

# THE CLUB RULES



All FVRCF Club members must have current M.A.A.C. or A.M.A. Coverage

Go to [www.maac.ca](http://www.maac.ca) for safety guidelines when operating RC Models

## **FVRCF "Primary Flying field" Rules**

Model flying at the "Primary Flying field" on 47117 Ballam Rd.

All children must stay behind the pit station

NO CLIMBING FENCES. Please ask the Land Owner or Executives for help in retrieving your model

NO CLIMBING TREES OR BUILDINGS. Please ask the Land Owner or Executives for help in retrieving your model

CLOSE GATES BEHIND YOU. Every field has a gate; if you use one of these gates make sure it's closed when you leave. The pilot area, if you're the last person leaving please close them behind you.

MAIN GATES. Don't forget to close the main gates if you're the last person leaving the field.

CLEAN UP. There is no litter barrel. Please leave the area clear of garbage. If other people have left litter, The Club will appreciate your help in cleaning it up.

No one under the age of 15 will be allowed to fly unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.

## **FVRCF "The Pond." Rules**

Model flying at "THE POND" on Cartmell Road adjacent to Island 22

Because of the large area of water we are flying over, surrounded by trees, flying at THE POND has the potential for being much more hazardous than flying at a regular land based air strip. For that, and other reasons, the following guidelines have been established. For many years the float flyers have complied very well, and the result has been a wonderful experience of safe flying without any complaints coming from the property owners or anyone of the general public who use the adjacent properties.

**WATER FLYING.** It is essential that at least two people need to be present for a person to fly off the water. They must have a boat or dingy available for retrieval of a model that comes down in the pond. Flyers should be aware of the high risk of retrieving a model from a tree overhanging the water. We have an incredible safety record in this regard, and must aim to maintain it.

**SILENT FLIGHT.** Powered models must be electric. Island 22 is used for horse events and many other purposes. The operators of Island 22 have a document from us that ensures our commitment to silent flight.

**FIRST TIME FLOAT FLYERS.** Flying off water is not that difficult, but there are many differences from land operation. In windy conditions, float planes are very prone to be blown over in the water while taxi-ing. Model flying boats are safer in this regard. Modelers who are new to float flying must know that many factors have to be correct in fitting floats to a model. Just strapping a pair of floats on a regular land plane is not necessarily a recipe for success. It is highly recommended that flyers new to water operation ask one of the recognized club instructors, Ivan Pettigrew or Hal Norrish, to inspect their model and give some flight instruction before they go solo, unless they have another experienced float flyer alongside

**OBSTRUCTED FLYING AREA.** THE POND is smaller than most water sites used for RC flying. Furthermore, being surrounded by trees, there are more challenges than usual for those new to float flying. This is another reason for getting some coaching from flyers who have experience at THE POND.

**SECURITY.** There are two locks to open when entering the site, the first one on the chain, and the second one is on the gate which now shows damage from vandalism. The same combination opens both locks. The first person opening the gate must not leave an opened lock hanging on it. These are expensive industrial quality locks, and one was once stolen because of being left open. Close the locks on the chain, and on the gate, so they cannot be removed; or carry them with you while you are flying if you are going to be the last person to leave.

**LOCK CODE.** A code will be given to every FVRCF member.

**CLEAN UP.** There is no litter barrel. Please leave the area clear of garbage. If other people have left litter, The Club will appreciate your help in cleaning it up. We greatly appreciate the kindness of the land owners of this property in allowing us free use of it for these many years. Please do your part to show this appreciation by keeping things tidy and in order.

LAND PLANE OPERATION. A major sport event was held at Island 22 at the end of September. The conveners asked to use the land area within the fenced area of THE POND for overflow parking. To make the parking easier they brought in equipment to clear a large area which had been covered with blackberries and brush. This made it possible to plan layout of an airstrip for use by small electric powered land planes and gliders. We do two intersecting runways, thus allowing for operating in different directions according to wind conditions. Although there is provision now for land models to fly from the strip, it is the intent of the principal users of THE POND that the primary purpose of the flying site is for float flying. Models from the runway strip is to be considered an added privilege. If there is conflict at anytime between the float planes and land planes because of too much activity in the confines of the space available, operations of land planes from the strip will be suspended until the amount of activity diminishes.

OPERATING PROCEDURE of land runways. When more than one pilot is flying land planes, they must agree on which runway is operational. Only one runway may be used at any given time. There may be updates of this bulletin issued from time to time as experience is gained in flying a mix of land and water models,. These will be distributed to all FVRFC members.

No one under the age of 15 will be allowed to fly unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.

#### **FVRFC "DIRT TRACK." Rules**

RC vehicles at the "Dirt Track" on 47117 Ballam Rd.

Safety is our main concern. If any driver fails to follow any rules or operates in an unsafe manner he/she will be asked to leave the premises immediately.

All drivers are welcome to practice at anytime the track is open.

Absolutely no r/c vehicle of any kind will be allowed to be driven in the pit, parking, or green area-NO EXCEPTIONS! Testing of you vehicle must be done on an r/c stand or on the track.

Only drivers are allowed on the drivers stand while operating a model on the track.

DO NOT stand on the hot pit to operate your model. Please use the drivers stand.

Closed toe shoes must be worn on the track area. Barefoot, flip-flops or open toed shoes are not allowed for obvious reasons.

No one under the age of 15 will be allowed to use the track unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Please pick up all of your trash. This includes cigarette butts, batteries, glow plugs, broken parts, etc.

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