

WSPA Additional Operation briefing

OPERATIONS

GENERAL

Dansville Airport (DSV) is located in the western Finger Lakes in upstate New York on the edge of the town of Dansville. The airport is at 662 feet MSL and has 2 paved runways, 32-14 and 18-36 and a grass runway parallel to 32-14. Glider operations take place on the grass runway.

Most administrative functions (registration, retrieves, ect) take place in the Finger Lakes Soaring Club clubhouse.

The radio frequency will be 123.0MHz. Pilot-crew communications use 123.5MHz, DSV CTAF is 123.0. The airport ASOS is 118.325. The gate combination is 1183#.

WiFi: Finger Lakes Password: glider1903

MEETINGS

The daily pilot meeting will take place in the club hanger. The mandatory safety meeting will be at 9:00 am on the first day. Daily pilot meeting and seminars will start at 9:00am and last to about 11:00am. Meetings will include operational notes, weather, safety and the seminar topic of the day.

LAUNCHING

The launching will begin around 11:30am and go on throughout the day. Once underway, its essential that no person other than the launch personnel are in front of the glider next to be launched and that all vehicles are on the other side of the fence.

A towplane will taxi in front of the next glider to be launched and the line crew (wing runner) will hook up the rope. Pilots are expected to be ready to launch. This means that the pilot must be in his cockpit with all checks completed when in line to launch. If for any reason you are not ready or refuse the launch, release the rope, inform the launch crew and they will push you off the line.

Off Field Landings

We have a number of airfields, not all on the sectional charts and not all those on the charts are fully acceptable for gliders.

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There are many Amish farms in the Dansville area. If you land in a farm field, please treat the landowner properly. Try to come across as a reasonable person politely asking a favor, rather than an arrogant stranger. Note that you may fly in this area only a couple of times, but many other pilots fly here on regular bases.

Retrieve Office

The retrieve office will close when all pilots are accounted for and crews have been dispatched to retrieve those who have landed out. If the crew and pilot are not in contact one or the other needs to call and request that the retrieve office stays open. **ONCE CREW AND PILOOT ARE TOGETHER YOU MUST CALL THE RETRIEVE OFFICE.**

You can request a aertow from the retrieve office. The tow pilot will determine whether the field is suitable.

MISSING PILOTS

If a pilot is not accounted for by 7pm, attempts will be made to locate the pilot by cell phone or by launching a towplane. Calls will be made on 123.3 MHz and 123.5 MHz. No results will result in an active "lost aircraft" search being initiated.

REGISTRATION

Registration (the FLSC) is required prior to any flying. Please do not place your glider on the field before you are registered.

GLIDER PARKING

Glider parking is located to the right of the gate as you enter the airport. Slots are first come, your trail holds the spot.

VEHICLES

Vehicles are expected to be parked outside of the fence, unless you are towing a trailer. Remember that the grass area adjacent to the paved runway is an active grass runway.

BATTERY CHARGING

There is a battery charging bench inside the hanger along the way facing the clubhouse.

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SMOKING

Smoking is not permitted inside or near buildings or aircraft.

ABLUTIONS

Showers and toilets are located in the FLSC clubhouse- first come, first served. Shows must end by 8:00am as there is no professional cleaning service. Please keep things tidy by cleaning up after you are done.

CHILDREN AND PETS

Children must be supervised by an adult. Pets are permitted on the field, but must be on a leash at all times. Owners are expected to clean u after their animals.

SAFETY COMMENTS

Safety comments are welcomed at any time from pilots, crews and others. Anonymous written comments can be placed in the Safety Box, located in the clubhouse. You may also speak to the Safety Officer of the club, which is Linda Evenski who will be happy to help solve any problem..