SSA Rules Committee election procedures

The SSA Competition Rules Committee (usually referred to simply as the Rules Committee) is a five-member sub-committee of the SSA Contest Committee. The chair of the Contest Committee is appointed by the SSA Board of Directors and serves as one member; the other four are chosen by pilots on the SSA Pilot Ranking List in an annual election.

Each elected position carries a 4-year term. At least one elected position is open each year. If an elected position becomes vacant prior to the end of its 4-year term (e.g. due to a resignation) the Contest Committee Chair may appoint an interim Rules Committee member – but that position will be filled at the next annual election.

Any current SSA member who is a US citizen or permanently resident alien is eligible for nomination. Nominations come from SSA Directors, and are submitted to the SSA Office.

The nomination deadline is set by the Contest Committee Chair, in time to allow the election to be conducted online in conjunction with the annual pilot opinion poll. A call for nominations is sent to all SSA Directors and all pilots on the SSA Pilot Ranking List at least three weeks prior to the nomination deadline.

Nominees are encouraged to submit a short description of their soaring background and rules-related ideas, to be included with the electronic ballot that will be seen by all voters.

Voting is conducted and open positions are filled in accordance with Article 12 (Voting) of the SSA Bylaws.