

Helicopter Facilities Requirement Table

	Category 1 Temporary permit with less than 10 per day and 18 total flight operations over permit timeframe	Category 2 Temporary permit for more than 18 flight operations not to exceed 8 operations per hour and no more than 3 different helicopters permitted to use one site	Category 3 Permanent helicopter facility
Full Definition	Means a minimally developed temporary helistop facility designed to permit boarding and discharge of passengers or cargo, not equipped with helicopter maintenance, refueling activities, repair, or storage facility that is approved for a cumulative total of 10 or fewer helicopter takeoffs and landings per day and 18 total operations over the established permit timeframe on a temporary basis.	Means a minimally developed temporary helistop facility designed to permit boarding and discharge of passengers or cargo, not equipped with helicopter maintenance, refueling activities, repair, or storage facility that is approved to be used for a specific use, during an established timeframe with a cumulative total of helicopter takeoffs and landings not to exceed eight (8) operations per hour of operation. In addition, no more than three (3) helicopters are permitted to use an approved Category II without special consent of the Director.	Means a permanent heliport facility.
Operational Hours		7:30 A.M to 8:30 P.M. (local time)	
Permit Term	Valid for the earlier of: (1) the duration of the event or construction project; or (2) 180 days from the date of issuance	Valid for the earlier of: (1) the duration of the event or construction project; or (2) 180 days from the date of issuance	Valid for 3 years from date of issuance
FAA Requirements	Required if >10 operations in 24 hours	Letter of no objection	Letter of airspace determination; letter of no objection; notice of landing area proposal; notice of proposed construction or alteration; model of the noise impact

Neighborhood and Property Owner Notification Process	COA to notify neighborhood associations within 500 feet of site or if no neighborhood associations exist, notify property owners within 500 feet.	COA to notify neighborhood associations within 500 feet of site or if no neighborhood associations exist, notify property owners within 500 feet. A 14 day comment period will be offered and comments will be posted for public review. A 10 day appeal process will follow the comment period.	Follows the Planning Commission regulations for a Conditional Use Permit process.
Criteria for Approval	Complete application and minimum review of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment • Safety • Compatibility • Noise sensitive areas within a 4000 foot radius 	Complete application and further review of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmentally sensitive areas within a 4000 foot radius • Noise sensitive areas within a 4000 foot radius • Approval by City Departments: Aviation, Police, Fire, Transportation, Parks and Recreation, Planning and Development Review, Star Flight, Austin-Travis County EMS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete application • Approved FAA requirements • Follow Conditional Use Permit regulations
Decision	ABIA Director	ABIA Director	ABIA Director, Planning Commission, City Council
Appeal Process	City Manager	City Manager	City Council
Review Process	30 Days	45 Days	
Distance from other sites	1.5 miles	0.5 miles of each other and within a term of 180 days within 1000 feet of a noise sensitive area	
Number of aircraft permitted to use site		3	Unlimited
Number of flight operations per site	18 total	8 total takeoffs and landings per hour	