

Fairmont Flyers Bi-Laws

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1. Club Dues \$60.00 per year. Dues are to be paid by **April 1st**. **Any Member wanting to fly after January 1st must have his insurance paid first.** Any unexcused Member who does not pay his dues by April 1st will be assessed a \$10.00 per month late charge for up to 3 months. After June 1st the non-paying member will lose all club privileges, and must forfeit their key, until dues are paid. This includes, but is not limited to, flying at the field and any organized club events. To be considered a new member, for purposes of paying dues, previous members must be unpaid for 2 consecutive calendar years.

Any **new member joining after August 1st** will receive membership for \$30.00 for the rest of the year. Any new member wishing to join after December 15th would have the option to pay \$60.00 for the “upcoming” New Year, and would not be charged a fee for the remainder “present” year.

2. Club Membership will not exceed **(60)** members at the time with 10% tolerance. This number can only be changed by a club vote.

3. All Members of the Fairmont Flyers Club **and any and all guests must** show proof of insurance to one of the Officers or club members to fly at the Fairmont field. Any member caught flying without an up-to-date insurance card can and will be forced to leave the field and forfeit his membership for the remaining season. Any member not following all BI-laws can and will lose their membership for the remaining year.

4. Guests Spouse, children, or grandchildren may fly free when in the presence of a paid member, with proof on insurance, being AMA. Any member who invites another guest must be responsible for that guest to show proof of insurance, observe Bi-laws, & safety laws, and have courtesy for other club members. All AMA youth members must complete a club application to receive a club membership card (no gate key will be provided for those under age 16). The application must be signed by a parent or legal guardian. Youth members must abide by all AMA & club rules. Youth members under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or a responsible adult while at the field. Youth members 16 and older will be provided a gate key once they have met club requirements and have paid a \$25.00 membership fee.

5. Safety Committee Club must have a Safety Committee composed of at least **(5) members**. The committee will compile a list of rules and regulations governing safety. This list must be submitted to the club for approval and distributed to all paid members.

6. Frequency Board /Impound Frequency Board or Impound **must** be used **at all times**.

7. Alcohol There is to be **NO** alcohol of any kind consumed at the flying field. Anyone appearing to be intoxicated will be asked to leave.

8. **Radio Negligence** anyone “**shot down**” due to negligence, that person who is responsible, “**MUST**” take care of it properly, making it right, what is fair, with the person shot down.

9. **Grass Cutters** will have “**priority**” **Monday to Saturday** until noon. Flyers have priority to fly from noon Saturday and all day Sunday.

10. **Department of Natural Resources** Will be given a key to the main gate enabling them to enforce hunting laws.

11. **Club Meetings** All efforts will be made by club officers to notify members of scheduled meetings at least (48) hours in advance, excepting “Emergency meetings”

12. **Voting Any and all** voting will be done by club membership present at that meeting.

13. **Expenditures** The executive committee is permitted to spend \$500 per season on unprojected costs. Expenditures in excess must be voted on by membership.

14. **Assessment** The club can assess members a fee not exceeding \$20 per year for approved expenses.

15. **Disciplinary Action Any member**, after receiving a warning for a club violation can be voted out of the club by a club vote. If voted out, member will turn in his key. Members who receive a written safety warning will be required to fly with direct supervision until they demonstrate their ability to fly safely, the same as a new member, this would be considered a requalification. If the member flies without direct supervision and before passing his/her test, additional written warnings will be sent until a total of three are issued. After three, the club will vote to reject or continue their membership. Expulsion from the club will require a 3/4 vote from those members in attendance.

16. **Guests at Meetings** Of the Club may attend with prior notification to the President.

17. **Election of Officers** Elected officers will include: President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and 2 Safety officers. They will serve (1) one year term. Any vacancies occurring during term of office will be filled by the present membership at that particular meeting.

18. **Banking** Will be done at MVB (Monongahela Valley Bank) as the club account unless voted on by a club vote. Two (2) signatures are required on all “check writing” from the club account. (President, Vice President and or Secretary/Treasurer).

19. **AMA Rules** Fairmont R/C Flyers, Inc. will abide by all AMA Rules.

20. **New members** Will be required to demonstrate their ability to inspect and control their models per all AMA and Club rules before being allowed to fly without direct supervision of a qualified pilot. This demonstration should include an inspection as if the model has never been flown, a takeoff, more than one circuit of the field with both left and right turns and a proper landing for the type of model he/she will be flying. The

demonstration must be witnessed by at least 2 members of the safety committee. New members will not be issued a key until this qualification has been completed. If a new member meets the requirements listed above on a small electric airplane, not to exceed 2 pounds weight or exceed 60mph in speed, and then changes to a different type (Glow or Gas), the safety committee will require a full AMA membership with an additional evaluation on that new airplane type.