MAST Ecole Acadienne du Truro Indoor Rules

<u>MAST</u> have been given permission to conduct MAAC modelling activities indoors and fully understand and agree any permission granted applies to indoor activities **only** – no exceptions

Administrative

Club: MAST (#50, Zone B)

Location: Ecole Acadienne de Truro, 50 Aberdeen St., Truro NS. Gymnasium

(45.361, -63.262)

Contact: Ted Peters, Secretary

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Date: Flying every second Friday evening from 19:30 to 21:00 unless the gym is in use

for other events.

Conditions for use - All persons using this modelling site must:

1. be MAAC members in good standing.

- 2. be members of MAST, or an invited guest of MAST.
- 3. agree to follow the MAAC Safety code and all other site rules.

Must have completed the MAST Wings program or be in the process of doing so with a club instructor.

Appropriately sized, slow flying models to be used.

These rules are available on the MAST Website.

In the event of an emergency, phone 911. The address to provide to first responders is:

Ecole Acadienne de Truro, 50 Aberdeen St., Truro NS. Gymnasium

Normal operating procedures and Site safety rules

General rules for using the gym:

- Clear the flying area before starting the flying session
- Clean up after the flying session, ensure anything that was moved is put back where it was.
- Turn out lights when exiting the gym, lock school door on the way out.

Flight operations:

- RPAS and Free Flight models only permitted at the hall
- Electric RPAS and rubber powered Free Flight aircraft permitted
- Maximum speed to be less than 15 Kmh
- Maximum weight to be less than 250 grams

For members operating RPAS at this site:

See included diagram for flying area details.

- 1. All pre-flight inspections or assembly shall be done in the designated area.
- 2. Batteries shall not be connected to electric powered models unless the model is restrained in the start-up area, or the propulsion system deactivated/de-armed or otherwise inoperative no exceptions.
- 3. The direction of modeling/take-off landing, and traffic pattern will be determined by cleared area of the gym
- 4. Hand launching and bungee launching shall be done in agreement with any pilots flying normally off to one side of the pilot stations.
- 5. Recovery of RPA that land/crash in the modelling/flying area will be done in agreement with all other modellers/pilots flying. Do not fly/operate a model directly over/near other persons recovering a model.
- 6. MAAC "spotters" are optional at our site. The following are site procedures for ensuring bystander safety:
 - a. List any areas to be careful of approaching bystanders, or areas where bystanders are permitted with no other safety requirements see included diagram
 - b. When any member or other person spots a bystander that might come into the modeling area unsafely, they are to yell out "BYSTANDER" in a loud voice.
 - c. ALL modellers must immediately stop modeling activities in that area and if possible, land/return to the pit area as soon as safely able.
 - d. When the bystander's safety is no longer a threat, the person who gave the warning shall yell "ALL CLEAR", or the modelers/pilots may make that determination themselves, and resume modeling/flying.

Emergency or safety procedures

- 7. If there is any type of near miss or safety concern between a model and a bystander, ALL modelling SHALL cease immediately. The members involved should fill out a MAAC reportable occurrence report and submit that to MAAC and the club/site/event organizer and follow MAAC policy with the following exceptions:
 - a. If the member(s) involved believe the risk was very minimal, they may complete their own self declaration or risk assessment using the MAAC form, and resume modelling.
 - b. If the member or Club President (or his designate) deems the event serious, modelling will not resume until members are given permission by the Club President (or his designate) – in writing.

- c. If there is actual contact between a model and a bystander all modelling will cease until MAAC confirms we may resume operations.
- d. This process is for your protection.
- 8. A text description of any site emergency procedures.
 - a. Emergency procedures:
 - i. In case of medical emergency, injury, fire or any other occurrence deemed appropriate, dial **911**.
 - ii. Exit locations The Entrance/Exit doors (South end of the room) are clearly identified with lit signs as are the emergency exits (these doors are kept closed to prevent anyone from entering the area while flight operations are underway). There are Fire Alarm Pull Stations beside each exit.
 - iii. Fire extinguisher is mounted on the wall for easy access
- 9. There are no other risk mitigating strategies required at this MAST modelling site.
- 10. The MAST executive will review these rules at least once a year.

Modelling Site Layout

