

# **Scottish Gliding Union**

## **Standard Operating Procedures**

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### **TMG (FALKE) /SLMG & All Light Aircraft based at Portmoak**

**PPL/NPPL flying of all Portmoak based Aircraft/Motor Gliders must be in accordance with all Club, BGA and CAA requirements as to licensing, aircraft serviceability, weather suitability, and pilot currency. Remember that both you and the aircraft/motor glider have a crosswind limit.**

#### **SUPERVISION:-**

**Supervision is an integral part of normal, safe, gliding operations. Although low experience MG pilots (less than 50 hours P1) are best supervised by an MG instructor, most MG flying can be well supervised by a normal gliding supervisor.**

**The decision as to whether a check flight is required, or simply a thorough ground briefing will depend on the amount of hours accumulated and recency of experience on type together with weather conditions prevailing at the time.**

**Pilots with less than a Silver Badge must receive a briefing before flying as is the case with unpowered gliders.**

**All pilots are expected to maintain currency on unpowered gliders with a minimum of 10 hours per year except by permission of the CFI.**

#### **RECORD KEEPING:-**

**The booking out/in sheet in the clubhouse entrance hall must be filled in for all flights whether local or X/Country. This is for (search & rescue purposes) and is a mandatory CAA requirement.**

**All visiting PPO aircraft must also fill in this sheet.**

#### **AIRMANSHIP:-**

**Most power operations should normally be from the North Field unless otherwise agreed with the duty instructor**

**Do not enter the active runway until you are ready for an immediate departure. All pre-flight checks should be done while sitting clear of the runway at 90° for good visual confirmation that it is safe to enter the active runway.**

**When flying power circuits (engine on) then powered aircraft should maintain 800 feet height (where possible) on the downwind leg and outside of the normal gliding circuit unless being used for teaching gliding circuits.**

**Use the Radio as required but keep it short.**

**Under no circumstances use or cross the winch launch runway when there are cables out, as it is possible to pick up a cable.**

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