

CMFC Guidelines for club flying during the Covid restrictions.

As most of you are aware the club is opening for flying again on Sat 16th May. However due to the current government restrictions on socialising there are some things that the committee are insisting all members adhere to, and some recommendations we would like you to follow.

First and foremost is going to be 'social distancing' every member will need to adhere to this and stay at least 2 metres apart at ALL times. The last thing we want is for any members of the public to see club members huddled over the same plane etc and report back to anyone. So whether your personal opinion is your happy to be closer you must still respect the 2 metres rule of others at all times

When you park your vehicles at the patch ensure that both vehicles can fully open there doors without them touching, this should give you about 1.5/2 metres between vehicles which should ensure you are over 2 metres apart when setting up behind your vehicle. If the club is busy try not to park further apart than this. Be aware at all times of the person next to you, if you need to go to the right of your model make sure they're not to the left of theirs etc.

Once the pit line is full up with cars then other members can park a safe distance in front but you wont be able to set your model up between existing models on the pit line. If you are parked in front of the others on the pit line then you can still assemble your model by your vehicle for flying but at no time should you make your model live or start the engine.

At busy times you can only have 1 model either setup or working on behind your vehicle in the pit area. Any subsequent models you set up will have to move over to the edge of the patch near the long grass until they're required again.

If it is busy at the patch and there are other members parked in front waiting to fly please bear this in mind. What we suggest is maybe have a little break from flying, move your model to the edge of the patch by the long grass and offer your setup space to a waiting member for a while. You dont need to move your vehicle just move your model and tools etc to share the setup space. Please **DO NOT SHARE** starting equipment.

Temporarily, flying is going to be restricted to 4 pilots at a time, our pilots box is approximately 6 metres x 3 metres so if front pilots stand near the front corners then pilots behind can stand at least 2 metres behind and slightly in from the corners to have a better view.

As regards hygiene and sanitisers etc. we would recommend that you carry a sanitiser gel/wipes of some description and use them afer touching the gate/padlock and after any occasion you come in contact with anything that doesn't belong to you.

If you are approached at anytime by a member of the public then please just explain that you are complying with the law and current guidelines and be POLITE at all times, if there are any issues then call either me (chairman) or any other committee member and let us deal with it.

These are guidelines we hope you will follow, if you are down the patch and the pit line is only at half capacity etc then having more than one model out and parking further apart is fine, common sense should be used. The above parking advice is meant for if the club is busier.

The last thing we want is for the club to have any problems with the local community or local residents so we will see how this works and if it does cause any issues then it may be necessary to temporarily close the club again. Hopefully that won't be the case.

The success of the club re opening during the lockdown is going to be dependant on how everyone conducts themselves at the club. so if a member is seen not adhering to these guidelines then they may be asked to refrain from using the club for now.

As an addition to the recent flying guidelines when we re open on Saturday, we are also going to restrict flying to members only, so there will be no guest flying allowed until further notice. If after being open for a while we think we can accommodate guest flying again the situation will be reviewed. Some other clubs are doing the same during the restricted flying as members of clubs that aren't reopening will be looking for somewhere else to fly.

Finally Happy flying and stay safe.

Marc (chairman) and the rest of your committee members.