

From: Electric flight committee.
To: CCRC members.
Subj: Proposal for inclusion of "Park Flyer" only pilots to CCRC.

Background:

Recent improvements in R/C technology have seen the emergence of a multitude of RTF "Park Flyer" aircraft. The majority of these aircraft come RTF or ARTF and include a 27MHz radio. These systems provide an inexpensive way for individuals to enter R/C flying, and have proliferated at an impressive rate. Currently the AMA has provided no specific guidance regarding the training of individuals on these systems at AMA sanctioned fields. In an effort to bring potential hobbyists into the club as well as provide a means of flight instruction for individuals with these systems the following is offered.

Qualification:

Individuals who wish to join the AMA and the CCRC who fly "Park Flyer" aircraft exclusively and who have not undergone training on a "buddy-box" will be required to adhere to the following guidelines:

- "Park Flyer" aircraft are defined as those aircraft which come RTF/ARTF and have an included 27MHz radio with no "Buddy Box" capability. The Striker F-27C "brushless" as well as any other high performance aircraft that sanctioned club instructors feel inappropriate for this designation are not allowed.
- Individuals will be able to receive instruction from a club sanctioned instructor utilizing the "hand-off" method.
- Individuals will demonstrate the same proficiency requirements of those pilots utilizing the "buddy-box" method in accordance with CCRC bylaws.
- Once "soloed" in accordance with CCRC bylaws the following will occur:
 - The pilot will receive an identifying sticker to place on his/her AMA card identifying them as "Park Flyer" only rated.
 - The pilot will be able to fly "Park Flyer" aircraft as described above throughout the life of his membership.
- Should a "Park Flyer" only member upgrade to an aircraft that has "buddy-box" capable radio (nitro or electric), he/she will be required to demonstrate proficiency in accordance with CCRC bylaws. This demonstration will occur with a sanctioned club instructor connected via "buddy-box".
- Should a member who initially started flying as "Park Flyer" only, and who has upgraded to electric aircraft which are "buddy-box" capable wish to transition to nitro/gas powered aircraft, he/she will be required to demonstrate proficiency with said aircraft in accordance with CCRC bylaws. This demonstration will occur with a sanctioned club instructor connected via "buddy-box".
- Should a member of CCRC not wish to comply with these guidelines, they will remain in force until the next official club meeting where any issues can be discussed in front of the CCRC membership.
- These guidelines require that good judgment and adherence to CCRC bylaws be followed by all CCRC members and instructor pilots.
- This program is implemented on a trial basis. CCRC retains the right to discontinue or modify this program at anytime after due consideration of its officers, instructors and its membership.