



4th November 2020

Dear Secretary / Contest Director

We have received an updated guidance template from SportScotland and have reviewed the changes. Please see the latest version of their document covering sport here which includes the rules on travel which members MUST read and use as the basis of any continued flying at our model clubs.
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/143Hggv6AHLjLBHOEZc5mRTW0XjPtUrRh/view?usp=sharing>.

I would like to draw your attention to the travel restrictions for tiers 0 to 4 in section 9, and the wording “essential travel” and “around 5 miles” which should help members arrive at a decision about attending a flying site. Remember we come under the sports umbrella so we have the conflict of returning to sport in a controlled manner, and preventing the spread of the disease. Aeromodelling is an outdoor, non-contact sport predominately adult with a small number of under-18’s and is recognised as such by SportScotland who is managing the return to active sport and physical activity on behalf of the Scottish Government.

Table A: Sport & Physical Activity Protection Levels

		Level 0	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
OUTDOOR SPORT	Overview	An outdoor sporting ‘field of play bubble’ can consist of a maximum of 30 people including coaches, officials and other support staff at any one time. Multiple bubbles, each with up to 30 people, can be used in training, competition or small-scale sporting events if all guidance is followed (200 max per day unless with exemption).				
	Organised outdoor sport, competition, events and Physical Activity (PA)	Children & Young people (u18 years)	Adults (18+ years)	Contact & non-contact sport & PA permitted	Contact & non-contact sport & PA permitted	Contact & non-contact sport & PA permitted
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					Contact sport & PA prohibited	Contact sport & PA prohibited

SportScotland Information and Resources: <https://sportscotland.org.uk/covid-19/>

Scottish Government Guidance on Travel: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-travel-and-transport/>

Scottish Government County / Tier Level <https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-protection-levels/>

SAA Web site: www.saaweb.uk

SAA Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/431687700690461>

We want to confirm that it is not the SAA who have the approval for all member clubs to have up to 30 people on site. That responsibility lies with the individual club committees and event organisers so for indoor flying there might be confusion about who is responsible – the club committee or the event organiser.

Although all the items in the guidance document need to be considered and acted upon, the critical “must-haves” are:

a) A Covid-19 officer. It is recommended to have one who has passed the on-line test.

www.saaweb.uk



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b) A Risk Assessment for your club / competition / event and location

c) A working “Track and Trace” system including where possible the “Protect Scotland” app on club members’ phones:

Apple: <https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/protect-scotland/id1526637715>

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=gov.scot.covidtracker>

Yours

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