

BAANZ Long Jump Rules 2026

ENTRIES CLOSE 5 PM 14TH MAY. FLIGHTS CAN BE ATTEMPTED AT ANY TIME WITHIN THE MONTHS OF MAY AND JUNE 2026.

1. Any financial BAANZ pilot may enter with any balloon. A pilot must submit an entry form BEFORE undertaking their first flight, but may submit as many attempts as they like.

2. The winner of the Long Jump is the pilot who flies the longest straight-line distance within New Zealand during the months of May and June 2026.

3. Safety is to remain paramount at all times.

4. Aircraft must be airworthy & only components (ie. Fuel Cylinders) signed on by an LAME to be used

5. Intermediate landings are not permitted.

6. The judge's decision is final.

7. An entry fee of \$30 must be paid between 1st MAY and 14th MAY. Direct payment can be made to ANZ Bank Account 06-0317-0937619-00. Please use the pilot's first initial and surname in the reference field.

8. The competition window starts on the morning of MAY 1st 2026, and closes on the evening of 30th JUNE 2026.

9. A balloon flight tracking app must be used to track the entirety of an attempt and create a 'flight log'.

10. Each entrant shall send their flight logs and completed written log form to the BAANZ secretary BEFORE 7th July 2026.

11. The winners will be announced at a prize-giving.

12. Each entrant can receive a copy of the collated reports following the completion of the prize-giving if requested.

13. The 'Frog' award is awarded to the outright winner who flew the longest straight-line distance. The 'Flea' award may be awarded to a pilot who flew the furthest in a small balloon, or who did exceedingly well in another fashion and therefore merits a second place on the winners' podium.

14. Entry forms are available on the BAANZ website.

