

SANFORD AERO MODELERS, INC.
SAFE FLYING POLICIES

These rules are set forth to ensure the safety of spectators, modelers, and property. In the interest of safety for all, it is suggested that an observer assist you. This is not to keep anyone from flying, but to help protect your right to fly. **SAFE FLYING IS NO ACCIDENT.**

Model Requirements:

1. All models must comply with AMA safety requirements with FAA registration number applied as appropriate.
2. All internal combustion engines must emit less than 99 dB (average) at ten feet.

Preflight Check List should be done at home and at the field:

1. Beginners – seek help of designated club instructor.

Ground Rules:

1. Cars must be parked in designated areas only. No vehicles will be parked along the ditch line at any time.
2. We are limited to seven (7) planes maximum in the air at any given time.
3. Only pilots, assistants, and AMA members are allowed on the flight line.
4. Direct prop blast away from others and their equipment whenever possible.
5. All maneuvers will use the centerline of the runway.
6. When not flying, **all airplanes must be parked tail first to the fence.** This will allow safe navigation through the pit area.
7. When ready for flight, if not using a startup table, startup is at the front of the startup table line.
8. Restraint shall be used on all aircraft when starting.

Last Minute Field Check:

1. Perform a visual check for model aircraft on final approach.
2. Control surface movement & direction check.

Flying:

1. I will not willfully and deliberately fly my models in a careless, reckless, and/or dangerous manner.
2. I will abide by the AMA safety codes and these SAM's flying policies.
3. Helicopter hover flights in designated areas only.
4. **Extended engine run up or break-in in designated areas only.**
5. Model weight must not exceed AMA guidelines for the class that it is in.
6. Models will yield right-of-way to full size aircraft at all times.
7. Test flights: A flier has the right to declare a maiden or test flight, and must be accompanied by a qualified assistant.

8. I will not fly model aircraft in the presences of spectators until I become a qualified flier, unless assisted by a club instructor as outlined in the SAM's Flight Proficiency Program.
9. I will perform my initial turn after takeoff away from the flight line as designated. Flight operations will stop during electrical storms.
10. All flights will start and finish from the designated flight line. The flight line is designated as the front of the start-up tables to the front of the pilot stations.
11. **I will not fly alone if there is no one else at the field.** There should be someone else present that is old enough and capable of assisting me, should I get injured at the field.
12. If a model must be carried out onto the runway for takeoff, this intention must be previously announced to any other pilots. Members pursuing this practice must promptly clear the runway and move to the pilot station when the model is released, and I will announce verbally that I'm clear of the runway.
13. I will not takeoff or land toward the spectators or pit area.
14. I will not start my taxi until I have checked to make sure the runway is clear and no one is making a landing approach.
15. If I am flying anything but the traffic pattern, I will find a clear space in the sky away from other models and try not to monopolize the entire sky. Set a good example!
16. If my engine quits, I will **YELL "Dead Stick"** to give other pilots time to clear the runway for me. Remember, "Dead Stick" aircraft have the right-of-way.
17. No alcoholic beverages or drugs at the flying field.
18. Keep vulgar language to a minimum.
19. **NO 3D FLYING PERMITTED.**
20. **NO FPV (First Person View) flying is allowed at any time.** All flights must have visual sighting.
21. **All flying will be below 400ft.**
22. Full Scale airplanes have the right of way of the airspace at all times.

Club Policies:

1. AMA membership is required of all fliers.
2. **Guest flying: A total of five (5) days is the limit. NO EXCEPTIONS.** A club member must accompany and sponsor all flying visitors, and are required to sign in the guest roster each time. The Guest must leave when the club member leaves.
3. Takeoff and landing shall never be towards the pit area. If landing or taking off is different from established pattern, pilot must make their intentions known to all other pilots.
4. All items will be returned to there proper locations.
5. No person shall attempt to fly a model without being accompanied by an instructor unless they have reached the "Pilot" status as outlined in the SAM Flight Proficiency Program.
6. Children must be supervised at all times.
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