

SPRING LAKE PARK RESERVE

MODEL AIRPLANE SAFETY CODE AND SITE RULES

1. A model aircraft may not be flown in competition or in the presence of spectators until it has been proven to be airworthy by having been successfully tested and the owners have learned to fly safely. Model aircraft will not be deliberately flown over spectators, pit area or parking lot, or buzz, tail or harass any aircraft, car, animal, or any object in the air or on the ground..
2. Models will not be flown higher than approximately 400 feet within 3 miles of an airport without notifying and receiving permission from the airport operator. Right-of-way will be given and models will not be flown in the proximity of full-scale aircraft. Where necessary, an observer shall be utilized to supervise flying to avoid having models fly in the proximity of full-scale aircraft.
3. Participants will abide by the safety rules of the flying site and any state or local regulations governing model flying, and will not fly any models in a careless, reckless or dangerous manner.
4. If a model weighs over 20 pounds, it will be flown in accordance with paragraph 5.
5. At air shows or model flying demonstrations, a single straight line must be established, one side of which is for flying, with the other side for spectators. Only those persons essential to the flight operations are to be permitted on the flying side of the line; all others must be on the spectator side. Flying over the spectator side of the line is prohibited, unless beyond the control of the pilot(s). The only exceptions, which may be permitted to the single straight-line requirement, under special circumstances involving consideration of site conditions and model size, weight, speed and power, must be jointly approved by the AMA President and Executive Director. In any case, the maximum permissible takeoff weight of models is 55 pounds.
6. Models may not be flown unless identified with owner's name and address or AMA number, on or in the model.
7. Models may not be operated with metal-bladed propellers or with gaseous boosts, in which gases or other than air enter their internal combustion engine(s); or with hazardous fuels such as those containing tetranitromethane or hydrazine.
8. Models may not be operated with pyrotechnics (any device that explodes, burns, or propels a projectile of any kind) including, but not limited to, rockets, explosive bombs dropped from models, smoke bombs, all explosive gases (such as hydrogen-filled balloons), ground mounted devices launching a projectile.
9. Models may not be flown using turbojet power (axial or centrifugal) unless the owner has obtained a special waiver for such flights from the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and will abide by any restrictions imposed on such flights by them. (Note: this does not apply to ducted fan models using piston engines or electric motors.)
10. Lost models will be retrieved with great caution, considering all circumstances thoroughly before proceeding, and owners will never attempt to recover a model from a power line. Lost models on private property shall not be retrieved until the owner of the private property gives authorization.
11. Aircraft engines will not be propped with an unprotected hand.
12. The weight limit and size of aircraft will be in accordance with the local and national rules of the FAA and/or the QSAA and those rules which apply at clubs which have special policies which exceed the coverage provided in their master policy.
13. While flying, radios must have their frequency blocked with a current Dakota County Model Airplane Flying Field Permit that is displayed on the Frequency Board. Transmitters not in use must be in the radio impound rack. Permit must be presented to Park Patrol on demand.

14. Model aircraft must be kept in the pit area when not being flown. While in the pit area, engines shall not exceed ¼ throttle setting.
15. Aircraft that require adjustments or restarting must be removed from the landing area as quickly as possible so as not to jeopardize the safety of the pilot or cause another pilot to deviate from a safe landing.
16. Designated flying stations must be used after takeoff for flying and landing.
17. Up to four aircraft are allowed in the air at one time.
18. Aircraft must be flown within a ¼ mile radius of the center of this site. Aircraft may not be flown over the parking lot, pit, spectator area, or picnic grounds.
19. Flying hours are between 8:00 a.m. and sunset.
20. Spectators are allowed only in the spectator area and parking lot.
21. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed at the field.
22. Use of amplified music or PA system requires approval by the Parks Director.
23. Pets are not allowed at the model airfield.
24. Garbage must be placed in proper waste containers.

RADIO CONTROL

1. Participants will have completed a successful radio equipment ground range check before the first flight of a new or repaired model.
2. Model aircraft will not be flown in the presence of spectators until the owner is a qualified flier, unless assisted by an experienced helper.
3. Initial turns after takeoff will be performed away from the pit or spectator areas, and aircraft will not thereafter fly over pit or spectator areas, unless beyond owner's control.
4. Models will be operated using only radio control frequencies currently allowed by the Federal Communications Commission. (Only properly licensed Amateurs are authorized to operate equipment on Amateur Band frequencies). Further, any transmitters used at a sanctioned event must have a certified R/CMA-AMA gold sticker affixed indicating that it was manufactured or modified for operation at 20 kHz frequency separation (except 27 MHz and 53 MHz).
5. All radios at the flying field will be on the impound rack.

CONTROL LINE MODELS, FREE FLIGHT AND SPORT ROCKETS ARE NOT ALLOWED.

