

# Ottawa Valley Jets - Club Rules

## **Safety is our Priority**

For the safety of all Ottawa Valley Jets (OVJ) members and their guests, and for the mutual enjoyment of Club facilities, the following rules have been adopted by the Club and must be observed when using Club facilities.

Every OVJ member is responsible for ensuring that MAAC rules and OVJ rules are respected. At the discretion of the Club Executive, Club membership may be revoked for violation of these rules.

## **Pilot Qualifications**

- Pilots must be ready to show proof of being a current member of the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada (MAAC) and of the OVJ, or a sponsored guest. Visiting pilots must be sponsored by an OVJ member. Sponsored guests must be current members of MAAC. OVJ members who sponsor guests are responsible for ensuring that their guests have MAAC membership and that they understand and follow OVJ rules. Guests, while flying, must be accompanied by their sponsors.
- The MAAC Safety Code applies at all times and each pilot flying independently must be a qualified pilot as per the MAAC definition.

## **Flying Field Rules**

- Vehicles are to be parked along the ditch, leaving as much room for pits and runway area.
- No garbage is to be left. If you bring it, take it home with you.
- Spectators must remain away from the turbine start up area, unless accompanied by an OVJ member.
- No flying of gas or Nitro powered aircraft or helicopters. This field is for turbine and electric only.
- Pilots must fly from one of the three pilot stations next to the runway.
- A maximum of three aircraft (including helicopters and drones) may be in the air at any one time in the general traffic pattern.
- Flying is never allowed behind the flight line. The flight line is a line running parallel to the runway 10 meters (approximately 33feet) in front of the pilots' stations and extending to the horizon on either end of the runway.
- No taxiing in the pits.
- No flying of turbines alone. Have your spotter always watch for full-size aircraft in the area.
- Never overfly people, animals or vehicles and yield to full-scale aircraft and helicopters.

- When the lawn-mower or other equipment is on the runway, the no-fly rule is in effect.
- Each aircraft that flies must carry ownership identification as required by MAAC.
- Pilots are to announce their intentions to taxi on the runway, takeoff or launch, execute a low pass and land.
- Pilots are to announce the intention to physically encroach on the runway, and obtain acknowledgement from others flying before doing so.
- Pilots will follow the general traffic pattern established according to wind direction when more than one aircraft is airborne.
- Pilots will call out "dead stick" when appropriate and will be given priority for landing.
- A radio 'Range Check' is required before the first flight of the day for each individual aircraft.
- Aircraft are to be parked on the ground away from the startup area or runway when not flying or doing run-ups.
- Turbine start up must be done in the start up area. The spotter should be prepared with a fire extinguisher in case of a wet start.
- Connection of batteries in electric aircraft is only allowed in the start up area with the model pointed toward the runway.
- Electric powered aircraft can not be left unattended with the ESC (electronic speed control) armed.

### **Transmitter Related Rules**

- All transmitters must meet current Canadian standards and operate on 2.4Ghz.

### **Procedures in the event of an Accident or Incident**

Arrange for medical attention immediately if required. Call 911 if appropriate. The civic address of the field is 2789 McGuireRoad, Kars, Ontario, and the GPS co-ordinates of the field are 45.17661° N, 75.58701° W.

Please do not discuss responsibility (accusation or acceptance) immediately after an incident as this could compromise our position.

Report the accident or incident to a member of the OVJ Executive as soon as it is safe to do so.

The OVJ Executive will report to accidents and incidents to MAAC as necessary. MAAC's latest

procedures regarding accidents and incidents can be found on the MAAC website. ([www.MAAC.ca](http://www.MAAC.ca)).

Safely Enjoy Flying at our Facilities