



Ventura County Comets Radio Control Club

AMA Charter Club #0173

Membership Application



Name _____ Date of Birth _____ AMA No. _____

Phone 1 _____ Phone 2 _____ FAA sUAS Cert # _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

Radio Channels / Types _____

I have read, understand and agree to follow all field and AMA rules. (See pages 2 and 3 below)

Signature _____ Date _____

Senior - \$50 per year. This is an individual membership for those 18 or more years of age.

Spouse of a Senior Member - \$25 per year.

Spouse's Name _____ AMA Number _____
sUAS Cert No. _____

Junior - \$10 per year. Individual membership for those less than 18 years of age.

Additional Family Member Name _____ AMA Number _____
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A one-time Runway Fee of \$100 is required of all new members who have never joined the Comets before.

To apply for membership send this form with a copy of your current AMA card(s) and a check for the appropriate amount to:

Ventura County Comets
PO Box 333
Ojai, CA 93024-0333

For additional membership information contact: Jeff Hall, President
E-mail oakviewjeff@gmail.com
Telephone (805) 901-8582

(Comets Newsletters will be sent to the E-mail Address provided above)

Ventura County Comets Field Rules

1. Current AMA membership insurance is required for all flyers.

2. Fly in accordance with AMA Safety Code.
3. No consumption of alcoholic beverages by any flyer.
4. No unattended children or pets allowed on the flight line or in the pit area.
5. All transmitters must have Channel numbers displayed.
6. All flyers must understand and comply with channel number frequency control, and know how to use the frequency control board. DO NOT turn on your transmitter until you have the right frequency pin attached to your antenna, and priority to use your frequency number.
7. When two or more transmitters are on the same frequency, the transmitters without the frequency pin must be stored in the frequency control board impound area.
8. No engine start-ups before 8:00am. (7:30am. when campground "O" is closed).
Electric planes may be flown after sunrise. No flying after sunset.
9. No Jet Engines, Turbine Engines or Rockets are allowed at this field. Electric Ducted-Fan jets are OK.
10. Mufflers are required on all gas/glow engines. Noise levels should not exceed 98db at 3m (appx. 10 ft.)
11. Models must be restrained during engine start-up, either by a mechanical restraint device, (i.e: tail hook), or by a helper.
12. Engines may only be started with an electric starter, chicken stick, or a gloved hand, (no bare fingers).
13. Pay attention to where your model's tail is pointed during all engine runs. Prop wash should be directed away from people in the area.
14. Pilots must fly from one of the 5 designated pilot stations. No more than 5 pilots are allowed to be in the air at the same time.
15. Announce whenever you taxi or carry you airplane onto the runway, take-off, or land; and especially if you lose power, have a dead stick, or need to make an emergency landing. Emergency landings have immediate runway priority.
16. Initial turns after take-off must be made away from the pit area.
17. NEVER FLY OVER THE PIT AREA.
18. Pilots must fly all aircraft on the far side of he runway, except during takeoffs and landings, and must maintain a minimum altitude of 200 feet above the lake, at all times.
19. When more than one aircraft is in the air, all must fly the same pattern as dictated by the wind direction, (normally this is a clockwise direction).
20. Maintain positive control of you airplane at all times. If an aircraft/pilot is causing a hazardous condition to persons in the area, he/she will be asked to fly in accordance with the AMA Safety Code and Comets R/C Flying Rules. If the hazardous condition continues, the pilot will be directed to land immediately.
21. No excessive engine runs in the pit area. Use the North or South end tables for all engine tuning or break-in procedures.
22. Cell phones are not allowed on the flightline, and should not be used during engine start-up, or anytime you have a transmitter in your hands.
23. Please clean up after yourself when you are done. Pick up all trash and debris, and clean the 2-stroke oil off of the flight table you are using.
24. Last person to leave the field will police the area, take down he windsock, and lock up the frequency control board, utility shed, and all gates.
25. All padlocks must be locked and secured back where they originally came from. Spin all the numbers so that the combination is not revealed. Please snap the lock shut and spin the numbers, even if you will be leaving a gate open. Do not hang an open lock back on the fence for someone to steal.

Academy of Model Aeronautics National Model Aircraft Safety Code

Effective January 1, 2018

A model aircraft is a non-human-carrying device capable of sustained flight within visual line of sight of the pilot or spotter(s). It may not exceed limitations of this code and is intended exclusively for sport, recreation, education and/or competition. All model flights must be conducted in accordance with this safety code and related AMA guidelines, any additional rules specific to the flying site, as well as all applicable laws and regulations.

As an AMA member I agree:

- I will not fly a model aircraft in a careless or reckless manner.
- I will not interfere with and will yield the right of way to all human-carrying aircraft using AMA's *See and Avoid Guidance* and a spotter when appropriate.
- I will not operate any model aircraft while I am under the influence of alcohol or any drug that could adversely affect my ability to safely control the model.
- I will avoid flying directly over unprotected people, moving vehicles, and occupied structures.
- I will fly Free Flight (FF) and Control Line (CL) models in compliance with AMA's safety programming.
- I will maintain visual contact of an RC model aircraft without enhancement other than corrective lenses prescribed to me. When using an advanced flight system, such as an autopilot, or flying First-Person View (FPV), I will comply with AMA's Advanced Flight System programming.
- I will only fly models weighing more than 55 pounds, including fuel, if certified through AMA's Large Model Airplane Program.
- I will only fly a turbine-powered model aircraft in compliance with AMA's Gas Turbine Program.
- I will not fly a powered model outdoors closer than 25 feet to any individual, except for myself or my helper(s) located at the flightline, unless I am taking off and landing, or as otherwise provided in AMA's *Competition Regulation*.
- I will use an established safety line to separate all model aircraft operations from spectators and bystanders.