

Invitation to the Duration and Distance Cup 2024/2025

Dear Balloonists,

the Aeroclub | NRW e.V. Freiballonkommission organizes a decentralized competition for hot air balloons in the period from 01 December 2024 to 31 March 2025.

Competition area: The World

Event organizers: Aeroclub | NRW e.V. Freiballonkommission

Event director: Max Michels

Scoring period: 01.12.2024 bis 31.03.2025

There are 2 task sheets which must be flown in order and separate flights. The first flight / task sheets must be successfully performed first to qualify for the second flight. The best performance of the second flight will receive the legendary DUDI cup trophy.

The goal of the competition is to perform distance and duration flights, which are not performed regularly. The aim is to engage all pilots any age to test their personal possibilities in ballooning. Any number of flights can be submitted for scoring within the scoring period. The best flight of each discipline will be used for the scoring.

Flights are limited to balloons with maximum 4550m³ / 160.000ft. Flights can be flown in VFR day or night – landing must be done only during VFR day.

The entry fee is free for this year's competition and includes organization, competition management and evaluation. However, we are very happy if you can afford a sponsoring of our ballooning DTO "German Ballooning Academy e. V:". Therefore, we accept donations via PayPal, link can be found on our website.

Participation is open to all pilots whose country is not on the EU sanctions lists. **Launch** of each flight can be anywhere in the world, as long as the country is not on the EU sanctions list.



The flights are recorded using GPS-Devices or an app on the Pilot's smartphone. The BalloonLive App must be used in Training Mode but not in Competition Mode. HowTos for the BalloonLive App can be found on our website. The **scoring** takes place on the website dudicup.eu.



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