



UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS



# 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](http://faadronezone.faa.gov)) and display the FAA-issued registration number on an outside surface of the aircraft and carry your proof of 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](http://www.faa.gov/uas).

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