

# Novice

Pilot: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA# \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: TPG / TPSSS

**General Comments:** Understanding and awareness of all air traffic is important. Pilot must demonstrate an understanding of the Flight Rules and Pilot Rating rules. The pilot must act in accordance with the flight rules at all times.

**Novice aircraft type:** up to 100" balsa/light ply trainer weighing less than 35 oz. with two-axis controls. Foamies with wingspans up to 60" and weighing less than 35 oz. with two-axis controls.

The pilot has demonstrated the ability to (examiner: check for satisfactory demonstration):

## Preflight phase

## Examiner

- Check battery
- Verify set-up
- Inspect linkage
- Check radio range
- Airworthiness

## Launch phase

- Check wind direction
- Check traffic before launch
- Situational awareness (RC's, ultralights, full-scale)
- Demonstrate proper launch technique

## General flying abilities

- Demonstrate understanding of blue sky rule
- Demonstrate full stall recovery
- Demonstrate basic maneuvers
- Demonstrate the ability to fly in traffic
- Convey understanding of safety priorities in emergency situations
- Demonstrate knowledge and use of all flight controls.

## Approach / Landing phase

- Demonstrate appropriate landing pattern for the conditions (downwind, base-leg, final)
- Demonstrate safe landing within a selected area

Examiner (Senior or Advanced TPRCFD): \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Pilot Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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All RC pilots must be a member (or guest of a member that is present) of either the Torrey Pines Gulls or Torrey Pines Scale Soaring Society.  
Each Examiner shall be a current Torrey Pines Radio Control Flight Director.  
Each pilot must be able to demonstrate their flight skill and knowledge pertaining to the tasks on the sign-off sheet in order to receive a rating. Pilots must demonstrate one or more launches and landings, at the discretion of the Examiner(s), within the guidelines to receive a rating. Flight tests must be done with aircraft that are appropriate for that rating level.

Pilots may take a flight test for any particular rating no more than twice per 30-day period at the discretion of the Check-ride Examiner.  
Pilots should preflight their own airplanes followed by a preflight performed by the Check-ride Examiner.  
Pilots will accept the responsibility associated with their rating in order to have that rating.  
Pilots must possess a cooperative attitude with safety being their highest priority.

All RC pilots must take an active role in ensuring safety for everyone at the site. If you see someone doing something that you believe is unsafe, mention it to the parties involved in a courteous manner. Notify a Torrey Pines RC Flight Director if one is on duty or the HG/PG Flight Director. If neither Flight Director is on duty write down a brief description including your name, the date, time, parties involved, if possible, and the specific situation, and place it in the RC Flight Director lockbox or send it via email to a member of the TPRCF BoD..

Unrated guests of a rated host pilot are permitted to fly ONLY under these Guest Pilot rules: A guest may fly only if the rated host is present; the host is acting as a spotter and not flying themselves; the host will be held responsible and accountable for the guest; guests must live outside Southern California; Southern California residents must become rated pilots.

Understanding and awareness of all air traffic is important. Pilots must demonstrate an understanding of the Flight Regulations and Pilot Rating rules. Pilots must act in accordance with the current Torrey Pines Flight Regulations at all times.

**I have read the flight rules and pilot rating rules and agree to be bound by them.**

**Pilot (print):** \_\_\_\_\_ **AMA#** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State & Zip** \_\_\_\_\_ **email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **date:** \_\_\_\_\_