



BMAC Introduction - Training

You can visit our field any time other members are present. If you decide to pursue training, you must join the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada (MAAC) and BMAC. You must fly with an instructor until you have been awarded your "Wings".

The Chief Flying Instructor is named on our web-site. The CFI keeps a list of qualified instructors; you can train with any of them that are designated in the area to advance your skills. Either aircraft or quadcopter/helicopter.

During the summer months, the club regularly meets at our airfield on Wednesday afternoons, from about 4pm until dusk. Usually the barbecue is going by 6pm. For a nominal fee you can have hot dogs and a drink, or bring your own.

Things to do to make your experience as rewarding as possible, with guidance from an instructor:

- The first time you visit our field, consider just visiting, with your eyes, ears and mind open.
- Don't be shy; introduce yourself, ask anybody a question. We all want you to succeed.
- Read the MAAC Safety Codes that directly related to your area of interest. Also BMAC Field Rules is provided. Documents provided to you separately.
- Understand local field conditions and etiquette.
- Before you come out to the field, check the weather forecast.
- Contact the instructors a day or two in advance, to see if one is available to help you.
- Ask an instructor for advice on what transmitter & model to borrow/buy for training. Refer to the information package given, re choices of Top RC Trainers, or Quadcopter/Helicopters.
- Keep your model in top mechanical condition. If necessary, repair it before your next training day. Your instructor will help you troubleshoot problems.
- Help to create a duplicate setup on the BMAC buddy-box transmitter, and put your name on it.
- Before your next lesson, think about what you want to practice, and discuss it.
- After your lesson, make sure to get your BMAC Log Sheet updated.
- Consider purchasing a simulator, such as Phoenix or RealFlight. It will accelerate your training.
- Training resources can be found on the MAAC web-site. Look for:

MAAC Policy and Procedures Documents, Radio Control Ground School "MPPD 10"

<http://www.maac.ca/en/documents.php>

For additional background: MAAC Wings Program

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Links:

- MAAC web-site www.maac.ca
- BMAC web-site: www.bmaclub.ca