

CONTEST RULES

for

FOURTEENTH NATIONAL SOARING CONTEST

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS, JULY 4-20, 1947

General Rules

1.0 *Entry of Pilots:* Any properly certified pilot who is a resident of the United States may enter provided he holds an active membership in the Soaring Society of America. A pilot who is a resident of a foreign country may enter provided he holds an active membership in the equivalent organization of such foreign country, and possesses a pilot certificate issued by the proper licensing authority of such country.

1.1 *Entry of Gliders:* To be entered, a glider must be properly certified by the Civil Aeronautics Administration, or, if entered from another country, the glider must carry the equivalent certificate issued by the proper licensing authority of that country.

1.2 *Entry Fees:* There shall be no entry fees for pilots. There shall be an entry fee of \$10.00 for each glider.

1.3 Applicants for entry as contestants may be required by the contest management to present certified log books, pilot certificates, glider certificates, and/or demonstrate their ability to the satisfaction of the contest management.

1.4 *Contest Winner:* The United States citizen who amasses the largest total of contest points in the National Contest shall be declared the National Soaring Champion.

1.50 *Safety Rules:* The contest manager and contest sponsor shall be responsible for the promulgation and enforcement of proper flight, launching, traffic and general safety rules and regulations.

1.51 No contestant shall make cloud flights unless wearing a parachute.

1.52 No contestant shall fly in clouds above 12,000 feet without functioning oxygen breathing apparatus.

Contest Flight and Point Award Regulations.

2.0 *Contest Flights:* To make a contest flight, a contestant must gain at least 500 feet altitude, or 1 hour duration, or 15 miles distance from point of release.

2.1 A contestant may not take off on an attempted contest flight unless he is flying the glider flown by him on his previous flight, or the glider flown by him on his previous flight has been retrieved and returned to the vicinity of the contest site. This requirement may be waived by the contest manager when a contestant lands in a geographically isolated area, or damage to the glider makes normal retrieve impossible.

2.2 A contestant may make more than one attempt for a contest flight in any one day, provided however, that he may claim contest points in all categories from only one flight of his choice, as if such flight were the only flight made by him. Take-off order on second and third flights shall be in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2.74.

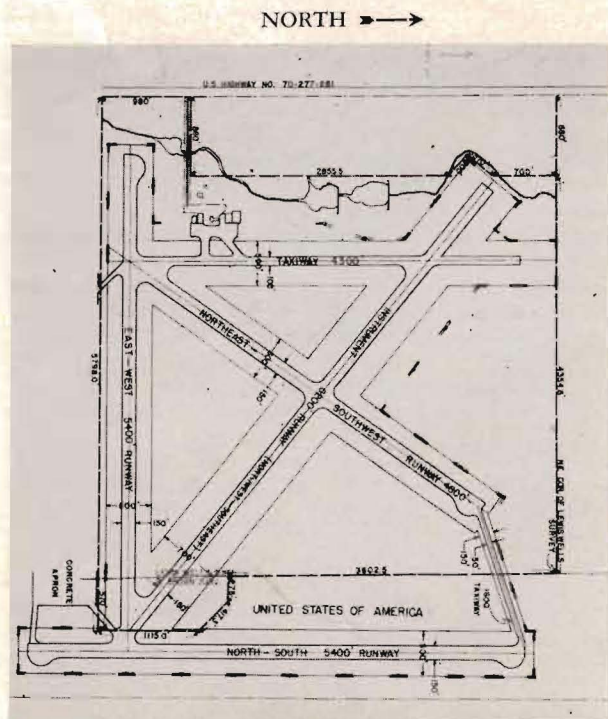
2.3 The contest management may limit the maximum number of airplane tows per contestant each day.

2.4 Maximum altitude for airplane tow for contest flights shall be determined each day by the contest management before the beginning of contest flying, but in no case shall such maximum tow altitude exceed 4,920 feet above the general usable surrounding terrain.

2.5 No contest points will be awarded for flights on July 20th.

2.6 No contest points shall be awarded for distance on July 4th.

2.70 *Order of Take-off:* On the afternoon before the opening day of the contest, permanent contest numbers for gliders shall be drawn by lot by a neutral party,



The Runway Layout at
Wichita Falls Municipal Airport