Noise Abatement Procedures

The procedures described below are mandatory and designed to minimize aircraft noise disturbance to homes near the Fresno airports. Your compliance with our noise abatement procedures is extremely important in maintaining goodwill between the airports and the surrounding communities. The Fresno Yosemite International procedures reflect policies established by the FAR Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Program (City of Fresno Ordinance No. 92-77). Please take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the procedures, and keep this sheet in your flight case for future reference. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Traffic Pattern Altitudes:

Helicopters - 803’ MSL
Single-Engine Airplanes (reciprocating engine) - 1303’ MSL
Multiengine Airplanes (reciprocating engine & turboprop) - 1803’ MSL
Turbojet Airplanes - 2303’ MSL

Small Single-engine and Multiengine Airplanes:
(Maximum certificated takeoff weight less than 12,500 lbs)

- After takeoff, climb on runway heading until passing 850' MSL (single-engine) or 1000' MSL (multiengine). For safety and noise abatement, initial climb out at best rate-of-climb (Vy) is recommended.

Turbojet and Large Multiengine Airplanes:
(Maximum certificated takeoff weight over 12,500 lbs)

- Ensure contact with ATC prior to entering Class “C” airspace. Expect left-hand traffic pattern for Runway 11L -- right-hand pattern for Runway 29R.
- When conducting VFR test-, check-, or training-flights and making approaches to Runway 11L, maintain at or above 2000' MSL until established on a 5 nautical mile (localizer DME) final. A normal approach path (approximate 3 degree angle) will be flown on final. No practice missed-approaches or go-arounds to Runway 11L.
- Opposite direction approaches to Runway 11L are not authorized when Runway 29R is in use.
- Runway 11L Preferential Usage: Should Runway29R be in use, large turbojet aircraft will receive an ATC clearance for an opposite-direction takeoff on Runway 11L between the local hours of 2400 and 0500.
- After takeoff, climb on runway heading until at or above 2000' MSL, as rapidly as practicable.

All Aircraft:

- Intersection takeoffs from Runway 29L are not permitted, except during single-runway capability operations (Runway 11L-29R closed/unusable). Intersection takeoffs from Runway 29R are only permitted from Taxiway "B2", except during single-runway capability operations (Runway 11R-29L closed/unusable).
Test- or check-flights, practice landings and low approaches, and stop- or touch-and-go operations are permitted only between 0700 and 2200 local time Monday through Saturday, and between 1000 and 1800 local time on Sundays.

Engine maintenance run-ups are permitted between 0500 and 2200 local time on the Taxiway "B2" run-up pad (between Runway 29L and Taxiway "B") only, except for other time periods and/or locations authorized by airport management in advance.