

# DRONE POLICY

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The operation (flight) of any drone/unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) at the Raleigh Convention Center (RCC) whether indoors or outdoors is prohibited unless permission is granted in advance in writing by RCC Management. In the event permission is granted by RCC there are rules and regulations that govern their use at the Facility. Please see your Event Manager/Coordinator for more information or clarification regarding the rules and regulations. UAVs that are not being flown are permitted to be grounded and displayed within exhibit space without prior approval by management.

## ALLOWABLE PURPOSE OF UAVs

- Demonstration for conference or show
- Promotional materials

In the Event UAVs are permitted by RCC the following rules must be strictly adhered to:

- Must have clearance from Show Management (SM) and the Raleigh Convention Center (RCC) before flying any UAV.
- Must provide the UAV's manufacturer's guidelines for the specific UAV to the RCC Event Manager who will also share with the Raleigh Fire Department Fire Marshall's office.
- Must adhere to all current Federal, State and Local Laws and regulations, including, but not limited to Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Homeland Security guidelines, and all relevant North Carolina General Statutes. Laws and regulations governing UAVs are constantly being developed. It is the responsibility of the UAV operator to learn and follow all such laws and regulations.
- UAVs carrying weapons are prohibited.
- May not be flown in meeting rooms or dining areas.
- Must weigh less than 55 lbs.
- Must provide all required insurance specified in the insurance section of the contract, and separately cover non-manned aviation liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.
- Indoor UAVs must only be flown in clearly defined and predetermined spaces determined by the RCC Event Manager, Show Manager and UAV operator.
- UAVs are prohibited from flying over any people.
- UAVs are prohibited from flying within five (5) feet of any building structure including walls and sprinkler heads.

UAVs are prohibited from intentionally photographing or taking video of any monetary transaction, including, but not limited to, ATMs, concessions or merchandise sales.

## OUTDOOR FLYING OF UAVs

UAV's are prohibited from flying outside on RCC property. RCC property is defined as any land south of Cabarrus Street, north of Lenoir Street, west of McDowell Street and east of Salisbury Street.

Training UAV operators must provide copy of their FAA remote pilot certification. In addition, UAV operators must review and sign a copy of this drone policy.

## SAFETY

- UAVs must be operated in a safe manner. UAVs may not have features (e.g. lights, coloring) or be used in a way to distract drivers or other aircrafts.
- UAVs that lose GPS signal should be set to hover in place. If the GPS signal is lost, connection to the remote operator is lost or low power is detected UAV should be set to return home/origin.
- UAVs should never be flown over any person or group of people.
- UAVs should be flown in contained area whether it be by rope and stanchion, netting or other materials.
- Upon take off, all batteries associated with the UAV must be fully charged at 100%. The UAV must land once any battery associated with the UAV drops to 50%.
- RCC Event Manager should know the exact times that UAV will be in use. This should be noted on RCC Function Schedule as "Active Fly Zone."

Please contact RCC Management or your Show Manager should you have any questions about this policy.

SIGNED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_