

Guidance on Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)

If you suspect a UAS operation is unsafe or unauthorized:

1. Locate the operator and give them an opportunity to land safely
2. Ask for registration and verify markings on the UAS - Required for all UAS greater than 0.55 lbs
3. Ask operator for the type of operation and to present appropriate documentation
4. Interview operator and collect the following information:
 - a. Name, address, and positive ID of operator
 - b. Record the # from their Remote Pilot's License, if they have one (required for all commercial ops)
 - c. Document time, place, and details of flight (take pictures and interview witnesses, etc)
5. Contact the FAA for:
 - a. Safety concern or serious UAS incident – contact the Regional Operations Center: 9-csa-roc@faa.gov
 - b. Investigation support – contact an FAA Law Enforcement Assistance Program (LEAP) Special Agent

State Law Enforcement Options:

Wis. Stat. § 114.045.	No drones over Correctional Institutes	Wis. Stat. § 941.12.	Interfering with firefighting
Wis. Stat. § 942.10.	Invasion of Privacy with a Drone	Wis. Stat. § 943.01.	Destruction of Property
Wis. Stat. § 941.292.	Weaponized Drone	Wis. Stat. § 947.01.	Disorderly Conduct
Wis. Stat. § 111.09.	Careless / Reckless Operation of Aircraft	Wis. Stat. § 941.30.	Reckless Endangerment
Wis. Stat. § 111.09.	OWI-Aircraft PAC =>.04	Wis. Stat. § 947.013.	Harassment
Wis. Stat. § 946.41.	Obstructing an Officer	Wis. Stat. § 940.32.	Stalking

If you need immediate assistance from the FAA call (202) 267-3333

Model Aircraft—(Hobbyist)

1. Drone registration not required, but encouraged
2. Must give way to manned aircraft
3. Less than 55 pounds, and > 100 MPH
4. Fly no higher than 400'
5. Keep aircraft within eyesight
6. Do not fly directly over persons or vehicles
7. Stay at least 25' away from persons or vulnerable property
8. Contact airport/hospital w/heliport if flying within 5 miles
9. Do not fly in adverse weather
10. Do not fly at night
11. Do not fly near or over sensitive infrastructure
12. Do not photograph people in an area where privacy is expected

Paid Professional—(Part 107)

Must adhere to the "Model" Standards, PLUS:

1. Pilot-in-Command (PIC) must have an FAA 'Remote Pilot Airman Certificate'
2. Must obtain clearance from ATC when operating in Class B, C, D, and E airspace.
3. Subject to all rules of 14 CFR part 107

Government—(Any Public Entity)

1. Must comply with all rules of Part 107, **OR**
2. Must obtain Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
3. PIC must have Remote Pilot Airman Certificate

In Summary—ALL UAS:

Must have Registration and Markings (>0.55 lbs)

Must not endanger persons or property on the ground

Must give way to and not interfere with manned aircraft

Must comply with all flight restrictions and Temporary Flight restrictions

Are subject to legal enforcement for Careless or Reckless operation

Visual Aids for Identification:

Sample Remote Pilot Certificate



DJI Phantom



DJI Inspire



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