

## **Resolution #2013-28**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALLEY GRANDE, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:**

### **Section 1.**

There is hereby established a radio controlled (RC) Airplane Park located adjacent to the Valley Grande Sports Complex to promote development of model aviation as a recreational activity.

### **Section 2.**

The intent of this resolution is to establish the safety rules and regulations of the radio controlled (RC) Airplane Park as follows:

#### **GENERAL:**

A model aircraft is a non-human carrying aircraft capable of sustained flight in the atmosphere. All model flights must be conducted in accordance with these safety rules and any additional rules specific to the flying site.

1. All pilots shall become members of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and participate in the AMA Liability Protection insurance.
2. All pilots shall show proof of AMA membership to the City Clerk's office and will be issued a permit to fly on the City of Valley Grande's radio controlled Airplane Park.
3. All pilots must be 19 years of age or older to receive a permit to fly on the City of Valley Grande's radio controlled Airplane Park. Anyone under 19 years of age must be accompanied by a pilot with the proper permits. A signed release will be required by the minor's parent or legal guardian before being allowed to fly at the Air Plane Park. It will be the responsibility of the permitted pilot to obtain the required release and submit it to City Hall.
4. All aircraft will be limited to electric powered. No gas powered planes will be allowed to be operated except during special events approved by the City council.
5. All aircraft shall be identified with the name and address or AMA number of the owner on the inside or affixed to the outside of the model aircraft.
6. Model aircraft shall not be flown in a reckless manner or while the pilot is under the influence of alcohol or any drug which could adversely affect the pilots ability to safely control the model.
7. All pilots shall avoid flying directly over unprotected people, vessels, vehicles, or structures and shall avoid endangerment of life and property of others.
8. No flying will be allowed during other functions being held at the Valley Grande Sports Complex or events being held at the pavilion.
9. All model flights must be conducted in accordance with the following Valley Grande sight safety rules and the Academy of Model Aeronautic National Model Aircraft Safety Code which is hereby attached to this resolution.
10. Compliance to the safety rules and operational rules is the responsibility of each participant. Any infraction of these rules will result in the pilot's loss of flight privileges and permit.

**FLYING SIGHT SAFETY RULES:**

1. A safety line must be established in front of which all flying takes place. Intentional flying behind the safety line is prohibited.
2. Only personnel associated with flying the model aircraft are allowed at or in front of the safety line.
3. An area away from the safety line must be maintained for spectators.
4. Taxiing is not allowed in the pit area.
5. Children should not be permitted beyond the spectator area unless under the direct supervision of an adult or under flight instruction.
6. Flight operations will stop during electrical storms.
7. Models will fly only in pre-designated areas, and will yield right-of-way to full size aircraft.

**FLYING SITE OPERATIONAL RULES:**

1. No flying before 9:00 a.m. or after sunset.
2. Mufflers are required on all models.
3. Fliers operating models must display AMA membership cards and City of Valley Grande permit for easy identification.
4. Pilots shall make appropriate announcement when taking off, landing, or emergency situations.

**Section 3.**

Each and every provision of this resolution is hereby declared to be an independent provision and the holding of any provision hereof to be void and invalid shall affect any other provision hereof, and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this resolution would have been enacted regardless of any provision which might have been held invalid.

**Section 4.**

This resolution shall become effective upon its adoption and publication as required by law.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF AUGUST, 2013.**

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne Labbe, Mayor

Attest:

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Janet Frasier, City Clerk