

## Air New Zealand Cross Country Championship Rules

**1. Aim:**

To stimulate cross-country flying from Club sites and particularly encourage those new to this aspect of the sport.

**2. Organisers:**

GNZ, through the Awards Officer.

**3. Period of Contest:**

From 1 April to 31 March in any year.

**4. Place of Contest:**

Any properly controlled flight within New Zealand may qualify, except those by competitors at a GNZ sanctioned championship, during the period of the championships.

**5. Entry Qualifications:**

Any glider pilot with a GNZ QGP certificate or higher qualification may enter the contest.

**6. Divisions:**

This is a one-class contest limited to pilots who, as at the first date of the contest have not flown a ratified (or subsequently ratified) Gold Badge distance flight. Two seaters may be entered only when flown solo. There are two divisions, one for flights that commence soaring in the North Island and the other for flights that commence soaring in the South Island.

**7. Handicaps:**

GNZ Handicaps will be applied.

**8. Scoring:**

The contest is a distance event and speed will not affect scoring. Achieved distance will be measured in kilometers, as determined by the SeeYou optimization programme for OLC-glidern.

A bonus of 20% will be awarded for any flight that qualifies as a National or World record.

**9. Number of flights**

Competitors may fly as many tasks as they wish within the contest period, but only the three highest scoring flights of each entrant will count. However, competitors may enter both North Island and South Island divisions (ie three best flights taken in each island)

**10. Submitting of flights and track logs**

Each flight entered must be submitted within two months of the date of the flight, using Form OPS 04. (First page only.) There is no fee.

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Pre-flight declarations and Official Observer certifications are not required.

Approved flight recorders must be used, and GPS traces of flights must be submitted in .igc format. Traces may be e-mailed to [gnzawards@xtra.co.nz](mailto:gnzawards@xtra.co.nz)

### **11. Disputes:**

The rulings of the Awards Officer will be accepted as final.

### **12. Trophies:**

Air New Zealand Cross Country Competition Trophies will be awarded to the winners of each division, normally at the GNZ Annual General Meeting.