

Alberta Control Line Flying Club (ACFC) Rules

Administrative

The ACFC is a control line only (tethered aircraft) club that operates from one flying site at the Namao School, 2-2440 Hwy 37, Sturgeon County, Alberta. All persons using these modeling sites must:

1. be MAAC members in good standing.
2. be members of the ACFC Club, or an invited guest and
3. agree to follow the MAAC Safety code and all other club rules.

In the event of an emergency, phone (9-11) and the civic address for first responder is:

Namao School, 2-2440 Hwy 37, Sturgeon County

Normal operating procedures and Club safety rules

This site is located inside Namao Class D Controlled airspace – **RPAS operation, including mRPAS is not allowed – no exceptions.**

The agreement with the school only permits recreational model aircraft operation at either site provide we meet the following conditions:

1. No flying during regular school hours or within one hour of active school attendance
2. Flying is not permitted if the site is occupied by children. DO NOT breach this rule – wait for others to finish or come back another time.
3. Clean up after you leave – do not leave any garbage or crashed airplane parts behind.
4. All damage to the turf, trees or other school features will be charged back to the club or members.
5. Park in designated areas only
6. Spectators are not allowed on the field or in the pit area.

These rules are available in print or online.

1. A fire extinguisher must be present for all powered model operations.
2. All pre-flight inspections or assembly shall be done in the designated area.

3. Batteries shall not be connected to electric powered models unless the model is restrained – no exceptions.
4. Gas/glow powered models must be restrained and started in the start-up or designated area.
5. Our flying area is a 24m radius circle located on the northwest corner of the schoolyard – see diagram.
6. No flying will commence until half an hour after sunrise and will end a half hour before sunset, the time of which is available on the Weather Network App for Edmonton. Night flying is not allowed.
7. Physical barriers are not required.
8. MAAC “spotters” are **optional but strongly encouraged** at our site. The following are club procedures for ensuring by-stander safety:
 - a. When any member or other person spots a by-stander approaching the flying area that might present a safety concern, they are to yell out “BY-STANDER” in a loud voice.
 - b. ALL Pilots must immediately climb the model to as **high** an altitude as is possible (above head height) **OR** land immediately. This may require an intentional forced landing/crash away from the approaching bystander.
 - c. The spotter or pilot should endeavor to warn the bystander to remain clear of the flying area and outside the safety buffer distance. Yelling in a firm loud voice “**STOP - stay back**” and waving your arm(s) is suggested.
9. There are no other risk mitigating strategies required at ACFC Flying Club.
10. The Club executive will review these rules at least once a year.

Alberta Control-Line Flying Club

Field Map

Flying Circle Centre Coordinates

53° 43' 06.5" N 113° 29' 48.1" W

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