



## FLIGHT OPERATIONS ADVISORY

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### **PART I OPERATIONS**

#### **A. GENERAL**

All aircraft operations at Minute Man Airfield (MMAF) should be conducted in accordance with Federal and State aeronautical rules, regulations, and guidelines in particular- Advisory Circular No. 90-66A, entitled "RECOMMENDED STANDARD TRAFFIC PATTERNS AND PRACTICES FOR AERONAUTICAL OPERATIONS AT AIRPORTS WITHOUT OPERATING CONTROL TOWERS, dated 8/26/93, and No. 90-42F, entitled TRAFFIC ADVISORY PRACTICES AT AIRPORTS WITHOUT OPERATING CONTROL TOWERS, dated 5/1/90 and attached hereto, or a superseding edition, UNLESS FURTHER SPECIFIED OR RESTRICTED BELOW.

Minute Man Air Field, although located in an INDUSTRIAL zoning district, is surrounded by open space and residential neighborhoods. Pilots are requested, as a matter of courtesy to MMAF's residential neighbors, to use the quietest possible operating techniques for their particular aircraft.

#### **B. TIME OF OPERATIONS**

In accordance with Federal and State aeronautical rules, regulations, assurances and guidelines, the air field is available for public use 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, on a fair and non-discriminatory basis, to all types, kinds, and classes of aeronautical uses, with due regard to safety, climatic and flood conditions, except for OPERATING RESTRICTIONS listed below.

#### **C. RUNWAY SELECTION**

The runway preferred for use shall be selected according to existing winds and terrain.  
Runway 3/21 may be used for Closed Pattern Operations.

#### **D. TRAFFIC PATTERN DESCRIPTION**

Pattern Altitude is 1,300' MSL, 1,032' AGL, except that ROTORCRAFT arriving from or departing to the east may enter or depart the MMAF traffic pattern on the extended centerline of runway 12/30 at 1,100' MSL, 832' AGL.

AIRPLANES & ULTRALIGHTS shall make standard left hand traffic.

ROTORCRAFT shall make standard right hand traffic, unless arriving from or departing to the east on RNWY 12/30.

Departures from or go arounds on RNWY 30 shall be on a heading of 320 degrees and be maintained until reaching pattern altitude.

E. OPERATING  
RESTRICTIONS

Fixed Wing intersection departures are PROHIBITED.

Fixed Wing Closed Pattern Operations are PROHIBITED on  
RNWY 12/30.

Closed Pattern Operations are PROHIBITED from 10 pm to 7am  
daily, except on Sundays and Federal Holidays when they are  
PROHIBITED from 10 pm to 9 am.

Those intending to operate between 11 pm and 6 am shall notify  
the Air Field Manager of their intention to do so and explain what  
steps will be taken to minimize their operation's noise impact on  
the neighborhood.

F. DEVIATIONS

Requests for deviations from these REGULATIONS may be made  
to the Air Field Manager in writing. Such requests shall contain the  
reason for the request and provisions to ensure an equivalent  
level of safety and noise abatement.

G. ENFORCEMENT

Federal and State rules, regulations and guidelines pre-empt the  
air field management's authority when an aircraft is in the air.  
Hence, the Federal Aviation Administration and the  
Massachusetts DOT - Aeronautics Division are the appropriate  
authorities for enforcement of most airborne infractions.

The air field management shall take whatever steps it deems  
appropriate in order to assure the highest practical level of  
conformance with paragraphs D. & E. of these REGULATIONS.