

ILYA Drone Policy

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This policy directs the operation of Drones at ILYA Events. The NOR/SIs list this document in rules that apply to the event. The goal of this document is to ensure safe and beneficial use of drones in and around ILYA events.

1 Administration

- 1.1 This policy will be administered by the ILYA Board of Directors

2 Licensing and Registration

- 2.1 All drones shall be operated by a Part 107 licensed person in charge.
- 2.2 All drones, even those that weigh less than 0.55 pounds (250 grams) shall be registered and display an FAA registration number.

3 Insurance

- 3.1 All drone operators shall carry adequate third-party liability insurance during drone operations.
- 3.2 Drone operators shall provide proof of insurance to the ILYA upon request

4 Permission

- 4.1 Drone operators shall receive permission from the ILYA and the host club before commencing any drone operations in or around ILYA events.
- 4.2 Drone operator shall comply with any reasonable request by the Organizing Authority, Host Club, Race Committee, or Protest Committee.

5 Communication

- 5.1 Drone operators shall communicate as requested with the Organizing Authority, Host Club, Race Committee, or Protest Committee.
- 5.2 If more than one Drone or other aircraft is in use at the event, all persons in charge shall communicate locations, altitudes, and flight plans with each other. Safety the priority at all times. Operating in the same area at the same altitude is extremely dangerous and will not be tolerated.

6 Operating Rules

- 6.1 At all times except takeoff and landing, all drones shall operate at least fifty(50) feet above the tallest object in the area.
- 6.2 Take off and landing shall be a reasonable distance from all people to avoid injury.
- 6.3 Reckless or irresponsible flying will not be tolerated.
- 6.4 If a protest is lodged and drone footage may be helpful, the drone operator shall provide said footage to the protest committee for their viewing during protest hearings and for the records of that protest. Protest footage will not be made public, but may be used for reopening, appeals, or other official protest use.

7 Enforcement

- 7.1 Drone operators are considered under the rules "Support Persons." Failure to abide by these rules will be enforced by the Protest Committee. Any of the penalties that can be applied to Support Persons may be enforced on drone operators.
- 7.2 Flagrant violation of this policy may result in loss of permission to operate a drone and/or attend the event and/or future ILYA events.