

PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT • ASSUMPTION OF RISK • RELEASE

Participant:		Age:	
Phone:		Emergency Contact:	

READ BEFORE SIGNING. This form applies to the Kentucky Lake Aviation Pumpkin Drop event at Carroll County Airport. The flight is intended to be a brief introductory/discovery flight-training lesson conducted by an appropriately qualified flight instructor. The pumpkin-drop opportunity is an incidental event activity and does not convert the flight into a sightseeing or air-transportation service.

IMPORTANT FLIGHT STATUS: This is a Part 61 instructional flight, not a Part 135 charter, air-taxi, or sightseeing tour. The instructor remains pilot in command and has final authority over the aircraft, training content, seating, weight and balance, weather, route, and whether any pumpkin may be dropped.

PARTICIPATION RULES

- **Age 12 or older:** Kentucky Lake Aviation policy permits a participant age 12 or older to occupy the front training seat and, when directed by the flight instructor, manipulate the flight controls. This is NOT a student-pilot solo flight.
- **Under age 12:** The child may participate only as a rear-seat observer. A parent/legal guardian or responsible adult supervisor must accompany the child. The child and accompanying adult must have a combined actual body weight of 300 lb or less, and all occupants remain subject to the aircraft's approved weight-and-balance and seating limitations.
- **Minors:** A parent or legal guardian must sign this form for every participant under 18.
- **Instructor authority:** The instructor may cancel, delay, shorten, terminate, or modify the flight or pumpkin drop at any time for safety, weather, aircraft, traffic, regulatory, weight-and-balance, or operational reasons.
- **Safety restraints and instructions:** All occupants must use required seats and restraints and follow all pilot/instructor instructions. No participant may open a door/window, handle the pumpkin, or release any object except when specifically directed by the instructor.
- **Pumpkin drop:** A pumpkin may be released only at the instructor's direction, over the designated drop area, and only when the pilot in command determines reasonable precautions have been taken to avoid injury or damage to persons or property.
- **Fitness to fly:** Participants must disclose any condition that could affect safe participation and must not participate while impaired by alcohol, illegal drugs, or any substance that makes participation unsafe.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE

I understand that flight training and participation around aircraft involve inherent risks, including but not limited to aircraft movement, propellers, turbulence, hard landings, mechanical failure, weather, slips/falls, and the release of an object from an aircraft. Serious injury, death, or property damage can occur even when reasonable care is used. I voluntarily choose to participate and knowingly assume these inherent risks.

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, I release and agree not to hold liable Kentucky Lake Aviation, its owners, members, managers, employees, instructors, pilots, agents, volunteers, aircraft owners, and the airport/airport authority (collectively, the "Released Parties") for claims for personal injury, death, or property damage arising from my participation in this activity, including claims based on ordinary negligence of a Released Party. This release is not intended to waive claims that cannot lawfully be waived, including liability that applicable law does not permit to be released. I agree to be responsible for damage I intentionally cause or that results from my failure to follow the instructor's or pilot's safety directions. I understand that signing this form does not require Kentucky Lake Aviation or the pilot in command to conduct the flight or pumpkin drop.

PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- ☐ I understand this is an instructional/discovery training flight and not transportation to a destination, a charter flight, or a sightseeing tour.
- ☐ I understand the flight instructor is the pilot in command and may take the controls at any time.
- ☐ I understand the pumpkin drop is optional and may be omitted for any safety or operational reason.
- ☐ I have provided accurate age and weight information when requested for safe loading and weight-and-balance purposes.
- ☐ I have read this entire form, understand it, and sign it voluntarily.

Participant Name (print)		Participant Signature	
Date		Actual Weight (lb)	
Parent/Legal Guardian Name (if participant under 18)		Guardian Signature	
Guardian Phone		Relationship to Minor	

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Instructor/Pilot		Aircraft N-Number	
Flight Start/End		Training Provided / Notes	

Operational references: 14 CFR § 91.15 (dropping objects); 14 CFR § 119.1(e)(1) (student instruction); 14 CFR Part 61 (pilot/flight instructor certification and training).