

PAMPA Rules for Nostalgia 30 Stunt

July 1, 2009 and 2010 PAMPA Nostalgia 30 Rules

- 1.0 Applicability:** All pertinent AMA regulations (see sections titled Sanction Competition and General in AMA Rule Book), the General Control Line Rules, and Control Line Aerobatics Rules shall be applicable except as specified below. Any deviations from the above or those specified below should be clearly spelled out in contest advertisements.
- 1.1.** The Nostalgia 30 event will use scoring appropriate to the vintage of the event, including the inclusion of Pattern Points.
 - 1.2.** The Nostalgia 30 event may be run as a separate event, or combined with Classic Stunt. If run as a combined event, with separate administration and separate sets of awards, the contestant entering a Classic-eligible airplane will have to make the decision of which event (s)he will be entering, prior to the start of the event.
- 2.0 Philosophy:** As the years prior to 30 years ago (from current year) represent the heart of the evolutionary development of the Control Line Precision Aerobatics event, and as that era and those airplanes have great meaning to flyers about these significant aircraft which are the core of today's stunt event, and as those flyers are desirous of an event, fashioned around those aircraft, to bring together Stunt modelers to once again engage in friendly competition, camaraderie, and nostalgic reflection on the era; then let it be resolved the following rules will define such a competition, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT IF ANY RULE SHALL CONFLICT WITH THE ENJOYMENT OF THE EVENT AT SUCH A COMPETITION, THAT CONFLICT SHALL BE RESOLVED SO AS TO PROVIDE THE GREATEST POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION AND PLEASURE FOR ALL INVOLVED.
- 3.0 Model Requirements:** The purpose of the event is to encourage the construction and flying of control line stunt models designed, published, or kitted prior to a rolling 30 year cutoff, prior to the current competition year. Any design may be entered, provided the contestant has convincing evidence of the designs' compliance. Challenged contestants may show dated published plans, magazine construction article, dated photographs and/or letters of confirmation of the date of the design. Plans of un-kitted, un-published designs must be made available to the PAMPA membership.
- 3.1. Eligible Designs:** It is expected that the contestants will comply with the spirit of the event and enter only qualifying models which, as closely as possible, accurately reflect the aerodynamic layout and appearance of the original model. In order to assist the judges, it is suggested that the contestants provide reasonable proof that the model presented was actually designed, published, or kitted during the period of eligibility as defined in Paragraph 3.0 above. This proof could include kit plans, magazine articles and/or plans, photographs and documentation signed by the original designer. It is suggested that the judges ask the contestant if any changes have been made to the model presented.
 - 3.1.1. The PAMPA Executive Council may act as an approving body** for designs meeting the criteria above, but not necessarily published or kitted. The proof of eligibility is with the presenter of such designs for eligibility. The PAMPA Secretary will establish a list of such designs presented for approval, and approved. The list will be updated annually and will be available to all, via PAMPA Products and/or the PAMPA website.
 - 3.1.2. Any aircraft design meeting the requirements of being over 30 years old** is eligible for Nostalgia 30 competition.
 - 3.1.3. Eligible Designs which receive no Appearance Points:** Contestants may enter models which they have not constructed themselves. However, they will not be awarded appearance points for such a model.
 - 3.2. Mufflers:** The use of mufflers is encouraged and will generally be required at most contest sites. Event sponsors are encouraged to state in their advertising circulars as to such requirements. The use of mufflers will not be discriminated against and affect either appearance or fidelity points.

- 4.0 Material and Modifications:** Models which more closely reflect the construction and finish of the original airplane will receive superior awards during appearance judging. Although a foam core-winged model of an aircraft which originally was of I-Beam construction is acceptable it could be expected to receive fewer appearance/fidelity points than an equally constructed and finished model of the same aircraft using materials more closely reflecting those of the original.
- 5.0 Fidelity Points:** Fidelity Points from 0 to 20 will be awarded for fidelity to the concept of the original design and to the spirit of the event. Obvious distortions of the original design of any eligible model to gain an actual or perceived performance advantage over the original design will also be subject to reduction of fidelity points. Again, the decision as to the level of distortion and the penalty appropriate for such will be at the discretion of the on-site officials and not subject to dispute.
- 5.1.** Fidelity points may or may not be awarded at any given event, at the Contest Director's discretion. Advertising for such contests should note whether or not such fidelity will be judged and awarded.
- 6.0 Appearance Points:** Appearance points, from 0 to 20, per current AMA Precision Aerobatics rules, will be awarded prior to the contestant's first flight. It is suggested that all models be judged together as the first official act of competition. This allows the greatest possible accuracy of comparison for judging and also will showcase these attractive models for photo opportunities. Appearance will be assigned by appearance judges based on the level of craftsmanship, finish, and overall beauty of the models.
- 6.1.** If Fidelity Points (Para 5.0 above) are not awarded separately (Para 5.1), then the awarding of Appearance Points should include some consideration for the fidelity of the model.
- 7.0 Trimming Adjustments:** Trim devices, such as adjustable tip weights, leadouts and replaceable landing gear which allow the entrant to adapt to the contest site and conditions are allowable. This would not allow the substitution of tricycle gear for a conventional gear, or vice versa, however such alteration of the original design would be subject to Paragraph 5.0 above.
- 8.0 AMA Safety Rules:** All current AMA safety and general competition rules will apply.
- 9.0 Rule Change Procedure:** The procedure for changing, amending or adding rules is similar to the procedures used by AMA, but are specific to PAMPA events (Old Time Stunt, Classic, Nostalgia 30). Rules change procedures and forms are available from PAMPA Products.