



Hang Gliding Association

World Capital of Hang Gliding

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Welcome!

If you've never flown here—or if it has been a while—please study these maps and our Rules and Guidelines.

We hope you have a fun, safe flight!

\$5 Daily Fee • \$10 Weekly Fee (7 days)
\$25 Monthly Fee • \$40 Quarterly Fee

\$60 Annual Dues *plus*
\$100 Initiation Fee (one time)

Important Numbers

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Guidelines

- Our LZ is in a residential area, so please consider our Club's image while you enjoy our flying site.
- The speed limit on residential streets is 25 mph unless otherwise posted.
- Park inside the flight park fence in designated parking areas. Keep entrance driveway and walkthrough clear at all times.
- No camping is allowed in the LZ or wash.
- Pick up all your litter in the LZ. Avoid yelling and loud music.
- Please be careful and courteous when driving to and from launch. Other groups use the road to launch for hiking, equestrian and other activities.
- Please smoke only in enclosed vehicles once inside the Forest Service gate.
- At launch, pick up your litter and bury your toilet paper.
- Make landing approaches along the east side of the wash, in a left-hand aircraft approach. Do not make final turns near houses. Clear the LZ as quickly as possible.
- There is an emergency landing zone at the base of the dam. A right-hand aircraft approach is suggested when landing there.
- There are numerous high-voltage power lines crossing the wash (refer to the map to the right). They are elevated above the ground and are very difficult to see as there are no support towers in the wash to indicate their locations. If you find yourself making a low straight-in approach, do not continue to the landing area. Turn around and land in the wash near the base of the dam.
- Pilots must be aware of the heavy commercial and private air traffic in the area. Always be alert for all air traffic.
- Aerobatics are spins and maneuvers that involve bank angles greater than 90 degrees from horizontal or pitch angles greater than 60 degrees. Clear your airspace before starting aerobatic maneuvers. Buzzing launch is discouraged.
- The houses east of the wash are elevated. Please exercise proper caution when approaching the LZ.
- People and/or animals are often in the wash at the time of a landing approach and must be granted their right-of-way.
- There is a locked gate across the Forest Service road to Kagel launch. Visiting pilots must be escorted through the gate by an SHGA member.

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Rules

- **Membership**—Flying privileges are available only to those who hold current USHPA and SHGA membership.
- **Safety Equipment**—All pilots must wear a helmet and emergency reserve parachute.
- **Flight Rules**—All flights must be in accordance with FAR Part 103.
- **Restricted Areas**—Flying is PROHIBITED:
 - In Burbank Class C Airspace (south of Gavina Ave., between 3,000 & 4,800 MSL)
 - In the Whiteman Airport Class D Airspace
 - In the Heliport Corridor in May Canyon, except for a direct transit, without soaring
 - Over the houses west of Pacoima wash, or within 200 feet horizontally of those houses
 - Over the baseball fields south of the LZ during games or gatherings of people
- **Helicopter Operations**—Flying is prohibited in the event of a helicopter rescue or aerial fire fighting operation, within three miles of the rescue or fire fighting operation. In case of a rescue or fire fighting operation within three miles of the Kagel launch ramp, all pilots must land immediately, and no further launches are permitted until rescue or fire fighting operations are terminated.
- **Kagel Mountain Launch**—(Saddle and Main Ramp) Intermediate or higher rating is required. Novice pilots may fly under the direct supervision of, or if signed off by an SHGA designated instructor. Proof of sign-off must be carried by the pilot. Sign-off may be revoked at the discretion of the Association.
- **All Launch Sites Within 5 miles of Kagel Mountain**—Advanced rating is required. Intermediate pilots may fly under the direct supervision of, or if signed off by an SHGA-designated instructor. Proof of sign-off must be carried by the pilot. Sign-off may be revoked at the discretion of the Association.
- **SHGA Flight Park Landing Area**—No part of any landing approach may cross the 200-foot buffer zone markers. Novice and Intermediate hang glider pilots, and Novice paraglider pilots must land in the wash adjacent to the flight park.
- **Tandem Flights**—Pilots and passengers must have the appropriate USHPA ratings. The pilot is responsible for ensuring that the passenger has signed the USHPA form Assumption of Risk and Liability Waiver.
- **Aerobatics**—Aerobatics are spins and maneuvers that involve bank angles greater than 90 degrees from horizontal or pitch angles greater than 60 degrees. No aerobatics are permitted south of the Gavina Avenue bridge. All aerobatic maneuvers must be performed in clear airspace, at a safe distance from other aircraft, and must be completed no less than 750 feet AGL.
- **Ultralights**—No SHGA member may fly an ultralight with a motor onboard south of the ridgeline between the radio antennas at West Towers and the Little Tujunga Road, whether or not the motor is operating. Powered harnesses fall within the scope of this rule. An ultralight with neither a fuel tank nor a propeller is exempt from this rule.
- **Dogs**—Any dog on SHGA property must be kept on a leash, in the presence of its owner, and under control. Any dog that creates an annoyance, in the judgement of the board, may be excluded from the property.

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