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The following set of Safety Rules are published for the benefit and safety of all Dardanup AeroModellers Society (Inc.) (DAMS) members and for the safety of the public at large. All members are required to operate their model aircraft in accordance with these rules and the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) CAR (1998) Part 101 and the Model Aeronautical Association of Australia (MAAA) regulations.

1. Under NO circumstance shall any person switch on a radio transmitter without first ensuring that the appropriate frequency in the Frequency Key Board is clear and they have inserted a Frequency Key in the Frequency Key Board. On completion of their flight the Frequency Key is to be removed from the Frequency Key Board by the pilot after ensuring they have turned their transmitter off.
2. All modelers using DAMS flying site shall be either financial members, guests of members and/or visitors and have current public liability insurance through club membership or MAAA.
3. All visitors who fly at the DAMS flying site shall enter name, address and date in the visitor's book.
4. No member shall fly or operate equipment which is faulty, in need of repair and/or not checked prior to flying.
5. All flying activities shall comply with MAAA MOP 014 GENERAL RULES AND GUIDELINES FOR THE OPERATION OF MODEL AIRCRAFT.
6. While tuning the aircraft the model shall be suitably restrained.
7. Aircraft shall not be started or taxied in the pits and shall not take-off from the taxiways.
8. During landing and on take-off flying towards or over the pits shall be avoided at all times. Pilots whilst flying shall stand in the designated flying box.
9. Pilots shall call intentions for take-off, deadstick landing, touch and go and landing. At all times the pilot shall not proceed with the maneuver without first receiving a definite acknowledgement from all other pilots except in the instance of a deadstick landing.
10. A powered aircraft dead stick and/or glider shall have the right of way at all times.
11. Children are not permitted in the flying area unless under strict supervision of an adult.
12. No member shall remain tuning and/or starting an engine on the runway. If there is a problem, the aircraft shall be moved to the ready box for re-adjustment.

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- 13.** All models are to be suitably restrained while starting. Preferably in the provided plane restraints in the startup area.
- 14.** All electric models are to be treated the same as glow/petrol models and are to be suitably restrained while arming.
- 15.** No electric model is to be armed in the pits. That is connecting the battery to speed controller. The model is to be taken to the startup area, restrained and only then can the model be armed ready for flight.
- 16.** It is recommended that electric models be fitted with an isolation switch or disarm switch.
- 17.** It is recommended that models fitted with on board glow systems should be fitted with some form of isolation switch to disable the glow system until ready to start the model.
- 18.** All modellers after starting their aircraft in the ready box/starting area shall suitably restrain their aircraft until well clear of the ready box/starting area and clear of any area where it may be a danger to other people. Only then can the modellers commence taxiing.
- 19.** Effective silencers must be used on engines except where competition classes permit tuned pipes and/or the exclusion of mufflers. Those who fly noisy aircraft may be requested by the Committee or Safety Officer to land and rectify the model before further flying the model.
- 20.** No member shall consume alcohol prior to or whilst flying.
- 21.** Every member shall be responsible for ensuring that they and every visitor/s in their charge are aware of the Club flying and safety rules.
- 22.** The last person to leave the field shall secure the field's facilities, pit and car-park areas, any electric fences and gates and lock the main gate.
- 23.** All members shall comply with the conditions of any Lease Agreement with the land owner/s for use of the flying field.
- 24.** Models over 7kg in all up weight must have permits to fly. Enquire about permits from your Committee Members.
- 25.** Instructions given by the Safety Officer of the day shall be adhered to.
- 26.** Smoking shall only be permitted within the confines of the car-park.

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- 27.** Trainee pilots will be covered by an Instructor's insurance for TWO (2) flying dates only. After those TWO (2) flying dates it is expected that the trainee shall have obtained adequate insurance in accordance with the MAAA insurance policy. Instruction is provided under strict understanding that "All care is taken however owners will be deemed responsible for all eventualities including damage to their models."
- 28.** Any test flights of a new model the pilot shall be given the opportunity to fly their model without any other models in the air. Free air space should also be given to first solo pilots.
- 29.** The location of the flight box should be positioned close to the takeoff point for an into wind takeoff. If the wind changes than the pilot box should be relocated to suit the new wind direction.
- 30.** No member shall use other people's equipment without prior approval of the owner.
- 31.** No mobile phones are permitted in the pit area, startup area or flight line. All mobiles are to left in the car or club room.

It is in your interest to observe these rules.....Above all else, use **COMMONSENSE** and **FLY SAFELY** and enjoy your chosen hobby.