

Polesworth Radio Control Model Aero Club Flying field rules November 2021

- 1. The site owner requires that the entrance gate be kept locked when the field is not in use.
- 2. When the field is occupied the chain should be secured to the gate and the security code changed to "0000" to prevent theft of the lock and chain.
- 3. The last person off site must ensure that the gate is secured.
- 4. No dogs are allowed on the club flying site.
- 5. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult, and in the interests of safety be kept under control at all times.
- 6. Vehicles must not be taken onto the flying field if conditions are unsuitable, to prevent damage to the site.
- 7. The club accepts no liability for vehicles which become damaged or stranded whilst on the flying field or the approach field.
- 8. A maximum of 3 models only are allowed in the air at any time.
- 9. Models are restricted to a maximum weight of 7 kg.
- 10. Engines are restricted to a maximum size of:- 1.00cu. in. 2 stroke, 1.30cu. in. 4 stroke
- 11. Members may submit an application to fly models outside the above restrictions. Permission must be gained from a minimum of 2 committee members. (see rule 14)
- 12. <u>All models</u> must be fitted with a suitable silencer <u>to comply with the local authority</u> <u>instructions</u>, including 4 stroke engines which may already be below the BMFA noise rules of 82dbA (as specified in the Dept. of the Environment directive). An exhaust pipe only is not permitted. Any model considered too noisy for the site will be prohibited.
- 13. Two sound meters are available and members should check their models
- 14. All models must be securely restrained when starting or running up within the pits area.
- 15. Electric powered models should be "armed" when away from the pit area.
- 16. It is the responsibility of members to make sure that their models are checked for compliance, before flying, to make sure that any complaint may be defended.
- 17. Where an engine/propeller change takes place the combination should be retested.
- 18. The flight line will be indicated by the placement of a rope line stretched between two points.
- 19. Models should either be carried or wheeled onto the flying area. Models must NOT be taxied through the flight line.
- 20. The committee may remove from the membership any member whose conduct on the field or elsewhere is considered by them to be prejudicial to the good name of the club, that the land owner's property should be respected and that the country code be complied with at all times. Any model debris is to be removed in a safe manner.

No fire should ever be deliberately started. Anyone breaking this rule will have their membership terminated immediately

- 21. Permission must be gained from pilots on the flight line before taking models onto the flying area.
- 22. Flyers must communicate to others on the flight line their intentions when landing, or performing manoeuvres that could impact on others.
- 23. Flying over or behind the flight line is strictly forbidden.
- 24. Flying over the entrance field, the field between the house and flying field and car parking areas (in the direction of the house) is expressly forbidden.
- 25. Learners and visitors cannot fly unless supervised by a member of the committee or a BMFA 'A' certificate holder using either the same TX mode, or suitable "buddy box" system.
- 26. Members may only fly solo if they hold a BMFA 'A' certificate or higher.
- 27. Club liability insurance covers first time visitors who have no previous experience of model flying but are seeking to try out model flying prior to joining the Club. All other visitors must have BMFA insurance.
- 28. Insurance cover for visitors will only be in place when the flights are being personally supervised by a Club member with either a minimum of a BMFA 'A' certificate, or an approved instructor, using the same stick mode.
- 29. Insurance cover will only be in place for a maximum of 3 separate days for any one new flyer. Thereafter the new flyer must arrange his/her own third party public liability insurance cover, by joining the BMFA, prior to undertaking any further flying activity at the Club site.
- 30. Everyone is a responsible for safety when using the club's facilities.

Flying times.

- 31. 31. The rules for IC power are as follows: Every day 10 am till dusk
- 32. 32. The flying times for silent and electric flight are restricted to daylight hours only, no flying using lights after sunset is allowed.
- 33. 33. The PRCMAC flying field safety rules are <u>in addition</u> to those set out in the BMFA Handbook