



Advertisement and Invitation

to the

57th International HAHNWEIDE Gliding Competition 2025

1. OBJECTIVES

The International Hahnweide Gliding Competition is intended to be an international cross-country soaring competition. The competition offers the opportunity for glider pilots of all nations to share their experience of flying together, encouraging and furthering their camaraderie and international friendship. Young pilots, in particular, will enjoy this competition to gather their first experiences in cross-country racing. The main focus of the Hahnweide Gliding Competition, however, is on having fun!

2. ORGANISER

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3. VENUE

The Gliding Competition takes place at HAHNWEIDE Airfield (EDST) close to Kirchheim/Teck.

4. DATE

May 23, 2025	Arrival Day	
	4 – 7:30 pm	Registration
	8 pm	First Briefing
May 24 to May 31 2025	Competition Flights	
May 31 2025	8:30 pm	Prizegiving & Farewell Party

5. COMPETITION CLASSES

The competition is for gliders and motor gliders in the following classes:

Standard class - 15 meter class - 18 meter class - Open class - 20 meter Multiplace class

The organiser reserves the right to integrate the 15m airplanes in the Standard Class, if less than 15 gliders are registered.

The 20m double-seater class will be held according to the Sailplane Grand Prix rules.

The competition counts for the IGC world rankings.

6. RULES

The competition will be based on the Rules for Soaring Competitions (SWO) 2024 or any newer edition. In addition, all elements of the Sporting Code, Section 3, Class D and DM, issued by the FAI, are valid. Additional requirements of the DFS, the permit authorities, the responsible government authorities, as well as those of the daily briefing are all obligatory. The organiser reserves the right to dictate local procedures, in particular regarding the start procedure. These will be announced in the Local Procedures document as well as in the first briefing.

7. REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION

Requirements for participating in the HAHNWEIDE Gliding Competition are for

- a) Pilots:
 - a valid Medical Class II or LAPL,
 - a valid Pilot Licence or equivalent document,
 - a valid Aircraft Radio Licence,
 - the entrance fee to have been paid in full,
 - acceptance of the Rules for Soaring Competitions.

- b) Aircraft:
 - a valid Certificate of Airworthiness or Permit to Fly,
 - a valid third party insurance certificate,
 - approved equipment including FLARM.

Prior to the competition every pilot has to be familiar with the self-briefing documents provided on the competition homepage!

8. ENTRIES

Entries should be submitted online at www.wettbewerb.wolf-hirth.de. The registration period will be announced on the competition page in December of the previous year. Up to four pilots may be entered, jointly, to fly any one aircraft.

9. ACCREDITATION

Publication of the 57th International Hahnweide Gliding Competition 2025 Final Entry List will be issued on the Website of the competition latest until February 4th, 2025. This will be a final commitment for participants and their nominated aircraft, and no repayment of the entry fee will be possible after this document is published.

The organiser expressly reserves the following rights:

- to limit the total number of participating aircraft,
- to either cancel the competition completely, or any individual classes, when there is an insufficient number of participants or, furthermore, if there is any other compelling reason to do so.

10. COSTS

The entry fee is € 325 per participating glider and covers all operational costs excluding aero tows. Young pilots do pay a reduced entry fee of € 150. The entry fee must be paid immediately after the receipt of the confirmation of participation, however latest March 1st, 2025. Any details regarding the payment will be issued in conjunction with the confirmation of participation.

All outstanding costs for aero-tow or camping must be settled directly at the end of the competition.

11. CONTEST NUMBERS

Contest numbers must be displayed for each sailplane as follows:

- On both sides of the tail fin and/or rudder.
- On the glider trailer and crew car.

The organiser may require competitors to modify contest numbers that they deem to be similar, confusing or not complying with the rules above.

12. LAUNCHING

Launching will be carried out either by aero-tow or by self-launching.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Only certified radio equipment is allowed.

14. RECORDING AND EVALUATION

GNSS Flight Recorders are mandatory for recording the flights. Flight Recorders used as primary systems must have been approved by the IGC, and the recording interval must be set to 3 seconds or less. **The logger system must provide the ability to document time stamps set by the pilot.** In the case of malfunction of the primary system, secondary flight recorders not being certified by the IGC (like FLARM) would be accepted. In this case, however, the corresponding software and cables must be provided by the pilot. In all submissions, the use of flight recorders able to record noise is mandatory for motor gliders.

After the flight, the Logger File (IGC File with security key) must be uploaded via the Website of the competition to the scoring team. The primary logger data must be retained until the next day's briefing.

Each pilot is personally responsible for the correct and proper function of his own GNSS system.

15. LANGUAGES

The official language of the Competition is German, with a regional dialect of Swabian. English will be used where necessary for clarity, during the briefing or for important announcements. In case of any doubt, the German text or wording is to be considered authoritative.

16. ACCOMODATION AND MEALS

Participants are responsible for making their own accommodation arrangements.

Meals will be available either at the airfield's restaurant, or alternatively at the temporary club canteen which will be set up adjacent to the briefing hall.

A well-equipped camping ground is available, so tents and caravans are welcome. Rental Caravans are available from the following company:

Caravaning-Center Schmidtmeier
Kringstrasse 2
D-71144 Steinenbronn
Telefon: 07157 53833-81
E-Mail: vermietung@cc-schmidtmeier.de
URL: <http://www.cc-schmidtmeier.de/>

17. Liability

The participant agrees, without any limitation, that except in proven cases of intentional and gross carelessness, he renounces all rights to claims against the organizers including their agents and assistants. This renunciation is waived when a situation is reached whereby an insurer recognizes a claim and pays.

The participant further undertakes to ensure that he and his team accept all of the Competition rules, regulations and procedures in every respect.

When a participant in the competition uses an aircraft which is owned by a third party, he must provide evidence that the owner of the aircraft accepts that he agrees with the restriction of liability for claims for any damage whatsoever to his aircraft.

For minors, the signature of their legal representative is a mandatory requirement.

The Organizers retain all legal rights.

See you in May at the Hahnweide!

The Organisation Team

January 2025