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# HELICOPTER TRAINING AREA RULES

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### PURPOSE

NMAS promotes the flying of all types of model aircraft. The flying of model helicopters is an attraction to fixed wing pilots however learning to fly a helicopter cannot be conducted in the area where fixed winged aircraft are flying. To ensure that members have the opportunity to learn to fly helicopters safely, an area has been set aside for such purpose.

### POLICY

#### HELICOPTER PRACTICE AREA RULES

1. The practice area shall be at the northern end of the pits.
2. Hovering and trimming practice only.
3. Max Height not to exceed 20 feet.
4. All other Club rules to be followed.
5. No flying outside designated area.
6. No hogging of radio channels.

### GUIDELINES FOR HELICOPTER PILOTS

As the take-off and landing operation of helicopters differ from that of fixed wing aircraft these guidelines have been introduced to assist pilots in the safe operation of helicopters at the NMAS field. This will also give other pilots an understanding of how the helicopters are expected to operate.

- NMAS club rules apply to all pilots
- Helicopters wanting to fly with other aircraft must be capable of flying circuits and follow the posted circuit direction of the day.
- Rotors are not to be engaged in the pit area
- A designated hovering area has been provided for novice helicopter pilots and for general hovering. This area is for hovering only and not for forward flight. Helicopters must remain inside the designated area and not exceed 10 meters in height as they may be in the flight path of landing aircraft.
- **Forward flight** - to be considered as a speed greater than walking pace.
- **Taxiing** - to be considered as walking pace or slower.

- **Take off** – Call “ON THE FIELD”, then the model is to be carried out to the runway. From this point the model can be brought to a hover at which point forward flight can be made. The pilot can accompany the model to the runway if necessary.
- **Landing** - Call “HELICOPTER LANDING” followed by “ON THE FIELD” The pilot can then walk out on the field about 10 metres or further if necessary, Descend the helicopter to a hover position over the runway and then land.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY**

It is the responsibility of all club members to ensure that these procedures are adhered to.