

# FIELD RULES



## Flagler County Radio Aero Modelers, Inc.

**FLYING:** Flying an Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS), is conditional upon complying with our field club rules.

- Flying is limited to club members only. Invited guests with an active AMA card may fly a maximum of three (3) times per year.
- Spotters are required for all UAS. The spotter may “spot” for three (3) pilots at one time, providing they are in close proximity. The spotter shall pay “extreme attention” to the skies in all directions, alerting the pilots of any full-scale aircraft in or around our field. The spotter shall be in full control of the flight line, responsible for establishing the flight pattern, announcing pilot’s intentions (e.g., taking off, landing, on the runway, dead stick, etc.). The spotter may use the provided air horn to alert pilots of approaching aircraft. One blast of the air horn and all pilots should immediately drop to the lowest safe altitude.
- A maximum of five (5) UAS may be in the air at one time.
- General Alert: Anyone may call out a “full-scale” alert. All pilots should immediately upon an alert from the spotter, you shall drop to the lowest safe altitude.
- Duties of Pilots:
  - (a) Pilot must have a spotter before flying.
  - (b) Immediately upon an alert from the spotter, you shall drop to the lowest safe altitude.
  - (c) The maximum flight ceiling altitude is two hundred feet (200') above the runway.
  - (d) Always yield right of way to any full-scale aircraft, no matter what altitude they are flying at.
  - (e) Shout out your intentions while on the flight line: Taking Off, Landing, Touch N Go, Dead Stick, etc.
  - (f) No flying while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
  - (g) No flying over the pits or sunshade. Any aerobatic or 3D flying should be to the west side of the runway, not over the runway.
  - (h) Drones/Helicopters should fly in their designated area. If the flight line is clear, they may fly over the runway.
  - (i) Pilots shall stand behind the line on the taxiway while their UAS is in flight.
  - (i) New Members: All new members shall demonstrate their flying proficiency to an authorized flight instructor prior to flying.
  - (j) Turbine (fuel) / Rockets: Fuel powered turbine UAS and rockets are prohibited.

## **GROUND ACTIVITIES**

Taxiing: All UAS should taxi on the taxiway / runway, or the shortest distance from the starting position.

- Starting: Confirm the UAS is securely anchored with a tail strap or wing stop. When using the starting stand, use the yellow wheel chock in the event of a reverse rotation engine/motor start. Confirm that no one is in close proximity to the propeller.
- Testing / Engine Break In: Any prolonged engine running or break in should take place on the provided test stand on the southeast corner of the field.
- Sunshade: **“Zero Tolerance Policy”**:
  - (a) No engines/motors with a propeller shall be run under the sunshade.
  - (b) No fueling or defueling is allowed under the sunshade.

## **CLUB PROPERTY & ASSETS**

- The club property and assets are for the use by all members. Everyone is responsible for the appropriate use of our property and assets.
- Driving any vehicle on the grounds, field, or runway is strictly prohibited. Driving is limited to the roads and parking in the designated parking areas.
- All club assets and equipment shall remain at the field; they are not to be loaned out.

## **CLUB CULTURE**

Volunteering: The Club is a group of individuals that share the same interest in model aviation. It exists only because of the generous and unselfish volunteering of its members. All members are expected, when physically able to help maintain our flying site, help with club events, or any other function that requires club personnel. All members are encouraged to help with club events, as not every event requires members to be physical able.

## **GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS**

- Children under the age of eight (8) years old are not permitted on the field unless under the direct supervision of an adult.
- Pick up your own garbage, waste, junk, and pieces of aircraft. Either take it home or deposit it in a receptacle provided for it.
- If you used a chair, put it back in a neat stack before you leave the field.
- The last person leaving the field has the responsibility to do the following:
  - (a) Turn off the fans in the sunshade.
  - (b) Turn off the lights in the shed.
  - (c) Double lock the shed.
  - (d) Close and lock the entry gate.
- AMA & FAA: All members must possess an active, up to date AMA & FAA registration, and adhere to their regulations.