The recommendations included in this brochure are for your information. Pilots are asked to adhere to these procedures out of respect for people on the ground and other pilots.

For reasons of safety, it should be understood that FAA rules, weather and safety considerations may at times require deviation from these suggested procedures.

Why are these measures important?

Pilots who participate in the voluntary noise abatement program at Chatham Municipal Airport help reduce aircraft noise over developed areas. Complying with voluntary noise abatement procedures helps maintain the characteristics of Chatham that have made it a charming place to live, work, and visit. Pilots are encouraged to “fly friendly” whenever possible and always to “FLY SAFE”.

Fly Friendly
Chatham Airport Voluntary Noise Abatement Program

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For more information or to leave comments on Flying Friendly at CQX please contact us via email at: airportcommission@chatham-ma.gov or by phone at 508-945-5109

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**What is the Problem?**

**CHATHAM IS A NOISE SENSITIVE AREA.**

Residential development over time has resulted in the encroachment of neighborhoods under aircraft flight patterns. Maintaining a quiet and peaceful environment is a high priority of Chatham residents and visitors.

In an effort to be good neighbors, Chatham Municipal Airport is encouraging aircraft operators to be aware of surrounding neighborhoods and encouraging pilots to “fly friendly” and make attempts to mitigate aircraft noise when safe and practical.

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**Please help CQX be a courteous neighbor by observing our Noise Abatement Program. Thank you for your cooperation!**

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**HOW CAN I BE PART OF THE SOLUTION?**

- Follow the voluntary noise abatement arrival and departure procedures.
- Use full runway for take-off and landings & avoid intersection departures.
- Climb out on runway heading until 1000ft or over water then proceed on course.
- Reduce power as soon as practical.
- Minimize touch and go’s.
- TPA 1,000ft AGL
- Avoid residential areas as much as possible.
- Use takeoff technique recommended in aircraft POH
- Fly pattern downwind leg ½ to 1 mile out from runway as practicable.

- Remember: Propeller RPM is the largest contributor of excessive noise. Altitude and distance from noise sensitive areas also significantly reduces the noise footprint.

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**WHAT ARE THE KEY NOISE REDUCTION METHODS ON THE GROUND:**

- Run-up engine checks are important for pilots for safety checks, but excessive use creates noise. Please limit run-up time to minimum necessary.
- Rotary wing aircraft please limit idling to less than 10 minutes. If additional waiting is necessary, please shut down engine.
- Noise on the ramp can carry into the neighborhood. Please try to minimize unnecessary noise on the ramp.
- Turbine aircraft please park with engines pointed away from houses located across road from ramp area to reduce noise & exhaust fume impacts.