

Fly Safe Campaign



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.

MAINTAIN ACCIDENT AWARENESS

Don't become a statistic!

NTSB has reported 2 ag accidents so far this year with no fatal accidents.

FLY SAFE THIS SEASON FROM START TO FINISH

Because of the essential importance of aerial application, operations are underway in many parts of the country and will soon start up throughout the rest of the nation. Now is the time to place safety at the top of your priorities. Think about this past season's PAASS program and how you can avoid having a CFIT (Controlled Flight Into Terrain) accident. Manage and limit cockpit distractions, focus on the job at hand and the pass in front of you, and don't fly if your attitude is such that your focus on safety is compromised. Do not let customers pressure you into taking jobs you feel are unsafe, and do not let them coerce you into flying in weather conditions that can lead to an accident or a drift incident.

Multiple fatal accident reports from the NTSB over the last several years, both agricultural and general aviation, have noted the presence of drugs in the deceased pilot's system. In some cases, the levels were not high enough to cause impairment. Other reports, including those for several ag aviation accidents, have drug related impairment listed as a contributing cause to the accident. Make sure the medications you are using are safe and legal for aviation. The FAA has prepared a no or no-go list of [over-the-counter medications](#).

As we continue to deal with the coronavirus pandemic, large numbers of aircraft may be needed near a coronavirus hot spot. As such it is possible a TFR could be used. Check TFRs frequently (see instructions below). Due to the pandemic, the FAA has indicated it will take [no enforcement action](#) against individuals with 1st, 2nd, or 3rd class medical certificates expiring between March 31, 2020 to June 30, 2020. Check [here](#) for more coronavirus resources from NAAA.

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!

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