



AERIAL DRONES

The Los Angeles Convention Center supports the use of cutting-edge technology, such as aerial drones, at events. Use of aerial drones (unmanned aircrafts and systems) is limited within the “four walls” of the Center with advance approval of the LACC fire marshal. Operation of aerial drones outside of the building requires appropriate [Federal Aviation Administration \(FAA\) registration](#).

Aerial drones are defined as any remote-controlled, unmanned aircraft device under the operation of at least one person and may have the capability to take images, video or provide some type of service.

OPERATION REQUIREMENTS

Use and operation of aerial drones in the Center is subject to the advance review and approval of the LACC Fire Marshal. Terms and conditions of this approval include, but not limited to, the following:

- Aerial drones must be less than 55 lbs.
- Documentation that the drone unit to be operated is registered under the [FAA Small UAS Rule \(Part 107\)](#).
- Drone operator(s) must provide [Remote Pilot Certificate](#) issued by the FAA and must fly within visual-line-of-sight at all times.
- Designation of a separate demonstration area (fly-zone area) away from the general public, enclosed by safety netting or steel mesh. The LACC Fire Marshal may require additional safeguards, including but not limited to use of barriers, creation of safety buffer zones and having a fire safety officer(s) on stand-by.
- The fly-zone area must be contained within the Licensee's contracted space or pre-approved lobby areas.
- No other persons, unless authorized by the LACC Fire Marshal, is allowed in the fly-zone area while the aerial drone is in operation.
- Operation of any aerial drone cannot exceed 30' in height inside exhibit halls and no more than 50' in tower lobby areas.

To ensure that aerial drone operations are reviewed in a timely manner, please submit the following no later than **thirty (30) days prior** to the first show day:

- Complete the LACC Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Flight Operation Plan application.
- A floor plan of designated fly-zone area to include dimensions of proposed space, height of safety netting proximity of general public viewing area and location of safety buffer zone.



OPERATION OF AERIAL DRONES WITHOUT THE EXPRESSED ADVANCE APPROVAL OF THE FACILITY IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED AND MAY RESULT IN THE DRONE BEING CONFISCATED IMMEDIATELY.

PRIVACY ISSUES

The use of this amazing technology also brings with it additional issues, namely with confidentiality and liability. Licensee assumes full responsibility and liability for approved aerial drone operations within its contracted space or approved lobby areas, regardless if such operation is done by an exhibitor, contractor, or show management. In addition, Licensee shall be responsible for properly notifying exhibitors, attendees and the general public to their event that an aerial drone is in operation and may be taking video or images. The LACC may require show management to provide appropriate signage to this end.

OPERATING OUTSIDE THE CENTER

The operation of aerial drones outside the “four walls” of the building but within the property line of the Los Angeles Convention Center requires the advance approval of LACC General Manager and the Los Angeles Police Department.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) allows the commercial and recreational use of a drone in airspace provided that the unit is registered with the FAA, the operator has an FAA-issued remote pilot certificate, the drone is less than 55 lbs flying at or below 400 feet and operator has complied with all [FAA requirements](#) to operate a small unmanned aircraft system (UAS).

Please visit the [FAA online](#) to get complete information on small UAS operation requirements or call 844.FLY.MY.UA.