

# Pegasus Airpark

## Notice to Aviation & Non-Aviation Residents, Leasees, and

### Guests of Pegasus Airpark

This document is intended to inform Aviation & Non-Aviation Residents, Leasees' and Guests regarding the safety and operation of the Aircraft Operations Area of our community. The reason for this notice is to inform our ever-growing community about recent incidents that could in the future cause accidents, none of us desire, and to implement new safety procedures listed on page two. There have been numerous safety and security issues in the past 90 days that we wish to address with this document. Some of these recent incidents are listed below:

- Unaccompanied minors walking in the aircraft operating areas without an adult present.
- Unaccompanied minors on bicycles, electric bikes, and scooters in the aircraft operating areas.
- Pets off leash and allowed to run around the aircraft operation area.
- Pet waste left in bags along the taxiways.
- Non-Aviation traffic operation in the hangar area and on the taxiways at speeds in excess of 10 mph.
- Multiple close calls between recreational vehicles being operated by minors in the vicinity of moving aircraft and vehicles on or near the hangar area.
- Unlit vehicles of all kinds driving in the Aircraft Operations Area at night.

Aircraft are very different in operation and safety vs ground vehicles. Aircraft have very limited outward visibility, and most have very limited visibility directly in front of the aircraft. This is why municipal airports discourage pedestrian or vehicle traffic on runways and taxiways during operational hours. It is extremely difficult to see what is in front an aircraft during ground movements. The absolute last thing we want to have happen is an accident of any kind at Pegasus. Most of the aircraft at Pegasus have a propeller out front, propellers work great at keeping aircraft in the air, but they can cause horrendous damage to items on the ground. Never get near a spinning propeller. Even when around parked aircraft expect every propeller is "hot" (meaning ready to start) no matter if it is spinning or not. Please maintain a safe distance of at least 50' from aircraft unless you have been invited by the owner to come closer.

Most people think if they can hear it, they can avoid it. This is not so around airports. Many aircraft land with the engine at idle which makes very little noise. Furthermore, an aircraft in an emergency situation (engine failure) won't make any noise at all. Being cognizant of that fact means understanding the taxiway you are walking on could be an emergency landing location for a pilot in need of a safe place to land. There are hundreds of flight training operations ongoing South of Pegasus, these flight pass by our beautiful 5,000 feet of runway and two parallel taxiways every day and in an emergency may be the only chance for safe landing. In addition, there is the possibility of a Pegasus pilot might need somewhere to land after an issue after takeoff. Never assume a quiet stroll down the taxiway is safe. Pegasus is open 24 hours, 7 Days a week, year-round, as the area grows around us, Pegasus may be the only option for a pilot in need. Always have your head on a swivel. Please consider not wearing earbuds and listening to your favorite tunes while strolling on the Aircraft Operations Area. This decreases your situational awareness in an area where it is essential.

All aircraft operating at Pegasus are required to have an operational radio. Through the radio frequencies is how aircraft communicate on the ground and in the air. There is a specific channel dedicated to operation at Pegasus Airpark. Pegasus frequency is 123.00 and can be monitored by anyone. Please consider obtaining a handheld radio/scanner so that you can monitor the area when you are in the Aircraft Operations Area. These can typically be obtained for less than \$200.00.

The following rules apply to anyone in the Pegasus Airport Operations area:

- No unaccompanied minors (under 16) allowed for any reason in the aircraft operations area.
- No minibikes, quads, golf carts operated by minors or non-flight members. Non-flight members that want to use golf carts in the aircraft operations area, may do so after attending the Pegasus Airpark Operations Safety brief
- No remote-controlled air or ground vehicles of any kind.
- No pets allowed off leash at any time.
- We would appreciate reports of violations of the above to any board member of the Flight Association.
- Any vehicle operating at night needs to have appropriate lighting that is very visible. We would strongly encourage anyone walking in the operating area at night to have lights, headlamp and/or reflective clothing.

## Pegasus Airpark Aircraft Operations Area – Shown in RED



While Pegasus does allow some pedestrian and other limited traffic around the hangars and on the taxiways, per our organizational documents it is limited to members of the Flight Association and Pilots operating those ground vehicles. All ground traffic must yield to aircraft traffic.

Pegasus is a wonderful community built around a runway and as such requires a little extra vigilance to maintain a safe environment.

The pilot community at Pegasus welcomes non-aviation visitors into the airport, all you need to do is ask a flight member and we would be delighted to show you around the airport portion of the community. You could probably get a ride in an airplane as well if you're interested. Your help and support in keeping the Pegasus Community a safe place for all property owners are greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Your Pegasus Flight Association