

Implementation of MAAC NOTAM 23-04 - Stetson Field



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Reference:

- A. MAAC NOTAM 23-04.
- B. How to look up and read NAV Canada NOTAMs (Stetson Flyers guide)

Purpose: This document details how the Stetson Flyers Model Airplane Club will implement MAAC NOTAM 23-04 at the Stetson Field.

Background: the reference describes how MAAC members flying from a MAAC site can meet the site survey requirements of CAR Part IX without having to do a full site survey for every flying session. The reference only addresses the **site survey** aspects of **controlled airspace** and **temporary flight restrictions**. All other aspects of site surveys, such as weather, new obstacles, people working or passing through the flying area, etc. are required to be performed by each member as usual to ensure safe flying.

Site Survey: The Stetson Flyers President or a designated member of the executive will conduct and update the Stetson Field site survey on behalf of the club in accordance with MAAC NOTAM 23-04. The schedule published in MAAC NOTAM 23-04 corresponds to the review schedule of the Designated Airspace Handbook (DAH), which describes all the controlled airspace in Canada. The most current site survey will be posted on the Stetson website. Any significant change to the controlled airspace around the field will be communicated to the club members.

NOTAMs: From time to time, circumstances can result in temporary flight restrictions, which would normally (but not always) be documented in NOTAMs. An example is US Presidential visits. These always result in no-fly restrictions for the duration of the visit. Other situations can also result in flight restrictions for security or safety reasons.

It is the member's responsibility to check for applicable NOTAMs before each flying session.

The reference B guide on how to look up and interpret NOTAMs has been prepared for the convenience of Stetson members. This guide can help you look up and interpret NOTAMs quickly, effectively and practically painlessly, so don't overlook it!

As an additional step and a courtesy to club members, the Stetson Flyers President or a designated member of the executive will monitor NOTAMs when a flight restriction is anticipated, such as an upcoming US Presidential visit, a local emergency or event that could result in flight restrictions published through a NOTAM. Any relevant information will be disseminated to all club members, but ultimately, each person remains responsible for clearing their own flying sessions.

Similarly, to maximize the effectiveness of communications within the club, if a member sees a NOTAM that affects or will affect our operation, please inform the Stetson Executive at contact@stetsonflyers.com, or call 613-518-4463.

Other flight restrictions: please keep in mind that all flight restrictions may not be covered by NOTAMs. For example, a local emergency near our field may not result in a NOTAM, but still restrict our operation. Common sense and CAR 901.12 (1) dictate that we stay away from emergency security perimeters, as follows:

Prohibition — Emergency Security Perimeter

901.12 (1) No pilot shall operate a remotely piloted aircraft over or within the security perimeter established by a public authority in response to an emergency.

If you have any question, please do not hesitate to ask at contact@stetsonflyers.com, or 613-518-4463.

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