

DVRC Flight and Field Rules

Flight operations (all aircraft)

- For the purposes of this document, all rotor type aircraft (helicopters and single- or multi-copters) are to be treated the same as fixed wing aircraft.
- All flight operations are to take place west of the runway. All hovering and 3D maneuverers must be performed in an area away from the runway.
- High speed or low speed passes over the runway are not permitted at DVRC.
- No flying of any aircraft is allowed over the pit area, which is bounded by the windsocks on the north and south of the pit area.
- Do not fly carelessly or recklessly, i.e., in a manner that could possibly endanger persons or property.
- Do not taxi an aircraft in the pit area.
- No more than five (5) aircraft may be in the air at one time.
- When landing, or taking off, Pilots must announce their direction of operation.
- A landing aircraft has the right of way over others during its base leg, approach, touch down, and roll-out.
- When preparing to land, call out to others to let them know of your intention.
- An aircraft with engine failure or damage has priority over all others, and its pilot must warn others of the emergency.
- While flying, a pilot will stand, or sit, behind the safety fence of the flight station.
- To hand launch an aircraft, the pilot will advance toward the runway, call out "hand launch" and launch the aircraft away from the pits. The pilot must return to the pilot station as soon as the aircraft is airborne.
- The sound of internal combustion powered aircraft is limited to less than or equal to 90db, measured at 9 feet in any direction from the engine.
- Never leave an un-secured aircraft with the engine running in the pit area – An accidental bump of the throttle could result in serious injury.
- In case of a crash, the pilot will make a good faith effort to remove and properly dispose of all residues.
- Pilots will make every effort to avoid spilling fuel. If spills occur, wipe them up before you leave so that the start-up bench is clean for the next person.
- A fire extinguisher must be ready at hand if you are using gasoline fuel. Generally, it is a good idea for all pilots to keep their own fire extinguisher close-by since fires can be started from crash damaged batteries.
- Take all your trash with you when you leave the field.
- For electrically powered aircraft, Lithium batteries must NOT be installed, or removed, while on the assembly tables.
- Actively fly away from any full size aircraft that passes through our airspace.
- All aircraft should fly within the designated zones as shown in the accompanying map.

DVRC Field Conduct and Common Courtesy.

- Have your membership card on you while you are in the Pits and wear your colored flight badge to indicate your level of competency to pilot an aircraft.

- The last member leaving the field is responsible for securing the area, including all locks. When securing locks, ensure you “daisy chain” other locks within the chain so you do not lock out other users of the site.
- Park your vehicles in line with the assembly tables. Center your vehicle with the upright post of the table you intend to use.
- Illegal drugs, the smoking of tobacco products, and beverages containing alcohol are prohibited.
- Keep children and pets supervised at all times.
- Guests must stand behind the yellow line in the pits.

