

NEW HAMPSHIRE FLYING MISFITS

RADIO CONTROL AIRPLANE CLUB

BY-LAWS AND RULES

Name and Purpose

1. "THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FLYING MISFITS" goal is to promote R/C Model Aviation, but accepts and promotes all fields of model aviation sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA).

2. The Club and its flying site will be chartered and insured through the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). All flyers must have paid up AMA membership and paid club membership to fly at our field.

3. The New Hampshire Flying Misfits is limited to fifty (50) members. If the club is at its fifty (50) member limit, there is a waiting list for new members to join on a seniority basis and the club has the right to vote to raise this limit if it sees fit.

Classes of Membership

4. REGULAR MEMBERS - Qualifications for regular membership shall be: Eighteen years of age or older; an interest in R/C model aircraft; and a willingness to participate in programs of the club.

5. SENIOR MEMBERS - Any person 62 years of age or older before the calendar year starts, upon presentation of proof of age, shall be eligible for senior membership. Senior members shall have the rights and privileges of a regular member

6. JUNIOR MEMBERS - Qualifications for junior membership shall be: Under eighteen years of age at the beginning of the calendar year; be sponsored by a regular member of the club; an interest in R/C model aircraft; and a willingness to participate in the programs of the club. Junior members shall have all rights and privileges of a regular member except holding the position of office or director.

DUES and FEES

9. The amount of the dues will be voted on once a year for the coming year by the members at the meeting.

10. Dues are due prior to flying at the field. (Must prove valid AMA membership as well)

11. REGULAR MEMBERS - Dues are set at \$55.00. (Ages 18 to 61)

12. SENIOR MEMBERS - Dues are set at \$45.00. (Ages 62+)

13. JUNIOR MEMBERS - Dues are set at \$45.00 (Under 18 years of age)

14. FAMILY MEMBERS - are included with their parent's membership, but must be accompanied by the member parent.

14. Dues rate for new members joining after September 1st shall be 50% of the normal dues. After Nov 1st, it will be full rate, but it will be considered next year's dues.

Meetings

16. Meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month, with the exception if the first Monday falls on a holiday, the meeting will be held on the following Monday. Meetings will be held at Goldenrod's Restaurant on Hanover St, commencing at 6:30 PM.

17. The monthly meeting in October will be the Annual meeting for nomination of club officers. All members are required to attend.

18. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President on five days notice to each Director either personally or by mail. Special meetings shall be called in a like manner by the President or Secretary on the written request of two or more Directors.

Officers

19. The officers of the club shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Safety Officer(s), and Field Marshal(s).

20. Two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the office of President.

21. The Vice President, in the absence or disability

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of the President, may perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President and shall be responsible for the care and accounting of all club property. The Vice President shall provide a written account of all club property at the annual meeting.

22. The Secretary shall attend all club and committee meetings and shall act as clerk of each meeting, recording all votes and minutes of all proceedings, preferably in a book kept for that purpose. He shall give notice of all special meetings as required by these by-laws and shall have custody of the original copy of the By-laws and amendments thereof.

23. The Treasurer shall have custody of all funds of the club and shall keep full and accurate records of all receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the club and shall deposit all moneys in the name of and to the credit of the club in such depositories as may be designated by the club majority vote. All disbursements shall be made by check and said check shall be signed either by the Treasurer or the President. He shall render to the President and the members at regular meetings of the club, or whenever they may require it, an accounting of all his transactions as Treasurer, and of the financial condition of the club. He shall receive all applications for membership and shall transmit them to the Secretary for filing.

24. In the case of absence of any officer of the club the powers or duties of such officer may be designated to any officer or person on a temporary basis by the club officers.

Nominations and Elections

25. Club officers are nominated at the October annual meeting, elected in November at the meeting or through newsletter ballot, and take over club duties as of January of the New Year. The club officers are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Safety Officer(s), and Field Marshal(s).

Field Conduct

26. All flying club members are required to be a current member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and to present their cards at the field to fly.

27. The flying of model aircraft at the field is limited to members and their accompanied guests, who must be AMA certified. Guests are the direct responsibility of the club member and a member can have as many guests as they wish but each person is limited to (3) three visits per year unless on a buddy box system. Guests on the buddy box system do not have to have AMA to fly at the field; this will fall under the instructor. Former members of the Misfits cannot be a guest. An officer has the power to override this rule, number (27) twenty seven for any reason he/she sees fit.

28. Club members and existing officers are to review change, or revise the by-laws of the NH Flying Misfits on a yearly basis. (March)

Amendments to the BY-LAWS

29. These by-laws may be altered, amended or repealed, or new by-laws may be adopted at any regular or special meeting by affirmative vote of at least two thirds of those members present at such meetings and entitled to vote in the election of officers, provided notice of intention to amend the by-laws shall have been contained in the notice of the meeting.

30. If the field shed proves to be a tax burden to the property owners, the Club will take responsibility for such burden. As long as there is an active Club with officers and active memberships, the Club will be responsible for the shed and its contents. If the Club were to disband, the Club will be responsible for removal of the Shed at no cost to the property owners.

Rules

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1. No Flying over pit area, spectator area, parking areas, over / beyond the main runway to the West or North beyond the tall trees. The plane parking area to the South is also off limits.
2. All take-offs or hand launches are to be from the runway **only** and not from any other area.
3. No more than four planes up in the air at one time.
4. To fly at the field, all pilots must have another person with them to act as a spotter for the real airplanes that are in the vicinity.
5. Immediately upon arrival at the field, FM transmitters must be placed in the impound area (The shelving in the shed is considered the impound area).
6. To participate in any modeling activity, engines of 0.049 CI or larger must have mufflers.
7. Running up of engines with exhausts or prop wash toward other aircraft or pit area is prohibited.
8. All pilots are to fly from the pilot stations.
9. Before taking off and landing, make sure pilots know of your intentions.
10. All inexperienced pilots shall be assisted by an experienced flyer. The model to be flown must be inspected before its first flight by any experienced club member at the flying site. Failure to comply will result in a loss of membership or rights to fly.
11. Any new or previously crashed aircraft must be inspected before its next flight by an experienced club member.
12. No onlookers / spectators / non members on the runway unless accompanied by a current member.
Limit of two people with pilot.
13. Always have your AMA card with you for use to identify frequencies during flying.
14. Everyone who intends on flying must have proof that he/she has AMA insurance. All pilots are required to have AMA insurance.
15. Those people who break the club rules will be warned and the level of severity will dictate the action that will be taken. The club officers will have final say.
16. At the least, three days (maybe more) a year will be allotted as "club work days". Every member is encouraged to show up for those days. These include, but not limited to, 2 field days and the club auction. This is to help maintain the field and make the auction run smoothly, there are no free rides. These days will be announced in the newsletters or you will be notified by phone of when these days are scheduled. Sign in at the field to gain credit for your effort and work.

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17. If a person has the frequency pin and is shot down while flying by another radio on the same frequency, then he/she will be reimbursed for damage done, by the person who shot them down.
18. Transmitters must 2.4 GHz, or if 72 MHz, must be gold stickered (narrow band) which means 1991 approved.
19. No alcohol or illicit drugs are allowed at the field or a club sponsored event.
20. Flying solo at the field.
 1. No fueled aircraft or ducted fans
 2. Parkflyer type airplanes
 3. 200 series heli's
 4. 350 sized quads

The purpose of this is that people can fly something while they are waiting for others to show up. The reasoning behind it is that if your aircraft, flying as fast as it can go, hits a person and can cause damage, it's too big to fly solo. If your aircraft does not fit into the above list, please ask before you fly solo. Don't ruin it for the rest of us.
21. In order to keep nearby neighbors and residents happy, a person can fly **and/or run up engines/motors** on the following days at the following times: **(This is a rule and there are no exceptions)**.
 - **Monday thru Friday** from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM (8:00 PM for fueled engines and loud EDF)
 - **Saturday** from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM (10:00 AM to 8:00 PM for fueled engines and loud EDF)
 - **Sunday** from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

