

## Policy 2015

As amended at the 2015 Council Conference.

MAAA would like to thank members who contribute by providing services for training and proficiency testing to maintaining and investing in our infrastructure.

Due to questions regarding another association, MAAA needs to clarify the position to our membership with regard to other associations and their members.

We are all proud of the entitlements which come with our MAAA membership:

1. Entitlement to use any of the MAAA materials and programs. The wings and flight instruction system, the inspector and permit to fly system and the MAAA MOPs. These are not part of CASA or any public domain material or system, the copyright is owned by MAAA.
2. Entitlement to participate in any, rallies State, National or International competitions, and all other events sanctioned by MAAA.
3. Entitlement which is associated only with MAAA membership and model aircraft flying being recognised as a Sport by the Federal Government
4. Entitlement to insurance cover provided by the MAAA and therefore the use of any sites where the MAAA insurance applies as a sanctioned MAAA activity. This applies as follows:
  - a) The MAAA does not endorse more than one insurance policy covering the same MAAA sanctioned activity, be it at a club field or other location.
  - b) All clubs that affiliate with the MAAA must ensure that all flying members of the club are affiliate members of the MAAA.
  - c) Clubs who consider having a mixture of MAAA members, and members of another like association who are not also members of the MAAA, will not be affiliated.
  - d) Persons flying at MAAA affiliate club sites or sanctioned activities must do so in accordance with the MAAA Visitors Policy. (See MOP042)
  - e) MAAA members flying at non MAAA affiliate club sites or activities covered by another Association's insurance should clearly understand that they will not be covered by the MAAA Insurance for this activity. Therefore any insurance claim incurred, must be made against the relevant Association's insurance.
  - f) All persons flying at MAAA affiliated club fields or MAAA sanctioned activities must fly in accordance with MAAA MOPs.

MAAA will vigorously defend its intellectual property rights.

MAAA will vigorously defend any Club or Member who exercises this policy.

It needs to be clear that non MAAA members will not be able to fly at flying sites of clubs affiliated with MAAA or operating as an MAAA sanctioned activity unless signed in as MAAA Visitors under the provisions of MOP042. There are safety and legal implications if this were to be allowed.

MAAA is committed to providing the best system to develop and foster Aeromodelling throughout Australia. The great strength of our association is the friendship and selfless contribution by our membership to further the cause. It is through these services and the judicious use of MAAA funds that allow us to continue to meet the needs of members, and are able to plan for the long term future of Aeromodelling in Australia.