

## KIRK FIELD FLYING RULES

Amended:

### General Field Rules

1. All pilots are required to have a valid AMA license. It must be shown at the request of any member.
2. All AMA and RCMB safety codes must be adhered to at all times.  
All Baltimore County laws must also be observed.
3. Hours of field operation:  
Fuel powered aircraft from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Electric powered and gliders from dawn to dusk
4. Spectators must remain in the spectator area behind the safety fence.
5. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children and owners are responsible for their pets.

### DB Rules

6. Standard Flight Operations 96 dba at 9.8 feet on grass. Special hour/day operations 98dba at 9.8 feet on grass can only be flown from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. daily. For Special Events such as IMAC, Spring Fling and RCMB Annual Club Picnic, planes that exceed the 98dba limit will be exempt from the noise exemption restrictions for these events.

### Safety and Frequency Control Rules plus Guidelines to Safe Flying at Kirk Field

7. Flying behind the safety fence, such that it places the aircraft over the grass, flight line stations, pits, spectator area or parking area is strictly prohibited. However, take offs and landings can be performed on the grass area between the pilots' stations and the paved runway provided that the planes be no closer than 25 feet to any people during take offs and landings. Low altitude high speed flybys are only allowed over the grass area on the far side of the paved runway if another pilot is flying.
8. Engine break-in is not to be performed in the pit area. Extended engine running should be away from the pilot's station area so it does not disturb pilots flying or persons sitting under the canopies.
9. Airplanes with fuel engines may only be started in the pits. No start-ups will be allowed behind the flying stations and safety fence. Aircraft with running engines shall not be left unattended.
10. All 27, 50, 52, and 72 MHz transmitters must be impounded upon entering the field. All 2.4 GHz radios may be kept at your pit area. The transmitter channel shall be displayed on the antenna or other suitable transmitter location except 2.4GHz radios.
11. When removing a transmitter from the impound area, the proper frequency pin must be attached to the antenna and the pilot's AMA license placed on the frequency control board in place of the frequency pin. The pin and radio transmitter are to be returned to the impound box immediately after the flight except for 2.4 GHz radios. You must display your AMA card and take a 2.4 pin but may keep your radio at your pit area.
12. Engines must be shut off by the pilots' stations and walked back to your pit area. You may taxi out to the runway. There is NO taxiing allowed into the pit area from the runway after flying.

### Flying Rules

1. THERE WILL BE NO FLYING DURING GRASS CUTTING OR FIELD WORK SESSIONS (usually Thurs. 11 - 1)
2. Take-offs and flying from the pit or spectator area is prohibited. Pilots must fly from the designated flight line stations only, except for helicopter pilots practicing hovering and planes that need to be hand launched for flight. Pilots may elect to sit in a pilot station for comfort or for medical reasons.
3. Flight past the orange cones 100 yards south of the runway is prohibited by fuel powered aircraft.

4. Pilots must declare their intentions to take off, perform touch and goes, and land to the other pilots flying using those terms. Landing aircraft have the right of way. In the event of an inflight emergency, that aircraft has the predominate right of way. A reply by all to confirm your intentions must be heard.
5. No more than six (6) aircraft may be in the air at any given time.
6. Drones and helicopters will be allowed at the pad area providing they have a spotter for the landing and taking off of planes.
7. First person viewing must at all times have a spotter for all flying activity.
8. Drones and helicopters should fly at the designated area for them.
9. If no one else is flying, it is OK to fly at the flight line in a flight station.
10. If any planes are flying and you have not been certified for helicopters and drones, you must go to the designated pad area with a spotter.
11. A certified / qualified drone flyer may, by request and agreement with all, perform at the flight line for special flight opportunities.

#### Enforcement

- (a) All club members are responsible for enforcing the field and safety rules.
- (b) Any club member may request assistance from the Police for enforcing these rules should a visitor not be willing to comply.
- (c) Disputes with club members not resolvable in a calm and adult manner at the field require a written complaint submitted to the BOD, including the member's name committing the infraction and the date and time it occurred. This must be signed by the complainant. The BOD will then address the issues with the parties involved and disciplinary actions, depending on the severity of the rules violation, can be as follows:
  1. Verbal reminder to violating member;
  2. Written warning to violating member;
  3. Suspension of flying privileges; or
  4. Expulsion from club for chronic rules violations.

These rules and guidelines are subject to changes by RCMB as needed at any time.

These rules have been reviewed and approved by the RCMB Board of Directors and the members at large. They apply to and are enforced by every RCMB club member.