

MATS flying field rules – 23rd December 2013

Always carry your M.A.T.S. and M.A.A.C. member's cards in a visible way, preferably pinned to your hat, while on the farm and be ready to show them when asked by either the farm personnel or by MATS officers.

1. No vehicles to drive on the dirt roads at all if the road is soft or if the access gate is closed.
2. U-turns are to be only executed in approved areas.
3. Flying area's to be coordinated with Mr Julien Richer and e-mailed to members (check with MATS officers when in doubt). Flying area should be away from newly planted grass or crops, and launch and landing area's to be at least 50M upwind from such grass or crops. The no fly zone by Rue Ranger and the power lines must be respected at all times. Refer to map below for fields where flying is prohibited for public safety reasons.
4. When setting up winches and/or high-starts make sure that all spikes are marked with a well attached ribbon or colored disk for visibility. No spike shall be left on the field in order to prevent damage to expensive mowers.
5. Warning signs must be posted for insurance purposes, please attach to your vehicle or a stake as you prefer. Please ensure that the sign is removed when you have finished flying for the day. Only the official MAAC warning sign should be used.
6. Any pilot who is not capable of controlling his/her model to land on the mature grass must ask for help from someone who can, prior to launching the plane. Pilots who do not have their Wings shall not fly solo at all times. If you see a member having difficulty flying, help the member out if you are able, if not, call another member who can.
7. BEFORE TURNING ON YOUR RADIO check the frequency board AND ONLY THEN put up your pin or check with the conflicting flyer to identify a frequency sharing necessity. If no frequency board is available, set up a pin holder of some sort such as a wind indicator or a dowel-rod.
8. In case an airplane propelled by an electric motor rests unattended on the ground the battery must be disconnected. Visual access to the battery plugs must be provided to allow visual verification that the motor is not under tension.
9. NO LITTERING !! Please pick up your food wrappers, cups, cans, cigarette butts and pieces of models as well as any mower parts and garbage you may see, even if it's not yours!
10. While four people who are NOT M.A.T.S. members have special permission from Mr. Richer to fly gas powered models away from our glider and electric operations, any other gas powered flying is STRICTLY FORBIDDEN and such M.A.T.S. members are subject to immediate expulsion from our club subject to the conditions of the resolution passed at the 1995 M.A.T.S. AGM.
11. Any strangers flying gliders or electric models should be approached and asked to produce their MAAC card and only then be invited as your guest to continue flying. This on the condition that they join our club for the next time they want to fly on our cherished, and insured, flying field.
12. REMEMBER THAT WE ARE GUESTS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, ACT ACCORDINGLY! AS FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE ANY OF THE ABOVE RULES POTENTIALLY COMPROMISES THE PRIVILEGES OF THE REST OF THE CLUB'S MEMBERS. **THE EXECUTIVE HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVOKE MEMBERSHIP WHEN DEEMED NECESSARY.**

By signing below, I expressly acknowledge that I have read MATS flying field rules and consent to be bound by its terms and conditions:

Signature _____

Name (Print):

Date:

MAAC Number