

# CENTRAL COAST MODEL AERO CLUB

## OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

**Membership of the Central Coast Model Aero Club is conditional on compliance at all times with the following CCMAC Operational Procedures, and the MAAA Safety Code and Manual of Procedures.**

**Opening Times** - the field is available for use by members 7 days a week between the hours of 8.00 am and 6.00 pm. For reasons of personal safety members are strongly advised not to fly alone at any time.

**Visiting Pilots** - pilots from other clubs are permitted to fly at the field up to four times per year on the invitation and in the company of a full CCMAC member. On each occasion they must show proof of appropriate insurance and their current FAI number, and sign the club's visitors book, before flying. A visiting pilot is not permitted to fly at the field at the invitation of an associate member unless a full CCMAC member is present.

**Associate Members** - pilots from other clubs may join CCMAC as an associate member provided they are a current MAAA member.

**Pilot Training** - all training must be conducted by a full CCMAC member with a minimum Gold Wings accreditation, unless a special dispensation is given by a qualified instructor. All trainee testing for accreditation must be conducted or supervised by a qualified instructor. Prospective new members are entitled to up to four introductory training flights before lodging their membership application.

**Noise Control** - no motor is to exceed 96 db in operation. The running in or extended tuning of motors must be undertaken away from the pit area on a special bench provided for this purpose.

**2.4GHz Transmitters** - all 2.4GHz must be listed on MAAA's approved equipment list.

**36MHz Transmitters** - all 36MHz transmitters must be certified when new or when a frequency change occurs (including a change of crystal). They must be placed in the allocated location in the clubhouse on arrival at the field and a frequency key with the pilot's name and channel number placed on the board provided before the transmitter is switched on. After each flight pilots are to remove their key and replace their transmitter in the clubhouse, ensuring it is switched off. A key must only be removed from the board by the owner. If two or more pilots have the same frequency, a maximum of 20 minutes key time is allowed. If the frequency is already in use, a "waiting key" is to be placed on the board below the key in use.

**Test Flights** - as a courtesy to pilots test flying an aircraft, solo use of the field will be provided on request.

**Control Line Aircraft** - control line members have exclusive use of the field on Wednesday and Saturday between 12.00 pm and 6.00 pm. RC flyers have exclusive use of the field at all other times.

### Helicopters and Multi-rotor Aircraft

**Beginner** (pre bronze wing for helicopters, pre silver wing for multi-rotors). A dedicated hover practice area is provided separate from the main field (for the use of beginners only).

**Intermediate and Advanced** (bronze, silver and gold wings for helicopters, silver and gold for multi-rotors). Helicopters are permitted to fly circuits with fixed wing aircraft on the main field. Multi-rotor aircraft must be flown on the club's dedicated quad field, for which a specific safety code applies.

**3D Helicopters** (gold wing only). 3D manoeuvres may only be performed when the pilot has sole use of the field. To facilitate this, 3D pilots are permitted to use the field for 10 minute periods when other aircraft are not in the air. Once a 3D pilot has commenced their flight, other aircraft are not permitted to take off until the flight is completed.

**FPV Aircraft** - FPV equipped aircraft may be flown in strict adherence to our Club Policy For Members Wishing To Fly FPV Aircraft. FPV equipped fixed wing aircraft may use the club's main field. FPV multi-rotor aircraft must use the club's dedicated quad field, for which a specific safety code applies.