

## FLYING FIELD RULES

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These Rules are provided to assure safe and enjoyable flying conditions. Common sense and courtesy are the primary ingredients of safety. The Club's Field Safety Officer, as well as each member, has the authority and responsibility to make sure that all members and guests abide by these rules. Please follow and obey all items listed below.

### Section A: Procedure for dealing with Full Scale Aircraft

1. Hummel Flying Field is an active, private airfield. Right-Of-Way shall be given to full scale aircraft at all times with NO EXCEPTIONS!
2. All Pilots and crew on the flying field, upon seeing a full size aircraft enter the pattern (from the left or right) shall immediately land their model and remove it and any materials from the runway area.
3. Once it is determined that the full size aircraft has left the field or pattern, model flying may resume.

### Section B: General Rules

1. All club members and members' guests must abide by the safety code of the AMA in the absence of the rules not stated in this article. Said AMA code is posted on the bulletin kiosk at the field and can be found in the AMA membership application. The safety codes are made part of the clubs' Flying Field Rules herein.
2. All club members must carry their current WORKS and AMA membership cards when at the field and present same if questioned by another club member.
3. All Club members must understand and acknowledge that we fly on a leased, private airfield. Respect must be given at all times to the Landlord, his property and rules. The speed limit while on the leased property is a strict 5 MPH.
4. Non-flying guests are always welcome at the field when accompanied by a Club member. These guests are permitted in the pit, pilot or flying field areas when specifically invited and accompanied by the Club member. Each member is responsible for the actions, safety and wellbeing of their guests
5. Members have the authority and responsibility to direct any causal visitor or guest on club property to assure their safety and wellbeing and to prevent damage to Club or Club member's property.
6. Club members may invite experienced flying guests to our field to evaluate the R/C flying potential of joining the club, provided that said guests are current members of the AMA and can produce their membership card is asked. The hosting Club member must be present when the guest is flying. Club members should use their discretion about the frequency of their guest visits (no more than three times) as it would be the nature progression for the flying guest to join

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the Club after such visits. Abuse of this rule would cause the Club member to forfeit future guest invitation privileges. Any Club officers may approve special guest exceptions or considerations.

7. All Club members must clean up after themselves, trashing any used rubber bands, broken props, cleaning rags and any smoking remnants. Field chairs should be stacked against the fence.
8. The last member to leave the field shall assure that ALL equipment, etc. has been removed from the grass runways so as not to impede any landing full size aircraft.

### **Section C: Flying Rules for Airplanes and Helicopters**

1. Frequency conflicts still exist in current R/C flying. If you are flying with a non-2.4Ghz frequency, a membership card shall be used on the frequency control board by placing said card behind the corresponding frequency flag with the flag extended. If the frequency is in use and you wish to use the frequency next, place your card behind the member's card that is flying. When the member is done flying, it is the member's responsibility to alert you that the frequency is clear. AMA cards may be used on the frequency board by an authorized guest as outlined in Section B, Rule 6.
2. New Club members must be certified by a Club officer or trainer prior to flying alone on the flying field. Students are not permitted to fly at the field unless they are under direct supervision of a Club instructor. Students must be certified by a Club trainer prior to solo flight.
3. All Club members will note and respect the No-Fly Zone. This area is defined by the chain-link fence, establishing the No-Fly Zone, parking and spectator areas to the NORTH. No flying, hovering, startups, takeoffs or landings are permitted in the No-Fly Zone, this specifically includes engine startups. No engines shall be started in the No-Fly Zone.



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4. The pilot area to the South of the chain-link fence shall be used for assembly, preparation and frequency checks. All engines shall be started on a starting station or at a line equal to the pilot's stations. No aircraft shall be taxied or hover through the pilot's area.
5. There are currently three (3) pilot stations on the flying field that have been positioned as a barrier for pilots and spotters safety. Pilots and spotters shall stand behind one of the pilot stations at all times while flying. At member's discretion, a maximum of three (3) additional pilots and spotters (Six Total) may take the field, positioning themselves sufficiently to ensure no danger or conflict with other pilots. The existing pilot stations shall form the line at which all pilots must stand behind.
6. All Club members shall keep their models in the best and safest conditions possible. Tightness and frequency checks shall be performed prior to each flying session. All engines of 2-cycle type of .10 Cu In displacement or larger and all 4-cycle type of .45 Cu. In. or larger must be equipped with an effective muffler before being flown or participating in any activities sponsored by the Club. Certain exceptions to this rule may be made for particular, noise reduced models that fly without mufflers. The Safety Director must approve such exceptions.
7. Unless the Club member is the sole flying pilot on the field, there will be no runway re-starts. Please move your model behind the line of the pilot's stations, restart your engine and reenter the traffic pattern.
8. All Club members and authorized flying guests must announce their intentions to other currently flying pilots when in the pilot area. In a loud, clear voice, the following shall be announced:
  1. Taking Off
  2. Landing
  3. Dead Stick
  4. Or other emergencies such as crossing the runway and then when clear of the field.
9. Club members should heed the Safety Recommendations before. They are offered for your safety and enjoyment.
10. There will be ABSOLUTELY NO FLYING by any pilot consuming alcohol or other judgment impairing substances.
11. In an effort to be a good neighbor and tenant, standard flying field hours shall be between 9AM and 9PM, with the following exceptions:
  1. When daylight savings end, there shall be no flying 15 minutes after sunset. Example: If sunset is at 6:30pm, flying shall cease at 6:45PM. There will be no night-flying of models with an internal combustion engine.
  2. Pilots with electric models that are well lit should use their own discretion when flying outside these timeframes.

#### **Section D: Safety Recommendations**

1. All models should be properly restrained while starting.
2. Do not start or adjust your engine with anyone (yourself included) in the arc of the propeller.
3. Cell phones or other distractions should not be used in the pilot's area.

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4. Prolonged engine running or break-in should not be performed in the pilot area. This becomes a distraction for other pilots with craft in the air.
5. All high-speed passes should be done on the far side of the flying field. This ensures safety for your fellow pilots who are flying.
6. The WORKS Club is a family oriented organization. Please refrain from the use of vulgar or profane language or offensive remarks around other members, especially the younger ones.
7. There will be ABSOLUTELY NO FLYING by any pilot consuming alcohol or other judgment impairing substances.

The above rules and recommendations are provided to promote a safe and enjoyable flying experience. As a Club, we welcome all visitors to field. Members are encouraged to welcome and greet anyone interested in the WORKS club. Try to answer any questions that they have and encourage them to attend the next club meeting. Explain to them that as a private, leased field the use of same is reserved for Club members and invited guests. At this time we do offer discounted membership fees for new members.