

Dewsbury and District Model Aero Club (DDMAC) Flying Field Rules

(Amended 1st May 2014)

1. All club members must be fully paid up members of the BMFA before using the flying field and a valid DDMAC membership card must be available for inspection when flying.
2. All members must achieve a minimum of a BMFA A certificate before flying solo, preferably within 6 months of joining the club. Until they do so, they must be accompanied by an approved club instructor whilst flying.
3. All instructors must have a minimum of a BMFA A certificate. The committee will maintain a list of approved instructors.
4. Vehicles must be parked in the designated car parking area (at their owners' risk). Disabled or aged members are allowed to use their vehicles to drop equipment off at the side of the pits area but must then immediately return their vehicles to the car park and must at all times keep their vehicles off the main mown grass areas.
5. Permitted flying hours for **ALL** aircraft are:

10.30 am – 8.30 pm weekdays with a short non flying period 4.30-5.00 pm

11.00 am – 8.30 pm Saturday and Sunday with a non flying period 5.00-6.00 pm

No models to be flown outside these hours. No control line models to be flown at weekends.

Flying hours may infrequently be limited further by special functions on nearby playing fields. Members must use their own discretion in this situation, remembering that good flying fields are hard to find.

As of 1/5/2014 the flying of 'ultra quiet electric models' will be permitted from 1000 to 2100 daily, without any breaks in the flying times. The committee reserve the right to withdraw this facility at any time for any reason. Typical permitted 'ultra quiet electric models' are stock '3 cell Foamee Wot 4's and 3 cell Max Thrust Riots' and no more than 3 cell 450 size (or smaller) helicopters. All models must be considered acceptable for noise by 2 committee members or instructors before they can be flown in the 'quiet only' times. The flying times for all other models apart from the models defined as 'ultra quiet electric models' will remain unchanged.

6. Engine noise must be restricted to 82 db measured at 7 metres or within any future DOE requirements. Test meter available on request from committee members. Models exceeding this noise limit must not be flown at any time.
7. 35 Meg. Radio equipment must be operated on **odd** frequencies only.
8. RADIO CONTROL FAILSAFES – Any powered models flown with a radio control failsafe device (2.4 Gig. or 35 Meg.) must have that device set so that its operation brings the engine/motor to run at its lowest speed (stopped in the case of electric models) and specifically **not to hold** the last position of the engine/motor control. It is the responsibility of the pilot to ensure that the failsafe is operating correctly before each flying session and he/she may be asked to demonstrate this by a club official.
9. No model should exceed 7 kg. Any model exceeding this weight is not permitted to fly at DDMAC.
10. The maximum number of models in the air at any one time is limited to four.
11. Flight times/possession of frequency pegs are limited to 15 minutes when the field is busy.
12. Visitors and members are required to obey instructions given by club officials at all times.
13. Members wishing to allow visitors to fly at the club field may do so provided that prior permission is received from a club official and that the visitor can show proof of a valid A certificate and current BMFA insurance. All guests must be made fully aware of and abide by the club rules. Visitors are allowed to fly on three separate occasions in any 12 month period. If they wish to fly on a fourth occasion, within the 12 month period, they must apply and be accepted as a full club member and pay the requisite club subscription.
14. No mobile phones are to be taken within 10 metres of the flight line.
15. Junior members must be accompanied by adults at all times.
16. ALL FLYING MUST BE WITHIN THE DEFINED BOUNDARIES OF THE SITE PLAN overleaf:

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