

Memorandum

RCSU(A): 1085-20-AIR (RCAirOpsO)

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Distribution List

FLYING FAMILIARIZATION PROGRAM – SPRING / FALL 2019

References: A. Natl Sp Gp Oder 7000-1

B. CATO 51-01 Appendix 3

1. This memo serves as authority to conduct Air Cadet Flying Familiarization Training at Cadet Flying Sites (CFS) in the Atlantic Region in 2019. Flight operations shall take place spring and fall on weekends and holidays, 26 Apr – 09 Jun 19, and 24 Aug – 03 Nov 19 at the following CFS:

- a. Debert, NS;
- b. Greenwood, NS;
- c. Sydney, NS;
- d. Miramichi, NB;
- e. Summerside, PE;
- f. Stephenville, NL;
- g. Clarendville, NL; and
- h. Gander, NL.

2. Extensions will be considered on an individual basis upon request from the Site Commander. Actual dates available for squadrons may differ to allow for staff training. Site Commanders must communicate ASAP with Squadron Commanding Officers to confirm specific training dates at each site. Share Point shall be used to manage training schedules, but CO's shall first be contacted directly by telephone or e-mail. For squadron staff accessing the Share Point site, you may view your flying training date, once confirmed, by selecting "Flying Training" on the left side of the RCSU(A) home page and then selecting the appropriate area Flying Famil calendar icon. CO's are requested to give Famil Flying the high priority it deserves as part of the mandatory training syllabus.

2. Once the schedule is coordinated, COs must provide a CSAR to their Zone Training Support Coordinator (TSC). Also, COs must inform their TSC and Site Commander ASAP if they anticipate any problems. Irrespective of CSAR deadlines, they must make contact with the Site Commander at least seven days prior to the scheduled training date to confirm number of cadets that will be in attendance and expected arrival/departure times. Also, do not depart for the CFS on the date scheduled until you have confirmed with the Site Commander that flying will actually take place. Squadron COs are responsible to cancel their CSAR if the flying activity is cancelled. Without the highest level of communication, coordination and cooperation, we will not reach our desired objective of giving each Air Cadet at least one flight experience annually.

3. In order to make the Flying Training Program more interesting, and to increase the training value for the cadets, a 30-minute Glider Famil Power Point presentation has been developed. This must be presented to the cadets at the LHQ during the weeks just prior to the scheduled famil date. This should spark the cadets' interest and prepare the cadets and squadron staff for the activities to be conducted at the CFS. The presentation is avail on Share Point accessed from the "Flight Training Library" icon on the "Flying Training" page mentioned above under the folder name "LHQ Resources."
4. COs are reminded that site personnel are there to conduct a safe and efficient flying operation, not to supervise cadets. Therefore, ensure an appropriate level of supervision is provided.
5. Normally only six or eight flights are flown each hour. This can make for a long day, particularly for larger groups. Therefore, squadrons and Site Commanders should plan complimentary activities for those awaiting a flight. This could include sports (softball, soccer), training (map and compass, aircraft recognition, Dream Flyer simulator) and even a short trip to the local mall or aviation museum if available. Perhaps a picnic/BBQ could be arranged. In any case, the complimentary activity will make for a more interesting day and keep the cadets occupied between flights.
6. Another approach, if cost effective transport can be arranged, is to break into smaller groups over one or more days. This would reduce the need for complimentary activities and spread the chance of encountering inclement weather. In any case, any such activity must be coordinated with the specific Site Commander and TSC and adhered to.
7. Any questions regarding this schedule or suggestions for complimentary activities should be forwarded to the appropriate Site Commander. Contact info is published on the Share Point site in the "RCSU(A) Directory" icon. Your kind attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Let's all do our part to keep the "AIR" in Air Cadets.



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