Fly Safe Campaign



MAINTAIN ACCIDENT AWARENESS

Don't become a statistic!

NTSB has reported 23 ag accidents including 5 fatal accidents so far this year. There have been 2 fatal accidents not yet reported by NTSB.

PAASS FATALITIES SLIDE FULL

PAASS must inform you that the fatal accident slide used annually during the PAASS program is too full for 2020. Ag pilots may absolutely only fly and apply safely and be completely accident free for the remainder of the season. This accident prohibition is non-negotiable.

One thing you can do to prevent yourself from being the next person who succumbs to burns sustained in ag accident this year is to wear a Nomex flight suit. You are also forbidden from doing any aircraft maneuvers to show off, such as buzzing someone or performing aerobatics. You are flying an ag aircraft, not an Extra or a Pitts. If there is anything negatively impacting your ability to fly safely, such as spray material coating your windshield and restricting your visibility, do not take-off.

Similarly, if you wish to break your friends and family's hearts by not coming home from a day's work because you didn't have time to turn safely—those turns will never again be allowed. We do not apologize for this mandate. For a review of how to make safe turns, please watch NAAREF's Stall Spin Avoidance video on our <u>Safety and Education Videos page</u>. Keep a constant watch out for obstacles and when applying to a new site verify with property owners about all potential hazards – trees, wires, poles, towers. Do not allow any distractions to take your attention off flying safely.

It's been a deadly July and we are all tired of losing friends and loved ones. Please fly safe for your family, friends, and fellow ag aviation professionals who wish to catch up with you at the end of the season. It's already a small industry. You don't need to make it smaller. There will be no more error allowed!

Check Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs)

Always check TFR NOTAMs before flying! Make sure you have proof of a preflight TFR briefing from sources such as FSS or https://www.1800wxbrief.com.

Make a "Fly Safe" Resolution Now!

Watch your fax or e-mail every other Monday in April, May, June and August and every Monday in July for scheduled issues. Supplemental messages may be sent when increased flight activity warrants additional safety awareness. To be removed from the "Fly Safe" fax list, please call 202-546-5722 or e-mail information@agaviation.org. Let us know if you wish to be removed only from these Fly Safe messages or all faxes or e-mails from the NAAA.