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NAS WHIDBEY ISLAND INSTRUCTION 11132.1L

From: Commanding Officer

Subj: OPERATION OF MODEL AIRCRAFT AT OUTLYING LANDING FIELD
COUPEVILLE

Encl: (1) Hold Harmless Agreement
(2) OLF Coupeville Area Map

1. Purpose. To publish station regulations governing the flying of model aircraft at Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Coupeville. This instruction has been substantially revised and should be reviewed in its entirety.

2. Cancellation. NASWHIDBEYINST 11132.1K

3. General. The privilege of flying model aircraft at the OLF is granted to provide a suitable flying site for authorized personnel who desire to engage in the sport of model aviation. Personnel flying model aircraft at the OLF must exercise good judgment, and demonstrate the highest regard for safety and sportsmanship in order to preclude hazards to personnel, property, and interference with others participating in the sport. Persons demonstrating unsafe or unsportsmanlike conduct will be restricted from further flying privileges.

4. Eligibility

a. Flying privileges are granted only to members of the Whidbey Island Radio Control Society (WIRCS) who have base access privileges and their guests. The WIRCS shall be chartered by the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and is responsible for monitoring the safe operation of model aircraft at the OLF. Bona fide guests from other flying clubs may fly model aircraft on the OLF only when invited and accompanied by an eligible member of WIRCS. Guest fliers must be members of the AMA and observe posted and published flying regulations. All civilian users shall be required to execute a Hold Harmless Agreement, enclosure (1), prior to using the facilities.

b. Family members under 16 years of age are not authorized to operate model aircraft unless accompanied by, and under the

immediate supervision of, an adult member of an approved club organization.

5. Regulations

a. All model flying will be per the current official AMA National Model Aircraft Safety Code.

b. Fliers shall be familiar with this instruction, posted restricted areas, and enclosure (2), which defines designated flying and parking areas.

c. Users shall be aware that additional rules have been imposed by WIRCS to ensure the safe and orderly conduct of all modeling activity at OLF Coupeville.

d. Radio transmissions shall be operated per the Federal Communications Commission regulations governing their use.

e. Frequency-indicating numbers will be displayed at all times. Individuals shall ensure that their frequencies are not in use prior to turning on their transmitter.

f. If rotational flying is required due to common frequencies, good sportsmanship shall prevail.

g. Models shall be flown safely at all times. No "Grandstand" flying will be permitted. Flying directed at or over other fliers or spectators will not be tolerated. The flight line and landing area will be oriented with the prevailing wind. Spectators will remain at least 50 feet behind the flight line.

h. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited at OLF Coupeville. Flying while under the influence of any intoxicating substance is prohibited.

i. Upon completion of each flying session, participants shall ensure that the flying site is cleaned and all equipment removed. In the event of a model aircraft crash, a Foreign Object Damage (FOD) walkdown shall be conducted to ensure all parts and pieces are accounted for. The Operations Duty Officer (ODO) shall be notified after any crash to report any missing parts and pieces and likely location of debris.

j. Model aircraft operation from the main runway is not authorized; however, use of the main runway for special events (fun-flys, fan-flys, pylon racing, etc.) may be granted when requested in advance from the Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island Airfield Manager (257-5391). Afterhours or weekends contact the Operations Duty Officer who will relay the request to

the Airfield Manager. A FOD walkdown shall be conducted at the conclusion of any operations on the main runway.

k. Cars are permitted to park in the area as depicted in enclosure (2); they are not permitted on the main runway or runway overruns.

l. Scheduled/unscheduled naval flight operations have priority over model aircraft flights. Model aircraft operations will secure 2 hours prior to scheduled naval flights or upon notification by OLF Coupeville personnel.

m. Other full-sized aircraft operating in the vicinity of OLF Coupeville have the right-of-way over model aircraft. Model aircraft will be landed until the full-sized aircraft has departed the area.

n. Smoking is prohibited at all times within the "pit area."

o. At no time shall the E-5 arresting gear on the main runway be tampered with or de-rigged. Contact the NAS ODO at (360) 257-2681/82 with any questions regarding the arresting gear.

6. Access. Access to OLF Coupeville may be granted by obtaining permission from the Airfield Manager, NAS Whidbey Island. Prior to accessing the field, a club representative will check in with the ODO to confirm that no air operations are scheduled. Automobile access, other than the main entrance, is prohibited.

7. Responsibility. The Operations Officer has designated the Airfield Manager as liaison officer for model flying activities. Individuals and approved clubs shall coordinate field utilization with the Airfield Manager through the ODO. Upon request, and each year no later than 1 February, the WIRCS shall provide the ODO with a current list of club members, to include work and home phone numbers. Each individual participating in model aviation activities at OLF Coupeville shall comply with this instruction.

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HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

In consideration of my use of the facility known as Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Coupeville, as authorized by NASWHIDBEYINST 11132.1L, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the U.S. Navy, its agents and employees, from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including reasonable attorney fees, in case it shall be necessary to file an action arising out of my presence and use of OLF Coupeville, which is for bodily injury, illness, or death or for property damage, caused in whole or in part by my negligent act or omission.

I certify that I am an active member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), No. _____, and that I will fly safely per AMA safety rules.

Signature

Date

WIRCS Sponsor _____

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