

Seattle Area Soaring Society (SASS) Site and Flight Rules for 60 Acres and Camp Korey

1. **Mission.** SASS and Friends of Camp Korey and 60 Acres is a world class organization of modelers organized for the purpose of promotion, development, education, advancement and safeguarding of sailplane modeling activities. These organizations provide leadership, organization, competition, scheduling, communication, protection, representation, recognition, education and scientific/technical development to sailplane modelers. Performing these activities reduces the burden of government.
2. **Purpose.** The purpose of these rules is to fulfill the mission statement by:
 - a. Providing a set of rules to fulfill the mission.
 - b. Providing a set of rules to protect the use of the property for the life of the lease.
 - c. Providing a means to enforce rules that encourage safe flying.
 - d. Restricting the type of aircraft flown.
 - e. Providing a system of government.
 - f. Providing a system of membership.
 - g. Providing a set of rules that would foster a sense of ownership in the property.
 - h. Providing a base for an organization that people will want to join and travel great distances to use.
 - i. Defining, structuring and limiting activities at the Seattle Area Soaring Society (SASS) flying sites.
3. **Organization.** SASS and Friends of Camp Korey and 60 Acres are non-profit corporations organized under the Washington State Non-Profit Corporations Act.
4. **Site Rules. 60 Acres South**
 - a. Public Property 60 Acres South is a county park. King County Requires that all pilots flying at the property are members of the AMA or carry equivalent home owner's insurance, and fly according to the AMA flight regulations.
 - b. Limited Use. Use of 60 Acres (North or South) is limited to times when 1) soccer goals are not on the field, 2) Wednesdays from noon to dusk on 60 Acres South and 3) other times when SASS has reserved and paid for field use.
 - c. Frequency Control. You may only fly at 60 Acres if there a system or form of frequency control.

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- d. King County Rules. All other King County rules concerning the use of a public park apply.
- 5. Site Rules. Camp Korey.**
- a. Private Property. Camp Korey is a private property that is currently under lease to SASS and Friends of Camp Korey and 60 Acres. Because this is private property that will be frequented by guests of Camp Korey, the rules for flying at Camp Korey will be much stricter than those at 60 Acres.
 - b. Limited Use. Use of Camp Korey is limited to the activities and location of the activities described herein.
 - c. SASS Membership. All persons who fly at Camp Korey on a regular basis must be a member of SASS.
 - d. AMA or MAAC Membership. All persons who fly at Camp Korey shall be a card carrying AMA or MAAC member. A park flyer AMA membership does not satisfy this requirement.
 - e. Levels of Membership. Provisional Member
 - i. A Provisional Member may only fly under the supervision of an Active Member. A Provisional Member may only fly over zone 1. Flying over zone 2 or zone 3 is prohibited for Provisional Members.
 - ii. A Provisional Member is often a novice or a transfer pilot from another field or location. During the start up of flying at Camp Korey, ALL pilots will start as Provisional Members.
 - iii. The Board shall appoint a five person Safety Committee whose responsibility shall be to determine when a Provisional Member has graduated to Active Member status. This committee shall consider some or all of the following in making that determination: 1) Pilot skill, 2) Ability to understand, follow and teach to others the site rules of Camp Korey, 3) Demonstrated knowledge and experience in appropriate field setup and field safety, 4) Involvement in club activities and committees, 5) The ability to make good decisions in all situations, especially in difficult situations. There is no minimum flight experience requirement. Vote of the committee shall be by secret ballot.
 - iv. The Board shall appoint a new Safety Committee every year at its first full Board meeting. The Board may appoint new or reappoint existing members of the committee. The selection of the committee shall be based upon some or all of the following: 1) Flying experience as a competitor for the last 5 years, 2) Mastery of full house and RES sailplanes, 3) Demonstrated knowledge and

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experience appropriate in field setup, 4) Field safety, 5) Significant engagement in club activities, 6) Recognition as a mature and respected club leader.

- v. When the site is first opened, all existing SASS members will start as Provisional Members. At the SASS open house the Safety Committee, after doing an orientation of the site facilities with all participating members, may determine at that time which Provisional Members shall graduate to Active membership based solely on the committee's past knowledge of that individual. Past SASS membership is not to be considered for the determination of graduation.
 - vi. Provisional membership may be revoked at any time.
 - vii. Provisional membership does not guarantee Active Member status.
 - viii. Supervision is defined as maintaining close enough oversight so that a supervising pilot may take control of the radio at any time.
- f. Level of Membership. Active Member.
- i. An Active Member may use the flying site at any time, restricted only by these rules.
 - ii. To become an Active Member, you must petition the Safety Committee, state why you should be made an Active Member (see the items in 5(d)(iii) above) and pass an assessment. The assessment may include an actual flight test and questions about site rules, how government of the club works and discussion of your committee work.
 - iii. If your petition is rejected, the committee shall state the reasons why and provide constructive criticism. The applicant may not reapply for 30 days.
 - iv. Active membership may be revoked at any time according to the rules below.
- g. Level of Membership. Family Membership
- i. A Family Membership includes a Provisional or Active Member, their spouse or significant other and all children under the age of 18. A Family Membership simply reduces the cost of membership for families. Each individual member of the family must obtain Active membership on their own.
- h. Non-Discrimination. Membership cannot be refused based upon race, color of skin, ethnic origin, sex or age. Membership can be refused or rescinded for various reasons including but not limited to safety violations, making bad decisions, refusing to learn from mistakes, denial that the

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problem is one of lack of control and good decision making, flying aircraft that are not in a safe and effective condition and any other violation of these rules.

- i. Dues. Dues for Provisional and Active Members shall change from year to year as determined by the Board. The amount of yearly dues is identified on the SASS website.
- j. Membership Package. Each new and existing member shall acknowledge receipt of and reading of the membership package. To apply or reapply for membership, you shall 1) complete an application form, 2) read the rules in full and sign them, 3) volunteer for a committee or office, 4) show how and where you wish to contribute volunteer labor to the club during the year, 5) fill out and sign an information sheet for a background check and provide a check to Camp Korey for the cost of the background check 6) along with a separate check for membership dues. New members will then attend an onsite orientation prior to the new member's receipt of a gate code.
- k. Restricted to Sailplanes only.
 - i. This flying site is restricted to the flying of sailplanes, electric assisted sailplanes and tow aircraft when actually conducting aero-tow.
 - ii. On a case by case basis as approved by the SASS Board, free flight and rubber powered aircraft may be allowed to fly at Camp Korey.
 - iii. Electric assisted sailplanes are limited to those generally described by the FAI F5J rule or similar.
 - iv. Hotliners or aircraft generally described by the FAI F5B rule cannot be flown at this site.
 - v. Aero-tow shall occur only at organized and scheduled events.
 - vi. This restriction cannot be changed by any action of SASS or its membership. The limitation on the type of aircraft is restricted by the lease with Camp Korey.
- l. Guests of SASS. (contests, fun flies, training night, etc.)
 - i. All Guests of SASS must sign in at the guest book at the kiosk.
 - ii. If the Guest is flying, they must be an AMA or MAAC member and post their AMA or MAAC card on the frequency control board.
 - iii. All guests must comply with these rules.
 - iv. A contest or event director may ask a guest to stop flying at any time or require that all flying of the guest be done by buddy box.
- m. Personal Guests.

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- i. When you bring personal guests to the flying site, you have special responsibilities.
 - ii. If you are a Provisional Member, you must seek the approval of an Active Member before your personal guest is allowed to fly.
 - iii. Whether you are a Provisional or Active Member, the Guest must fly under your supervision and when you leave the guest must leave with you.
 - iv. All Guests must sign in at the guest book at the kiosk, even if that person does not fly.
 - v. If the Guest is flying, they must be an AMA or MAAC member and their card must be posted on the frequency control board.
 - vi. All guests must comply with these rules. It is the responsibility of the Member to ensure that the Guest is aware of and follows the rules.
- n. Gate Codes.
- i. As soon as a Provisional or Active Member, or all members of a Family Membership have 1) completed an application form, 2) read the rules in full and signed them, 3) volunteered for a committee or office, 4) shown how and where they wish to contribute volunteer labor to the club during the year, 5) filled out and signed an information sheet for a background check and provided a check to Camp Korey for the cost of the background check 6) along with a separate check for membership dues, 7) provided proof of membership with the AMA or MAAC and 8) attended an orientation at the site, a gate code will be issued.
 - ii. Gate codes will be issued to Provisional, Active and Family Members whenever they are changed. Gate codes may change in as little as every 30 days or as long as every 90 days.
 - iii. You may not give your gate code to any other person.
 - iv. Gate codes for Personal Guests. Gate codes may not be given to personal guests. If a personal guest arrives at Camp Korey before you do, they must wait near the road until you arrive to open the gate. If a personal guest arrives late, you may not give the personal guest your gate code by phone so they may open the gate without you.
 - v. Gate codes for Guests of SASS. Guest Contest Pilots will be encouraged to sign up for an event in advance of that event. A standard email with an introduction, flying site rules, speed limits

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and parking restrictions will be sent along with a gate code. Contest Gate Codes shall expire the day after the contest.

- vi. SASS may request a change in gate codes from Camp Korey at any time. New gate codes will then be issued. Please check your email each time before traveling to the flying site.
- vii. Violation of these rules may result in the suspension or termination of your gate code.
- o. Speed Limits in Camp Korey. Do not travel faster than the posted speed limits.
- p. Parking
 - i. Parking is not allowed on the concrete roads.
 - ii. Parking may only occur in the area identified on the site map or by signs posted at the site.
- q. Restricted Parking on Grass.
 - i. At this time acceptable areas to park on the grass have not been identified. Until parking areas are identified, parking on the grass is not allowed.
 - ii. Method of access. Transitioning from the parking lot to the grass will only occur in locations identified by the club, if and when it occurs. Do not park on the grass until that location is identified.
 - iii. Parking is not allowed on the grass when it is restricted by weather, wet ground or when club signs are posted.
- r. Storage Area.
 - i. What can be stored in Storage area. The storage area is restricted to the storage and maintenance of SASS equipment.
 - ii. Battery use. Winch and retriever batteries for SASS may be stored here. LiPo type batteries may not be stored here.
 - iii. Battery charge. SASS winch and retriever batteries may be charged here. LiPo type batteries may not be charged here.
 - iv. What can go in the refrigerator. Refrigerator storage shall be limited to SASS items.
 - v. What work can be done in the Storage area. Building or repairing club equipment may be done in the storage area. You may use the storage area to work on personal aircraft or equipment damaged while you are at the field.
 - vi. What work cannot be done in the Storage area. Work repairing or building personal aircraft or equipment that must be left overnight may not be done in the storage area. Clean up the space after you are done using it.

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- vii. Waiver of liability. If a personal item left in the storage area is damaged or destroyed it is done with the understanding that SASS does not insure the contents of storage and that neither Camp Korey, SASS or any of its members or employees has any liability for your loss.
- s. Restrooms. A single restroom is available for SASS use. SASS is responsible for keeping the toilet and area around it neat, clean and tidy. If you use it, you need to clean it. Toilet supplies and cleaning supplies will be provided by SASS.
- t. Keys to Storage Area and Restrooms. SASS shall provide keys to the Storage Area and Restrooms at a fee to be determined by the Board. SASS may limit the number of Store Room keys.
- u. Club Equipment, ATV, Trailer, Grass Cutter etc.
 - i. Restrictions on personal use. This equipment is not for personal use and will remain at Camp Korey unless it needs to be moved for maintenance.
 - ii. How and where stored. This equipment shall be stored under the protective roof.
- v. Club Equipment, Winches, Retrievers, Batteries, Chargers, laptop, generators etc.
 - i. Restrictions on personal use. All Club equipment is not for personal use and will remain at Camp Korey unless it needs to be moved for maintenance.
 - ii. How and where stored. This equipment shall be stored in the storage room.
 - iii. All club equipment shall be stored in a clean and tidy manner.
 - iv. Locations in storage will be set aside for the storage of winches, retrievers and repair and replacement parts. Repair of Winches and Retrievers will be made only with parts and spares from this location. This is done to ensure that the winches and retrievers remain as identical as possible.
 - v. If a Winch or Retriever begins working in an intermittent or questionable manner, immediately take it out of service and place a red service tag on it in the storage area reserved for winches or retrievers. Identify the date and reason it was taken out of service. Do not continue to run the winch or retriever with the hope that the problem might just go away. Continuing to run a defective piece or equipment will only make it worse.

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- vi. If you are not qualified to repair winches and retrievers, do not try. Only specifically named club members are allowed to work on club equipment.
- w. Weather Station and Internet Camera. SASS shall erect and maintain a weather station and internet camera on the property. On-line access shall be granted at large to the general public through the SASS web site.
- x. Camp Korey Guests. It is anticipated that Camp Korey guests will frequent the flying site, but in a controlled manner. Members of SASS are encouraged to invite them out to observe (one at a time or in small groups) the launching, flying and landing of aircraft.
- y. BBQ. SASS will have a BBQ for use at the site. The BBQ may not be removed from the site for personal use.
- z. Signage. SASS shall construct and erect several signs on the site. Signage shall exist at the front gate identifying this as the home of SASS and provide SASS and AMA membership information. Similar informational signs shall be posted on the frequency Kiosk. SASS shall also construct signs directing parking and identifying no parking areas.
- aa. Weather Streamers. Limited to club authorized streamers.
- bb. Dogs. Dogs are not allowed on the flying site.
- cc. Drugs and Alcohol. The use of Drugs and/or Alcohol is not allowed on this site.
- dd. Smoking. Smoking is not permitted on this site.
- ee. Camping. Camping at the site is not anticipated in the first year of operation. This is a flying site and overnight stay, if approved, is only intended to be ancillary to the activity of flying model sailplanes. It is not intended to be a campground. The primary intended use is for contest guests looking to park an RV for the duration of the contest. There are no restrooms available for overnight stay in tents. There is no available running water. There is no place for dumping holding tanks.

6. Flying Rules

- a. Purpose. Safety rules are not an obstacle to the enjoyment of model flying; they help prove that model flyers are the responsible people they proclaim to be. Some safety rules may seem to be designed to obstruct your enjoyment of this sport. It is not a sign of intelligence to show one's own skill by flying among or above spectators. It simply shows a definite lack of common sense. You may know what you are doing, but you have no way of knowing what someone else may do. It is to his or her personal benefit to make certain that no action on his or her part will result in an

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accident. It is therefore very important not to fly any model aircraft in competition or in the presence of others until it has been ground checked, looked over and radio checked by at least one pilot in addition to yourself. The temptation to show off your flying skill increases in direct proportion to the number of spectators. Please fly smart.

- b. Rules. These rules are intended to supplement the AMA Safety Code.
- c. Aircraft Type Restrictions. This flying site is restricted to the flying of sailplanes, electric assisted sailplanes and tow aircraft while when actually conducting aero-tow. Electric assisted sailplanes are limited to those generally described by the FAI F5J rule or similar. Hotliners or aircraft generally described by the FAI F5B rule cannot be flown at this site. Aero-tow shall occur only at organized and scheduled events
- d. Frequency Control.
 - i. Frequency Board. All pilots (guests and members) must post their AMA or MAAC card in the appropriate slot on the frequency control board BEFORE they fly. YOU MUST NOT TURN ON YOUR RADIO UNTIL YOUR AMA/SASS CARD IS PRESENT ON THE FREQUENCY CONTROL BOARD.
 - ii. Must Sign In. All pilots (guests and members) must sign the guest book BEFORE they fly.
- e. You must abide by the rules of this site and the AMA Safety Code and guidelines. You will not willfully fly your aircraft in a reckless and/or dangerous manner.
- f. Full Size Aircraft. You must yield the right of way to full size aircraft.
- g. Alcohol. You must not operate your aircraft while under the influence of alcohol or within 8 hours of having consumed alcohol.
- h. Drugs. You must not operate any model aircraft while using any drug which could adversely affect your ability or safely control your aircraft.
- i. Overflight. All model flying shall be conducted in a manner to avoid overflight of unprotected people.
- j. Spectators. You will not fly your model aircraft in the presence of spectators until you become a proficient flyer unless you are assisted by an experienced pilot.
- k. Launching with a Winch or High-Start.
 - i. Until prevailing winds are determined, winches and high starts shall be setup to launch into the wind. This rule may be revised once the typical conditions at the site are determined.
 - ii. Aircraft on tow have the right of way over all other model aircraft.

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- iii. There may be more than one winch and/or high start set out at a given time. If one is present, do not set up another unless additional capacity or a different type is needed. If you set out a winch or high start, you are generally expected to share it with those who are qualified to use it, at your discretion. All launch lines must be parallel and spaced such as to not interfere with each other as best possible for the current wind conditions.

I. Launching Electric Assisted Sailplanes.

- i. A launch line defines a launch corridor. Electric assist sailplanes must use such a launch corridor or an imaginary corridor adjacent and parallel to an existing launch corridor for launch and subsequent climb to altitude, at which time they must power off and glide.
- ii. The electric assist sailplane pilot must launch from approximately the same location as a winch or high start user would, and must initiate the launch to avoid interfering with adjacent winch and high start users.
- iii. Electric assisted sailplanes must never be launched over another person within 100 feet.
- iv. If there is no winch or high start present, the electric assist sailplane pilot must launch according to field layout rules as if a typical launch line were present. This means no launching from field boundaries, pit areas, parking lots, landing zones, or any other location that would not be appropriate for launching a line-launched model.
- v. Additional climbs during the electric assist flight must not be done in the launch corridor, landing zone, or near field boundaries, safety zones, etc. These subsequent climbs must not be toward or over any person and must not be initiated from a low altitude in such a way as that startles, aggravates, or endangers any person.
- vi. Maiden flights or pilots with questionable skills must move further towards the center of the field before launching.

m. Launching DLG/HLG Sailplanes.

- i. Pilots must stay clear of all winch launch and retriever equipment, with enough spacing to ensure that winch and high start users are not unduly delayed. During scheduled HLG events, the HLG event takes priority and aircraft on tow no longer have the right of way. At such times, launch lines may be used at the discretion of the event CD.

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- n. Launching Aero Tow.
 - i. For the first season of flying at Camp Korey, aero tow may not occur. When aero tow does occur it will occur as an “event” scheduled for field activity. SASS will define the details concerning aero towing as we progress. Until then, no aero towing is allowed.
- o. Retrievers.
 - i. All Active Members are expected to be competent/certified retriever operators except for those that have physical limitations or restrictions. If you have physical limitations or restrictions, please do not volunteer to operate a retriever. If you feel you need to use gloves to operate a retriever, you should not volunteer to do so.
 - ii. All Active Members that launch from winches shall participate in a winch/retriever certification program at least once a year. Even those that are not certified need to know what to do in the event of a malfunction and how to repair it as quickly as possible.
 - iii. All retriever operators are expected to perform the following: 1) Verify that the radio and aircraft are turned on, 2) Verify that the retriever line is free to run (bail or turn wheel are open), 3) Verify the winch line has not been accidentally pulled through the retriever turnaround, 4) Verify that the retriever split ring is down the winch line, 5) Verify the winch line or parachute is not wrapped around the nose of the aircraft, 6) Once complete let the pilot know the equipment is ready for launch.
 - iv. It is recommended that pilots not launch before the retriever operator indicates the equipment is ready for launch.
- p. Contests
 - i. A written set of contest rules will be published for each type of contest held at Camp Korey. These rules will include the base site and flight rules contained herein and are intended to bring guest contest pilots quickly up to speed on how they must conduct themselves as a guest at a SASS Contest or event. These rules must be approved by the Board.
 - ii. These rules will be available on the Club website and handed out to guests when they sign into a contest and will be discussed at the pilots meeting.
 - iii. The Contest Committee shall publish the calendar on the website as soon as possible each year.
 - iv. The CD should make it clear at the pilots meeting that the rules are to preserve the future use of the property, and repeated violation of

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them will result in removal of that guest or members privileges for the remainder of the contest.

- v. Advertising for contests will include the fact that gate codes are necessary for entry into the site and that pre-registration will provide a gate code for the contest.
- q. AMA and Camp Korey rules.
 - i. Your name and address or AMA number must be present inside, or affixed to the outside of your model aircraft.
 - ii. Do not fly over the posted NO FLY zones.
 - iii. Do not fly less than 10 meters above any safety zone.
- r. Aircraft Inspection. All new or recently repaired aircraft shall be inspected by an Active Member before flying. All new or recently repaired aircraft shall be range checked before their flight. All aircraft with a newly installed receiver shall be range checked. The purpose is not just to ensure the sound flying condition of aircraft and radios of novice pilots but the sound flying condition of aircraft and radios of expert pilots that may become complacent.
- s. Provisional Members shall not:
 - i. Fly over any no-fly zone or any safety zone.
 - ii. Launch an aircraft without it first being inspected by an Active Member.
 - iii. Launch an aircraft that does not have your name and address or AMA number present inside, or affixed to the outside of your model aircraft.
- t. NO FLY Zones. NO FLY zones are there for the safety of pilots and spectators. Flying over these zones will not be tolerated.
- u. Unsafe Flying. Pilots shall not fly in an unsafe manner.
- v. Aircraft Weight Limit. Safety and security of the site is more important than a single pilots desire to fly. Aircraft exceeding 11 pounds will require special permission before they may fly.
 - i. Aircraft may not exceed 11 pounds at this site at any time without approval of the SASS Board. Active members may petition the Board for an exception for a specific aircraft. After review by the Board, the Board may grant an exception and allow a particular model to be “stickered” and flown. The Board will consider all aspects of the aircraft and pilot before granting an exception and allow an aircraft over 11 pounds to be flown. The “sticker” is not transferable to another aircraft. The Board may place restrictions on the exception including but not limited to a single day or day(s)

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of the week(s) or the month, times of the day, numbers of spectators or guests of Camp Korey present. The exception may be revoked by the Board at any time.

- ii. For aero tow events, the event director (CD) will have full discretion for granting an exception for allowing models heavier than this limit to fly. Qualifying aero tow events are the ones found on the club calendar and give the CD full authority to make the best decision with regards to safety and security of the site. The CD will inspect the aircraft and review flight procedures with the pilot. If at any time the CD is unsure of the pilot or aircraft to fly safely, the CD is expected to deny the exception or to cancel an exception already given. The CD may base his decision denying or canceling an exception on his/her past experience with the pilot and/or aircraft or what is occurring at the event. In the alternative, the CD, in his sole discretion, may grant the exception by requiring the use of a buddy box and qualified back up pilot. The CD may revoke the exception at any time.
- w. Downed Aircraft. There are three Zones. In the valley over Camp Korey property (zone 1) simply recover your aircraft. However, over Camp Korey property on the hillside (zone 2) and over the Bennett Property (zone 3), expect difficulty in recovery of your aircraft. Zone 2 is a gated property and access will be limited, possibly even denied if camp is in session. Zone 3 is a fenced and gated private property designed to corral and house horses. Expect access to this area to only occur with permission of the property owner. **DO NOT JUMP THE FENCE WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF EITHER ZONE 2 OR 3.** Provisional Members may not overfly zone 2 or zone 3.
 - i. There are various water courses around the flying site. Two have standing water and can be entered carefully to recover an aircraft. However, the banks are soft, prone to slide and you will have difficulty getting back out. Enter at your own risk.
 - ii. The third water course is the river. The banks are steep and once you go in the water, you will not be able to get back out until you float downstream a significant distance. There is no boat access from the Camp Korey property. Enter at your own risk. Entering under any circumstances is not recommended.
- x. Subjective Rules. Some of these rules are subjective in nature and may not be clearly defined. For example, a Safety Officer may warn a pilot about an approach or other maneuver considered unsafe due to altitude,

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speed, or direction. If the pilot continues to perform such maneuvers after the warning, the process of enforcement may begin. These rules provide the latitude for the club to restrict privileges or expel a pilot for subjective reasons.

- y. Objective Rules. Some of these rules are objective in nature. A member who fails to follow those rules or takes advantage of them for personal use may be subject to expulsion.
 - z. Camp Korey Guests. Guests of Camp Korey are Guests of SASS
 - aa. Personal Guests. Personal guests are Guests of SASS
 - bb. Invited Contest Guests. Contest Guests are Guests of SASS.
7. **Enforcement.** Reduction or termination of privileges or expulsion from SASS membership.
- a. Restriction or Loss or Privileges. Any individual may have their privileges reduced, terminated or be expelled or excluded from membership in SASS by 2/3's majority vote of the Board, if in the determination of the Board such an individual commits an act or omission which is a violation of any of the rules herein or is detrimental to model aviation. Reduction or termination of privileges or expulsion from membership is subject to the following procedures and rights.
 - b. Complaint. A written statement or formal complaint (no particular form necessary) from a SASS member, stating the time and date of the infraction, the rule violated and a factual statement of how it occurred and names of others present shall be submitted to the Board.
 - c. First Review of Complaint. By 2/3's vote of the Board, the Board may either do nothing or decide to hold an informal or formal hearing. The Board shall give written notice to the offender of the time and place of the hearing if so decided.
 - d. Informal Hearing. If an informal hearing is ordered, the Board will meet with the alleged offender and discuss the issue with that person. The offender will be allowed to state his defense.
 - i. At the conclusion of an informal hearing, the Board by 2/3's vote may give a verbal reprimand or reduce or restrict the member's privileges and use of the site.
 - e. Formal Hearing. If a formal hearing is ordered, the offender will be allowed to present his defense and witnesses may be asked to testify either for or against the offender's position.
 - i. At the conclusion of a Formal Hearing, the Board, by 2/3's vote may give a verbal reprimand or reduce or restrict the members

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privileges and use of the site or may expel the offender from membership

- f. Vote and Neutrality. The vote of the Board at an informal or formal hearing shall be by secret ballot. To assure neutrality, any member of the Board representing the offender or representing any party aggrieved by the acts or omissions under inquiry shall be disqualified from voting on the question of punishment or expulsion and the 2/3's majority vote shall be determined as if the Board were reduced by the number of its members disqualified.
- g. Appeal. The determination of the Board may be appealed to the full membership. The Board's determination may only be overruled by 2/3's vote of members present at the next club meeting. Voting shall be by secret ballot.
- h. Reapplication. The expelled member may reapply for membership after the expiration of the expulsion time period.
- i. Retaliation. Any member receiving a complaint who directs any retaliation action against the person filing said complaint will be subject to immediate expulsion from the Club. This is to include threats, intimidation, physical harm, intentional equipment damage, or any other action deemed to be retaliatory by the Board.
- j. Expulsion. Upon Expulsion, the expelled members membership fee paid shall be partially refunded based a pro rata percentage of days remaining in the year. SASS will request that Camp Korey issue a new gate code and the expelled person's name shall be removed from members receiving gate codes so that person no longer receives gate code updates from SASS.

8. Changing the Rules

- a. Changing the Rules in the First Year. These rules were originally written with little to no experience on the site itself and these rules started as a prediction of how SASS should proceed forward. The Rules Committee will meet on the three and six month anniversary of the SASS open house to determine if amendments to the rules are necessary except item 5k above which shall remain in perpetuity. The Rules Committee shall rely upon their own experiences and input from other Active Members in revising the rules. The revised rules will be made available on the SASS Website.
- b. Changing the Rules in the Second Year and Thereafter. During the third regularly scheduled SASS meeting of each year, the club will solicit and

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discuss the need for amendments to the rules. Before the conclusion of the meeting, the Board will determine if the Board should prepare a draft of the proposed rule changes or if the Board should appoint a rule committee for that purpose.

- c. Appointment of a Rules Committee The selection of the committee shall be based upon some or all of the following: 1) flying experience as a competitor for the last 5 years, 2) mastery of full house and RES sailplanes, 3) demonstrated knowledge and experience appropriate in field setup, 4) field safety, 5) significant engagement in club activities, 6) recognition as a mature and respected club leader. Although a Board member may be on the committee, it is not recommended.
- d. Adoption of Proposed Draft Rules. Either the Board or the newly appointed Rules Committee will prepare a draft of the proposed rule changes and present it at the next regularly scheduled SASS meeting. The determination to adopt the proposed draft rules shall be made by a 2/3's vote of the Board or in the event a Rules Committee was formed, 2/3's vote of the Board and Rules Committee. In the event of a tie or deadlock of the vote, the club President shall make a final decision.

Affirmation, acknowledgement and acceptance of rules

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20__.

I, _____ (legibly print name) have read the above rules, agree to abide by these rules and understand that this agreement is a condition precedent to membership in SASS, flying at Camp Korey and receiving a gate code to the Camp Korey flying site.

(signature)