletin – 2 and all the following documentation will include all the necessary information and the protocols that the organizers and the participants will have to follow to participate based on the national regulations and the FAI recommendations. Always the national regulations prevail at all times over FAI recommendations. From time to time please visit the FAI web site COVID19 section for any updates. Our web site will also be updated for this matter when so needed.

### **COVID-19 Deadline**

As it happened last year with all World or Continental Championships, as organizers we will be in direct contact with the CIAM Bureau to evaluate together the situation and decide accordingly. As always public health is and will be our top priority. If it will be required to cancel or postpone the event this will be announced to you not later than (60 days before the beginning day or a specific date).

The deadline to decide whether to continue the championships is the 12th of June 2023.

### **Section for UAV regulations**

Regulation EU 2019/947

All adult pilots (18+) must provide UAS operator ID number.

All pilots out European Union must do registration at

<https://drones.caa.bg/en>

if they have not registration in other EU country register.

Registration is mandatory and is free of charge up to now.

Juniors under 18 years old can fly with ID of his TM or helper.

Every model aircraft must have sticker with UAS operator ID number of pilot.

No specified size, but visible / readable, one per airframe.

### **Media and publicity:**

[www.F5JBulgaria.com](http://www.F5JBulgaria.com) – official web site of World Championship. Web site will be updated daily with the results during the championships.

Facebook page F5JBulgaria will announce all data online.

Local and national media will be invited to cover F5J WCh

Bulphoto agency will provide everyday photos for media.

### **Bulletin 3**

Bulletin 3 will be published 17 July 2023.

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