

CHECKLIST FOR HOBBYIST UAS/DRONE OPERATOR

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Address:

Definition: Hobbyist is a person who operating the UAS/Drone solely for recreational purposes, not for commercial hire, and does not have an FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Certificate. The Hobbyist can be any age from a child to an adult.

FAA Rules the Hobbyist must abide by:

1. Operation of a model aircraft (or an aircraft being developed as a model aircraft) that meets all of the following conditions as set forth in section 336 of Public Law 112-95:
 - (a) The aircraft is flown strictly for hobby or recreational use;
 - (b) The aircraft is operated in accordance with a community-based set of safety guidelines and within the programming of a nationwide community-based organization
2. The UAS/Drone must be registered with the FAA **"Before 1st Flight."** The registration number will begin with the letters **FA** and will be an alphanumeric series of letters and numbers. Once the UAS/Drone is registered the FAA makes available immediately by download the aircraft's registration for the owner. The registration may be affixed to the aircraft, make be place in the compartment on the aircraft which the lid is not secured in a manner that requires a tool or need a tool to open it, the Hobbyist may have the registration on their person.
3. Must keep the aircraft within visual line of sight at all times.
4. The aircraft is operated in a manner that does not interfere with and gives way to any manned aircraft.
5. Don't fly an aircraft that weights more than 55 lbs.
6. When flown within 5 miles of an airport, the operator of the aircraft provides the airport operator and the airport air traffic control tower (when an air traffic facility is located at the airport) with prior notice of the operation.

NOTE: The FAA will enforce FAR Part 91.13 Careless or Reckless Operation: (2) Aircraft operation for the purpose of air navigation. No person may operate an aircraft in a careless or reckless manner so as to endanger the life or property or another. The FAA may also enforce Part 107.23(a) Hazardous Operation: (a) Operate a small unmanned aircraft in a careless manner so as to endanger the life or property of another.

FAA Basic Law Enforcement Response **D.R.O.N.E.**

Direct attention outward and upward, attempt to allocate and identify individuals operating the drone. (Look at windows/balconies/roof tops).

Report incident to the FAA Regional Operations Center (ROC). Follow-up assistance can be obtained through FAA Law Enforcement Assistance Program (L.E.A.P.) special agents.

Observe the UAS and maintain visibility of the device, look for damage or injured individuals. **Note:** Battery life is typically 20 to 30 minutes.

Notice Features: Identify the type of device (fixed-wing/multi-rotor), its size, shape, color, payload (i.e. video equipment), and activity of device.

Execute appropriate police action: Maintain a safe environment for general public and first responders. Conduct a field interview and document **ALL** details of the event per the provided the FAA. (www.faa.gov/uas/resources/law_enforcement)

Always follow agency polices – Take appropriate action based on the facts and circumstances of the incident and site/area-specific laws and rules. The FAA's enforcement action does **NOT** impact **ANY** enforcement action(s) taken by law enforcement.

Local ordinances or ORC that may apply include, but not limited to: Reckless endangerment, criminal mischief, voyeurism, inciting violence.