

RAMS Member Pathway

Documenting the member and the implications on who can do what, at what stage, in the RAMS Club.

	Description of a pathway through RAMS	RAMS Club Role How RAMS refers to the person at each stage in our By-Laws	Stages of a Member				People Involved				
			Covered by MAAA Insurance?	Financial Member?	Pilot Status	MAAA Rating	RAMS Executive (President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer)	Club Member with Bronze Rating +	Assistant Instructor	Instructor	Chief Flying Instructor
1	A member of the public is interested in RC aircraft and enquires at a Club flying day seeking information and advice. Information and advice can be provided by any Club member.	Member of the public	No	No	No	None	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
2	A member of the public attends a Club flying day, signs in as a visitor, is shown around, receives a Club Welcome Pack, safety instruction, and a free introductory trial flight with an aircraft using a Buddy System with either the Chief Instructor, Instructor or Assistant Instructor. The visitor is advised that they can have up to 4 visits including introductory trial flights as a visitor.	Visitor	Yes (providing 4 visit limit not exceeded)	No	No	None	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes
3	The visitor turns up at flying days, signs in, uses their 4 visits and introductory trial flights. By the time the 4 visits have elapsed they must apply to join the club to continue any association.	Visitor	Yes (providing 4 visit limit not exceeded)	No	No (Introductory Trial Flights Buddy System)	None			Yes	Yes	Yes
4	The visitor fills out the membership application, pays the fee and becomes a Prospective Club Member pending committee approval. Introductory trial flights may resume until membership is confirmed.	Prospective Club Member	Yes	Yes	No (Introductory Trial Flights Buddy System)	None	Yes				
5	RAMS Management Committee approves the membership. The new member is now considered a Trainee Pilot and receives a Pilot Log Book to record and evidence training details and milestones.	Trainee Pilot	Yes	Yes	Trainee Pilot (Buddy System)	None	Yes				
6	When the Trainee Pilot attends flying days, either the Chief Flying Instructor, or the Instructor or an Assistant Instructor is available and their training progresses well using aircraft with the Buddy System. As Instructed, the Trainee Pilot records training details in the Pilot Log Book which is signed off by the Instructor providing the training.	Trainee Pilot	Yes	Yes	Trainee Pilot (Buddy System)	None			Yes	Yes	Yes
7	After a number of lessons, the Trainee Pilot is feeling quite confident and demonstrates to the Chief Instructor or the Instructor that they have acquired adequate skills to safely fly their own aircraft solo. The Chief Flying Instructor or Instructor endorses the Trainee Pilot's Log Book to fly solo.	Trainee Pilot	Yes	Yes	Trainee Pilot (Buddy System)	None				Yes	Yes
8	The Trainee Pilot (Solo) no longer has access to club aircraft but may fly their own aircraft solo to practice for their Bronze Rating Test provided they are accompanied in the Pilot Box and assisted by either the Chief Flying Instructor, the Instructor or an Assistant Instructor.	Trainee Pilot Solo	Yes	Yes	Trainee Pilot Solo (Solo using own aircraft with assistance)	None			Yes	Yes	Yes
9	The Bronze Rating Test is conducted by the Chief Flying Instructor or the Instructor who will notify the Management Committee that the Trainee Pilot has achieved the Bronze rating and the Trainee Pilot has progressed to the status of a Pilot.	Pilot	Yes	Yes	Pilot	Bronze	Yes			Yes	Yes
10	A member who has achieved MAAA Bronze rating, has been awarded the Bronze Wing badge and FAI Licence.	Pilot	yes	Yes	Pilot	Bronze					
11	A member with a disability or aged related condition who is unable to achieve the Bronze rating manouvers except when their aircraft is flown in safe mode with failsafe set to safe mode with the motor off. Tested by the Chief Flying Instructor or the Instructor and approved by the Management Committee. Assistance in the Pilot Box may be required.	Restricted Pilot	Yes	Yes	Restricted Pilot (Conditions Apply)	None	Yes			Yes	Yes
12	Silver Rating Test	Pilot	Yes	Yes	Pilot	Silver	Yes			Yes	Yes
13	Gold Rating Test	Pilot	Yes	Yes	Pilot	Gold	Yes			Yes	Yes
14	Instructor Rating	Pilot	Yes	Yes	Pilot	Instructor	Yes				MAAQ