



### **BARNSTORMERS CLUB RULES**

1. You will complete and sign the attendance register with the Groundsman before you fly.
2. You need to have your membership cards (Barnstormers and SAMAA ) with you when on the club's premises
3. If you bring a visitor to fly with you such a visitor will be required to show his/her current SAMAA membership, will complete the attendance register under visitors and pay a R100.00 (One hundred Rand) landing fee. You as member take responsibility to inform such a member of these rules. You as a member also take personal responsibility for all actions by your visitor whilst on club premises. Visitors must obtain a Visitors Card from the Groundsman to be placed on the peg board.
4. You will not switch on a transmitter of any nature (including 2.4Ghz if you have not placed your current and valid Barnstormers Membership Card on the correct frequency on the peg board. Only ICASA approved radios are allowed.
5. You may only fly by yourself if you have been awarded at least a SAMAA Solo proficiency. If you have not been awarded at least a Solo proficiency you are regarded as a student pilot.
6. A student pilot may only fly if accompanied by a club instructor (minimum silver proficiency).
7. Use only the runway in operation to take off and land on into the wind.
8. The wind direction will dictate the direction of take-off and landing.
9. After taking off the pilot will make an initial turn away from the clubhouse, spectators, pits, parking area and other pilots and will not intentionally fly over the pits, club house, parking area or other pilots and spectators.
10. Pilots will follow a circuit pattern and all will fly in the same direction. The movement around the circuit will be dictated by the wind direction so take-off and landing will always be into the wind.

**NO PILOT may fly his aircraft in the opposite direction of aircraft in the circuit**

11. The pilot will communicate to other pilots his intentions at all times such as Take- off, Landing, Dead stick, Crossing the runway, Runway clear, low pass left to right etc.
12. The pilot will not do anything that might cause an accident and/or harm to people and/or damage property. A pilot will not intentionally/wilfully fly his model recklessly or dangerously.
13. Each member is a Safety Officer.
  - i) The member arriving first at the particular area at the club where he flies (ie RC Aircraft, Helicopters, FPV and Control line) shall be the Safety Officer for the day for that area until he leaves.
  - ii) A high visibility “bib” (Safety Officer) shall be worn by this person which can be collected from the groundsman and returned at the end of the days flying activities.
  - iii) The Safety Officer shall hand over the “bib” to another member once he leaves who will take over the responsibility of Safety Officer until he leaves and so on and so on.
  - iv) It is the task of the Safety Officer on duty to police compliance with these Club Rules.
  - v) Any incident (including full particulars of any crash) or warning issued by the Safety Officer shall be recorded in the allocated space in the Attendance Register.
  - vi) Any person failing to abide by a verbal warning given by a Safety Officer on duty or any person flying under the influence or flying recklessly may immediately be grounded by such Safety Officer on duty.
14. Only the pilot in command and his/her caller shall be allowed onto the FLYING AREA (this is the area just behind the orange safety fence) for RC and if runway 2 is used the movable safety fence has to be placed in its allocated area to form a separate FLYING AREA. No flying will be done from any other area than behind a safety fence (FLYING AREA).
15. No equipment may be left on the runways.
16. No starting/restarting on the runways or close to the runways or FLYING AREA.
17. No pilot may deliberately fly out of sight. Visual contact must at all times be kept with an aircraft.
18. Do not taxi in the pit area. Aircraft must be wheeled or carried in a safe manner to the starting area.
19. Do not tune and rev your engine in the pit area. It is preferable that you start your engine at the allocated starting poles at the beginning of the taxi way or the last table closest to the taxi way. You may tune/rev your engine only in this area.
20. All engines must be cut on the taxi way after flying, electric motors may only be connected to the battery once the aircraft is away from the pit area. Disconnect batteries as soon as you have landed and cleared the runway

21. Fuelling will only take place on the concrete slabs or tables in the pit area. No fuelling on the grass or tar. No fuelling under the shelters.
22. Dead sticks take priority over all other aircraft landing. Similarly all aircraft landing take priority over aircraft waiting to take off.
23. " Beat up's" and low passes are to be done on the other side of the runway in use.
24. Helicopters may only be flown in the allocated helicopter area. The same goes for FPV/Quad Copters and Control Line aircraft. In this regard a separate peg system shall be used at the specific area providing that **ONLY** 2.4 gigahertz frequencies may be used in these areas. Please also refer to Rule 13 above in respect of a separate Safety Officer for each discipline flying at the same time.
25. No alcohol is allowed in the pits or on flight line
26. No pilot may operate an aircraft whilst intoxicated or under the influence of a drug.
27. Failure to abide by these rules will have the following consequences:  
  
First Offence: Verbal warning by the Safety Officer and recording such in the Attendance Register  
  
Second Offence: Written Warning issued by the club's elected Safety Officer and handed to the member in person  
  
Third Offence: Member grounded and a disciplinary hearing convened by the Committee
28. The height limit for model aircraft is 400 feet AGL.
29. Full size aircraft always has right of way.
30. The pilot will have read the SAMAA Safety Rules as published on the Barnstormers website which are enforced by the club.
31. The pilot will observe the SAMAA Safety Code, the SAMAA Code for R/C Field Operations, the SIG Sporting Codes, the rules and guidelines set out in the Procedures of the SAMAA Operating Manual.
32. The pilot also understands the possible consequences and liabilities arising out of the use of a model aircraft and accepts full liability for all such consequences.
33. On Sundays flying with petrol motors may only take place between 9h00 and 18h00.

By Order

The committee