

# AIRFIELD RULES AND SAFETY PROCEDURES

## General Procedures

1. Whenever opening the barrier chain and entry gate locks, re-lock the locks to the short chain and stationary half-gate and spin the lock numbers so the combination is not left visible.
2. The last Member(s) leaving the airfield is to lock the entry gate and barrier chain. Spin the lock numbers so the combination is not left visible.
3. No Littering! Take all your trash with you.
4. No alcoholic beverages are allowed anywhere on site.
5. No unsupervised children are allowed in the Pit Area.
6. Pets brought to the airfield must be on a leash and kept in the spectator area only. Owners must remove any feces deposited by the animals.
7. Report all vandalism and trespassers to a Club Officer as soon as possible.
8. Spectators are to remain outside the fence enclosing the Pit Area.
9. Firearms of any kind, including those licensed with a concealed weapons permit, are prohibited within the Flying Pilgrims Field property.

## Guests

1. Non-members must obtain *Guest* privileges from an Active Member *Host* who is present at the Airfield. *Guests* must adhere to these Airfield Rules and Safety Procedures.
2. Conduct of the *Guest* is the responsibility of the *Host*.
3. A *Guest* cannot grant flying privileges to another *Guest* and may fly as a *Guest* for a maximum of three visits.

## Before Flying

1. AMA open membership is required of all pilots, except in accordance with AMA Document #911 and the AMA Introductory Pilot Program. Park Pilot membership does not qualify.
2. Student pilots and new Members cannot fly solo until a Club Instructor gives authorization.
3. All two-stroke-cycle engines with a displacement greater than 0.051 cubic inches require a engine noise reduction system, i.e., a muffler.

4. All Transmitters must be narrow band; All non-2.4 GHz transmitter antennas must have channel identification attached.
5. An appropriate fire extinguisher is required of all gasoline and kerosene users. The Club water extinguishers are to be unlocked before turbine engines are started.
6. Charging Lithium Polymer batteries specifically, within the Shelter is prohibited.

## **Flying Safely**

1. Flying hours at the Airfield are 10 AM To SUNSET Monday thru Saturday, and 12 PM to SUNSET Sunday.
2. Before their transmitter is turned on, ALL pilots must visibly display their current membership card on their person. If flying on non-2.4G frequencies then their membership or AMA card must be inserted into the appropriate slot on the frequency board. Cards left behind will be moved into the lower, unmarked, "Forget-Me-Not" slots.
3. Where two or more pilots use the same non-2.4G frequency, they shall notify one another and agree to share frequency usage before flying.
4. Starting and running an engine, motor or other propulsion device south of the end of the taxiways is strictly prohibited.
5. Flying of any kind within the Pit Area, spectator area and parking area is strictly prohibited.
6. Running engines for break-in or tuning for an extended period is not allowed in the Pit Area. Use the far reaches of the parking area for this purpose.
7. Stand in the designated pilot area when flying. Temporarily standing on the runway for take-off is permitted if no other pilots are flying.
8. Do not taxi within the Pit Area to the taxi ramp; push or carry aircraft to the taxi ramp. Do not taxi into the Pit Area from the runway.
9. Communication on the flightline is imperative. Call out your intent to take off or land when other pilots are flying.
10. Direction of flight is determined by aircraft already in the air. If the wind has shifted or you wish to change direction you must first obtain pilots' agreement before taking off.
11. Fly North of the runway centerline only.
12. Normal flying is limited to an altitude of 400 feet AGL (Above Ground Level) and must stay within boundaries one-quarter mile East and West and one-quarter mile North of centerline of the runway.
13. If you intend to fly between 401-600 feet AGL you MUST contact Willow Run Control Tower 30 minutes in  
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advance at **(734) 961-6803** to obtain permission. You MUST again contact them immediately upon completion of those operations. Additionally, use of a qualified visual observer is required.

14. Whenever a full scale aircraft flies over or near the area you are to call out "FULL SCALE". All pilots in the air are to immediately lower their altitude to significantly less than 400 ft. AGL until it is out of the area.

15. Rotor Aircraft must fly in the designated helicopter area except when adhering to the flight pattern over the runway.

16. Other than for take-off or landing, hovering of aircraft over the runway is not allowed.

17. Aerobatic maneuvers, including knife-edge and high-speed low passes, are to be performed north of the paved runway when others are at the field.

18. There will be no RC flying when Willow Run's TFRs are in effect or when full scale aircraft are in the area practicing for Willow Run Airshows.

19. Entering an active runway area without the consent of pilots flying is prohibited. Call out your intentions to enter the runway area and gain permission to do so.

20. Flying within a one-hundred-foot radius, in any direction of a person retrieving downed equipment from the runway area is prohibited.

21. Remove downed equipment from the runway area immediately. Hold your diagnostics meeting in the pit area. Call out when the runway is clear.

**Members are encouraged to remind fellow Members of these Safety Rules & Procedures**