

Frontier Fun Flyers Club Safety and Operational Guidelines

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SAFETY RULES

1. All operations must be in accordance with the current AMA Safety Code. If the field rules differ from the AMA Safety Code, the stricter requirement shall apply.
2. Deliberate flying behind the flight line is prohibited. Do not overfly the pit area, parking area, or spectators.
3. Spectators, children, and pets should stay in the spectator area. They are allowed in the pit area under the direct supervision of a club member.
4. Equipment safety and pre-flight checks will be completed before each flight. These include radio range, battery power, flight controls, control lines, etc. Use extreme care with Li-poly batteries to avoid fires.
5. Hi start lines, if used, must run parallel to the active runway.
6. Pilots will fly models in previously designated areas and will yield right-of-way to all full scale aircraft.
7. Flight operations will stop during electrical storms, extreme high winds, or any other environmental condition that creates a hazardous situation. (Ex: fog, low light, etc.)
8. Use of aircraft restraints is highly recommended.
9. No smoking and no alcoholic beverages are allowed in the pit area or on the flight line. (See AMA rules on alcohol consumption). Please smoke in the spectator area away from children and other non-smokers. The unacceptable use of alcohol or any other controlled substance is grounds for immediate expulsion from the club.
10. No littering. Pick up trash and debris, cigarette butts, and all other trash found at the site. If you pack it in, pack it out. Avoid fuel spills and wipe up excess fuel/oil as needed. Report any large fuel spills, trash, or unsafe condition found to a club officer.
11. First aid kits, fire extinguishers, and knowledge of their use, is the responsibility of each club member. Location of the nearest hospital is also the responsibility of each club member.
12. We highly recommend that you do not fly alone. Remember, many fields are located in bear country. Please act accordingly. You have the right to carry firearms or other suitable devices such as pepper spray for your personal protection. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF YOUR GUESTS!**

OPERATIONAL RULES

1. Pilots operating models must be club members and have their club and AMA cards

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with them at the flying fields. Student pilots must be on a buddy cord system with a club member who is responsible for the aircraft at all times or under the direct supervision of an AMA Intro Pilot Instructor.

2. Guests with current AMA cards may fly at the club events or by invitation of a club member, unless they have been previously voted out of the club by expulsion. All guests must be escorted by a club member while at the site.
3. Only pilots, student pilots, and assistants are allowed on the flight line.
4. Although almost all modelers are now using 2.4 Ghz radios, if you are still using FM, the use of a frequency control board shall be utilized. All pilots are required to sign in on the board and make arrangements to share channels if necessary. If a frequency board is not available, it is the responsibility of each pilot to check with others to ensure control of their models. If in doubt – ask before you turn on your transmitter.
5. Pilots shall make appropriate announcements when taking off, landing, before advancing on the runway, and any emergency situation.
6. Landing aircraft have the right-of-way over all other aircraft movements. Recover aircraft stalled on the runway as quickly and safely as possible.
7. Take offs, landings, and touch and go's will be made within the confines of the active runway and with the flow of traffic (generally into the wind).
8. Mufflers are required on models with piston engines larger than .049 with a maximum dB rating of 98 when measured at 9 feet from the model (AMA standard rating).
9. Observed quiet hours are before 9am and after 10pm (please be considerate about noise to neighbors).
10. No littering – please pick up after yourselves (and others) to avoid possible fines.
11. No flight restrictive competition is allowed. No member shall tell another member that they cannot fly. The only exception to this rule is that flights will be restricted during club sponsored flight demonstrations or events. Any pilots concerned about safety issues are encouraged to politely point the issue out to anyone who may be flying in an unsafe way. If this issue goes unresolved or ignored by the offending pilot, then the concerned pilot should report the activity via grievance form to the club safety officer or club officer.

GENERAL FIELD ETIQUETTE

Frontier Fun Flyers is a family-oriented flying club. Be courteous to your fellow members and guests. Give inexperienced modelers a hand when you think they need it. Please: no profanity! For the continued safe use of the club fields, all pilots and spectators must observe these rules and field etiquette. Additionally, members of the

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Frontier Fun Flyers Club are not to use any other club's flying sites without that club's proper authorization. Violators are subject to disciplinary action or possible expulsion.

SITE SPECIFIC RULES:

EAGLE RIVER FIELD:

1. Club members must take reasonable precautions to prevent and suppress forest, brush, and grass fires, and to prevent pollutions of water on or in the vicinity of Eklutna, Inc.'s land. (Be very careful with Li-poly batteries).
2. Do not cut trees without prior written permission.
3. Keep all pets on a leash or otherwise under control. Young children must be supervised by an adult at all times.
4. Do not use firearms with live or blank ammunition unless your life is in danger.
5. Do not leave trash, spilled fuel, or litter on Eklutna lands. Carry a garbage bag and remove any found garbage or trash. Report large trash dumps or unsafe conditions.
6. Model aircraft fuel may be brought onto the property only in such limited quantities necessary for the operation for the model aircraft by the members of the club and their guests.
7. No other petrochemicals or other hazardous substances of any kind may be brought onto the property.
8. Operational hours are 9am to 10pm daily.

MOSQUITO FIELD:

1. The field is located approximately 2 miles South East of the Birchwood Airport. There is a 400' ceiling at this location at the current time. A NOTAM is in the process of being entered with the FAA to identify this as a permanent flying location for Radio Control Aircraft. The area in and around the Mosquito Field should be treated as a high volume area for flight activities of FULL SCALE aircraft. Please be ever vigilant of all flying activities at this site.
2. This site is on Municipality of Anchorage (Eagle River Parks and Recreation) property – all park rules and stipulations apply. (Refer to the ER Parks and Rec website for details) Any immediate problems are to be handled by MOA park staff or the Anchorage Police Department, or otherwise contact a FFF club officer to report any issues.
3. This field has three groups that use the same general area: archers, equestrians, and model aircraft clubs (Frontier Fun Flyers AMA #4618 and AK Mosquitos RC

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Assoc. AMA #1967). Please respect our neighbors.

4. Use of the grounds is conditional so long as it is not “Reserved for an Event” by others. If others have the grounds reserved, do not fly there. The Cook Inlet Archery Club has a standing reservation for a competition event on the third weekend of the month of from October to May. The equestrian’s reservation, if any, will be posted on the club website.
5. Please secure the locked gate when leaving. Please pay extra attention when leaving so as to not lock out another user group. The locks are “Daisy Chained” so make sure not to bypass another group’s lock.
6. Please be sure and police up any and all trash in the area, and pack out anything that you may have brought with you.
7. Care should be taken at all times to prevent fuel spills. Report any fuel spills over one gallon to a club officer immediately. Take immediate action to contain such spills if at all possible.

BEGICH MIDDLE SCHOOL – INDOOR SITE:

1. This site is restricted to specific dates and times – check the club website or ask an officer of the club for flying site operation information.
2. Indoor flying is limited to aircraft that have a maximum flying weight of 16 ounces and a suitable power system for indoor use per AMA Safety Codes.
3. All children must be accompanied and under adult supervision. All pets must be handled according to school policy and rules.
4. Charging of all batteries must be done in a safe manner. Use of a suitable fire control container is required when charging battery packs with 2 or more cells.
5. All related debris and trash must be removed or disposed of properly.

BUSH PILOT ESTATES – BIG LAKE:

1. Entry to the flying site will be from the west side of Parks Highway, approximately ½ mile south of the Big Lake Jct. Traffic can be busy at times so it may be prudent to turn onto Big Lake Road, turn around and then travel south on the Parks Hwy. making a safer turn towards the field. You may also turn to the west across from the Fisher Fuel Shop on the straight stretch of the Parks Hwy. (Refer to the flying sites on the website for an area map).
2. This area is under development so please be respectful of any construction that is ongoing. We have permission from Bob Fisher (Owner) to fly at this private strip. All

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AMA rules apply at this location. If there are any issues noted please contact a club officer so it can be relayed to the owner.

****If you have any questions regarding any of these rules – PLEASE ASK A CLUB OFFICER!****