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This document forms part of the SAMAA Manual of Procedures. It is to be used by SAMAA Members and Registered Clubs in all activities associated with the flying of model aircraft in the RSA.

PO.11 SAMAA POLICY ON CODE OF ETHICS FOR SIGS

1. Purpose

This procedure is to ensure that the SAMAA Special Interest Groups(SIGS) conform to an acceptable Code of Ethics in their participation of the sport of Model Aviation

2. Definitions

SAMAA	South Africa Model Aircraft Association
Member	Member of the SAMAA
SIG	Special Interest Group

3. Applicable Documents

The SAMAA Manual of Operations.
The SAMAA Constitution
The SAMAA Safety Code

4. Code of Ethics

- (a) All members of a SIG shall conform to the SAMAA Code of Ethics as set out in PO10.
- (b) All Activities conducted by the SIG should be aimed at promoting the sport of model aviation both for the specific discipline and in general.
- (c) Neither the SIG nor its members shall do anything to bring the sport of model aviation into disrepute.
- (d) The SIG shall conduct itself at all times in a manner that is consistent with the aims and objectives of the SAMAA.
- (e) Membership of the SIG will be open to any Member of the SAMAA nationally. All members will be treated equally and consistently.
- (f) Any event organised by the SIG on behalf of SAMAA will be open to all SAMAA members, and participation shall not be unreasonably refused.
- (g) The SIG committee will use its best endeavours to ensure that it treats its members fairly, and that its members treat each other with mutual respect and support each other to develop both individual and collective skills.

- (h) Debates and meetings on issues concerning the SIG and its members, shall be conducted in a positive manner, without personal or insulting comments being made, particularly in a public forum or especially not to the media

5. R/C field Etiquette

As most SIG`s do not have their own field or Club, they most often request the use of a existing Club field, and in doing so the paid up members of that Club are inconvenienced and banned from flying that weekend or for the duration of the contest.

It is only good manners that the SIG concerned ensure that the following actions are taken;

- (a) That they confirm with the Club concerned, at least two weeks before the event, that they will still require the field on the day reserved.
- (b) That they ensure that the Club facilities are looked after, and left in a fit state, and that their rubbish, plastic ties and the like are not left lying where they dropped them.
- (c) That as soon as practical the Club Members present are given clearance to fly their Models.
- (d) That the use of the field is acknowledged.

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