

**TRI-CITY RADIO CONTROL MODELERS CLUB
PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENT**

Article XI — Safety and Field Rules
New Section 9 — Guest Pilots

Proposed for membership review: _____, 2026

Date approved by membership vote (Art. X, two-thirds): _____, 2026

***Instruction to the Secretary:** Upon approval, insert the following as Section 9 of Article XI (Section 11.01, Safety and Field Rules), immediately following Section 8 (Directory Information Privacy), and record the amendment in the Change History as shown at the end of this document.*

**ARTICLE XI
Section 11.01 SAFETY AND FIELD RULES**

Section 9 GUEST PILOTS

1. Definition

- a. A guest pilot is any individual who is not a current member of TCRCM in good standing and who operates model aircraft at the club flying site under the sponsorship of a current member.
- b. Every guest must be sponsored by a current member in good standing, who is responsible for the guest's conduct and eligibility under this Section.

2. AMA Membership Requirement

- a. Any pilot — member or non-member — who operates an aircraft at the field without the use of a buddy-box training system must hold current AMA membership, consistent with the club's insurance and its lease with the City of Richland Parks and Recreation Department.
- b. A guest may fly using a buddy-box training system without holding AMA membership, provided the operator of the master (instructor) transmitter is a current AMA member.

3. Guest Flying Limit

- a. A guest pilot may fly at the club field, with or without the use of a buddy-box training system, on no more than three (3) separate days per calendar year.
- b. A guest who wishes to fly at the field beyond three (3) days in a calendar year must apply for club membership.
- c. This three-day limit resets on January 1 of each calendar year.

4. Former Members in Arrears

- a. A former member whose club membership has lapsed, or who is in arrears on dues, may not fly as a guest pilot for a period of one (1) full year following the expiration date of their most recent membership.

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- b. Such an individual must renew their club membership to resume flying at the field.

5. Sponsoring Member Responsibility and Enforcement

- a. Any member who sponsors or brings a guest to fly who is ineligible under this Section — including a guest who has exceeded the three-day limit of subsection 3, a guest flying without the AMA coverage required under subsection 2, or a former member within the one-year exclusion period of subsection 4 — shall have their field privileges suspended for sixty (60) days.
- b. This suspension may be imposed directly by the Board of Directors and does not require progression through the Grievance Procedure in Section 5 of this Article.

CHANGE HISTORY — ADDITION

Add the following entry to Section 1.02, Change History:

Amended _____ 2026

Article XI Added Section 9 — Guest Pilots