

SAN MATEO COUNTY AIRPORTS



San Mateo County, Department of Public Works, Airports Division

620 Airport Drive, San Carlos, CA 94070

Voluntary Restrictions on Flight Training Procedures

The County has worked with representatives from the San Carlos Airport Pilots Association, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the communities surrounding the San Carlos Airport to establish Noise Abatement Procedures in an effort to minimize noise impacts from aircraft over-flights. These groups have worked together to find a balance between the sometimes-competing needs of airport neighbors to enjoy a reasonable level of peace and quiet in their community with the federally guaranteed right of pilots to utilize public airports. These procedures were updated in 2001 with the cooperation of the San Carlos Pilots Association to include the following voluntary restrictions on practice and flight training procedures:

On Weekdays: No touch-and-go, low approach, or full stop-taxi back operations on Weekdays during the period from **two (2) hours after sunset** of one day until 8:00 a.m. on Monday through Friday; and until 9:30 a.m. on Saturday. (Sunset times are averaged on a monthly basis to the nearest half hour for the purposes of these restrictions)

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No touch-and-go, low approach, or taxi back operations Monday - Friday after:

January 19:30	February 20:00	March 3/1 – 3/12 20:30 3/13 – 3/31 21:30*
April 22:00	May 22:00	June 22:30
July 22:30	August 22:00	September 21:00
October 20:30	November 11/1 – 11/5 20:00 11/6 – 11/30 19:00*	December 19:00

* Daylight Savings Time

On Weekends and Holidays: No touch-and-go, low approach, or full-stop taxi back operations before 9:30 a.m. or after 6:00 p.m. on any Saturday, Sunday or holiday.

Touch-and-go operations are prohibited when the tower is closed or after the voluntary restriction times indicated above.

Educational violation letters will be sent to owners of those aircraft that are identified in non-compliance with all procedures. Staff will also be providing reports to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors on the number of aircraft who are in non-compliance with the airport's noise abatement procedures, including the restrictions listed above.

If you have questions or comments, please contact the San Carlos Airport Office at (650) 573-3700.