



Welcome Pilots and Race Fans!



TRI-CITY AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER

2019 August Race Day & Helicopter Procedures

In order to serve you in the most expeditious manner, these are the NASCAR race procedures to expect at Tri-Cities Airport, August 16-18, 2019.

A. General

1. **ATIS - 118.25:** Get ATIS before calling Clearance Delivery.
2. **CLEARANCE DELIVERY - 132.575** (Post-race procedure only): call for your IFR or VFR TRSA clearance *before* contacting ground control.
3. **GROUND CONTROL - 121.7:** identify your location.
 - a. **TRI-CITY NORTH:** FBO near the approach end of Runway 23; Ground may require you to taxi southbound parallel to Taxiway A to get in line.
 - b. **WYSONG:** Maintenance ramp north of the control tower.
 - c. **RUNWAY 9:** Section of Runway 9 and adjacent taxiways *west* of Runway 23.
 - d. **RUNWAY 27:** Section of Runway 27 *east* of Runway 23.
 - e. **Helicopter Shuttle:** First 1,000 feet of AER RWY 27.
4. **TOWER - 119.5:** Call when you are #1 and ready to depart.
5. **Taxiway R** is a non-movement area between Taxiway Y and Taxiway C.
6. **TRI ATCT** will remain open until 0600Z.

B. Helicopters

*****No helicopter operations will be approved to or from the cargo ramp*****

1. The first 1000 ft. of the approach end of RWY 27, east of TWY R, shall be used for helicopter operations. Helicopter shuttle operations will reposition and operate from RWY 27 between approximately 8:00 a.m. Saturday, 17 August 2019, until 12:00 noon, Sunday, 18 August 2019. All helicopters will reposition from Runway 27 to the FBO ramp by 12:00 noon on Sunday, 18 August 2019.
2. **HELICOPTER LOCAL CONTROL – 125.25.** If the volume of helicopter traffic necessitates, pilots will be instructed to use this frequency to and from the racetrack.
3. Helicopters shall arrive from Bristol Motor Speedway (BMS) to Tri-Cities Airport (TRI) at 2,000 MSL, and depart TRI-BMS at 2,500 MSL.
4. Helicopter flow will be counterclockwise between TRI & BMS.
5. Flights between TN57 or 89TN and BMS will be at or below 2,700 MSL.
6. Tri-City North (“North Ramp”) helicopter arrivals are not authorized without prior permission on Saturday. Tri-City Aviation will allow helicopters to use the ramp on Friday.
7. On Saturday, all helicopters will land and depart from RWY 27 on the designated operating area.
8. All helicopters will use the callsign “Race #.” The beacon codes will be 12##, i.e., RACE33 will squawk 1233. Helicopter pilots will:
 - a. Remain at or below 2,700, or at or below 2,500 between TRI and BMS.
 - b. Remain east of RWY 5/23 final unless instructed to cross.
 - c. Use assigned beacon code.
 - d. Use assigned call sign.
9. Contact BMS advisory on 123.07 at the water treatment plant on Beaver Creek Road.
10. BMS advisory will switch helicopters to ATC as soon as traffic permits.
11. BMS advisory will work all helicopters and fixed-wing operations over BMS.

Thank you and have a safe trip home!

Tri-Cities Air Traffic Control Tower Employees