Temporary Flight Restricted Areas (TFR)

In order to prevent problems in getting a TFR for your aviation event, discuss it with the assigned FAA Inspector when you make application for the waiver at the Flight Standards District Office. A TFR is only requested if you will have airplanes doing aerobatics in excess of 200 Knots Indicated Airspeed (KIAS) outside of B, C or D airspace. Without a TFR, transient aircraft are permitted to fly the waivered airspace but are advised by NOTAM to be cautious. A TFR NOTAM prohibits transient aircraft from entering the TFR airspace without specific clearance to do so.

Any request for a TFR, waiver, or authorization for an aviation event requires coordination by the aviation event's responsible person or air boss with the appropriate ATC facility and the Regional Air Traffic Organization Service Center approximately 90 days prior to the event. The request for a TFR must be submitted to the System Support Manager at the Service Center and copied to the appropriate ATC facility at least 60 days prior to the aviation event. This will allow the Service Center to forward the request to the Airspace and Rules Group, ATO-R, 30 days prior to the event. ATO-R will review the request and issue the TFR seven days prior to the event. Any special conditions considered necessary by the Air Traffic Service will be made a part of the certificate of waiver or authorization.

Fill out the TFR Check List and contact the appropriate Air Traffic Service Center (See FAA ATO Contact list).