

Perth Radio Controlled Helicopter Club Inc.

General Safety and Flying Rules.

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1. The Hertha Reserve, Stirling is the flying site of the Perth Radio Controlled Helicopter Club Inc (PRCHC).
2. Only fully paid current members of the PRCHC and their invited visitors are entitled to use the flying field and facilities.
3. All flying must be in accordance with;
 - 3.1.the Rules of the Model Aeronautical Association of Australia (MAAA),
 - 3.2.the Civil Aviation Orders (CAOs) and Civil Aviation Regulations (CARs) of the Civil Aviation Authority of Australia (CAA)
 - 3.3.the General Safety and Flying Rules of the PRCHC and
 - 3.4.the Conditions of Usage, Ground Allocation of the City of Stirling.
4. Visitors are permitted to use the flying field under guidance from a fully paid current member for up to three times per year before they are expected to join the club or pay \$5.00 per visit if they are already an MAAA affiliated member.
5. Only the flying of radio controlled model helicopters on either the 36 MHz or 2.4 GHz bands is permitted. No other radio controlled models are allowed at this field.
6. Absolutely no flying at all is permitted unless four warning signs are erected at each of the following locations. The North West corner (freeway footbridge pedestrian access), the South West Corner (Cedric Street bus port and train station access), the South East corner (Cedric street pedestrian access) and directly in front of the driveway onto the site.
7. Flying is only permitted Monday - Friday (1400 – 2000 hrs), Saturday & Sunday (0900 – 1900 hrs)
8. A frequency control keyboard shall be used to control the frequency allocation and separation.
9. Never turn a transmitter on unless the correctly labeled key is in the designated location in the Keyboard.
10. “Silvertone” frequency keys must have the name of the user marked legibly on the visible face of the key. In addition;
 - 10.1 Members and visitors using transmitters on the 36 MHz frequency band shall have the frequency of operation marked legibly on the visible face of the key. One key per frequency.
 - 10.2 Members and visitors using Digital Spectrum Modulation (DSM) transmitters on the 2.4 GHz frequency band are required to insert a frequency key (labelled with their name and “2.4 GHz”) to the left of the “Block” key on the far left hand side of the frequency control keyboard. A maximum of 10 DSM transmitters shall be used at any one time.

11. Frequency keys must only be removed from the Keyboard by the owner of the key.
12. There is to be no flying closer than 30 metres to the general public or buildings.
13. Novice training and hovering flying only should be restricted to;
13.1. the South Eastern and North Eastern sections of the flying field.
14. Circuit flying and aerobatics should be restricted to the area West of the 30 metre line and within The boundaries of the flying field. Helicopters should not be flown above any pilots. If more than one pilot is flying in this area then all pilots should stand together at one fixed location.
15. Low level aerobatics including “3D” flying can be flown outside the circuit area and to the North of the pits area only if there is no hovering being flown by other pilots in that area. If more than one pilot is flying low level aerobatics in that area then the pilots should stand together at one fixed location.
16. The flying field, pit area and surrounding facilities must be kept neat and tidy. All rubbish, including cigarette butts must be picked up and taken from the site by the owner.
17. Car parking bays are to be used. No unauthorised parking is permitted.
18. Vehicle access to the flying field by members is for the purpose of unloading and loading. Members’ vehicles may remain on site if there is the threat of immediate rain (i.e. when rain squalls are passing through the site regularly) but must be parked to the east of the pits area. Visitors’ vehicles shall be parked in the provided car park.
19. The Safety Officer or any Committee Member has the final decision regarding General Safety and Fling Rules. Observe all Rules at all times and fly safely. Enjoy your flying.
20. HAVE FUN!