Flying a drone on campus

For a safe flight, you must follow the Monash University RPA/Drone General Operating Conditions (GOCs).

Recreational flights are not permitted on Monash University campuses. All Pilots must hold a Remote Pilot License (RePL). Contractors must operate under a Remote piloted aircraft Operators Certificate (ReOC).

Keep your aircraft at least 30 metres away from people during flight. Pilots must employ traffic management practices to prevent pedestrians walking into flight zones.

Respect personal privacy – do not conduct flights within 100 metres of Monash Residential Services (MRS).

Do not conduct activities or fly in a manner that creates a hazard to another aircraft, person or property.

You must not fly over areas where – if the aircraft was to fail – it could hit someone. This could include flying over events, busy pedestrian traffic areas, or Monash University sporting grounds during activities.

Most Monash University campuses have flight height restrictions due to aircraft flight zones and proximity to landing sites. Keep your RPA below 45 metres on campus.

Pilots must fly only one aircraft at a time. Drone ‘swarms’ and autonomous flights must be reviewed and approved by your Authorising Pilot.

You must maintain visual line of sight of your aircraft during flight. Flights are only permitted during daylight.

Other hazards may exist as part of your planned flight. You must complete a flight plan and risk assessment for your activity. Speak with your Authorising Pilot if you have any additional safety questions or require assistance.

For additional advice, assistance and support, please contact Monash OH&S (9902 0222), your Authorising Pilot or Faculty Representative.

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