

3 FLYING FIELD RULES CONTINUED

3.29 The pilot of any fixed or rotary winged model of any weight powered by a gas turbine power plant is required to hold a BMFA "B" certificate of the appropriate type. e.g. The pilot of a fixed wing turbine powered model must hold a Fixed Wing "B" Certificate, whilst the pilot of a turbine powered helicopter must hold a Helicopter "B" Certificate.

3.30 Pilots of models weighing more than 7 Kg without fuel are required to hold a BMFA "B" certificate of the appropriate type. e.g. The pilot of a fixed wing model weighing over 7 Kg must hold a Fixed Wing "B" Certificate, whilst the pilot of a helicopter weighing over 7 Kg must hold a Helicopter "B" Certificate. Note that electric models are weighed with all battery packs included – the combined total weight is the figure that has to be under 7 Kg to allow an "A" Certificate pilot to fly the model.

3.31 The committee shall have the authority to temporarily suspend the flying of all gas turbine models during periods when the surrounding crops are felt to be at risk from fire. This is anticipated to be an annual occurrence during the late summer but will be weather and crop dependant.

3.32 On training day please could members give peg priority to trainee pilots.

3.33 Members wishing to run engines for long periods of time should do so away from the flight line and pit area whilst other members are flying.



**CHELMSFORD MODEL FLYING ASSOCIATION
2012 HANDBOOK**

THE CMFA IS AFFILIATED TO THE BMFA (CLUB No 0550)
ALL MEMBERS MUST ABIDE TO THE BMFA RULES

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FLYING SITE

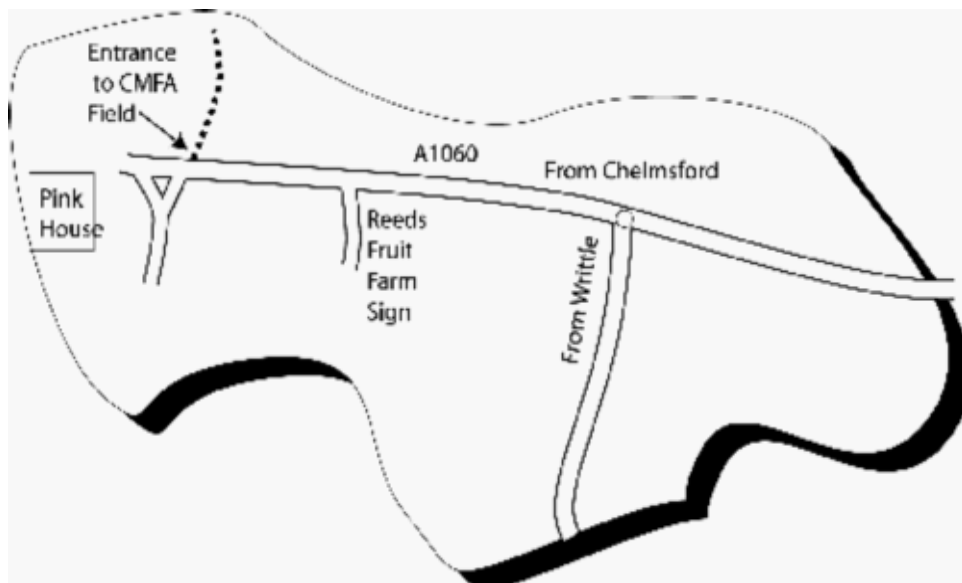
The club flying field is situated on the right of the A1060 (Chelmsford to Bishops Stortford) 0.75 of a mile past the A414 turn off to Writtle

MONTHLY MEETINGS

The Association meets on the second Wednesday in every month at 8.00 p.m. at the Broomfield Community Centre (behind the Angel Public House) Broomfield, **EXCEPT the JUNE, JULY, & AUGUST** meetings which, weather permitting, will take place at the field. We hope to arrange a BBQ on at least one of these evenings.

TRAINING

We offer free training, using the buddy lead system, for people new to the activity. The objective is to get all members to reach BMFA "A" certificate level, after which they can fly unsupervised. Training is by recognised Club Instructors, and we have BMFA approved Examiners available so that tests are carried out at our own field, where the candidate feels at home.



Access to the flying site is via a securely locked gate to which only club members have access

Flying site entrance co-ordinates are : North 51.753005°.....East 00.413811°

**FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS
All 35 MHz Band**

Power Area.....	Channels 55 - 69 inc. Channels 86 - 90 inc.
Helicopter Area.....	Channels 80 - 85 inc.
Glider Area.....	Channels 70 - 79 inc.

1 CONSTITUTIONAL RULE'S

- 1.1 The Club shall be called the Chelmsford Model Flying Association.
- 1.2 The aims of the Club shall be to promote all aspects of model flying.
- 1.3 The Annual General Meeting of members shall be held in November, when the accounts shall be presented and the committee elected. The accounts shall be audited by persons other than the Committee members who are the authorised signatories of the Bank Accounts. The Auditors shall be appointed by the Committee.
- 1.4 The committee shall comprise of the following and for election purposes be split into two groups.

<u>First Group</u>	<u>Second Group</u>
Chairman	Vice Chairman
Secretary	Treasurer
Competition Secretary Power	Competition Secretary Glider
Public Relations Officer	Training Coordinator
Safety Officer	Helicopter representative

The elections at an AGM will be for the positions of one group; positions for the other group will be at the following AGM and so on.

- 1.5 A Special Meeting may be held at any time on the requisition of ten members. The Secretary to give two weeks minimum notice to all members of said meeting.
- 1.1 There shall be a minimum of ten members present at any general meeting to form a quorum.
- 1.2 The membership of the Club shall be open to Seniors over the age of eighteen years and Juniors under the age of eighteen years up to 25% of total membership. Overall Membership shall be limited to 150 Senior Members plus up to 37 Juniors. (25% Rule).
- 1.3 There will be provision for a limited number of Life members to be admitted to the club for outstanding service to the club over a number of years. Any member may nominate a fellow member, such nomination being in writing to the Committee stating the substantive grounds for the nomination. The Committee is empowered to determine the criteria for Life Membership, and will decide on nominations. Life membership will extend to waiving of club fees only.
- 1.4 No member under the age of eighteen years shall be eligible to vote on policy matters.
- 1.5 All propositions affecting the Constitutional Rules of the Club must have a two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting at an Annual General Meeting, or Special General Meeting.

2 GENERAL RULES

- 2.1 The Annual Subscription for the year 1st January to 31st December shall be set at the Annual General Meeting or other General or Special meeting for the following year.
- 2.2 Any member failing to pay the annual subscription by 31st January shall automatically cease to be a member and will be required to pay the Joining fee if they rejoin after this date.
- 2.3 Any member of the Club shall leave if requested to do so by a majority of the members present and voting at an AGM or EGM.
- 2.4 The Committee shall have power to make decisions in the day to day running of the Club.
- 2.5 Applications for membership shall be made to the Secretary and will be accepted at the discretion of the Committee.
- 2.6 All proposals for the consideration of the Annual General Meeting and other General Meetings to be forwarded to the Secretary at least 21 days prior to the said meeting.
- 2.7 Notice of the Annual General meeting and General Meeting shall be forwarded by the Secretary to all members at least 14 days prior to the said meeting.
- 2.8 Should the club be wound up for any reason, the funds would be distributed to charity, under the BMFA guidelines.
- 2.9 New members will be required to serve an initial probationary period of 12 months. During this time they will not be eligible to serve on the committee and may have their membership terminated at the discretion of the committee for unsatisfactory conduct

3 FLYING FIELD RULES

- 3.1 The flying of non fixed wing powered models shall only take place between the following hours:-

Monday - Saturday	10 am to 9 pm
Sundays & Bank Holidays	10 am to 5 pm
- 3.2 The flying of fixed wing internal combustion engine model aircraft shall only take place between the following hours:-

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday	10 am to 7 pm
Tuesday & Thursday	10 am to 9 pm
Sundays & Bank Holidays	10 am to 4 pm

No model aircraft powered by an internal combustion engine shall take off within 10 minutes of the limit of the above flying times

- 3.3 A maximum of 4 fixed wing, internal combustion or electric powered aircraft shall be operated from the Power Square on Power Frequencies at any one time, no more than 3 of which shall be powered by two stroke engines. Relevant air pegs must be used at all times.
- 3.4 No more than 4 (3 two strokes and 1 four stroke) power planes, 6 gliders and 2 helicopters are to be in the air at any one time within the field. All pilots of similar models (power, glider or helicopter) should position themselves together at each site with pilots flying similar models. All models flown from the power square require a peg (Also See Rule 3.23)
- 3.5 No model aircraft powered by internal combustion engine shall fly within 500 metres of Pengymill or within 200 metres of any other residential property.
- 3.6 All members are responsible for clearing away any litter on the flying field.
- 3.7 Members should park only where indicated on the map. Do not obstruct the road when parking.
- 3.8 Flying areas for Gliders, R/C Power & Helicopters are shown in the site map. No other flying/launching shall take place other than in those areas.
- 3.9 Only the frequencies allocated to a flying area may be used at the flying field. 2.4 GHz is acceptable in all areas, and BMFA rules will apply
- 3.10 Over flying roads and houses should be avoided at all times.
- 3.11 Membership cards must always be used on the Peg Board. **NO CARD – NO FLY!** Guests however may use BMFA insurance in substitution for CMFA membership card.
- 3.12 All engines of 0.75 cc & over to be fitted with an effective silencer. Engines below this capacity to be fitted with an effective silencer where one is commercially available. The noise of any engine should comply with BMFA Rule 6 and should be measured as defined in BMFA Rule 6.2 B. Any model exceeding this limit shall be grounded until such time as it is modified to meet the requirements of this rule. All powered models must be checked and registered for noise when first built or after changes are made to the engine, before being flown from the field. Members should contact a committee member for this service.
- 3.13 Everyone, including guests of Members who fly at the Club site must be covered by their own effective Third Party insurance and proof to be shown to any Member on request. Potential new members are excluded from the above, but may fly on no more than three occasions, providing they are using a buddy lead before taking out such Insurance and joining the Club.
- 3.14 All R/C models to carry the owners name and address.
- 3.15 All members flying fixed wing powered models and not holding a BMFA or the Club A Certificate must be supervised throughout each flight by a member who holds such a Certificate.
- 3.16 All 35 MHz transmitters are to display an appropriate frequency flag at all times. No transmitter is to be switched on except when the pilot is in possession of the respective frequency peg. Never remove a peg from another member's transmitter unless you have his express permission. When not in use transmitters must be turned off, the aerial retracted and frequency peg returned to the peg board.
- 3.17 35 MHz Frequencies are divided up for power models, helicopters and gliders as per schedule.
- 3.18 Any Committee member may demand a range check to be carried out by any member at any time. Range checks should be undertaken regularly and particularly after a heavy landing or crash.
- 3.19 BMFA Safety Rules must be observed at all times.
- 3.20 Electric R/C models may be flown from either Power or Glider areas. In doing so they must adopt all rules and regulation governing that area. See Rule 3.3 & 3.4 above.
- 3.21 The first takeoff of the day for any powered model belonging to trainees unaided by the buddy lead must be made by an 'A' Certificate holder to ensure that the model is correctly trimmed.
- 3.22 The Members BMFA sticker for the current year must be fixed in a prominent position on the member's flight box.
- 3.23 All helicopters wishing to fly at speed or perform large circuits must fly from the secondary helicopter square. Helicopters frequency pegs must still be used and the peg board must remain in the Main Helicopter Square. Great care of crops must be taken in this area.
- 3.24 At all times, it is the glider pilot's responsibility to ensure that his bungee cannot fall across the helicopter flying square.
- 3.25 Junior Members must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times whilst at the Flying Field, who shall be entirely responsible for the Safety and Welfare of said Junior Member, except when he/she is under the Direct Supervision of a Registered Club Instructor.
- 3.26 Members will show consideration in all aspects of their conduct.
- 3.27 No Model will be flown through or across the power square within 25ft parallel to the flight line. No model will take off or land within 25ft of the flight line on the power square. The flight line is the boundary of the power square, where pilots stand when flying their models
- 3.28 No model will be taxied towards any person.

Recommendation - Members flying gliders should hold a BMFA Certificate of Competence before flying unsupervised.