Balsa Bandit Pilot "Sign Off" Sheet

The Balsa Bandit RC club wants all applicants to enjoy the benefits of pilot status as quickly as possible. Realizing that applicants have made a significant investment to enter this hobby the following criteria have been established as the minimum to qualify that an applicant is ready to move to "Signed Off" Pilot status.

Balsa Bandit Examiners look for the Applicant to show that the aircraft is in control while the maneuvers below are carried out. The examination does not weigh the style or elegance of the maneuver. The Examiner will select one of the comments below for each maneuver.

_____ Needs More Practice (NMP) _____ Sign Off

Fixed Wing "Sign Off" Requirements:

TAXI: & TAKEOFF (Includes hand launch) _____ NMP _____ Sign Off
a) Selects proper wind direction.
b) Adequate directional control.
c) Controls airplane to avoid the Pit and Parked Cars on take off and approach.
d) Safety and etiquette (announces intentions, yields to other traffic, etc.)

SLOW LOW FLIGHT (centered on the runway) _____ NMP _____ Sign Off
a) Adequate directional and altitude control. Avoids flight line.
b) Exhibits stall awareness.
c) Safety and etiquette (announces intention, etc.).

LEFT TURN and RIGHT TURN _____ NMP _____ Sign Off
a) Hold altitude while turning.
b) Exhibits stall awareness.
c) Aware of location relative to the field.

LANDING _____ NMP _____ Sign Off
a) Makes a good approach and knows position relative to the field.
b) Adequate directional control, exhibits stall awareness.
c) Avoids flight line and pit area.
d) Safety and etiquette (announces intentions, yields to other traffic, etc.).

Pilot "Sign Off" Summary

Applicant _____ _____ NMP _____ Sign Off
Examiner _____ Test Date _____
Comments: _____