



**OPERATIONS BULLETIN**

Hello All,

I will try to keep this short and sweet, as I am sure you are all tired of being bombarded with COVID-19 emails.

**Cancelled or Postponed Comps/Events:**

**State of Origin** - Cancelled.

For paid entrants, Rob Couper (SoO registrar) has set up instructions on how to claim a refund. Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/stateoforigin2020>

**Dalby Big Air** - Postponed until September 20th -26th (TBC)

For all other competitions or events, please contact the organiser for details.

**Tandem & Dual Occupant Operations:**

The Federal Government has put in place and is now enforcing Social Distancing requirements, through the State bodies. Our insurer has advised that under the circumstances, Tandem and Dual Occupant operations are no-longer acceptable and therefore not covered under our insurances.

Fines for breaching these requirements are significant for an instructor (Business) and for the passenger (Client).

**Insurance:**

Further advise received from our insurers stipulates that SAFA insurance policies require pilots to adhere to legal directions or requirements from the various levels of Government. SAFA insurance coverage (all policies) is not valid for operations or activities that breach government directions.

It is a **pilots responsibility** to ensure that all facets of any intended flight operation are compliant at all levels.

We will do our best to keep you updated with operational information as it comes to hand.

**General Flying:**

Nationwide there are a number of sites that have been closed by the administering club or state association, at the request of local government or landowners.

Before flying, **you must** contact the administering club or state association to confirm if operations are still allowed from the intended site.

I have been contacted by quite a number of clubs requesting assistance in the enforcement of these requirements. Suffice to say, I have assured them we will do whatever is necessary to assist in maintaining control of their sites and enforcement of any operational limitations.

We are operating in a difficult, changing environment and I seek the cooperation of all members during this trying time. As we emerge from this crisis in the coming months, there will still be lift and a sky to enjoy.

**Until next time, stay safe.**

***Brett Coupland - SAFA Ops Team***



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