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Shrub Oak International School

Shrub Oak, New York

Public Hearing Helistop/ Heliport Overview





HeliExperts Background

- Combined 85+ Years in Aviation
- Combined 40+ Years in Heliport Consulting
- 900+ Heliports Designed
- 3,000+ Heliports Visited or Audited Worldwide
- Clients Include







Professional & Volunteer Affiliations











REGULATIONS/CODES & BEST PRACTICES







Primary Heliport Guidance in the United States

Federal Aviation Administration Heliport Design Guide, AC-150/5390-2C

National Fire Protection Association
Standard for Heliports, NFPA-418



U.S. Department of Transportation

Federal Aviation

Advisory Circular

Subject: Heliport Design

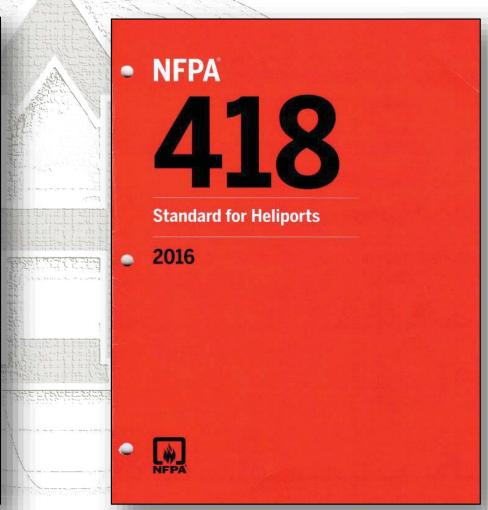
Date: 4/24/2012 Initiated by: AAS-100 AC No: 150/5390-20

 Purpose. This advisory circular (AC) provides standards for the design of heliports serving helicopters with single rotors. Apply basic concepts to facilities serving helicopters with tandem (from and rear) or dual (side by side) rotors, however many standards will not apply.

- 2. Cancellation. This AC cancels AC 150/5390-2B, Heliport Design, dated September 30, 2004.
- 3. Application. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) recommends the guidelines and specifications in this AC for materials and methods used in the construction of heliports. In general, use of this AC is not mandatory. However, use of this AC is mandatory for all projects funded with federal grant monies through the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) and with revenue from the Passenger Facility Change (PFC). See Grant Assurances No. 3.4, Policies, Standards, and Specifications, and PFC Assurance No. 9, Standards and Specifications: For information about grant assurances, see http://www.faa.gov/airports/air/grant_assurances/. The use of terms implying strict compliance applies only to those projects. Other federal agencies, states, or other authorities having jurisdiction over the construction of other heliports decide the extent to which these standards apply.

4. Principal changes

- a. Changed the term for the helicopter overall length (OL) to 'D' or 'D-value.
- b. Added definitions for design loads for static and dynamic load-bearing areas (LBA).
- c. Added guidance for pavement or structure larger than the touchdown and liftoff area (TLOF), but less than the size of the final approach and take off (FATO).
 - d. Added guidance for turbulence effects.
- Added guidance to provide adequate clearance between parking areas and taxi routes and within parking areas.
 - f. Added guidance for minimum dimensions of curved approach/departure airspace.
 - g. Added guidance for Touchdown/Positioning Circle (TDPC) Marking.
 - h. Added guidance for Flight Path Alignment Guidance markings and lights.
- Added an appendix providing guidance for Emergency Helicopter Landing Facility Requirements (EHLF).
- j. Added FATO to FATO separation distance for simultaneous operations.
- k. Revised standards for size of "H" for general aviation heliports.
- 1. Added increased TLOF size when the FATO of a hospital heliport is not load bearing.









Agencies & Organizations that will review and approve this heliport

• FAA: Federal Aviation Administration

• NFPA: National Fire Protection Association

• OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health Administration

• State: NY State Department of Transportation

• Local: Local Municipality & Fire Marshall







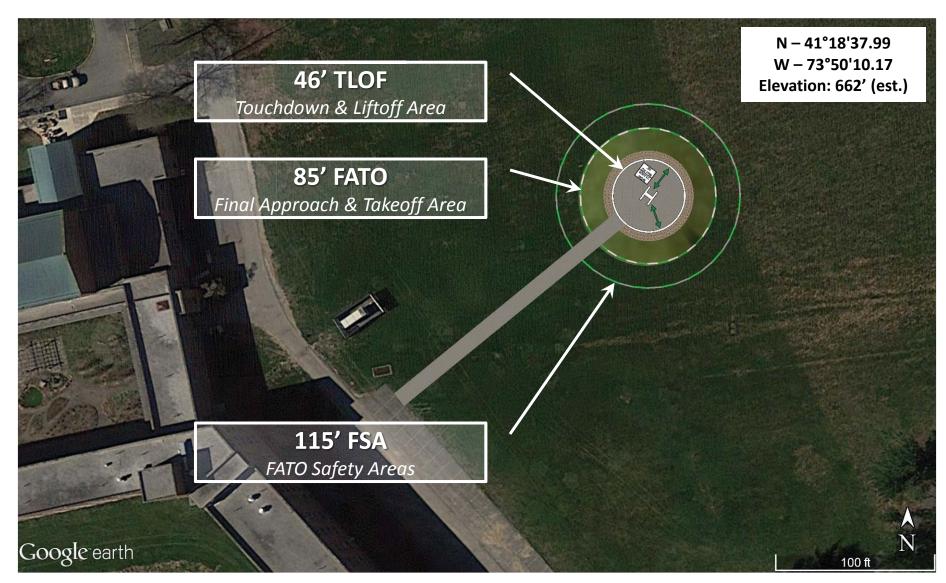








Proposed Site Location

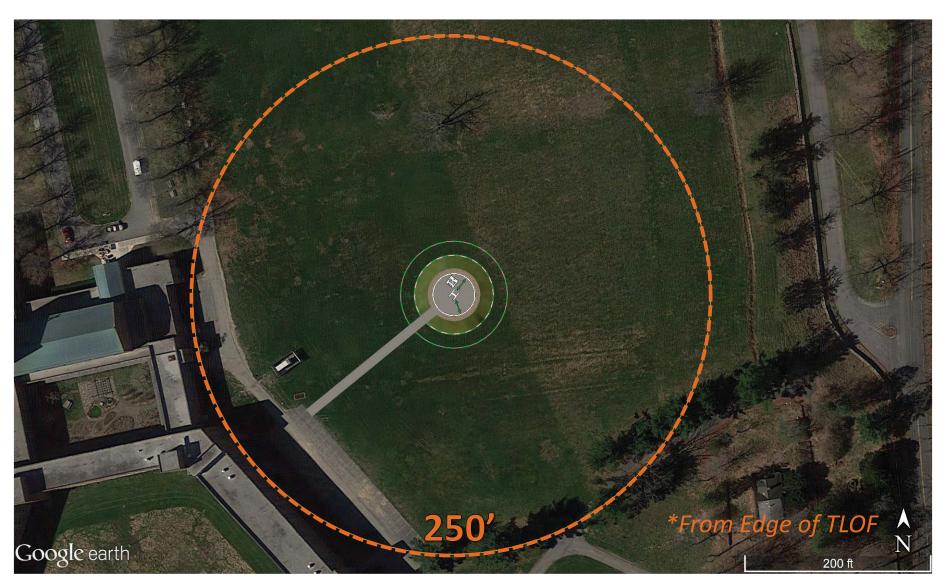








Required Zoning Setback

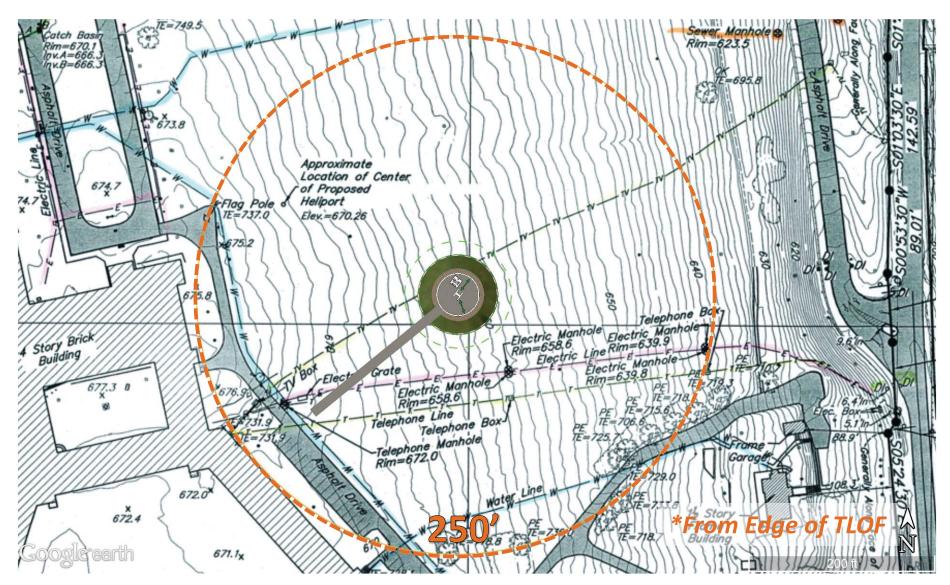








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Supporting Airspace









Proposed Approach/Departure Paths



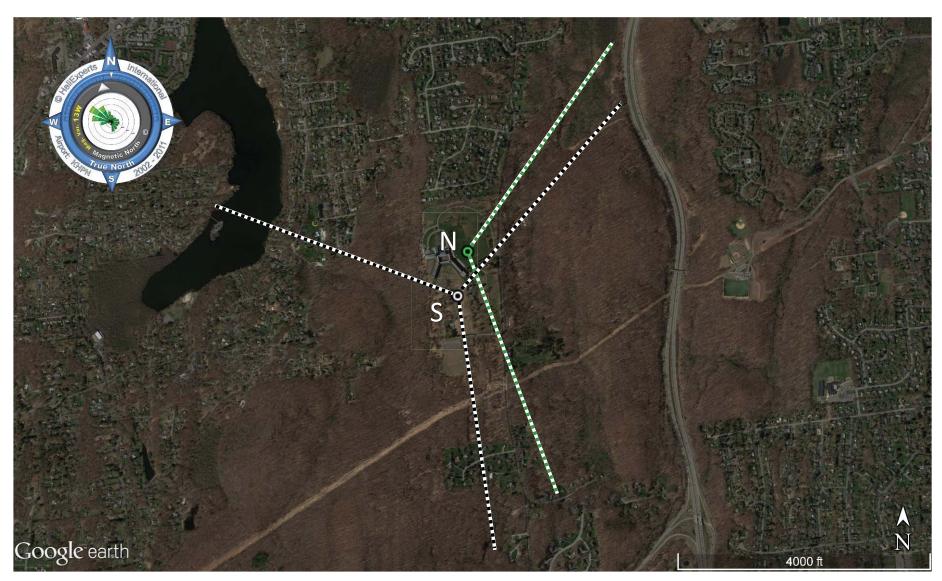






Flight Path Comparison

North Site Vs. South Site

















NTSB Accident Statistics

NTSB Retrospective Analysis

Web Link: http://www.ntsb.gov

- Between 1963 and 2013 (50 years)
 - 11,618 helicopter accidents are on record (*NTSB Aviation Database)
 - 185 were found to have occurred at a heliport (*USHST Study)
 - e.g. landing at, operating at or taking off from







Statistics for Similar Heliports

• Number of the general public who have been hurt, injured or killed as a result of an accident occurring at a heliport designed and incorporated like the one proposed at Shrub Oak, New York.









National Safety Council Review

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Raymond Syms, Managing Member HeliExperts International LLC 28 Baruch Drive Long Branch, NJ 07740

March 3, 2014

Dear Mr. Syms:

The mission of the National Safety Council is to save lives by preventing injuries and deaths at work, in homes and communities, and on the roads through leadership, research, education and advocacy. To support this mission, the Library of the National Safety Council gathers, catalogs and disseminates safety statistics, research and other information from a wide range of reputable sources.

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I hope this information is helpful. Please let me know if we can be of any further assistance.

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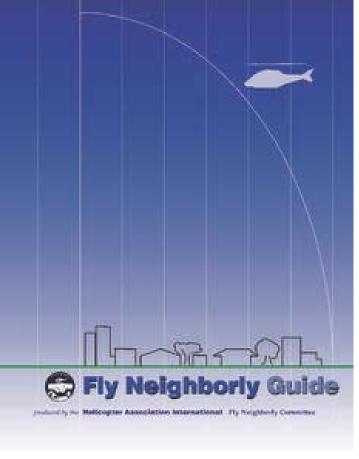


Noise Reduction

General Industry Standards

- HAI Fly Neighborly Guide





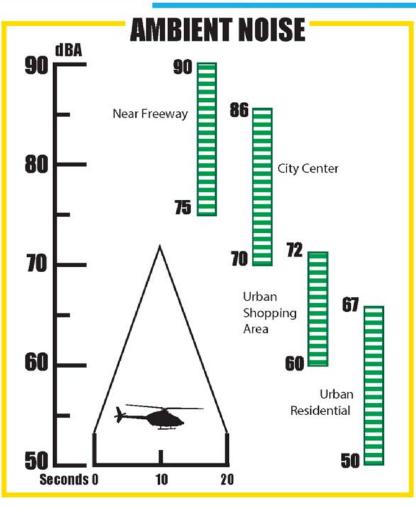


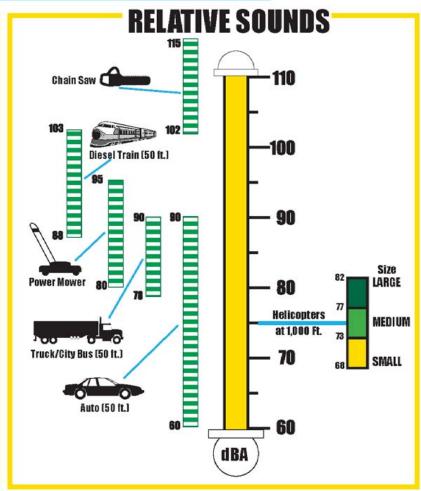




Comparison of Sounds

HELICOPTER SOUND COMPARISON





Bell Helicopter







Basic Rules of Sound

- Atmospheric conditions have a limited impact on sound traveling less than approximately 1,000 feet.
- For sound traveling less than 1,000 feet, sound levels will decrease by 6 dB (Decibels) every time the source to the listener's distance is doubled and increase by 6 dB every time the source to the listener's distance is halved.
- Rules of Thumb for Hearing Sound:
 - A 3 dB change in sound is generally inaudible except in a lab environment.
 - A 5 dB change in sound is generally the lowest level of change that is discernable by the human ear under normal conditions.









