

North Branch Park

Flying Field Regulations 2016

Park Permit must be displayed at all times

In conjunction with all current AMA field and safety regulations, the Somerset County Park Commission has established the following regulations governing this field.

***Field Flying hours: 10:00am - 7:30pm Weekdays
10:00am - 5:30pm Weekends***

Non-motorized and electric Aircraft may fly from 8:00am until 1 hour before sunset.

- 1) Flyers must have in their possession a current AMA card and Park Commission Flying Field Permit. Permits may be obtained at the Park Headquarters. (908)722-1200***
- 2) All pilots in order to fly solo must be certified and have a "P" on their park permit.***
- 3) All pilots are considered Students/Trainees until certified by an approved Check Pilot and must have a certified pilot assist them at the flight station. Check Pilot information may be obtained at the Park Headquarters. (908)722-1200***
- 4) All aircraft must stay within established flight boundaries.***
- 5) No Flying of any kind will take place while the grass is being cut on the field.***

- 6) A maximum of four (4) aircraft and one Helicopter or Quad Copter in the "Helicopter Hover Station" (station H) are permitted in the air at any one time. This regulation may be amended by the Park for specific functions with prior approval.**
- 7) Only one Helicopter or Quad may be flown on the main runway at one time, use the center of the field, and must yield to fixed wing aircraft that are taking off or landing.**
- 8) Initial turns after takeoff must be away from the pit / spectator area.**
- 9) Flying any type of aircraft behind flight line is prohibited.**
- 10) Engine restart on runway is prohibited.**
- 11) Taxiing aircraft from flight station to pit area is prohibited.**
- 12) Piloting of any type of aircraft from other than the flight station is prohibited.**
- 13) Expansion type mufflers are required for all engines over .099 cubic inches. Pre-1950 vintage ignition propelled engines are exempt.**
- 14) All flyers should attempt to keep engine noise levels below 100 DB at full throttle at a reference distance of 9 feet.**
- 15) During startup, all fixed wing aircraft must be restrained by a fixed device or by a person other than the person starting the aircraft.**
- 16) All transmitters (with the exception of 2.4 GHz) are to be impounded unless they have a Frequency Pin.**

17) Station "H" is the hover and student teaching area for helicopters and Quad Copters

18) All FPV aircraft:

a) Fly within the designated park flying field

b) Must be in compliance with the AMA regulations guiding FPV operation

Failure to comply with any of the above regulations, or the AMA Safety Code, will result in a temporary suspension or permanent revocation of the park permit; subject to Park review.

Park Guests

Current flying field permit holders may bring a guest to fly by adhering to the following procedures.

- a) The permit holder acts as a sponsor and is responsible for the actions of the guest.***
- b) The guest must have in their possession a valid AMA card.***
- c) A Guest will be limited to three visits in one flying season. After that, the Guest must obtain a Flying Field Permit at the Park Commission headquarters before flying again.***