

CBSS Hang Gliding and Paragliding Site Regulations for Crested Butte

1. Pilots must be a guide pilot or be accompanied by a Crested Butte Soring Society (CBSS) guide pilot and all pilots must hold advanced rating (H4/P4), or foreign equivalent with current USHPA full membership. At the discretion of the CBSS guide pilot, CBSS members with intermediate (H3/P3) rating may be permitted to launch..
2. Guide pilots must be approved as a guide pilot by a majority of the CBSS, must hold advanced rating (H4/P4), have 1-year minimum flying experience at Crested Butte, and a minimum of 10 flights from Crested Butte.
3. Adequate helmet is required. Full face helmet is highly recommended.
4. Reserve parachute is required.
5. Two-way radio is required. Radio must be tuned to frequency specified by the guide pilot.
6. Paragliders shall be EN certified gliders, flown within the certified weight range. Speed wings and other paragliders without EN certification are not permitted.
7. Cooperate with CBMR personnel and strictly adhere to CMBR access requirements.
8. Do not block access roads. Set up and preflight your equipment in a place that will leave a wide lane for CBMR vehicles. Yield to hikes, cyclists and other vehicles while driving on CBMR roads. Carpool whenever possible to minimize road usage.
9. An altitude of at least 3000' must be maintained above ski lifts.
10. Make sure spectators and launch assistants are a safe distance from the launch area, then shout "Clear" before launching.
11. Pilots must have a current Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue (COR SAR) Card in order to cover possible search and rescue costs.
12. Visiting pilots should be well acclimated to our high elevation, supplemental oxygen use is recommended.
13. Commercial tandem flights are not permitted. No commercial use is permitted.
14. All vehicles are required to fill out VR mountain access tags.
15. Flying access begins when Upper Mountain Road access is clear and ends on October 31 of each year. Access to launch outside of those dates is at the discretion of the Mountain Operations Director and shall be communicated to CBSS by the club president.

Winter Hang Gliding and Paragliding Site Regulations

In addition to the above, for the winter season, the following apply:

16. CBSS Guide Pilots, or qualified pilots accompanied by a CBSS guide pilot are permitted to fly at Crested Butte Mountain Resort during the winter season. In addition to holding an advance rating (H4/P4), qualified guest pilots will have logged at least 20 flights during the previous season, or 20 hours airtime during the previous 6 months.
17. Launches are allowed only under these optimal conditions:
 - a. Air Temperature of 15 degrees Fahrenheit or greater.
 - b. Wind speed must be less than 30 mph for hang gliders and less than 20 mph for paragliders.
 - c. Wind direction must be between 240 and 330 degrees (WSW to NNW).
 - d. Visibility at least 10 miles.
 - e. Cloud base at 12,500' MSL or above.
18. Gliders shall be transported, set up, and launched so as not to interfere with skier traffic or other CBMR operations.
19. Pilots will notify ski patrol dispatch before each flight.
20. Pilots will radio check with ski patrol before launching and remain in contact during the flight.
21. Pilots must respect the chairlift clearance and minimize passes over the Silver Queen lift.
22. In the event of an inbound helicopter, CBMR ski patrol will contact pilots via radio and pilots must leave the mountain airspace at once.
23. Pilots need to purchase a ski pass to ride the Silver Queen Lift.

I understand that use of the Crested Butte launch and/or individual flying privileges may be immediately revoked for failing to comply with the above regulations.

USHPA# and Exp. Date

Name (print)

Signature

Date