



FIELD RULES

St. Louis Radio Control Flying Association

December 1, 2016

1. Only members and guests of the Saint Louis Radio Control Flying Association with current Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) membership cards are permitted to fly at this site. SLRCFA members are required to have their membership cards on their person and visible while at the field.
2. Per FAA requirements, ALL aircraft should have their FAA sUAS number visible. (can be inside of the aircraft if accessible without the use of tools)
3. Pilots shall **not** fly new or rebuilt model aircraft until the aircraft has been inspected and approved by two other club members.
4. Only narrow banded Radio Control systems are permitted to operate at this flying site and all pilots will have completed a successful radio equipment ground check before the first flight of a new or repaired model. (It is suggested that each day prior to flying, ground checks are conducted and that prior to each flight transmitter/receiver function be verified.)
5. **All** piston engines are required to have a muffler. All engines except turbines shall not exceed a sound limit level of 96 decibels (measure from 25 feet perpendicular to the aircraft on a hard surface). Propeller driven aircraft should not “rip the prop.”
6. **All NEW** Members are subject to a proficiency test.
7. Takeoffs and Landings are permitted on the paved or grass runways only. Taxiing out to the runways is permitted, provided it's past the white lines at either end of the runway. Pilots must stand behind flight stations #1-6 on either side of the runway dictated by the wind direction. Absolutely no flying from the center of the runway.
8. If other people are flying, the established pattern must be followed. Takeoffs and landings will be all in the same direction unless the wind changes and all pilots agree to reverse the pattern.
9. Positively no flying over the pilot side of the runway, pit area, spectators or parking area. Landing out of pattern is permitted only in cases of emergency.
10. Low altitude, high speed passes are only permitted beyond an imaginary line represented by the outer edge of the asphalt runway.
11. All helicopters must be carried to and from the runway or hovering area. All hovering shall be conducted in a designated hovering area and forward pattern flight is **not** permitted from the hovering area.
12. 72MHz, 27Mhz, 50 and 54 MHz Operation:
 - a. All pilots **must** display the proper numbered frequency on the transmitter and your membership card **must cover** the corresponding frequency number on the frequency control board when the transmitter is in use.
 - b. When not in use, transmitters or their removable modules **must** be placed in the impound. **Prior** to removing a transmitter or module from the impound area; the membership card **must** be placed over the frequency number. When sharing a frequency, a transmitter's on time is **limited** to twenty minutes. After this, the frequency must be surrendered and the radio **returned** to the impound. After replacing the transmitter in the impound area, the membership card should be removed from the frequency control board.
13. 2.4GHz Operation:
 - a. All pilots **must** wear their membership card when flying.
14. Regardless of the operating frequency, **no** more than **six** aircraft are allowed to fly at one time.
15. Piston and turbine engines are not permitted to run before **9:30AM**
16. The Official AMA rules and regulation shall be applicable to all flying activities at this field. In situations where specific guidance is not provided, sound judgment and common sense shall prevail.
17. Repeated failure to comply with these rules and regulations by any member may result in termination of their membership in the Saint Louis Radio Control Flying Association pending a hearing by the Board of Directors of this Association. Process begins with a letter issued to the offender, member signs and returns the letter. Second infraction mandatory suspension or expulsion from SLRCFA to be determined by the SLRCFA Board of Directors.
18. All dogs should be on a leash when brought out to the field in accordance with St. Louis County Ordinances.
19. No fueling or starting engines from under the pavilion or in front of the pavilion. ALL planes must be started from the concrete starting pads at the ends of the runway, from flight stands or using personal hold downs. Personal hold-downs must be located by the one of the two starting pads.