

Palomar RC Flyers, Incorporated

Standing Rules

February 2010

I. Operating Policies

A. Regarding Club Officials

1. The five elected officers and the six elected members of the board of directors shall be bonded at the clubs expense.
2. The annual club membership dues of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Board Members, Membership Chairman and Editor shall be waived.
3. The Editor shall publish the Transmitter monthly prior to the regular monthly meeting.

B. Regarding Membership

1. The Board of Directors may recommend that the membership, by majority vote, confer Life Membership status on individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the club. Life members pay no dues.
2. A member participation incentive plan known as the "Palomar Dollar Program" will be in force. The program encourages member participation through implementation of a dues reduction plan whereby members can achieve a reduction of their yearly club dues. By investing their time per year doing something that benefits Palomar RC Flyers, Inc., the plan will allow for a reduction of the yearly dues to a value determined by the board at the rate of \$10.00 per hour.

C. Regarding Money

1. The treasurer is authorized to pay on his/her signature without prior approval the following expenses:
 - a. Cost of the "Transmitter".
 - b. Cost of flying site sanitary facilities.
 - c. Cost of regular monthly meeting trophies.
 - d. Cost of annual meeting plaques and certificates.
 - e. Cost of flying site security.
 - f. Cost of regular monthly meeting, board meeting and annual meeting halls.

All other obligations will be approved by the Board of Directors by majority vote at the Board of Directors meeting.

2. Refreshments provided during the meeting break are paid for out of donations.
3. The raffle at the regular and annual meeting is operated separate from the club and neither receives club monies nor contributes monies. The purpose of the raffle is to encourage attendance at the meetings.

4. The annual 4th of July Club Picnic is paid for with club monies.
- D. Regarding Meetings
1. Regular monthly meetings shall generally follow the agenda:
 - Call to order – president.
 - Motion to waive reading of the minutes and accept minutes as published in the “Transmitter” – president.
 - Approval of the motion or reading of the minutes – secretary.
 - Financial report – treasurer.
 - Vote in new members – president.
 - Old business – president.
 - New business – president.
 - Guest speaker.
 - < Break >
 - Special interest group reports.
 - Tool of the month – president.
 - Model of the month and trophy – president.
 - < Adjourn >
 - Raffle.

E. Amendments

The operating policies may be changed by amendment. The proposed amendment shall be read at a regular monthly meeting and shall be voted upon. The proposed amendment must be accepted by two-thirds of the members present and voting at said meeting.

II. Flying Site Rules

- A. Flying Site Rules apply to all such sites under club control and all other sites which the club may choose to conduct an activity. Flying sites under club control may have rules that apply only to a specific site and not another because of houses, roads, freeways, industry, airports, schools, livestock, wildlife habitat, etc. These special rules will be included in the posted rules at the field where they pertain.
1. The use of club facilities is limited to AMA members invited to participate in contests, club members, and guests of club members. Guests must meet the following requirements:
 - a. Guest pilots must show proof of current AMA membership and must be accompanied by a club member. All others, with proof of current AMA membership, may use the facilities only once per calendar year, as a guest of a club member, without having to become a member.
 - b. The host member is responsible for informing his guest of the flying site rules and seeing that they are obeyed.
 - c. Non-participating guests are to remain clear of the flight line and pit areas.
 - d. Club members are NOT to give guests combinations or keys to club locks.
 2. Pilots MUST DISPLAY on their person proof of current club membership.

3. Club members and/or guests are not to rearrange the flying site facilities or the surrounding habitat without prior approval of the club's Board of Directors.
4. All pilots must obey the "Official AMA Safety Code". Particular attention is drawn to rule #6: "I will not fly my model unless it is identified with my name and address or AMA number on or in the model".
5. All radio equipment must be FCC Type Approved and operated according to FCC regulations, including licensing where required (i.e. 6-meter ham band).
6. All radio systems must conform to AMA standards.
7. While not in use, transmitters will be turned off and stored. Transmitter antennas are to be fully retracted for range checks. Any pilot not in control of their frequency (his/her card NOT in the proper frequency slot on the frequency board or having the frequency pin from the frequency board), who causes another pilot, that has control of the frequency (his/her card in the proper frequency slot on the frequency board or has the frequency pin from the frequency board), to lose their model from radio interference will pay all replacement costs associated with said model to the owner. Not making such monetary restitution is grounds for the revocation of their club membership.
8. While Flying.
 - a. The pilot must stand in a designated pilot station.
 - b. Maximum of one pilot per station, with a maximum of five planes in the air at any time with the following exception: during a club sponsored event.
9. Engines, etc.
 - a. All engines on aircraft must be equipped with an exhaust system that will enable the airplane to comply with or better the noise standard (limit) in place at the flying site where the aircraft will be flown. All engines must be equipped with the muffling systems supplied by the manufacturer at the minimum. Un-muffled tuned pipes, flow through mufflers and open exhaust (un-muffled) two stroke engines are not allowed. Some four stroke engines may comply with the noise limits at the field where they are being operated even though they are not equipped from the factory with a muffler. Those four stroke engines that DO NOT meet the field noise limits without a muffler WILL NOT be allowed to fly. Pilots are encouraged to lower the sound pressure level of their engines through the use of efficient after market mufflers or propeller changes where the noise output of their engine is approaching the maximum allowable db level at the flying site.
 - b. No full power engine run-up is permitted in the pits. Engine run-ups are to take place in the run-up area or the engine break in area with the prop blast directed away from other models or persons.

10. Noise Regulations at Johnson Field.
 - a. All sound measurements are taken at 25' on hard surface, slow response and "A" weighting.
 - b. No aircraft above 98 db will be flown at Johnson Field.
 - c. Below 85 db may operate anytime.
 - d. 85 db to 92 db may be operated between 8 AM to 7 PM Monday through Saturday, 9 AM to 7 PM Sunday.
 - e. 93 db to 98 db may be operated between 9 AM to 5 PM daily.
11. Flight Operations.
 - a. Flying over or to the rear of the flight line (edge of runway nearest the pilot), pits, social areas and parking lot is strictly prohibited.
 - b. Low passes, speed runs and bomb drops must be done beyond the runway boundaries and are not to interfere with takeoffs and landings.
 - c. Aerobatics are to be performed beyond the far edge of the runway. No aerobatics will be allowed on takeoff unless performed beyond pilots, pit or spectator areas.
 - d. Takeoff must not be started until the aircraft has taxied out of the designated taxi area and has reached the confines of the runway.
 - e. Hand launches must be made in a direction away from pilot, pit, social areas and must be from an area clear of people and aircraft.
 - f. Dead stick landings always have the right of way but must be called out.
 - g. Landings have the right of way over takeoffs and both must be called out.
12. New members with supposed prior pilot experience shall be required to make a flight check with an instructor. Members receiving flight instruction shall be issued a student card requiring a flight instructor/buddy box until they pass their solo flight test. No student shall be permitted to fly below 100 feet AGL without a buddy box.
13. Solo certificates and their pilot club card will be provided following their solo flight test and being signed off by their instructor and a second instructor.
14. The facilities shall at all times be kept clean of trash and litter.
15. It is the responsibility of ALL CLUB MEMBERS to ENFORCE and OBEY the rules. Repeated offenses must be brought to the attention of the Safety Officers, Flight Instructors or Club Officers.
16. Lack of compliance with any of the above rules may result in the Board of Directors suspending all flying privileges or the revocation of club membership.
17. The flying site rules may be changed by amendment. The proposed amendment shall be read at a regular monthly meeting and shall be voted upon. The proposed amendment must be accepted by two-thirds of the members present and voting.