

NACOGDOCHES AEROMODELERS CLUB (NAMC)

FLYING SITE SAFETY RULES

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Retaining the privilege to fly at the A.L. Mangham, Jr. Regional Airport (OCH) flying site depends on every member taking the personal responsibility of knowing, understanding and following basic field safety and operational rules. These rules allow Club members to enjoy flying while assuring the safety of all members and field property.

These rules meet the Academy of Model Aircraft Safety Code adopted January 1, 2014 and comply with the City of Nacogdoches A.L. Mangham, Jr. Regional Airport Flying Site Agreement of March 2, 2011.

- 1. All pilots must hold current Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) Membership and FAA UAS registration. The only exception to this rule is a Student taking introductory flying lessons using an instructor owned trainer “buddy box system” with a NAMC Instructor at the controls. If the student has their own aircraft FAA UAS Registration is required.**

- 2. Anyone wishing to fly regularly at the OCH Flying site must be a member of the Nacogdoches Aeromodelers Club (NAMC) or member of the Lufkin Area RC Club.**

- 3. Pilots must follow the AMA Model Airplane Safety Code adopted January 1, 2014.**

- 4. Pilots must comply with the conditions in the OCH agreement dated March 2, 2011.**

- 5. All full-scale aircraft have the right-of-way at all times.**

- 6. Any Pilot requested by OCH personnel or Club safety officer to temporarily cease operations for safety purposes must do so immediately. Weather conditions may require all flight operations to stop.**

- 7. The direction of wind determines the direction of flight. All turns after takeoff must be to North regardless of the takeoff direction. No takeoff or landings when full scale aircraft are on the taxiway.**

- 8. Frequency Control: Only 2.4 Ghz Transmitters are authorized.**

- 9. Each aircraft must have a pilot/owner name, address, and/or AMA number on or in the plane for identification and FAA UAS registration.**

- 10. Pilots will not fly over any roadway, taxiway, operational runway, building or aircraft (the map of allowed overfly area is posted at the OCH site).**

- 11. Pilots must loudly announce and acknowledge each takeoff, landing, dead-stick landing, pilot on the runway, and runway clear. Special notice must be taken of any full size aircraft traffic either on the ground or in the air.**

- 12. Prior to engine start-up all aircraft are to be visually inspected. Once the transmitter is turned on, control surface movements should be inspected to assure correct attitude control. A range check must be performed prior to the first flight of a new aircraft and after any crash that might have damaged radio gear.**

- 13. A First aid kit and fire extinguisher are in the Shed behind the pits. The Safety Coordinator shall assure that both are in good working order and are well marked and visible.**

- 14. Mechanical hold-down devices or pilots assistants should secure the aircraft in place during engine start-up.**

- 15. Children are not permitted outside the spectator area without the direct supervision of an adult Club member.**

- 16. Unsafe flying conditions require all flight operations to stop.**

- 17. Club members should never leave the OCH site without checking to assure all movable objects are secured and the site is clear of any debris, trash, or model airplane equipment.**