

**Ocala Flying Model Club  
1020 SE 110<sup>th</sup> St  
Ocala Florida 34481  
Emergency Action Plan  
January 2022**

The 2023 Board of Directors (BOD) for the Ocala Flying Model Club (OFMC):

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The property is gated and has both a Greenway and OFMC combination lock at the entrance. The OFMC combination is changed as needed. In an emergency if no one is present contact should be made with one of the above who will contact the appropriate people depending on the emergency. All have the combination and a master set of keys for the property. The property is not alarmed. Items of value are lawn mowers and other field equipment which are maintained in a locked maintenance building. The cook shack has a refrigerator, freezer and soda machine which is locked. There is a well which provides water at the main pavilion, the cook shack and maintenance building.

The area is patrolled by the Marion County Sheriff's Office who can be contacted via 911. In direct proximity of the OFMC are two volunteer Fire Departments whose response time is about 5 minutes. OFMC members have been advised at meetings to promptly notify them of any fire on the premises. A prominent sign is posted under the main pavilion showing our address and the GPS coordinates of our field for 911 calls.

Prior to the arrival of the Fire Department, members will do as much as they can to protect life and property from being destroyed.

A member will be sent to the entrance so that he may direct the responding units

to the scene of a fire or other emergency.

Once the fire department or EMT arrives members will assist in any way needed. If an injury occurs at the field, aid will be rendered immediately and assistance should be sought as soon as possible. An incident report will be filled out.

**Fire suppression preparation and equipment:**

We have purchased a UTV (ATV with cargo box) and equipped it with four high Pressure water refillable fire extinguishers and one each of CO 2 and chemical extinguishers, a rake, a broom, and a shovel for use in controlling any fire while awaiting the Fire Department. CO 2 extinguishers (7) are also mounted on posts at flight preparation pavilions. At the conclusion of our mowing season we will attach our six foot "box blade" to our tractor for cutting a fire break if needed. We use the US Forestry Service Fire Risk Index as published in the Ocala Star Banner Newspaper daily to determine whether or not we should fly Jet Aircraft. If the danger level is "Extreme" or higher, or the wind is in excess of 10 miles per hour we do not fly these planes. Our Field Marshall has been tasked with monthly inspections of our equipment to ensure all extinguishers are filled and ready for service.

All supplies and materials subject to combustion are stored in a marked shed in the rear of the property.

**Closest Hospital:**

HCA Florida Ocala Hospital, 1431 SW 1st Ave Ocala, FL 34471 (352) 401-1000. To travel to this hospital, Leave the field turning right on to 110th Street. Go past the 4 way stop to the traffic light, Rt 441/301 about 2 miles. Turn left and proceed to Ocala about 8 miles. Just past 17th Street (a major intersection) the Hospital is 3 blocks on the right.

The objective of this plan is to anticipate the various types of emergencies that may occur at OFMC and simultaneously establish safe and efficient procedures necessary to deal with each incident. Hopefully, this forethought will insure correct and prompt action on our part when an emergency arises.

**Natural Disasters:**

Hurricanes and Tropical Storms present significant potential for damage by natural causes. The BOD shall continually monitor information concerning watches and warnings on the local Emergency Broadcast System Radio and TV stations. There will be no members permitted at the field during hurricane or tropical storm conditions. All buildings will be protected and boarded up as necessary to prevent wind or storm damage.

**Major Injury or Death:**

After receiving word of the occurrence, proceed as quickly as possible to the scene and gather information about the type of injury, location and number of people involved. If a rescue squad is necessary, it will be summoned by telephone to 911. The caller will inform the service of the location, type of injury and number of people involved. All injuries that require immediate aid will be given to the injured person up to the point of that person's training.

OFMC maintains a Defibrillator and a First Aid Kit at the main Pavilion and they should be used as necessary. Should a death result from any situation at the field, it will be immediately reported to the Cross Florida Greenway Management.