

# OWATONNA R/C MODELERS FLYING FIELD RULES

The following field rules have been adopted by the Owatonna R/C Modelers for the mutual benefit and safety of all members, guests, and spectators. Enforcement of the rules is the responsibility of each individual member, and the member noticing an infraction should take corrective action promptly.

## USE OF FIELD

1. This is an AMA insured flying field! You are welcome to use this site if:
  - A. You are a member in good standing of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA),

**And**
  - B. You are a member, or the guest of a member of the Owatonna R/C Modelers.

**And**
  - C. You follow all published AMA, FAA and Owatonna RC Modelers field safety rules.

***Note: Our AMA charter does not permit use of the field unless you are covered by AMA insurance, AMA card is required on 72 MHz and/or 2.4 GHz frequency board.***

2. No member or guest may fly unless they have in their possession at the field their valid AMA and club membership cards as required above.
  - 2.1 All pilots must also have a valid FAA number and that number must be on each aircraft. The number must be accessible on the aircraft without tools if requested to be seen.
3. Park your vehicle in designated areas only.
4. No unleashed pets are allowed at the flying site.
5. R/C models should never be placed on the picnic tables. Doing so can create an oil contamination that detracts from the purpose for which the tables are intended.
6. Maintenance and cleanup of R/C models should be done on the tables provided in the pit area or at your field box or vehicle. Engines or motors should never be started on the tables or in the spectator/parking areas.
7. Put your trash in the trash cans provided or take it with you.
8. You are responsible for any and all actions by yourself: your guests, your pets, and your children. This includes damage to property including R/C models and equipment. A committee of the Owatonna R/C Modelers shall determine, if required, the value of any R/C planes and equipment damaged by a negligent operator.
9. All 72 MHz transmitters must carry approved frequency flag and channel number.
10. Mufflers are mandatory on all engines above .10 cu. in.
11. Before turning on your transmitter, you must indicate on the frequency board which 72MHz channel you are going to operate. Cover the frequency number on the board with your AMA card. Remove the corresponding clothes pin and attach

it to your radio. If your frequency number is in use, wait your turn. After each flight, your transmitter must be turned off and placed back in the impound racks on the frequency board. Return the cloths pin to the frequency board and remove your AMA card. If using a 2.4 GHz transmitter, place your AMA card on the 2.4 GHz board.

12. Electric aircraft are to be armed at the taxiway or on a starting stand.
13. Perform take-offs and landings only on the approved runway areas.
14. Do not fly over the pit, parking, or spectator areas.
15. All flight control must be from the designated control area. Anyone entering the field must announce "ON THE FIELD" to any pilots who are flying.
16. No more than six aircraft are permitted in the air at anyone time (An exception to this rule may be made for special events if the number of waiting pilots and their experience level would warrant it. Such exception must be approved by a majority of club officers.)
17. Call your landings! This makes other pilots at the flight line aware of a landing aircraft, and they will yield right of way to it. Yell, "Coming in" or "Landing". Any pilot may declare an emergency (including dead stick) by voice. Once declared, he has right of way over all aircraft under power. There will be no take-offs or landings until he lands or the emergency is terminated.
18. Pilots will not "Taxi" while in the pits. You are required to keep your plane tethered while running your engine(s) in the pits.
19. Starting tables are to face the runway to prevent props from going toward the spectator area in the case of a malfunction. When performing maintenance or repairs, the prop or battery must be removed from electric aircraft. Large aircraft (electric, gas or nitro) that cannot utilize the starting stands must be tethered with the prop facing the runway.

***The above field rules were voted on and accepted by the Owatonna R/C Modelers May 26, 1988  
Amendments made November 30, 1989 under # 11 to add 1991 sticker on all transmitters and the use of  
only even numbered frequencies on the narrow band transmitters.***

***Updated March 1, 1996 to eliminate the even numbered frequencies requirement due to changes in  
transmitters.***

***Updated November 30, 2001 to change location of parking #3 and number of aircraft #19.***

***Updated January 15, 2005 to change the following:***

1. Added AMA card required on frequency board
2. Parking in designated areas only
3. changed all "Aircraft" to "R/C models"
4. Removed intoxicating liquor and drug rule. (Covered in AMA safety rules)
5. removed the "Equipment" sub header.
6. Removed "Use radio controlled model aircraft only on this site."
7. Removed the gold sticker from rule #9.
8. Removed "Flight Control" sub header.
9. Removed "Please respect the rights of your fellow flyers."
10. Removed "Do not stand on runway areas except during takeoffs and landings."
11. Removed "20 feet from pits" and added "Must" to rule #14
12. Removed "In the presence of other flyers, beginner pilots are asked to involve an experienced flyer to assist them."
13. Combined rule #16 and #17 to make one rule #16.
14. Added rule #17.

- 15. Added 1C
- 16. Added Clothes pin rules to #11- Modified for 2.4 GHZ radios
- 17. Added starting table rule # 18.

**Updated March 5, 2014 to change the following**

- 18. Added 72 MHz and 2.4MHz verbiage to rule #1
- 19. Added 'or motors' to rule #6
- 20. Added 72 MHz to rules #9.
- 21. Added 72 MHz and new verbiage for the use of AMA cards instead of clothes pins on 2.4MHz board.
- 22. Added Rule #12
- 23. Added the words "ON THE FIELD" to rule #15
- 24. Added verbiage for Maintenance and repairs to rule # 19

**Updated January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018**

- 25. Added FAA to item 1C
- 26. Added Rule 2.1 for FAA Requirements