



Aeronca Aviators Club Fly-In to Oshkosh Procedure

FAA NOTAM: www.aeronca.org/2021-NOTAM.pdf

Our Air Boss and Flight Leader is **Glenn Hake** - Please pay close attention to his extensive experience.

1. Window signs will be provided to each participating airplane. Have at least 2-1/2 hours of fuel before departure. Flight Leader will phone Oshkosh tower to advise them of number of airplanes. Flight numbers will be issued to each pilot. Post this number on your instrument panel. Immediately after engine start, turn your radio to 122.8.

We will do a radio check on the ramp. If you do not hear the radio check, shut your engine down and walk to Flight Leader's plane. We will taxi and fly in the number order.

As soon as you leave your parking spot to enter the taxiway, say "No. ___ taxiing." Turn your transponder to standby or off. Taxi to the active and begin your take-off roll when the plane in front of you lifts off the runway. Call out "No. ___ rolling." Follow the plane in front of you, allowing between 500' - 1,000' spacing in trail.

2. Leader will turn southwest for about 6 miles to Lake Mills to allow everyone to get into trail, then will turn northeast back to the airport, and then turn north. Use these turns to catch up to the plane in front of you, if necessary. Watch the plane you are following throughout the flight. Do not use your GPS. A midair collision will ruin your whole day. We will gradually climb to 1800 ft. MSL. If anyone aborts, we will not renumber. Leader will cruise at 80 mph (70 Kts).

3. Leader will call frequency changes. We will change to 122.75 after we leave the Watertown airport area. Check in on the new frequency when asked.

4. Fly at 1800' MSL, in trail, maintaining about 1000' spacing. If you cannot keep up to the plane you are following, call Leader and ask him to slow down a bit. When Leader is 16 miles south of Ripon we will switch to Arrival ATIS on 125.9.

5. Listen to ATIS, jot down anything that sounds important, and tune back to 122.75 and check in again when requested to do so. Ask any questions at this time. This is the last time we will be able to talk to each other until we land.

6. 14 miles south of Ripon we will tune to Fisk Approach on 120.7. Monitor only. Leader will call ATC and tell them we have a flight of ___ Bellancas 10 miles south of Ripon.

7. We may have to do a hold around Green Lake. Refer to the FAA NOTAM but continue to follow the Leader.

8. Descend to 1800' MSL as we approach Ripon. Be alert for other aircraft in the Ripon area, converging from all directions. Leader will turn northeast when over the Ripon grain elevators, which are located on the northeast side of town. Maintain 1800' MSL. Fly over the grain elevators and follow the Leader. We will follow the abandoned railroad tracks to Fisk. Fly exactly over the tracks unless

ATC says otherwise. If other aircraft want to get into our group, let them in.

9. We may have to do a hold around Rush Lake. Refer to the NOTAM but continue to follow the Leader.

10. About 6 miles up the tracks we will come to the town of Pickett. Listen carefully to ATC for instructions. The controllers will call out color and type, or they may just call "Bellanca Flight." Listen carefully. When they call out your plane (or the Flight) rock your wings vigorously (45°) to acknowledge. **Do not speak** on the radio unless they ask you a question. ATC will give us the proper tower frequency, (either 126.6 for Rwy. 18/36 or 118.5 for Rwy. 9/27) and heading instructions. Follow instructions and try to stay together.

11. Tune to the appropriate tower frequency and listen carefully to the tower controller. When he calls out your plane (or the Flight) rock your wings vigorously (45°) to acknowledge. Do not speak on the radio unless they ask you a question. Follow their instructions. When gliding in on final, if you get too close to the plane in front of you, tell tower you are doing a go-around. They will bring you to downwind, base and final again.

12. After landing try to stay with the group. We will park in the assigned area. Hold up your sign just after you turn off the runway. After shut-down monitor 121.5 to ensure your ELT has not been triggered. All planes must be tied down as soon as practicable.

13. Gather at Leader's plane for any further instructions.

Radio frequencies:

Oshkosh ATIS phone number:	920-230-7820
Watertown airport Unicom	122.8
Plane-to-plane	122.75
Arrival ATIS (monitor only)	125.9
Fisk Approach (monitor only)	120.7
Oshkosh Tower Runway 18/36	126.6
Oshkosh Tower Runway 9/27	118.5
Oshkosh Ground (monitor only)	121.9