

Boston Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) and Lake Placid Soaring Club (LPS)

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

EFFECTIVE: August 8, 2014

SUBJECT: CLASS A GLIDER OPERATIONS LAKE PLACID, NY

1. **PURPOSE.** To define responsibilities, coordination and communication requirements for Class A airspace glider operations in the Lake Placid North and South Glider Areas.
2. **CANCELLATION.** The procedures contained herein expire on December 31, 2015. Any modifications or extensions of this letter of agreement must be coordinated by the signatories at least 45 days prior to this cancellation date.
3. **SCOPE.** The procedures outlined herein apply to glider operations conducted in Class A airspace.
4. **RESPONSIBILITIES:** In accordance with Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) 91.135(d) and supplemental to all other applicable regulations, the provisions contained herein authorize Lake Placid Soaring Club to conduct glider operations in Class A airspace within the Lake Placid North and South Glider Areas.
5. **GENERAL PROCEDURES.** Lake Placid Soaring Club must ensure:
 - a. All pilots operating in Class A airspace within the Lake Placid North and South Glider Areas:
 - (1) Are familiar, and comply with, all provisions of this agreement.
 - (2) Conduct all glider operations under Visual Flight Rules (VFR).
 - (3) Contain all flight activity within the lateral confines of the authorized area(s).
 - (4) Remain at or below the maximum approved flight level altitude (FL) for the authorized area(s).
 - (5) Maintain separation from all other gliders operating within the authorized area(s).
 - b. No student pilot acts as Pilot-in-Command while operating in Class A airspace.
 - c. Telephone communications are available between Boston ARTCC and Lake Placid Soaring Club during the authorized time periods of the glider area(s).
 - d. Notify Boston ARTCC if the glider area(s) are not used as authorized or if all glider operations have terminated prior to the end of the airspace authorization.

6. AREA OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES:

a. Lake Placid Soaring Club must:

(1) Contact the Boston ARTCC Mission Coordinator (MC) at (603) 879-6663 between one and three hours prior to the requested authorization for the Lake Placid North and South Glider Area(s). This notification must include the requested area(s), the maximum ceiling altitude (FL) for the operation, the activation and termination times and the number of gliders involved with the request.

NOTE: Once operating areas have been preapproved through the MC, requests for additional altitudes stratum may be made with Boston ARTCC via sector frequency from within the approved operating areas.

(2) Ensure that all pilots operating in Class A airspace are advised of the authorized glider area(s), the maximum altitude for the area(s) and the time period of the authorization.

(3) Ensure that air/ground communication exists with all flights utilizing the glider area(s).

(4) Broadcast the status of the glider area(s) every 30 minutes on frequency 123.3. If a pilot operating in the Lake Placid North and South Glider Area(s) does not receive this transmission, they must immediately exit Class A airspace.

(5) In the event an operational recall of the glider area(s) is needed by Boston ARTCC, all aircraft must exit Class A airspace within 20 minutes of this notification.

(6) Ensure all gliders are clear of Class A airspace prior to the authorization's termination time.

b. Boston ARTCC must:

(1) Authorize Lake Placid Soaring Club's request for use of the Lake Placid North and South Glider Area(s) based on operational requirements and may issue restrictions as necessary to accommodate the request.

(2) May authorize an alternate time or altitudes if the request for the glider area(s) cannot be approved.

(3) Ensure current primary and secondary contact numbers are in place for that day's activities.

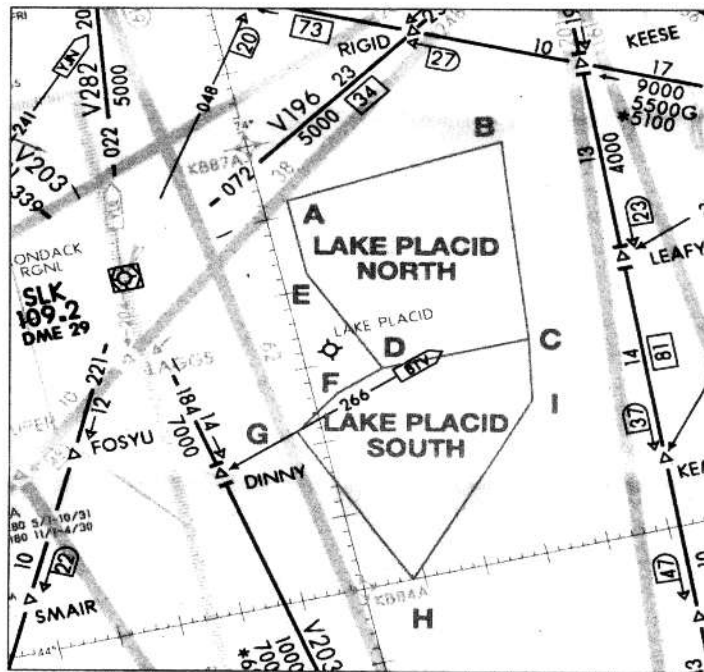
(4) Provide approved separation to non-participating aircraft from the authorized glider area(s).

(5) Contact Lake Placid Soaring Club at (518) 523-2473 or (518) 523-2488 if an operational recall of the glider area(s) authorization is required.

NOTE: MC must confirm primary and secondary contact numbers for that day's activities.

7. AIRSPACE. The following coordinates define the Lake Placid North and South Glider Areas.

Lake Placid North		Lake Placid South	
Pt.	Coordinates	Pt.	Coordinates
A	44-26-00N / 073-58-00W	G	44-11-00N / 074-02-00W
B	44-27-00N / 073-40-00W	F	44-13-00N / 073-58-00W
C	44-14-00N / 073-42-00W	D	44-14-00N / 073-54-00W
D	44-14-00N / 073-54-00W	C	44-14-00N / 073-42-00W
E	44-21-00N / 073-58-00W	I	44-10-00N / 073-43-00W
		H	44-00-00N / 073-56-00W



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