



2023 RUSSIAN OPEN ÇAMELİ ÇAMELİ – DENİZLİ - TÜRKİYE

LOCAL COMPETITION RULES

1. Name of the Event

Çameli Russian Open 2023

2. Location

Çameli – Denizli – Türkiye

3. Dates

03 – 09 September 2023 , 03rd September is the registration day.

4. Purpose

The purpose of the event is to provide safe, fair and satisfying contest flying so that the best pilots will be awarded and to reinforce friendship amongst pilots and nations.

5. Event Schedule

Sunday, Sep 03, 2023 is the registration day and the official training day

Transport to the take-off will be free of charge.

09:30 - Departure to Take-off Deadline Time

11:30 - Training Task. No Retrieve Service.

17:30 - 19:30 - Registration

20:00 - Safety Briefing (Mandatory) - Çameli Stone Lodge

Monday, Sep 04, - Friday, Sep 08, 2023

Contest flying days

09:30 - Departure to Take-off Deadline Time

11:30 - Task and Meteorology Briefing

19:00 - Deadline of Gps Download

Friday, Sep 08, 2023

20:30 - Event Dinner

Saturday, Sep 09, 2023 – Final Competition Day

09:30 - Departure to Take-off Deadline Time

11:00 - Task and Meteorology Briefing

18:00 - Deadline of Gps Download

18:30 - Provisional Results

20:30 - Prize giving & Closing Ceremony

Event schedule will be announced at the board of the Head Quarter.
Regulations and changes will be announced by the committee on time.

6. Organization

On behalf of Çameli Municipality;
Akin GOKBULUT

6.1 Competition Web Site

<https://www.livetrack24.com/events/RussianOpenCameli>

6.2 Selection

The total number of competitors is 60 pilots. 25 extra places are reserved.

Entry requirements for pilots

Participation is determined in the following order:

1. Pilots who have finished at least one open-distance comp in the first 20% in 2019/2020/2021/2022.
2. Pilots who have flown at least one 100+ km straight distance in 2019/2020/2021/2022.

Note: Pilots who have not been flying in any open-distance competition may not participate in this competition even if they have references from experienced pilots.

Wildcards

5 places are reserved for wildcards.

6.3 Documents required at registration

- SGM Sporting License for national Pilots (to be checked)
- National Licence for international Pilots
- Signed Application form
- Signed Waiver/Release form
- Identification documents needed
- Liability Insurance
- Rescue/Medical Insurance (covering Turkey is mandatory)

Equipment Requirements:

- Glider Classification: EN, CCC
- Certified Harness
- Helmet
- Reserve
- GPS which records a 3D tracklog and cables
- 2m radio
- Your own Live Tracking device
- Smartphone installed WhatsApp
- Extra battery pack

6.4 Insurance

All competition pilots must have an insurance and this is mandatory. All pilots must declare the validity of their insurance policy to the hospitals in Denizli area and Turkey. Organization will rely on the pilots declaration and assume that the relevant country of origin will cover all ambulance, helicopter, treatment costs.

The Pilot is responsible for all lack of informations provided.

Please ensure you have adequate holiday travel insurance to cover any losses.

6.5 Entry Fee

Payment before 03 July 2023, Entry fee is EUR 200.

Payment after 03 July 2023, Entry fee is EUR 230.

Pilots qualified, who will be in "Waiting Payment" status, should pay by bank transfer after receiving bank details for payment via email. Missing funds such as transfer costs or bank fees will be collected in cash at HQ on registration.

6.6 Refund Policy

50% refund if cancelled 60 days (03 July 2023) or more before the start of the competition. Transfer costs and/or intermediary bank fees will be cut from refund.

No Refund after this date. If competition is postponed or cancelled from the organizer due to Covid 19 or force majeure in Turkiye, the registration fee minus 70 EUR will be refunded. Transfer costs and/or intermediary bank fees will be cut from refund.

6.7 Services Included in the Entry Fee

Accommodation in Student Hostel for 6 days

Transportation to takeoff

Lunch pack

Retrieve from main roads and junctions

Event dinner

Trophies and Closing ceremony

Maps and T-shirt

Medical Services Included in the Entry Fee

- 112 Ambulance (Turkish Government, Ministry of Health)
- AFAD (Ministry of Interior, The Disaster and Emergency Management) or;
UMKE (National Medical Rescue Team, a governmental emergency service organization)

6.8 Duty In charge

Meet Director	: Tecelli AYDIN
Safety Director	: To be announced
Report Back Director	: To be announced
Retrieve Director	: Ercan UYSAL
Scorer	: To be announced

6.9 Jury

1. International Observer
2. THSF Observer or one of pilots who will be assigned by Organizer
3. Meet Director or one of pilots who will be assigned by Meet Director

7. Category

This event is non Cat2.

8. Team Registration

Teams letting competitors along with team registration fee until the end of the latest official safety briefing. Teams have to pay 30.00 Euros registration fee.

9. Task setting and Safety Committee

The Task committee and Safety Committee will be selected by pilots upon registration day. These committees will be announced during the general briefing and general announcements at the announcement board. The task committee consists of two experienced pilots, together with the meet director. Task committee volunteers must apply by e mail to organization before the registrations. If there is no volunteers, task committee will be assigned by Meet Director and organization.

10. Respect

Please show respect to the organization, who will be responsible for your safety and must be obeyed to their instructions without objections.

Please obey to the schedules at announced timeframe (Briefing, Transport, Report Back, GPS consignment, etc.). Disobeying pilots may receive penalty points.

Please respect the competition area.

11. Rules

GAP latest scoring formula (subject to change) will be implemented. Information will be provided on the general information board.

Scoring formula parameters will be announced at the first task briefing.

Live or mobile tracking is mandatory in this event. You must provide your own flight gear capable live tracking Such as Flymaster Live or smartphone installed Whatsapp.

Flight checks will only be done through GPS devices. All competitors must bring the cables for their GPS's in order to upload/download competition GPS logs.

12. Trophies

Overall Open Class
Overall Females
Overall Open Class Teams
Overall Sport Class

Teams:

Pilots can race at team categories. Each team consists of 3 male and 1 female (3+1), 4 in total. Teams with less numbers of participants may be accepted by the Meet Director upon request. Each team must have at least 2 male and 1 female (2+1), i.e. 3 pilots in total.

Task scoring:

Only best 2+1 pilots scores will be accepted. Once the race begins, number of pilots and teams may not be altered.

13. Safety

- 1) Radios are mandatory. VOX usage is strictly prohibited. VHF frequency will be used during the competition.
- 2) All pilots must be at the safety frequency of **144.900** (subject to change) must NOT transmit on this frequency except for safety reasons.
- 3) After landing, pilots must immediately switch their radios to the retrieve channel of **144.700** (subject to change).
- 4) For safety purposes, observers (Task and Safety committee members) will be in direct contact with the meet director at the days turnpoints and on the air.
- 5) No obstacles will be present at the designated landing areas. **In case of landing out of this area or to an unrelevant spot, please make sure that there are no obstacles like high voltage or poles with power wires.**

6) Safety report back is mandatory for all pilots, which has to be done asap, within the time frame announced at the task board. All pilots must report back in person to the HQ for safety purpose. This will enable us to perform frequent safety checks and unnecessary rescue actions. Pilots, who does not comply with these rules will be disqualified.

7) Task Cancelling: Task cancelling will be announced from the safety frequency. Only the meet director is authorised to make this announcement.

8) Emergency: In case of an emergency situation, ambulance and rescue team will be present for SAR operation.

9) Cloud flying: Except of the dangers involved, cloud flying is considered as a cheating on other competitors. On arriving at the cloud wisps the pilots must demonstrate clearly his/her intention to leave from ascending air. **The organizer has the right to check via GPS of every pilot's daily track log (altitude) to discover if this rule is respected.**

10) Thermalling at take off area: Airborne pilots must leave the take off area, in order to allow other pilots in ground for take off. Pilots thermalling close to take off at same altitude **may receive penalties or disqualification.**

11) Helping other pilots at emergency situations: Pilots situation, who land to an emergency pilot spot or limits his flight, may be decided by the meet director to be scored for the day.

12) External Support: Any help in navigation or thermal location by any non-competing aircraft, including competing gliders not in the act of carrying out the task is prohibited. Pre-fliers (wind dummies) must land or fly in a designated area as soon as possible after task flying has started.

14. Penalty points

Meet director will announce penalty points for rules violation during the task briefing if different.

Cloud flying

1. violation – zero points at day of violation
2. violation – disqualification from competition

Thermaling / Turning to wrong direction

1. violation – warning
2. violation – 100 penalty points. If repeated double violation points will apply.

Dangerous and aggressive flying

1. violation – warning
2. violation – 100 penalty points. If repeated, double violation points will apply.

Aerobatics after reaching the goal area

1. violation – warning
2. violation – 100 penalty points. If repeated, double violation points will apply.

Top landing at take off without allowance after window opening

1. violation – 100 penalty points. If repeated, double violation points will apply.

Violation of report back

1. violation – zero point for the day
2. violation – disqualification

Overweight balast

1. violation – 100 penalty points
2. violation – zero point for the day
3. violation – disqualification

15. Complaints and Protest

Complaints must be advised to the meet director or his/hers deputy by the team liaison in writing. Complaints deadline is latest 2 hours after publication of the provisional results.

If the complainer is not satisfied with the answer, the team liaison can raise a protest to the meet director or his/hers deputy.

The timeframe for the protest letter is 6 hours from the announcement of the complaint, except for the last task day. At the last task day, the complaint and protest can be raised latest one hour after the provisional results been announced. The fee for protest is EUR 50,00 and can be refunded, upon the claim for protest has been found justified.

16. Weather forecast

Weather specialist will inform all pilots and the task committee at the task briefing. Length/Duration of the task will vary according to the weather condition. Pilots will be informed prior to the competition and while the competition is running, about the weather incidents promptly. Please be aware of fast changes of weather conditions. Flight durations (window opening, closing, type of the task, etc) will be determined according to the current conditions and weather forecast.

17. Turnpoints

Turnpoint numbers are (X), cylinder of 400 meters. Organizer is free to alter the turnpoints as well as the cylinder diameters. Thus, the task will be announced for all pilots during the task briefing. If needed, new turnpoints can be added per day.

18. Flying

The GPS time will be used as official racing time. The meet director can close the take off for safety reasons. If the pilot decides not to take off, this must be informed to the organizer prior to the report back deadline, preferably on take-off.

19. Competition Days

This event consists of 6 task days and no reserve day.

20. Take-off

For the competition pilots, the Cameli Yaylacik Mountain launch area is the designated take-off.

Re-launch is not allowed.

The take-off coordinates are below;

2130 m ASL (36 58' 50" N 29 18' 50" E) - UTM (35 N 0705968 4095191)

21. Task

Stopping or cancelling the task

Safety Directors Duty

The safety director will report the meet director at any safety issues, with suggestions from the pilots.

Meet Directors Duties

Meet Director has the rights to stop or cancel the tasks in progress, for safety and emergency reasons.

Once the task is stopped, the GPS records 5 minutes prior will be scored. **The task will only be scored, if the task will be flown for a minimum of 60 minutes after start or if a minimum of 1 pilot has reached the goal. Pilot's position will be calculated 5 minutes before the task stopping time. Altitude compensation will be applied with glide ratio 4:1.**

Goal

The goal can be either physical or virtual.

The task committee will place a physical goal line or cylinder at declared size at the end of the speed section. If the goal is a physical line, according to the GPS coordinate, 200 mt to the right and left will be the physical line to the flight direction.

Entering or passing the goal line will be checked from the GPS records.

If the goal is a cylinder, goal time will be the counted at the cylinder entrance point.

Landing at a distanced point or if there is not a visible physical goal line, the goal cylinder will be the default TP cylinder. Organizer may change the cylinder size if necessary for safety reasons. This will be announced on the task board during the task briefing.

22. After landing

Retrieve

All pilots must fold their canopies after landing. Open canopies will mean emergency situation.

It is obligatory for the pilots to change from Safety Frequency to Retrieve Frequency and report safe landing by radio, telephone, SMS to retrieval cell phone number. Retrieve vehicles will pick up pilots from the designated main roads.

On behalf of organizational team, we wish you the best of luck in the competition tasks, safe flying and a pleasant stay in Çameli at this special event.

Organizer

On behalf of Cameli Municipality;

Akin GOKBULUT