

RAANZ Quality Assurance and Operations Manual

Safety Policy

August 13th, 2025

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<u>Purpose</u>

The RAANZ Committee is committed to promoting an environment where all RAANZ affiliated recreational flying clubs and their members operate in a safe, responsible, and compliant manner, safeguarding themselves, other participants, and the public.

Policy Statement

Safety is the highest priority in all activities conducted by RAANZ, its members and its affiliated clubs.

All affiliated clubs and RAANZ members must comply with relevant Civil Aviation Authority regulations, Civil Aviation Authority guidance, the RAANZ Exposition and recognised best practices in all areas of aviation.

RAANZ's role is to promote the highest of safety standards, provide oversight and advice, and support clubs and the RAANZ membership in achieving the highest safety performance outcomes, by education and policy.

Responsibilities under the RAANZ Exposition

Qualified Personnel: Only appropriately certificated and legally current pilots may operate aircraft.

Aircraft Standards: All aircraft must be maintained in accordance with approved maintenance schedules by qualified persons, with accurate records kept which shall be reviewed by RAANZ IAs at each inspection.

Preflight and Equipment: Each flight must be preceded by a comprehensive preflight inspection, and mandatory safety equipment (including personal locator beacons when applicable) must be carried.

Human Factors: All RAANZ members must examine their fitness to fly, currency and legal pilot status prior to embarking on any flight.

Incident Reporting: All incidents, accidents and occurrences must be reported promptly to RAANZ. The Committee will review trends and recommend improvements.

Safety Promotion: Affiliated Clubs should conduct regular safety briefings, training events, and knowledge-sharing sessions. The Committee will facilitate annual safety reviews across clubs, as part of the annual 'workshop' meetings.

Emergency Preparedness: All affiliated clubs should display current emergency contact information, maintain accessible first-aid kits and ensure all members know the standard emergency protocols.

Culture of Safety

The RAANZ Committee fosters a culture of openness and trust, encouraging members to raise safety concerns without fear of blame or reprisal. Continuous improvement will be achieved through feedback, training, and collaboration between clubs, the membership and RAANZ.

Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually, as part of the RAANZ annual audit calendar, or sooner if prompted by a significant safety incident, regulatory change, or as determined necessary by a member of the Committee.

Approved by resolution of the RAANZ Committee

Signed: July 1

RAANZ President

Date: 7-9-2025