

'DRONE' USE REQUIREMENTS

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With the increasing popularity of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (“UAV” aka “drone”) use it is important operators abide by the RFBYC ‘Drone’ Use Requirements.

- Any use of drones, whether for commercial or recreational purposes, flown from or over RFBYC’s water & land-based areas, including vessels partaking in RFBYC sanctioned races or other activities, should be formally sanctioned by the Club CEO (or authorised designate) in writing to the named proposed operator of the drone.
- The proposed operator must complete a risk assessment for the specific event or occasion and must be in line with current Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) best practice.
- The operator of the drone should be a pilot licenced to fly the specific drone and shall submit documentation to demonstrate compliance with this requirement. The drone shall be registered as per CASA requirements.
- The operator shall be held responsible in respect of any injury or damage to property caused directly or indirectly by UAV operation. The operator shall present a certificate of currency detailing public liability insurance cover from an APRA approved insurer for all operators and activities to a minimum value of \$10Million. This may be forwarded to the Club’s insurance company for ratification.
- The operator shall not fly the drone closer than 30 metres to vehicles, vessels, buildings or people, except for take-off and landing.
- The operator shall not fly the drone over the Dinghy foreshore area, the upper lawn members area, or other areas when populated. All and any drone operations shall comply fully with current CASA regulations.
- In case of an accident or serious incident resulting from unmanned aircraft within the club grounds, or associated with any club activity, the relevant club officials shall be notified immediately and the ATSB must be notified in accordance with section 18 of the *Transport Safety Investigation Act 2021*.
- It’s illegal to fly for money or economic reward unless you have an unmanned operator’s certificate issued by the CASA. This certificate shall be presented for verification in the event the operator is being paid by RFBYC or any other person.

Acknowledged _____ Name _____ Date _____