

REGINA WINDY FLYERS

RULES OF CONDUCT AND SAFETY

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1. It is the responsibility of all club members to see to the enforcement of all club rules and regulations. Each member has the responsibility to see that other members, new & old obey such rules and regulations.

2. All members using the club flying facilities shall be members in good standing of the Regina Windy Flyers and hold a current membership in M.A.A.C. (Model Aeronautics Association Of Canada), or a guest of a member.

Guests or Visitors shall be signed in by the club member extending the invitation before any flying may take place. In the Club sign in book following the name of the guest or visitor it will state "guest of" followed by the inviting member's name. The inviting member must be present at all times and is fully responsible for the guest or visiting pilot. At the completion of the flying session of the inviting member the sign in book must be completed stating arrival and departure times for insurance purposes. Once the inviting member leaves the field all flight privileges to the guest or visitor are revoked.

Definition of a Guest or Visitor Pilot : A guest or visitor pilot must be a current member of Model Aeronautics Association of Canada (MAAC) or the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). They must be able to show proof of this at any time. A guest or visitor pilot may not be a current permanent resident* of Regina or within a fifty km radius of Regina.

*(have resided in Regina or surrounding fifty km for the past six months)

Special Permission: Special permission may be granted to all guests or visiting pilots for club special events where an open invitation has been placed by the Regina Windy Flyers, this will include all pilots living within the City of Regina and fifty km surrounding area as long as they are current MAAC or AMA members.

Special permission may be granted by a member of the club executive for any circumstances that may arise and that do not fit into the outlined categories, this permission will have specific circumstances stated at the time it is given and be revoked at any time by any member of the club executive.

Any guest or visiting pilot may have their flying privileges revoked at any time by any club member in good standing if they feel club Rules of Safety or Conduct are not being met.

3. Regina Windy Flyers have a mandatory sign in. All club members and guests will sign in stating arrival and departure times. There will be a sign in book (or sheet) located in the clubhouse to be used at all times.

4. Newcomers and beginners shall:

a. Become fully paid members of the Regina Windy Flyers and M.A.A.C. before any instructional flying sessions will take place.

b. Beginners and new members MUST participate in the WINGS PILOT TRAINING program and must not fly unless attended by a designated instructor. When a beginner has advanced to a set level of skill they may be tested by two qualified instructors and if agreed too by these two instructors, the student is granted their "WINGS". This test may be taken with both instructors present at the same time or at two different times if only one instructor is present. The instructors must date & sign the students M.A.A.C. Card then notify the club executive that the individual has passed. The instructors are designated as such on the club membership list.

c: observe all general club rules when flying.

d: have their equipment operating according to club regulations.

e: only fly without supervision after qualifying for their "WINGS" under the pilot training program.

7. ALL vehicles (including automobiles, bicycles, motor bikes, trucks etc.) shall not be driven on the field or runway surfaces except when the current club executive has granted special permission for the needs of a special event, maintenance of the field or a disability.

Any Regina Windy Flyer member requiring or requesting permission to drive and/or park on the field, for a disability reason, will require one of the following:

- a: A standard disability placard issued to them by the Saskatchewan Abilities Council or S.G.I. or a Saskatchewan license plate with appropriate disability sticker. Placard must be visible on vehicle dashboard at all times.
- b: A note of temporary disability signed by two current RWF executive members allowing them driving and/or parking privileges on the RWF field. The term and conditions of the permission will be stated in the note, expiring no later than the end of the year that it is granted. A doctor's note may be required by the club executive for injuries or disabilities that are not obvious to them. The note granted by RWF executives must be available on request by any club member. The names of members to whom permission was granted will be published in the club newsletter to make all members aware. Members granted permission must follow all guidelines laid out in the Regina Windy Flyers Rules of Safety and Conduct. Permission may be revoked at any time by club executive for any justifiable reason.

8. When not in use all vehicles must be parked in the regular parking lot or other designated parking areas as approved by club executive.

9. All members must realize that flying over private properties is prohibited. All club members will fly accordingly to prevent flying over any areas that the club has designated as No Flying Zones. All pilots members and guests must be aware of the no fly zones before any flying will be done. If a pilot does not know where the no fly zones are then it is their responsibility to contact club executive for this info before any flying will take place.

10. All modellers and guests shall be responsible for their own refuse and shall endeavour to keep the field in as clean a condition as possible.

11. When pitting all models should be placed in a straight line facing one direction as to not blow dirt and oils on to other modellers and models. In no case pitting within twenty feet of the pilot markers. No one shall be allowed to pit at or near the runway in use. Aircraft with engine(s) running in the pits shall be held under some secure manual restraint.

12. Under no circumstances shall two runways be in use simultaneously.

13. Aircraft being taxied into, within or from the pit area with engine(s) running shall be held under some secure manual restraint throughout the operation.

14. Flying should be done in such a manner as to avoid flying over the pit areas, parking lot, picnic areas and spectator areas. A deliberate low pass over these areas shall be subject to immediate discipline.

15. Modellers shall not stand on the surface of the active runway at any time other than if necessary during take-off. While your model is air-borne, pilots shall stand at the pilot stations. Except for retrieval of downed aircraft, it should not be necessary to cross the active runway or flight path. Before retrieving the aircraft, a modeller should ensure that no other aircraft is about to land. They shall advise the other flyers that he/she is about to retrieve their downed aircraft and proceed to do so as rapidly as possible.

16. PROCEDURES FOR TAKE-OFF.

a. Check all controls to see if they are operating correctly.

b. Hold the model back and check to see that your motor will increase RPM (revolutions/minute) and throttle down correctly.

c. Check to see that your antenna is fully extended.

d. Check to be sure that another model has not already started on its final approach to landing. A landing aircraft shall have right of way.

e. You are now clear to take-off. Consider what course of action you would take to insure the safety of members if during take-off your engine(s) was to fail.

f. Take-off and climb out in a safe and reasonable manner and turn away from the pit and parking areas. (Procedure turn)

g. A take-off shall not be proceeded with if any person or obstruction is in the flight path.

17. PROCEDURE FOR LANDING

- a. When one aircraft is preparing to land and another is preparing to take-off, the aircraft landing shall have the right of way.
- b. A dead stick landing has right over all other landings or take-offs. Yet a modeller shall be expected to abort his landing path if to continue will jeopardize the safety of another modeller or damage stationary models on the ground.
- c. Always advise in a loud clear voice that you are landing, whether under power or dead stick.
- d. Under no circumstances, either dead stick or otherwise, is a model to be landed in the pit area. If in doubt or trouble, a model should be landed away from everybody.
- e. Check or have someone else check to see if the runway is clear.
- f. Perform a safe landing pattern and land into the wind.

18. Frequency control procedures will be in effect at all flying sessions. The frequency pin system presently employed at the field shall be enforced at all times. Flyers must use their own frequency pin for each frequency used. It is recommended that pins shall be of business card size, covering one frequency each side, above and below your own frequency. Owners name must be printed or engraved on the pin. Frequency or Channel number is advisable.

19. Spectators, children and animals are not allowed in the pit area or on the flying field unless accompanied and supervised by a club member. All pets must be restrained at all times.

20. Except under special circumstances members, guests and visitors shall not indulge in any activities not previously approved by the club and or executive, on the flying club premises not related to flying model aircraft.

21. The last modeller leaving the flying field shall insure that the gate is locked and premises secure.

22. All models being flown shall conform to club regulations in effect covering noise emissions. Please note that the Regina Windy Flyers Presently has a regulation requiring all model aircraft with a total displacement in excess of .15 cubic inches be fitted with a muffler, which will reduce sound output to an acceptable level (If this engine does not meet acceptable limits). Failure to have a muffler at a flying session, except when lost at that particular flying session shall mean the modeller shall not fly his aircraft. New engines may be run without a muffler when mounted in a test stand located away from other flyers. (Exceptions may be made to this rule for the purpose of occasional test flights, trim flights or special events e.g. Formula One racers or special Airshow aircraft.)

23. Failure of club members to obey the club rules and regulations shall be considered unsportsmanlike conduct.

24. While members are expected to actively enforce the club regulations and rules, when a conflict arises it will be the duty of the present executive or any one of them to see too there enforcement. The reasonable enforcement of these rules and regulations shall be as per the interpretation of the club executive or any one of them and their decision shall be final.

a. Failure of a modeller to have their aircraft meet club regulations or to have M.A.A.C. and club membership shall be cause for immediate suspension of flying privileges. Visitors having M.A.A.C. or A.M.A. may use club facilities after obtaining permission from a club member in good standing.

b. When a modeller is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct the executive or any one of them shall have the right to, and be expected to, suspend the flying privileges of the modeller. In all situations of flagrant abuse of the rules and regulations it is expected that all club members report breaches of club rules and regulations to the executive for such disciplinary action as deemed necessary. The executive shall be required to act on all such reports as early as conveniently possible.

25. Termination of a modeler's membership in the Regina Windy Flyers for persistent disregard of club rules and regulations shall be done by majority vote of the club membership attending a legally constituted meeting