

City of Clearwater

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Clearwater Airpark Recognized as Florida's General Aviation Airport of the Year

CLEARWATER, Fla. – The Clearwater Airpark received the Florida General Aviation Airport of the Year award from the Florida Department of Transportation. The award recognizes one public-use general aviation airport of 111 in the state that honors superior achievements in safety, aesthetics, and airport management standards in the aviation industry.

"We're honored to receive this award," says William Morris, Marine & Aviation Director for the City of Clearwater. "To be selected as the top airport out of 111 general aviation airports in Florida is truly the culmination of creating an outstanding team, which consists of several groups including the airpark's Fixed Base Operator, Clearwater City Council, various departments within the city, Florida Department of Transportation, Airport Advisory Board, and the neighbors around the airport."

Clearwater Airpark (KCLW) is located at 1000 N. Hercules Ave. with an elevation of 71 feet. The Fixed-Base Operator terminal is open seven days a week, and takeoffs and landings are allowed from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Runway 16/34 is an asphalt surface that measures 4,100 feet long, 75 feet wide, with a 30-foot-wide parallel taxiway. The airpark daily operation is leased to a Fixed Base Operator and is currently managed by Clearwater Aircraft, Inc.

In the past couple of years, a variety of airpark improvements have been made, including a longer runway, topping or removing trees (with neighbors consent) that were impacting the federally required glide slope, installation of an automated weather observation station, and new hours of operation for pilots.

To learn more about the Clearwater Airpark, call (727) 443-3433 or (727) 562-462-6954 or visit *myclearwater.com*. To learn more about FDOT's aviation awards, visit dot.state.fl.us/aviation/aviationawards.shtm.

"Clearwater Airpark...We Grow Pilots, Astronauts, and Dreams."

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