

Red Flag 2018

Team Demo Category

6 - 8 Teams Invited

Objective:

To create a competitive class of "Team" Jet flying, using a minimum of two, maximum of six, pilots flying a choreographed routine for the sake of spectator appeal. The goal is to get the crowd involved by using them as the judging panel that will ultimately select the winning team.

Overview:

Each Team has twelve (12) minutes to complete their flight presentation. This includes start-up, taxi out, landing and taxi back to the startup area. The actual flight portion of each Teams demonstration must be a minimum of 5 minutes. Teams will fly one at a time to take advantage of the complete airspace and field amenities. It is *highly recommended* that the flight be choreographed with music, or narrated throughout the flight, and include the use of smoke, ribbons, or other inflight enhancements. Showing up on contest day and winging it with a friend will not be received well. Teams who have practiced their formation flight in advance, and present a well-balanced routine which, showcases variety and captivates spectator interest, will do well! Each team will have the opportunity to fly their routines daily for the planned four day event. One flight will be scored each day, with scores accumulating over the course of the four days. Final round scores *may* be held confidential until the awards banquet Saturday evening.

Judging:

We are leaning towards using "Spectator judging" with the "Live Fan Voting" application found at RCFLIGHTDECK.COM. This smartphone friendly application allows those in attendance to easily select their favorite team flight. A new ballot will be available at the start of each day's Team Competition, with voting open at the completion of all team flights. Voting will remain open for thirty (30) minutes before final tally. Written ballots will be onsite for those spectators not having access to smartphone use. Final score for placement will be the three best score total accumulated over the course of the four days. We have not yet considered monitoring the number of votes accepted per phone.

Conclusion:

This portion of the Red Flag competition has the potential to be a spectator favorite. Including the audience in the process of selecting a winner will enhance their level of interest and allows the Team Pilots to approach this simply from the perspective of entertainment. Our goal for the second year event in 2018 would be a class of 6 – 8 teams with a minimum of three teams pre-registered. *Team dress encouraged*.