SAFETY TIPS FOR FLYING YOUR DRONE

When you fly your drone, follow the key safety tips below to keep the airspace safe.

1) Register your drone on the FAA’s Drone Zone Portal (faadronezone.faa.gov) and display the FAA-issued registration number on an outside surface of the aircraft and carry your proof or registration with you.

2) Follow FAA’s operating requirements and certificate requirements:

-To fly for fun or recreation only, follow FAA-approved safety guidelines of a model aircraft community-based organization (CBO) AND comply with any aeronautical knowledge and safety test requirements.

-OR-

-Meet the requirements to become an FAA Certificated Remote Pilot and operate under Part 107 (the Small UAS Rule).

3) Fly your drone at or below 400 feet when in uncontrolled or “Class G” airspace, which is airspace where the FAA is not controlling manned air traffic.

4) Do NOT fly in controlled airspace (around and above many airports) unless:

a. You have received authorization from the FAA. (See our website to learn about how to obtain authorization.)

5) Do NOT fly in airspace where drones are prohibited. (See our website for information on airspace restrictions.)

6) Keep your drone within your line of sight, or within the visual line-of-sight of a visual observer who is co-located and in direct communication with you.

7) Never fly near other aircraft, especially near airports.

8) Never fly over groups of people, public events, or stadiums full of people.

9) Never fly near emergencies such as any type of accident response, law enforcement activities, firefighting, or hurricane recovery efforts.

10) Never fly under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

11) Respect others’ privacy and abide by local privacy requirements.

Learn more about FAA UAS/drone rules, regulations, and guidance at www.faa.gov/uas.