

Radio AeroModelers of Montgomery (RAMM)

NEW MEMBER PACKET



(RAMM web site: <http://www.rammrcclub.com>)

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RADIO AEROMODELERS OF MONTGOMERY (RAMMS)

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Radio AeroModelers of Montgomery (RAMM) welcome you to the world of RC aero modeling. You will find this to be a very interesting, educational, and challenging hobby.

Our club is a non-profit, incorporated organization dedicated to the building and flying of radio controlled miniature airplanes. Our goal is to promote this hobby within the framework of the Academy of Model Aeronautics or AMA. As such, all members are required to have an AMA membership. See more about the AMA under the “Frequently Asked Questions” section of this packet.

A club-based **private** flying site, located on highway 331 south of Montgomery, on the Pirtle fare property, is open to all club members 7 days a week. Guests may be invited, but all **flying** guests must be accompanied by a club member. All new RAMM members must demonstrate an elementary flying capability before being issued a RAMM membership card. This card is the member’s safety consent to fly at anytime without an instructor being present. All new members without a member ship card must have an instructor present until such time as the RAMM card is issued. Please refer to the section of this packed entitled “Flight Proficiency Standards”.

RAMM membership is open to all people. This new packet is included with each approved membership application.

The RAMMs club is one of the oldest clubs in the area. We currently have approximately 100 members. Our Organization is very active with other clubs as well as our community. We have several fly-ins during the year and invite area clubs to participate. Included in our fly-ins is the annual GSWA Giant Scale Warbirds Over Montgomery fly-in. We also have a couple of fun-flies, during the year, and invite our families to watch and have lunch with us. We are also invited each year to participate with other club fly-ins. The club also participates in aeronautical programs in local schools, mall shows where we have our airplanes on display, and air shows a Maxwell Air Force Base.

The RAMMs club Board of Directors is the administrative body of the organization. Included on the board are the current club President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Safety Officer, Member at Large, and previous club president. Each member of the board serves a term of one year. Nominations for new officers are made annually by the Board of Directors and presented to the club membership for elections in November.

Our monthly membership meetings are scheduled as follows:

WHEN: First Tuesday of each Month

TIME: 7:00PM

WHERE: Crump Community Center, 1735 Highland Avenue, Montgomery, AL

WELCOME to RAMMs. Hope you enjoy your membership and feel a part of all of us.

THE WRONG WAY TO APPROACH THE HOBBY

The wrong way to approach the hobby is to buy a kit, radio, all the accessories, put it together, find a vacant area of land, and attempt to fly your new plane. The odds are at least 1000 to 1 you will crash and do significant damage to your plane. If the plane is repairable and you do so and attempt to fly again the odds are still against you. We know of several cases where this has happened. Frustration sets in, interest in the hobby is lost, and so is your investment.

THE RIGHT WAY TO APPROACH THE HOBBY

Starting out in the hobby on your own can be somewhat confusing, but it does not have to be this way. Any of our RAMM members will be glad to talk with you and assist getting you started in the hobby. They can assist you in purchasing the right trainer airplane for the first time flyer and the proper radio and accessories. Our instructors will assist you in flying your model until you can solo. As you progress in the hobby you will find a vast resource of information from our club members. Do not hesitate to ask for assistance from our members.

The remainder of this New Member Packet is an attempt to answer some of the many questions you may have and point you in the right direction in getting started in this great hobby.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. How will I learn to fly?

The club has people that will help you to learn to fly. Once you have your trainer airplane put together someone will be assigned to assist you in learning to fly at no cost. Several instructors are retired and can go to the flying field at a time convenient to you. Your instructor will take you through all the steps to learning to fly until you solo. You will learn the aspects of safety at the field, how to care for your model and equipment, how to set your control surfaces, and how to fly including taking off and landing. When you have successfully soloed you will be graduated and given a flight school graduation certificate. Once you solo you will be able to fly at the field at any time.

2. What type of airplane should I start with?

It is strongly suggested that you start with a trainer type airplane. Many excellent trainer aircraft are available. An Almost Ready to Fly (RTF) airplane is recommended. An ARF can be put together in 10 to 20 hours and you are ready to fly. A trainer kit will require several weeks to complete because a kit requires that you completely build the model from just pieces of balsa.

Some individuals want to start out with a WWII warbird, a biplane, or some sleek looking model that looks like a real airplane. This will happen, but is not recommended for a new modeler. Everyone needs to start with the basic models and progress to more advanced models.

3. What engine should I purchase for my airplane?

The most common 2 stroke engines are O.S., MDS, Magnum, and Super Tigre. The 4 stroke engines are O.S., and Saito. Talk to other club members before making your decision on engine type and make.

4. Will I crash?

Yes, most people do a one time or another. Learning to fly with assistance of one of our members will certainly minimize the probability of crashing. Don't feel like the only one who has crashed, every member of the club has crashed at one time or another.

5. How much will it cost to get started with a Radio Control Airplane?

To get started will cost \$340-\$550. Please refer to "THE COST OF GETTING STARTED" part of this packet.

6. How old may I be to start this hobby?

We have members from 10-11 years of age who fly well. We have many members who started this hobby after they retired. You can be young, old, or just young at heart to start building and flying.

7. What takes place at the club meetings?

The first items on the meeting agenda are old business new business which never takes more than 20 to 30 minutes. Following the business portion of the meeting we have a 20-30 minute program. The programs are designed to cover items of interest to our members. Some programs cover how-to topics, others cover videos of events our members attended. Before and after the meetings are excellent times to talk to other members for advice.

8. How many members attend the monthly meeting?

Normally 20-30 members attend the monthly meeting.

9. How much does it cost to be a member of Radio AeroModelers of Montgomery (RAMM)?

a. The initiation fee is a one time cost of \$50.00.

b. Annual dues are \$60.00 for adults, \$30.00 for children 18 and younger, and \$30.00 for each additional family members living in the same home.

c. Military members stationed in the area for less than a year pay \$5.00/month dues and are not charged the initiation fee.

d. It is mandatory that all RAMM members must also be a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). This membership provides liability insurance for each member in case of a flying accident.

10. What is the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA)?

The Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) is the official national body for model aviation in the United States. AMA sanctions more than a thousand model competitions throughout the country each year, and certifies official model flying records on a national and international level. AMA is the chartering organization for more than 2,500 model airplane clubs across the country. AMA offers its chartered clubs official contest **sanction, insurance**, and assistance in getting and keeping flying sites. AMA is the voice of its membership, providing liaison with the Federal Aviation Administration, the Federal Communications Commission, and other government agencies through our national headquarters in Muncie, Indiana. AMA also works with local governments, zoning boards, and parks departments to promote the interests of local chartered clubs.

11. What does the club do with the money collected for initiation fee and dues?

The largest single expense for the club is the annual payment for lease of the flying field. The second biggest expense is supporting the maintenance of the flying field and tractor. We support meals for the flyers at the semi-annual fly-ins, as well as prizes and trophies at these events, and improvements to our flying site. We also support an annual Christmas party for members and their families. The club functions as a non-profit organization.

12. Does the club have a newsletter or web site?

We have both. the RAMMPAGE is our monthly newsletter and highlights the going-on of the club. Included in the newsletter are meeting minutes, schedules of activities, building hints, for sale items, etc. The club web site is located at www.rammrclub.com.

THE COST OF GETTING STARTED

As mentioned previously getting started in this hobby will cost approximately \$340 to \$550 depending on the type of first airplane you purchase.

The least expensive method of entering the hobby is to purchase a Ready to FLY (RTF) electric COMBO. This is an airplane, engine, and radio equipment sold in a single package. An example is a combo consisting of a piper cub with electric motor and radio gear for approximately \$150.00. This package contains everything needed for you to begin flying.

To start with an Almost Ready to Fly (ARF) gas airplane COMBO: This type of airplane comes partially built and requires a minimum of construction and installation of radio gear. Most likely 5-10 hours of construction effort. This is the most typical type of startup-most member's use. The approximate cost is itemized below.

Trainer Airplane (ARF) COMBO	\$250 - \$350
Includes:	
Airplane	
4 Channel Radio Transmitter	
4 Channel Radio Receiver	
Aircraft Servos	
Engine (Glow type)	
Propeller	
Spinner	
Fuel	\$17
Assorted accessories: (Glue/Field box/Starter Battery)	\$125

The above items are basic to getting started. With time, while putting your plane together, learning to fly, and talking with various individuals, you will want to purchase specific tools and other items for your work area and field box.

Combos can be purchased saving the purchaser some money. Combos consist of a plane, engine, and perhaps a radio.

Again, it is highly recommended that a beginner join a model club where assistance can be provided to assist the beginner with the many areas of modeling.

Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) Membership:

It is MANDATORY that everyone joins the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) because of necessity of insurance coverage. No one is allowed to belong to the model club or fly on the field without AMA insurance. Fee to join the AMA.

For those 19 years or over	\$58.00/year
For those under 19 years	\$15.00/year
Extra Family membership	\$30.00/year (any adult residing in the same household of an adult member)
For those 65 years and over	\$48.00/year

NOTE: AMA Membership includes the monthly magazine Model Aviation.

Radio Aero modelers of Montgomery Membership:

One time cost for initiation fee	\$50.00
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Annual Dues:

Open Member (19years or over)	\$60.00/year
Junior Member (18years or under)	\$30.00/year
Extra Family members in same home	\$30.00/year

FLIGHT PROFICIENCY STANDARDS

The following basic skills must be demonstrated before a new member is issued a RAMM membership card and allowed to fly solo.

1. Pilot must secure frequency pin and place AMA card in frequency rack.
2. Pilot must be able to prepare the model for flight, including:
 - A. Assembly
 - B. Battery check
 - C. Radio check
 - D. Range check
 - E. Safety check
3. Pilot starts engine following all safety precautions. Must have a helper.
4. Pilot must taxi to take-off position on runway.
5. Pilot must take-off and fly a continuous circuit of the field, making initial turn away from the flight line
6. Pilot must execute a procedure turn on both ends of the field.
7. Pilot must fly a landing approach from both ends of the field.
8. Pilot must execute a landing on the runway. The wind will dictate direction.

PILOT MUST NEVER:

- A. Fly over the flight line.
- B. Fly behind the flight line boundary extended to infinity.
- C. Fly in a dangerous manner.
- D. Fly without a frequency pin.

PILOT MUST ALWAYS:

- A. Secure a frequency pin **BEFORE** turning on any transmitter.
- B. Check direction of the prevailing landing pattern.
- C. Have a spotter if his plane will make the third or more planes in the air.
- D. Return the frequency pin to the board and return transmitter to impound area.

I have observed this pilot perform the above basic skills to my satisfaction and recommend the issuance of a RAMM membership card.

RAMM Instructor

New Pilot Member

RADIO AEROMODELERS OF MONTGOMERY (RAMM)

CONSTITUTION

(Ratified July 6, 1991, Amended March 1, 2008)

ARTICLE I: NAME AND AFFLIATION

The **Radio Aeromodelers of Montgomery, incorporated (RAMM)** of Montgomery, Alabama is a non-profit corporation chartered by the State of Alabama and governed by the Constitution and By-Lays as set forth hereunder and is a chartered organization of the **Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA)** headquartered in Muncie , Indiana.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The RADIO AEROMODERLERS of MONTGOMERY, INC., is a non-profit organization formed to:

- A. Create interest in model aviation.
- B. Aid Beginners.
- C. Promote model flying.
- D. Sponsor model contests.
- E. Bring modelers closer together.
- F. Improve friendships.
- G. Exchange knowledge and ideas.
- H. Create winter (indoor and outdoor) activities.
- I. Have social activities that include families.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

The number of RAMM members is unlimited and the membership is divided into the following categories:

- A. **Open Member.** One who is 19 years of age or older.
- B. **Junior Member:** One who has not reached the age of 19 and has no other family member as a RAMM open member.
- C. **Family Member.** One who is in the immediate family of an open member.
- D. **Associate Member:** One who has paid initiation fees and wishes to remain on the mailing list but in an inactive status. Associate membership may also be designated by the Board of Directors.
- E. **Temporary Member.** One who is visiting the Montgomery area for a short and specified period of time and wishes to participate as an open member.
- F. **Life Member:** One who has been so designated as such by the club membership. Life members are considered active until death.

Section 2

Applicants for membership must be a member of AMA and must be nominated and approved at a formal meeting of RAMMs.

Section 3

The Board of Directors will screen the membership roster annually and submit names of RAMM members for possible revocation of membership to the general membership. Methods for revoking membership are:

- A. Member must be notified by mail at least 30 days prior to membership vote.
- B. Member must be placed on probation for 30 days.
- C. Requires a 2/3 vote of a quorum present at a business meeting.

Section 4

Voting membership shall consist of:

- A. Open active members.
- B. Youth active members.
- C. Family active members.

* Active members are defined as those who have paid current dues.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

The officers of the Radio Aeromodelers of Montgomery, Inc., shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Safety Officer, and Member at Large.

ARTICLE V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1:

The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of RAMM, the immediate Past President, and those Directors and Committee Chairmen appointed by the President and approved by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 2:

The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the overall direction and planning of activities of RAMM.

ARTICLE VI: PUBLICATIONS

Section: 1

The official publication of the Radio Aeromodelers of Montgomery, Inc shall be known as the "RAMMPAGE" and will be published once each month.

Section: 2

The Editor of the "RAMMPAGE" must obtain news, copies of the minutes of all club meetings, and edit, produce, provide typing, printing and distribution with the assistance of the Secretary.

Section: 3

The Editor shall submit a draft of the “RAMMPAGE” to the Board of Directors prior to their monthly meeting for their review. Deadlines for receipt of articles shall be established by the Editor and published periodically in the “RAMMPAGE”.

RADIO AEROMODELERS OF MONTGOMERY (RAMM)

BY – LAWS

ARTICLE I: DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS

Section 1:

The President shall:

- A. Preside over all meetings and conduct them in a reasonable, parliamentary manner.
- B. Check all RAMM records to insure they are handled properly.
- C. Appoint a Program Director, Flying Field Director, and any other Committee Chairmen as the President deems necessary.

Section 2:

The Vice President shall preside over meetings in the absence of the President and will assume the Presidency in the event the President vacates before the end of the elected term. The vice President will then appoint a new Vice President to serve the remainder of the term.

Section 3:

The Secretary shall:

- A. Keep the minutes of all RAMM meetings and submit them for membership approval at the following business meeting.
- B. Be custodian of all records except financial records.
- C. Notify members of special meetings.
- D. Assist in the publication and distribution of the “RAMMPAGE”.
- E. Preside over meetings in the absence of the President and Vice President.

Section 4:

The Treasurer shall:

- A. Collect all monies and pay all authorized expenditures.
- B. Keep records on all monetary transactions.
- C. Prepare and present financial report at all monthly business meetings.
- D. Collect dues and fees.
- E. Maintain a bank account in RAMM name and arrange for its transfer it to the succeeding Treasurer.

Section 5:

The Member at Large shall act as liaison between the Board of Directors and the general membership, contact new members and encourage member participation.

Section 6:

The Safety Officer shall be responsible for enforcing the AMA Safety Code, however all members are responsible for ensuring safety at all times...

ARTICLE II: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1:

Officers of RAMM to be elected are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Member at Large, and Safety Officer.

Section 2:

The normal term of office for all RAMM officers shall be one year.

Section 3:

Nominations shall be held each year during September business meeting. Candidate names will be emailed/mailed to all RAMM members at least 30 days prior to the election:

Section 4:

Balloting procedures will be established by the Board of Directors.

Section 5:

Election results will be tabulated at the November business meeting and the installation of new officers shall take place at the close of the December business meeting.

Section 6:

If an elected officer of RAMM should be unable to complete his/her term of office, the President, with the advice and consent to the Board of Directors, shall appoint a successor to complete the elected term. In the case of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice President will assume the Presidency and will appoint a Vice president to serve the remainder of the term of the term.

ARTICLE III: DUES AND FINANCES

Section 1:

Upon acceptance into membership, a prospective RAMM member must pay the initiation fee (\$50) and annual club dues (\$60) immediately. New members that join during the year will pay dues at the annual rate until July 1st and ½ the annual rate after July 1st. The initiation fee is a one time charge good for the life of the member.

Section 2:

Dues by category are as follows:

- A. Open members must pay the initiation fee plus annual dues in the amount determined by ARTICLE III, Section 1 of the BY-LAWS.
- B. Junior members must pay ½ the initiation fee plus ½ the annual dues.
- C. Family member must pay ½ the annual dues but need not pay an initiation fee.

Section 3:

Annual dues must be paid yearly during or before the November business meeting.

Section 4:

The amount of the initiation fee and the annual dues shall be governed by the Board of Directors, subject to approval of 2/3 majority of a quorum present at regular business meeting. Notice to vote on an assessment shall be given at least 30 days prior to the scheduled vote.

Section 5:

All members shall be responsible for payment of any assessments approved by the Board of Directors and a 2/3 majority vote of a quorum present at a regular business meeting. Notice to vote on an assessment shall be given at least 30 days prior to the scheduled vote.

Section 6:

All other expenses shall be paid from the RAMM treasury.

Section 7:

RAMM assumes full responsibility for financial expense for trophies and prizes at all contests and activities sponsored by the RAMM club.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS

Section 1:

Meetings shall be held once a month at a pre-designated time and place.

Section 2:

Business meetings will be held in conjunction with any regularly scheduled meeting.

Section 3:

Business meeting shall be held in an informal, business – like and informative manner. RAMM club business should prevail at all meetings and should be as short and to the point as possible. The meeting agenda will include:

- A. Reading and approval of the minutes of the last meeting.
- B. Reading and approval of the treasurer's report.
- C. Director and Chairperson reports.
- D. Old business.
- E. New Business.
- F. Program

Section 4:

The Board of Directors may call a special meeting with prior notice to the members of RAMM.

Section 5:

All issues subject to membership vote must pass by a 2/3 majority of a quorum. Twenty percent of the membership represents a quorum.

Section 6:

Any five members disagreeing with any action by the officers of the RAMM may, by petition, bring the matter before the general membership or the Board of Directors for open discussion.

ARTICLE V: PROGRAMS

The Program Director, appointed by the President, shall be in charge of all program activities at the RAMM meetings.

ARTICLE VI: ACTIVITIES

Section 1:

The RAMM club will participate in activities such as fun flies, picnics, exhibitions, mall shows, etc., at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Section 2:

The appointed Contest or Activity Director shall be in charge of all formal RAMM activities (contests, demonstrations, participation with other clubs, etc.) at the RAMM field.

ARTICLE VII: REVISIONS

Additions or revisions to this constitution or these By-Laws require unanimous approval of the Board of Directors prior to submission for membership vote.

ARTICLE VIII: ACTIVITIES

Section 1:

The Board of Directors shall document and submit, for membership approval, all rules and regulations governing activities at the flying field.

Section 2:

All new members shall demonstrate flying proficiency as noted in the **Flying Proficiency Standards** included in the **New Member Packet**:

Section 3:

Flying at the RAMM club leased/owned flying field is restricted to current club members except as follows:

- A. Guest may be permitted to use the flying field for up to 30 days provided they have a current AMA license and have permission to fly given by a RAMM member.
- B. A member must accompany any guest while flying.
- C. A guest is never to be the last person to leave the field.

Section 4:

Any member deliberately breaking RAMM rules or acting in an unsportsmanlike manner is liable for expulsion from the RAMM club. No dues, fees, or assessments will be refunded.

Section 5:

A copy of the "FLYING FIELD RULES" will be included in the RAMMPAGE at least once each year and posted at the flying field at all times. Every member is required to abide by the posted rules. A copy of the current "FLYING FIELD RULES" and official "AMA SAFETY CODE" shall be attached to the RAMM club BY-Laws.

FLYING FIELD RULES

1. A current AMA membership is required to fly on the RAMM field.
2. Only approved model aircraft radio frequencies are allowed on the RAMM field.
3. No flying at an altitude above 400 Feet.
4. Do not fly in a careless, reckless, or dangerous manner.
5. Name, address, and AMA number is required on/in all model aircraft.
6. AMA membership card must be placed in the frequency slot when taking frequency pin.
7. No metal bladed propellers will be used.
8. A ground check is required before first flight of the day.
9. Initial turn after takeoff will be made in a direction away from the flight line pit area.
10. **DO NOT** taxi aircraft to or in the pit area.
11. Rotary wing aircraft will hover, take off, and land on the runway.
12. Flying is prohibited over the pit or spectator areas.
13. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the RAMM flying site.
14. A RAMM member must be present when guests are flying.
15. The last RAMM member to leave will close and lock the gate upon departing the field.

**2008 Official
Academy of Model Aeronautics
National Model Aircraft Safety Code
Effective January 1, 2006**

GENERAL

1. A model aircraft shall be defined as a non-human-carrying device capable of sustained flight in the atmosphere. It shall not exceed limitations established in this code and is intended to be used exclusively for recreational or competition activity.
2. The maximum takeoff weight of a model aircraft, including fuel, is 55 pounds, except for those flown under the AMA Experimental Aircraft Rules.
3. I will abide by this Safety Code and all rules established for the flying site I use. I will not willfully fly my model aircraft in a reckless and/or dangerous manner.
4. I will not fly my model aircraft in sanctioned events, air shows, or model demonstrations until it has been proven airworthy.
5. I will not fly my model aircraft higher than approximately 400 feet above ground level, when within three (3) miles of an airport without notifying the airport operator. I will yield the right-of-way and avoid flying in the proximity of full-scale aircraft, utilizing a spotter when appropriate.
6. I will not fly my model aircraft unless it is identified with my name and address, or AMA number, inside or affixed to the outside of the model aircraft. This does not apply to model aircraft flown indoors.
7. I will not operate model aircraft with metal-blade propellers or with gaseous boosts (other than air), nor will I operate model aircraft with fuels containing tetranitromethane or hydrazine.
8. I will not operate model aircraft carrying pyrotechnic devices which explode or burn, or any device, which propels a projectile of any kind. Exceptions include Free Flight fuses or devices that burn producing smoke and are securely attached to the model aircraft during flight. Rocket motors up to a G-series size may be used, provided they remain firmly attached to the model aircraft during flight. Model rockets may be flown in accordance with the National Model Rocketry Safety Code; however, they may not be launched from model aircraft. Officially designated AMA Air Show Teams (AST) are authorized to use devices and practices as defined within the Air Show Advisory Committee Document.
9. I will not operate my model aircraft while under the influence of alcohol or within eight (8) hours of having consumed alcohol.
10. I will not operate my model aircraft while using any drug which could adversely affect my ability to safely control my model aircraft.
11. Children under six (6) years old are only allowed on a flight line or in a flight area as a pilot or while under flight instruction.
12. When and where required by rule, helmets must be properly worn and fastened. They must be OSHA, DOT, ANSI, SNELL or NOCSAE approved or comply with comparable standards.

RADIO CONTROL

1. All model flying shall be conducted in a manner to avoid over flight of unprotected people.
2. I will have completed a successful radio equipment ground-range check before the first flight of a new or repaired model aircraft.
3. I will not fly my model aircraft in the presence of spectators until I become a proficient flier, unless I am assisted by an experienced pilot.
4. At all flying sites a safety line or lines must be established, in front of which all flying takes place. Only personnel associated with flying the model aircraft are allowed at or in front of the safety line. In the case of air shows or demonstrations a straight safety line must be established. An area away from the safety line must be maintained for spectators. Intentional flying behind the safety line is prohibited.

5. I will operate my model aircraft using only radio-control frequencies currently allowed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Only individuals properly licensed by the FCC are authorized to operate equipment on Amateur Band frequencies.
6. I will not knowingly operate my model aircraft within three (3) miles of any preexisting flying site without a frequency-management agreement. A frequency-management agreement may be an allocation of frequencies for each site, a day-use agreement between sites, or testing which determines that no interference exists. A frequency-management agreement may exist between two or more AMA chartered clubs, AMA clubs and individual AMA members, or individual AMA members. Frequency-management agreements, including an interference test report if the agreement indicates no interference exists, will be signed by all parties and copies provided to AMA Headquarters.
7. With the exception of events flown under official AMA rules, excluding takeoff and landing, no powered model may be flown outdoors closer than 25 feet to any individual, except for the pilot and the pilot's helper(s) located at the flight line.
8. Under no circumstances may a pilot or other person touch a model aircraft in flight while it is still under power, except to divert it from striking an individual.
9. Radio-controlled night flying is limited to low-performance model aircraft (less than 100 mph). The model aircraft must be equipped with a lighting system which clearly defines the aircraft's attitude and direction at all times.
10. The operator of a radio-controlled model aircraft shall control it during the entire flight, maintaining visual contact without enhancement other than by corrective lenses that are prescribed for the pilot. No model aircraft shall be equipped with devices which allow it to be flown to a selected location which is beyond the visual range of the pilot.

FREE FLIGHT

1. I will not launch my model aircraft unless I am at least 100 feet downwind of spectators and automobile parking.
2. I will not fly my model aircraft unless the launch area is clear of all individuals except my mechanic, officials, and other fliers.
3. I will use an effective device to extinguish any fuse on the model aircraft after the fuse has completed its function.

CONTROL LINE

1. I will subject my complete control system (including the safety thong where applicable) to an inspection and pull test prior to flying. The pull test will be in accordance with the current for the applicable model aircraft category. Model aircraft not fitting a specific category shall use those pull-test requirements as indicated for Control Line Precision Aerobatics.
2. I will ensure that my flying area is clear of all utility wires or poles and I will not fly a model aircraft closer than 50 feet to any above-ground electric utility lines.
3. I will ensure that my flying area is clear of all nonessential participants and spectators before permitting my engine to be started.

SPECIALIZED SUPPLEMENTAL SAFETY CODES, STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS

RADIO CONTROL COMBAT (#525)

GENERAL RADIO CONTROL RACING (#530)

GIANT SCALE RADIO CONTROL RACING (#515-A)

GAS TURBINE OPERATION (Note: Special waiver required) (#510-A)

These special codes and appropriate documents may be obtained either from the AMA Web site or by contacting AMA Headquarters

**RADIO AEROMODELERS OF MONTGOMERY
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ **ZIP** _____

E-MAIL: _____

DATE JOINED CLUB: _____ **AMA #:** _____

DATE OF BIRTH (Optional): _____

SPOUSE NAME: _____

HOME PH: _____ **WORK PH:** _____

FAX: _____

RADIO CHANNELS: _____

**Please bring to the next RAMM Meeting
Or mail to
RAMM
74 Dogwood Meadows Lane
Wetumpka, AL 36093**