2018_Purposed_Flight-Risk_RSO_Policies

Proposed Launch Saftey Policy Changes For	Safety Related Problem Statement(s)	Purposed Safety Requirements (addresses each prob #s)	
#1 Flights: All HP Flights	Problem #s	Requirement #s	
All RSO approved flights (or at least all HP flights)	RSO & LCO Go/No-GO is too "gut feel" based on many variables like: P1.1) rocket fin size, T:W ratio, motor thrust curve, stability P1.2) balistic risks of wind direction to crowd location to rod length P1.3) drift risks for wind direction / strength for drift to river or armory and P1.4) on field builds and first flight builds/engineering increases failure rates	We Think We Need a " <u>Kentland Go/No-Go Tool</u> " (on tablet?) for real time calculations for: R1.1) Rocket flight stability "quick-sim" R1.2) Balistic recovery area / risk (using real time wind vectors) R1.3) Main@Apogee drift pattern for 2,400 river and 2,600 armory avoidance (using basic sim + real time wind vectors) NOTES: Jordan is creating a software tool to address these requirements. and	
		R1.4a) Policy: No HP 1st Flight, on-field-builds R1.4b) Any major component reairs or redesigns (e.g. fin fixes, lugs, MMTs) require double RSO checkoff	
#2 Flights: K and Over, aggresive thurst or complex flights	Problem #s	Requirement #s	
Anyone Flying K and over, aggressive thrust, or complex/multi-m	 P2.1) K & over launches pose larger than avg risk (if launch or recovery fail) P2.2) Aggressive launches have higher stress failure rates & need more scrutiny 	New <u>"K & Over / Agressive Flights Requirements"</u> : R2.1 / 2.2) Must receive 2-RSOs sign-offs	
#3 Flyers: Non-club, guest, students or team flyers	Problem #s	Requirement #s	
Non-Club flyers or teams who are: - guests / "out of town" / non-NRVR members - student / team / inexperienced flyers	 P3.1) Non-NRVR-Member (K & over) launches pose MUCH higer risks P3.2) Guest / Student flyers often don't know RSO requirements / expectations = higher builds & flight risks P3.3) Non-NRVR member rockets (even <u>medium power</u>) problems are "invisible" or often need of deeper RSO inspection before launch 	New "Non-NRVR Member Pre-Flight Requirements": R3.1) "RSO teardown inspection" & sign-off (K & over) R3.2) Send guest/ student flyers our RSO checklist & flight card (to set expectations BEFORE launch) R3.3) Pre-Flight Data Capture review (medium power & over) for non- NRVR/guest/student flyers	
#4 Rockets: Exotic/Complex/Research Flights	Problem #s	Requirement #s	
Anyone Flying Exotic, Complex (multi-motor), or Research Build -Non traditional rocket types (mono-copter, unique or "weird designs" etc) -Research motors -"Complex" multimotor (clusters, staged, etc) flights	 P4.1) Exotic Rockets have higher failure rates P4.2) Research motors have higher failure rates P4.3) Complex motor clusters and stages flights have much higher failure rates 	New "Exotic Rocket, Complex Motor & Research Motor Flight Requirements": R4.1 / 4.3) Exotic & Complex rocket "RSO teardown inspection" & sign-off R4.2) Research motors must receive 2-RSO sign-offs R4.1 / 4.3) Possible push of exotic or complex flights to research-only launch day layouts (if too risky)	