



Halifax Electric Flyers Association (HEFA)

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Status of Membership: [] New [] Renewal

Full Year Membership (January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023):

[] Adult..... \$50.00

[] Junior (Under 18 Yrs) \$10.00

[] Family (Same Residence) \$55.00

Part Year Adult Membership (September 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023):

[] Adult..... \$25.00

**** Optional Electronic Fund Transfer to HalifaxElectricFlyers@outlook.com**

Member Information

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____

Town / City _____ Prov _____ Postal Code _____

Phone (Home) _____ Phone (Cell) _____

E-Mail _____

MAAC # _____ HEFA # _____

Optional Emergency Contact

Name _____

Contact Details _____

By joining the Halifax Electric Flyers Association, I have read and understand the Rules and Regulations for HEFA and agree to abide by these regulations as well as the MAAC Safety Code, Etiquette Code and Field Operations.

I will abide by the HEFA "Return to Flying" procedures specific to the COVID-19 pandemic.

I also consent to infrequent email communications from HEFA. I understand that I may opt out at any time.

Signature _____ Date _____

..... **DO NOT FILL OUT BELOW THIS LINE**.....

Receipt to Member

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...a chartered member of the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada (MAAC)

Welcome to a great hobby with great people!

- Our Association has compiled a list of rules, guidelines, and procedures for the safe, responsible, and fun operation of electric radio-controlled airplanes that pertain to sites where the HEFA members will fly.
- We will try to keep this list up to date for the membership, but this does not exclude the member, to take it upon themselves, to keep informed of the rules of MAAC and the Association, and any changes to them.
- Of primary concern is the MAAC Safety code, as well as RC Field Operations, RC Field Etiquette, RC 3D Aerobatics, and RC Electric codes. All these MAAC Safety Documents (MSDs) can be accessed from the MAAC website <https://www.maac.ca/en/documents.php>
- For Insurance purposes, among other reasons, we draw attention to a MAAC rule MSD 03, item 4,
"No member shall operate a model aircraft while under the influence of alcohol or judgement impairing drugs."

General Rules and Regulations:

1. All members and guests must have a valid MAAC or AMA membership card.
2. All members and guests must follow the MAAC Safety code, Etiquette code, Field Operations Code, and observe all safety guidelines of the current MAAC Electric rule book.
3. Guests are to be paired to an existing member. The member will review with the guest these general rules and regulations.
4. Local guests have three opportunities to enjoy the facilities; then at the discretion of the Directors, may be asked to join our Association.
5. A new member or guest must be approved to fly by one of our Instructors or Directors. This is to insure that both the plane and the flyer can operate in a safe and competent manner, according to these general rules and regulations.
6. When approved to be a pilot, the Directors will note them as a "pilot" on our membership list.
Any flyer not certified in this manner will be considered a "student" and will require an instructor or a member pilot with them each time they fly, until signed off by an instructor or director, according to the above procedure.

General Rules and Regulations for All HEFA fields:

1. All flyers shall be current MAAC members.
2. Parking will be in the designated area.
3. Pilots are to fly from pilot stations. A maximum of five pilots can fly at the same time.
4. Pilots shall not fly over the pit area or behind the flight line: 10 meters in front of the pilot stations at Shannon Park, and 7 meters at the PLF.
5. Pilots shall call out when taking off, landing, or going onto the field. **(make sure you are heard)**
6. HEFA members are permitted to fly alone, however it is not encouraged, due to personal safety.

General Rules and Regulations Specific to Shannon Park Field:

1. Parking must be at least 40 meters back from the Flight Line.
2. Only electric powered models are to be flown at the Shannon field.
3. The weight limit for a model at this field is six (6) pounds or ninety six (96) ounces. Subject to approval by at least two Directors on site, a demo flight will be allowed by a qualified pilot using a suitable model with a weight limit of eight and a half pounds (8.5) or one hundred and thirty-six (136) ounces. (Demo flight means no other flyers active on the field).
4. Any model over the weight of 3.5 pounds (56 ounces) ready to fly, must be checked by an

instructor or director prior to flying. If flown satisfactorily, it will not have to be rechecked again unless changes are made to it.

5. This is a public park, please remove personal garbage or defective parts such as broken props.
6. Avoid flying over the Shannon Park School or former PMQs (the area with the new walkway and future development). Avoid flight paths near the playground / school field area when children are present.

General Rules and Regulations Specific to Porters Lake Field (PLF):

1. A MAAC member who is not a HEFA member is not permitted to fly at the PLF unless accompanied by a HEFA member.
2. Parking is allowed in the designated area. The distance restriction at Shannon does not apply at PLF due to space restrictions.
3. The weight limit at the PLF will be set to the MAAC standard for now, with possible revision in future.
4. Do not fly on the "lake side" of the runway. (This would also be behind the flight line.)
5. Nitro models are not to be started prior to 8 AM.
6. Turbine powered models are NOT to be flown here.
7. Please keep the site clean.

MAAC SAFETY CODE

The "Field Etiquette" is intended to outline those matters that are expected of all modeller / pilots as common courtesy and for everyone's safety.

1. All R/C Pilots shall respect the safety codes.
2. R/C Pilots shall ensure that the operation of their model does not interfere with the enjoyment of the hobby/sport by others. These would include but are not limited to loud aircraft, unnecessary running of model engines in pit area, slipstream (propwash).
3. R/C Pilots are responsible for their guests or visitors including children and pets.
4. R/C Pilots shall be considerate when sharing the sky with other R/C Pilots by operating their aircraft in a way not to interfere with others.
5. Safety practices are required in the pit area. MAAC members will adhere to the following:
 - a. Metal propellers shall not be used. Pure nylon propellers (does not include the glass filled type) will not be used on engines of .40 cubic inch or larger. Repaired or damaged propellers will not be used.
 - b. Pilots shall ensure that no one is standing in line with the propeller arc of operating engines.
 - c. Aircraft will not be taxied in the pit area.
 - d. When running model engines the model shall be placed to minimize the effects of slipstream (propwash).
 - e. Slipstream effects from running engines can be dangerous to all affected and models should be positioned to minimize these effects.
 - f. Smoking is prohibited in the pit area.
 - g. Propellers will be secured in accordance with the engine and propeller manufacturer's recommendations.
 - h. R/C Pilots are responsible for ensuring their spotter/helper is properly briefed regarding the carrying, testing, adjusting and general handling of the model aircraft.

HEFA Rules for Multi-Rotors and Quad Racers

1. ALL FPV pilots require a spotter.
2. Inform the flight line of how / what you will be flying. Establish a plan (as much as possible) with other flyers.
3. Call out your intentions with low passes over the field and validate that people on the flight line have heard you. Remember that this is a "shared space".
4. If you need the field for a five minute period to demo or adjust your machine...ASK the fellow pilots, or wait until the field is unoccupied.