

Fly Safe Campaign



MAINTAIN ACCIDENT AWARENESS

Don't become a statistic!

NTSB has reported 5 ag accidents including 1 fatal accident so far this year.

WE ARE ESSENTIAL. TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF AND YOUR CREW TO REMAIN ESSENTIAL!

NAAA helped ensure the agricultural aviation industry was declared essential during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. While this means the industry can continue protecting crops, forests, and public health throughout the nation, great attention also must be given to protecting yourself and crew from COVID-19. Contraction of the virus at an aerial application business could have significant negative repercussions on employee(s) health, the business' well-being and the customers crops.

While the vast majority of the population will show little or no effects from the disease, a small percentage can become quite ill. If this were to happen to you, it is doubtful you would be able to fly safely or manage your operation effectively. The situation would be difficult for an operation with several aircraft and almost impossible for a single aircraft operation due to isolation protocols to follow if contracting the disease or exposed to one that has contracted it (see CDC, specific [guidelines](#) to follow). Even if you have no symptoms, someone familiar with your test results, such as a county health official, could make conducting your work difficult by threatening a license you need or attempting to hamper your work in other ways.

NAAA has prepared a COVID-19 prevention and management [resource](#) based on guidance from the CDC. Review the information and learn how to keep yourself and your fellow essential workers healthy and working. Your customers, family, and the nation are counting on you to perform your essential duties.

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.