

Traverse Area Model Pilots Society Field Rules

1. All T.R.A.M.P.S. Members shall be designated SAFETY Officers. Members shall be charged with monitoring all model and full size activity at the flying site and assure that all rules are observed.
2. Every pilot that is not considered a guest or visitor **MUST** be a member of T.R.A.M.P.S. and possess a T.R.A.M.P.S. membership sticker and also be a current member of the ACADAMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS (AMA) and possess an AMA card with the T.R.A.M.P.S. sticker affixed to it and agree to abide by all AMA and T.R.A.M.P.S. rules. The AMA card shall be contained inside a “club provided” clear plastic envelope showing the front of the AMA card with the T.R.A.M.P.S. sticker affixed. This arrangement shall be referred to as the “badge holder.”
3. Guests/Visitors to the area will be permitted to fly at the T.R.A.M.P.S. fields as long as all club rules are obeyed. Guests/Visitors **MUST** have proof of AMA membership in their possession in order to fly, or be flying with a T.R.A.M.P.S. instructor. This shall be permitted for a two-week limit per person.
4. All pilots shall read and agree to abide by these posted rules.
5. All T.R.A.M.P.S. Members will have a signed copy of these field rules on file with the club Treasurer.
6. The first member flying at the field on any day is responsible for displaying the frequency board.
7. **All** transmitters must be off when you arrive at the field. 72 Mhz transmitters must remain off except when having the correct 72 Mhz clip from the 72 Mhz frequency board affixed to the transmitter.
8. All 72 Mhz transmitters **must** be fitted with a frequency clip from the frequency board that matches the frequency of their 72 Mhz transmitter before turning on the transmitter for any reason. 2.4 Ghz transmitters are exempt from this rule.
9. For 72 Mhz pilots. When ready to fly or test your 72 Mhz aircraft, take the correct frequency clip and place it on your transmitter. Clip your badge holder to the frequency board at the frequency number you are using. If the frequency clip that your transmitter is set to is in use and a badge holder in the slot, place your badge holder with the existing badge holder and notify the pilot owning that badge holder that you will be sharing the same frequency clip with them. Immediately upon finishing your flying or testing, if other pilots with the same frequency are present and waiting to fly, pilots flying 72 Mhz must turn off, and remain turned off, their 72 Mhz transmitters, return the frequency clip to the frequency clip board, or, if the pilot already has a badge holder attached to your shared frequency on the frequency clip board, you may notify that pilot next in line and coordinate sharing the frequency clip. Otherwise, if one or more badge holders are behind yours, notify the next badge holder owner in line that the frequency is available.
10. For 2.4 Ghz Pilots. When ready to fly or test your 2.4 Ghz aircraft, pilots must have a badge holder clipped to your person showing your current AMA membership card, or proof of AMA membership, with the front of the AMA card shown so the T.R.A.M.P.S. sticker is visible.
11. All pilots must operate their aircraft from behind a safety barricade at any pilot station that is open along the active runway.

12. Pilots will not start or arm their aircraft to fly until it is their turn at the pilot flight station. If pilots use the startup stands to assemble and start their plane, the startup stands should be to the left or right of the flight stations. Once started, the pilot should carry the plane to the taxiway and set it down. There shall be no taxiing through the pit area or behind other pilots on the flight line.
13. Pilots with giant scale planes and pilots who want to start on the ground should use one of the taxiways to start their planes. They should use a tail hook or fellow club member to restrain the plane while starting the plane. Once the plane is started, they should move to a pilot flight station, taxi to the runway and fly. There shall be no taxiing through the pit area or behind other pilots on the flight line.
14. Flight/Test stands are available for assembly of arriving aircraft to the field and disassembly of aircraft leaving the field. Testing aircrafts shall be done on a flight/test stand located parallel to flying pilots on the flight line and far enough away as to not interfere with normal conversation decibels between pilots flying aircraft.
15. Aircraft must be flown within the designated flying area, with no intentional over-flying of the pit, spectator area or parking area. At Rennie Field no intentional flying is permitted south of Rennie School Road.
16. No more than six aircraft may be flown at one time without club approval. Each pilot shall stand behind a flight station barricade on the flight line.
17. Any combustion engine must be fitted with an effective noise reduction exhaust system.
18. A T.R.A.M.P.S. Instructor must check out students and new members ability to control aircrafts safely before allowing them to fly solo on a T.R.A.M.P.S. field.
19. Any pilot planning to fly may not be under the influence of any substance prior to flying, nor may members, guests, or visitors on the grounds of the flying site consume any alcohol or substance. Members, guests, and visitors must leave if under the influence or belligerent at any T.R.A.M.P.S. flying field or meetings.
20. All persons present at any R.C. flying field shall be aware of full-size aircraft flying in the airspace. All R.C. aircraft pilots shall land their aircraft immediately and yield to fullsize aircraft attempting to land at the Interlochen airport.
21. Violation of the above rules may be reported to the Board of Directors. Violators face penalties may include, but are not limited to, grounding and possible removal from T.R.A.M.P.S. membership.
22. Parking shall be in designated areas only.

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