



## Attention Drone Operators:

Flying your drone in the National Airspace (NAS) comes with a huge responsibility to fly it safe and responsibly. Once your drone is in the air you are considered a pilot and must follow the rules and guidelines set forth by the FAA in flying in the shared NAS.

- Remember that a hospital helipad is considered an airport and you are required to notify the hospital that you are flying within five miles of the helipad.

We want you to have fun and enjoy your drone while flying safe and responsibly. Our flight crews, patients and the first responders are counting on you!

## Drone Registration:

- A federal law effective 12/21/15 requires all drones to be registered.
- All drone operators who have drone(s) weighing .55 pound to 55 pounds, are required to register them.
- Registration is through a special website at <https://www.faa.gov/uas/registration/>
- A certificate should be printed containing a registration number.
- The number must be placed on all of your drones.
- Registration is valid for three years.
- A registration fee of \$5 per operator will be charged.
- If you do not register, you are subject to civil & criminal penalties.
- Learn any restrictions/ requirements in effect at the location where you want to fly by using the B4UFLY Smart Phone App at <https://www.faa.gov/uas/b4ufly/>

# I FLY SAFE

PRE-FLIGHT CHECKLIST

All drones are aircraft—even the ones at the toy store. So when I fly a drone I am a pilot. Before I fly I always go through my pre-flight check list. I regularly check the safety guidelines at [faa.gov/uas](http://faa.gov/uas)

FLY SMART, FLY SAFE, AND HAVE FUN!

Federal Aviation Administration [knowbeforeyoufly.org](http://knowbeforeyoufly.org) [faa.gov/uas](http://faa.gov/uas)

- 1 I fly below 400 feet
- 2 I always fly within visual line of sight
- 3 I'm aware of FAA airspace requirements: [faa.gov/go/uastfr](http://faa.gov/go/uastfr)
- 4 I never fly over groups of people
- 5 I never fly over stadiums and sports events
- 6 I never fly within 5 miles of an airport without first contacting air traffic control and airport authorities
- 7 I never fly near emergency response efforts such as fires
- 8 I never fly near other aircraft
- 9 I never fly under the influence

**KNOW FLY** Here's what you need to know: Learn more at [www.knowbeforeyoufly.org](http://www.knowbeforeyoufly.org)

<div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; color: #00a0e3;">1</div> <h3 style="color: #00a0e3;">law</h3> <p><b>Respect local ordinances.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respect community ordinances and guidelines established for public places.</li> <li>Even if nothing is posted, it's good to check with local authorities before you fly.</li> <li>• Respect your neighbors' privacy.</li> </ul>	<div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; color: #00a0e3;">2</div> <h3 style="color: #00a0e3;">limits</h3> <p><b>Fly within guidelines.</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">These include rules set forth by federal laws and guidelines recommended by the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Fly within Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) guidelines.</li> <li> Do not fly beyond your line of sight.</li> <li> Do not fly in high winds or reduced visibility.</li> <li> Do not fly within 25 feet of bystanders.</li> <li> Avoid flying near stadiums and large open-air events.</li> </ul> <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">For more information, visit <a href="http://www.faa.gov/uas">www.faa.gov/uas</a></p>	<div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; color: #00a0e3;">3</div> <h3 style="color: #00a0e3;">surroundings</h3> <p><b>Know the conditions.</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">Don't fly your unmanned aircraft near bystanders or during emergency situations such as wildfires, medical evacuations, or search-and-rescue operations unless authorized by the proper authorities.</p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">Watch for and avoid potential hazards in your environment such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manned aircraft</li> <li>• Unprotected people</li> <li>• Moving vehicles</li> <li>• Roadways</li> <li>• Private property</li> <li>• Infrastructure</li> <li>• Deteriorating weather</li> </ul>	<div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; color: #00a0e3;">4</div> <h3 style="color: #00a0e3;">airspace</h3> <p><b>Share the sky.</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) currently expects all unmanned aircraft operators to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fly below 400 feet.</li> <li>• See and avoid manned aircraft.</li> <li>• Be aware of Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs) that affect the operation of unmanned or remote controlled aircraft.</li> </ul> <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">You can find information on current TFRs at <a href="http://www.modelaircraft.org">www.modelaircraft.org</a>, <a href="http://www.faa.gov">www.faa.gov</a>, and by following @modelaircraft on Twitter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Never fly within 5 miles of an airport without first contacting airport authorities.</li> </ul>
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## THE MOST FUN YOU CAN HAVE (WITHOUT A LICENSE).

### HOW DO I LEARN MORE?

**Get ready to get schooled.**

AMA Flight School includes free educational materials for anyone interested in unmanned aircraft.

Designed to answer the question, "How do I ...," AMA Flight School provides information about topics such as:

- Battery and operational safety.
- Building your own multirotor aircraft.
- Selecting safe locations to fly.
- Participating in the Search and Rescue challenge with UAS4STEM. (Learn more at [www.uas4stem.org](http://www.uas4stem.org).)

There's a great pilot in you.

Go find it!

[www.amaflightschool.org](http://www.amaflightschool.org)

**Welcome to the club.**

The Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) is the largest model aviation organization in the world. With more than 185,000 members, we're standing behind you to give you the support and guidance you need to be successful and, most importantly, have a great time.

AMA members enjoy a suite of great benefits including:

- Liability insurance
- Subscription to *Model Aviation* magazine
- Competition privileges
- Scholarships
- Flying site assistance

For more information, visit [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org)

**Flying is just for fun.**

Whether you call your aircraft a drone or an unmanned aircraft, if you intend to fly for something other than recreation, there are certain requirements that must be met.

Visit the Know Before You Fly website at [www.knowbeforeyoufly.org](http://www.knowbeforeyoufly.org) for more information.

**Interested in commercial or public-use flying?**

There are options available to you through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Visit [www.faa.gov/uas/legislative\\_programs/section\\_333/](http://www.faa.gov/uas/legislative_programs/section_333/) for more information.

For more information, visit [www.knowbeforeyoufly.org](http://www.knowbeforeyoufly.org)

## WE'RE YOUR GUIDE TO RESPONSIBLE FLYING.

Flying guidance provided by the Academy of Model Aeronautics, the world's largest model aviation organization.