FAI CIVL Category 2 event **PG Hike & Fly**

LOCAL REGULATIONS

Event Name: X-SALTA Hike & Fly Argentina 2026

Dates:	05/12/26–08/12/26; two official competition days will be selected within this weather/safety window. Exact day order is announced at the 04/12/26 briefing.
Alternate dates: (or "none")	No separate alternate dates stated; the event window is 05/12/26–08/12/26.
Country:	Argentina
Location:	Salta Province, Argentina. Courses: San Lorenzo–Las Costas and El Cruce de las Lagunas (Campo Quijano).
Web page:	https://salta-hf.flyingcrispy.com.ar/es/
Results web page: *If different from above*	Official X-SALTA WhatsApp group; no separate results website.
Sanctioned by: *NAC or Delegated organization:*	FAI/CIVL Category 2 event, authorized through FAVL (Argentina NAC). Current FAVL Hike & Fly Regulations and FAI Sporting Code Section 7L apply.

OFFICIALS

Position	**Name**	CIVL ID
Organiser	Fundación Descubrir / Club Norte Parapente	—
Event Director	Jesse Randall — Event Director	—
Meet Director	Crispy Blanco — Meet Director	—
Safety Director *(if provided)*	Seba Arce — Safety Director	—
Scorer *(if provided)*	Guillermo Bozovich — Scoring Director	—
Transport and retrieve *(if provided)*	X-SALTA Organization; operational coordination by Rodrigo de la Serna	—
Live Tracking Manager *(if live tracking is provided)*	Rodrigo de la Serna / Race Committee	—

One person may hold several positions

CONTACTS

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PROGRAMME

	Date (DD/MM/YY)	**Time (HH:MM)**
Online registration opening	Open online via the official event website	Online registration portal
Foreign pilot registration deadline	20/11/26; 15 days before competition, applying the Category 2 sanction date of 02/11/26	N/A
On-site registration opening	No separate on-site registration window; online registration	N/A
Opening ceremony	04/12/26	19:00 ART — Hotel Las Moras, San Lorenzo (opening/general briefing)
General Safety Briefing	04/12/26	19:00 ART — Hotel Las Moras, San Lorenzo
Competition flying days	05/12/26–08/12/26; two days selected within this window	Start: announced at briefing; finish: 18:00 ART (UTC−3) each day
Closing / Award ceremony	After the last competition day, once final results and protests are resolved	Time/location communicated through the official WhatsApp group

The registration deadline for foreign pilots shall be no sooner than:
15 days for events sanctioned between 30 and 60 days before the start of the competition.
30 days for events sanctioned between 61 and 90 days before the start of the competition.
45 days for events sanctioned between 91 and 120 days before the start of the competition.
60 days for events sanctioned 121 days or more before the start of the competition.
After that date, unused places can be filled at the discretion of the Competition Organiser

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SCORING CATEGORIES

Categories: one overall event ranking, with Men and Women divisions.

1. Overall event ranking (official points from both days are combined)
2. Women
3. Men

MAIN DESCRIPTION

Duration: 2 competition days; each is an independent daily task.

Type: ( ) One task only (X) One task a day over two days; all pilots restart together each day.

Scoring: (X) By points for the overall ranking (sum of both days); daily results also use time and validated-course progress. ( ) By time only.

Assistance: (X) Limited external logistics only. No physical, transport, equipment-carrying, or performance assistance is allowed; safety exceptions may be authorized by the organization.

Imposed resting times / periods: None stated in the supplied regulations. Each competition day closes at 18:00 ART (UTC−3).

Glider restrictions: No additional CCC-class restriction; all gliders must be certified and homologated and flown within their approved weight range.

Other restriction: certified and homologated paraglider, flown within its approved weight range.

SELECTION AND REQUIREMENTS

Maximum number of pilots: 40 pilots.

Selection

Eligibility criteria: At least 18 years old; current paragliding licence, rating, or certification recognized by the competent authority; required route level (N4/N5 under the stated conditions); valid paragliding insurance; medical fitness if required by FAVL or the organizer; mandatory briefings and equipment checks.

Selection criteria for national pilots:
Online registration order — Applications are reviewed by the organizer and accepted subject to eligibility and the 40-pilot cap.
WPRS order — WPRS ranking is not used as a selection criterion.
Other — Current pilot licence/rating, FAVL/FAI-CIVL eligibility and N4/N5 route level where applicable; maximum field size is 40 pilots.

Selection criteria for non-national pilots:
Online registration order — Applications are reviewed by the organizer and accepted subject to eligibility and the 40-pilot cap.
WPRS order — WPRS ranking is not used as a selection criterion.
Other — Equivalent pilot documents are required; translation or proof of validity may be requested.

Documents

List of documents to provide at registration

- FAI Sporting Licence — Required for participation in the FAI/CIVL Category 2 event, as applicable under CIVL rules.
- IPPI Card — Provide if held; a current national licence/rating/certification recognized by the competent authority is required.
- Pilot's national licence — Required: current and recognized by the competent authority.

- Signed application form — Completed online registration and signed acceptance of the regulations, waiver, medical consent and image authorization.
- Signed release / waiver — Required, together with medical consent and image authorization, as provided by the organization.
- Pilot experience form — No separate form; the pilot's current licence/rating and route level are verified during registration and briefing.
- Passport or driver's licence — Government-issued photo ID; foreign pilots should provide a passport or equivalent ID.
- Insurance — Required; valid cover must expressly include paragliding, third-party liability, accident and rescue.
- Other — Emergency contact; medical certificate/fitness if required; attendance at briefings and equipment checks.

Insurance

Insurance requirement: The event will maintain the insurance required for the FAI/CIVL Category 2 competition. Each pilot must also hold valid personal insurance expressly covering paragliding, third-party liability, accident and rescue.
Coverage limits: All required event and participant insurance cover will be in place. Pilots must declare their insurer and policy number at registration; applicable policy limits are those required by FAI/CIVL and the competent authorities.

ENTRY FEE AND SERVICES PROVIDED

Entry Fee

Registration fee: maximum USD 100. The final amount and payment instructions are provided by the organizer through the official registration channel.
Payment deadline: Before participant accreditation and the start of competition.

Payment details: As specified in the official online registration/payment instructions.

Refund policy: Withdrawals and refunds are governed by the conditions published by the organizer at registration.

Services included in the entry fee:

1. Safety, emergency and organization contact information — Provided to registered pilots.
2. Route map, take-offs, controls, landings and restrictions — Yes; final route information and changes are communicated at the briefing and through the official WhatsApp group.
3. Turnpoint/control files — Provided as applicable in GPX, KMZ, map or GPS-coordinate format.
4. Contest numbers — Participant number is assigned/confirmed through the official registration process.
5. Lunch pack — No.
6. Water on take-off — No official hydration points on the routes; pilots must carry sufficient water for the full task.
7. Toilets on take-off — No dedicated event service included.
8. Transport to start — No dedicated shuttle included; local arrangements are coordinated by participants and the organization.
9. GPS track-log download service — No download service included; pilots must retain their own backup track log.
10. Live tracking — Yes; the primary satellite-tracking device must remain operational throughout each task.
11. Free internet (Wi-Fi) at HQ — Not included as an event service.
12. Opening ceremony — The event opens with the mandatory briefing on 04/12/26 at 19:00 ART, Hotel Las Moras, San Lorenzo.
13. Closing / award ceremony — Yes; after the last competition day, once final results and protests are resolved.
14. Briefings in English — Official written event information is available in English, Spanish and Portuguese; the organizer coordinates language assistance for briefings as needed.
15. Daily meteorology briefing — Yes; weather and authorized flying areas are communicated before each day.
16. Organizer-vehicle retrieval free of charge — Safety/retrieval support is coordinated by the organization; access and availability depend on road, weather and safety conditions.
17. Drinks at goal — No official hydration points are provided on the routes; participants must bring their own water.

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Medical Services included into Entry fee:

1. First aid at take-off — Medical response is coordinated through the event ambulance and mountain rescue team.
2. Ambulance — Equipped ambulance on duty during competition days.
3. Helicopter evacuation — May be activated for a severe emergency through emergency services, subject to need, weather and availability; no dedicated aircraft or response time is guaranteed.
4. Mountain rescue team — Grupo de Rescate de Montaña Salta, coordinated with the organization and public emergency services.
5. Nearest hospital and address — Hospital San Bernardo, Av. José Tobías 69, Salta, Argentina; +54 387 432-0300.
6. Emergency procedure: call 911 for an emergency; immediately notify the Safety Director/organization by VHF radio on 143.890 MHz or by phone/official WhatsApp, giving the pilot's identity, exact location, condition and assistance required. Keep the person visible and in a safe place. Ambulance, mountain rescue and, for severe cases, helicopter support are coordinated according to access, weather and availability.

Services for additional fee:

- Organizer-vehicle retrieval — Safety/retrieval support is coordinated by the organization; access and availability depend on road, weather and safety conditions.
- Toilets at landing — No separate paid service offered by the organizer.
- Transport to take-off — No separate paid shuttle service offered by the organizer.
- Glider maintenance — Not included in the event services.
- Pilots' dinner — Not included in the event fee.
- Wi-Fi access — Not included in the event services.
- Local SIM card — Not included in the event services.
- Any other service — No additional paid services are included in these local regulations.

Mandatory Equipment (see S7-L)

Mandatory equipment: Certified and homologated paraglider, used within its approved weight range; harness with certified protection; certified emergency parachute within its load range; approved helmet; organizer-approved satellite tracker (e.g., SPOT, inReach or equivalent); VHF radio tuned to 143.890 MHz; mobile phone with sufficient battery and declared number; GNSS/GPS backup flight recorder approved by CIVL/FAI or compatible with CIVL flight-recorder specifications and capable of recording position and altitude; sufficient water and food; headlamp/portable light; whistle and basic/high-visibility signaling item.

VENUES

Final coordinates, control radii, goals, start/take-off locations and route modifications will be communicated at the briefing for each competition day and through the official X-SALTA WhatsApp group. The general briefing takes place at Hotel Las Moras, San Lorenzo, on 04/12/26 at 19:00 ART.

Headquarters / general briefing	Hotel Las Moras, San Lorenzo — mandatory briefing on 04/12/26 at 19:00 ART. Daily operational meeting points are communicated through the official WhatsApp group.
Start 1 — San Lorenzo	San Lorenzo; exact start coordinates are published in the daily briefing.
Take-off 1	San Lorenzo / Cerro Elefante route area; exact launch point and coordinates are published in the daily briefing.
Take-off 1 orientation	As specified by the take-off observer in the daily briefing.
Start 2 — Campo Quijano	Campo Quijano; exact start coordinates are published in the daily briefing.
Take-off 2	Campo Quijano / El Cruce de las Lagunas route area; exact launch point and coordinates are published in the daily briefing.
Take-off 2 orientation	As specified by the take-off observer in the daily briefing.
Other route information	Route A — San Lorenzo / Las Costas: San Lorenzo → Cerro Elefante → TP Radius → Sign Boards in Las Costas → finish arch; approx. 40 km and 800 m positive gain within a 5 km walk. Route B — El Cruce de las Lagunas: Campo Quijano → Sign Board → Lagunas TP Radius → official landing/finish in Campo Quijano; approx. 39 km and 600 m positive gain within a 5 km walk. Either course may be assigned to either competition day.

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Goal 1 — San Lorenzo / Las Costas	Official finish arch/area; exact point and coordinates are published in the daily briefing.
Goal 1 quality	Official landing area; hazards and approach instructions are covered in the daily briefing.
Goal 1 windsock	Position and wind indication are checked at the official landing area and covered in the daily briefing.
Goal 2 — Campo Quijano	Official landing and finish area in Campo Quijano; exact point and coordinates are published in the daily briefing.

Airspace and Other Restrictions (including natural areas)

All flights must be VFR and comply with current airspace rules, organizer-published prohibited zones and the Take-off Observer's instructions. Flying in cloud, in controlled airspace or prohibited areas, or after the announced flight/landing cutoff is prohibited. Exact authorized zones and operational restrictions will be communicated at the daily briefing/official WhatsApp group. Safety radio frequency: VHF 143.890 MHz. Participants must use authorized roads/trails and respect private property, protected areas and conservation zones.

LIVE TRACKING

Is live-tracking mandatory — Yes. The primary device must remain on and operational from the time specified by the organizer until task close or withdrawal.
Tracker supplied/activated by organizer — The organizer specifies the tracking device and activation procedure before each task.
Pilot-supplied tracker — An organizer-approved satellite tracker (e.g., SPOT, inReach or equivalent) is mandatory.
Tracking watch — Yes; tracking and communications are overseen by Rodrigo de la Serna and the Race Committee.
Live tracking server provider: Organizer-designated satellite tracking platform; operating instructions are issued before each task.

SCORING

GPS Flight Verification.

TP Radius is validated when the scoring-software track places the pilot inside the announced radius. A Sign Board is validated by the pilot's personal signature on the board/register. Controls must be reached in published order. The required backup GNSS/GPS flight recorder must log position and altitude and be suitable for FAI competition flight verification; GPX, IGC or another requested format may be required. Use WGS84; unless briefing specifies otherwise, recommended recording is at least one point/second in flight and one point every 200 metres on foot.
Scoring formula: The event is individual. Official points from the two independent competition days are added to form one overall ranking, with Men and Women divisions. Daily results follow the published course/time rules. If scores are tied, the pilots share the position; no tie-break is applied.
Scoring program: Scoring and results are managed by Guillermo Bozovich; provisional and final results are published in the official X-SALTA WhatsApp group.

COMPLAINTS AND PROTESTS

Daily protest deadline: within 30 minutes after publication of that day's provisional results. Event-ranking deadline is not separately stated; protests must be resolved before the awards.
Complaints must be submitted in writing to the Event Director or through the official WhatsApp procedure. State the pilot, facts, rule invoked and available evidence.
The Race Committee resolves protests and publishes final results through the official WhatsApp chat. Safety, weather, flight-suspension and rescue decisions are not reviewable by a sporting protest.
Protest committee composition: Event Director Jesse Randall, Meet Director Crispy Blanco and Scoring Director Guillermo Bozovich; the Safety Director is consulted on safety matters.