

North Branch Park

Flying Field Regulations

In conjunction with all current AMA field and safety regulations, the Somerset County Park Commission has established the following regulations governing this field.

- 1) Flyers must have in their possession a current AMA card and Park Commission Flying Field Permit. Park Field Permits may be obtained at the Park Headquarters.*
- 2) Field hours: Weekdays 10:00 am - 7:30pm
Weekends 10:00 - 5:30pm
Non-motorized and electric Aircraft: 8:00am until 1 hour before sunset.*
- 3) Aircraft must stay within established flight boundaries.*
- 4) A maximum of four (4) aircraft (any combination of planes, gliders, and helicopters) and one Helicopter in the "Helicopter Hover Station" (station H) are permitted in the air at any one time. This regulation may be amended by the Park for specific functions with prior approval.*
- 5) Flying behind flight line or over Helicopter hover area is prohibited.*
- 6) Engine restart on runway is prohibited.*
- 7) Taxiing aircraft from flight station to pit area is prohibited.*
- 8) Operation of aircraft and equipment in areas other than the flight station is prohibited.*
- 9) Expansion type mufflers are required for all engines over .99 cubic inches. Pre-1950 vintage ignition propelled engines are exempt.*
- 10) A Spinner and/or safety nut is required on all engines.*
- 11) A restraining device must be utilized when starting aircraft.*

12) *All transmitters (with the exception of 2.4 GHz) are to be impounded at the impound station. Transmitters (with the exception of 2.4 GHz) not in the impound station must have a Frequency Pin attached.*

13) *All transmitters at flight stations must have frequency/flight station pin attached.*

14) *All transmitters manufactured before 2000, except those on the Amateur 53 MHz band, must have a certified R/MA-AMA gold sticker affixed indicating it was manufactured or modified for operation at a 20 KHz frequency separation. Note: Futaba brand must state "Narrow Band" in lieu of the gold sticker.*

15) *Students/Trainees cannot fly without the assistance of a Certified Pilot. A Pilot is one who has attained a "P" and/or "H" sticker on their Park Permit.*

16) *All individuals are considered Students/Trainees until certified by an approved Check Pilot.*

17). *Station "H" is the hover and student teaching area for helicopters only. All of the above regulations pertain to the use of station "H" as well as the following:*

A) Use of station "H" requires helicopters flown to stay within the helicopter area boundaries.

B) One helicopter at a time may fly at station "H".

C) All helicopter student/trainees flyers must have Certified Pilot standing with them.

18) *Initial turns after take off must be away from the pit / spectator area.*

19) *All flyers should attempt to keep engine noise levels below 100 DB at a reference distance of 9 feet.*

Failure to comply with any of the above regulations or the AMA Safety Code, will result in a temporary suspension or permanent revocation of the park permit; subject to Park review.

Park Guests

Current flying field permit holders may bring a guest to fly by adhering to the following procedures.

- A) The permit holder acts as a sponsor and is responsible for the actions of the guest.*
- B) He/She must have in their possession a valid AMA card and fill out a Park Guest Pass.*
- C) A Guest will be limited to three visits. After that, the Guest must apply for a Flying Field Permit at the Park Commission headquarters.*