



If you are a recreational drone user flying within a 5-mile radius of the commercial Airport or Military Airfield you MUST notify the appropriate Air Traffic Control Tower. Below are phone numbers to local Air Traffic Control Towers.

San Antonio International Airport (SAT)

FAA AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (ATCT)
(210) 805-5530

Stinson Municipal Airport

(210) 207-1800

Note: Call for a request form that will need to be sent to the Tower Manager

Joint Base San Antonio (JBSA)

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (ATCT)
(210) 652-SUAS (7827)

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This brochure serves as an informational piece for all school districts, particularly those surrounding San Antonio International Airport and JBSA installations. In particular, those with airbases such as JBSA-Randolph, JBSA-Auxiliary, JBSA-Lackland and JBSA-Camp Bullis. We aim to provide a central location for information, guidelines and safety tips in accordance with FAA regulations to both recreational and commercial drone pilots. Below are websites where more drone references can be found.

DOWNLOAD THE
B4UFLY APP.

The app will instantly let you know if you're in a no-fly zone.



www.registermyuas.faa.gov

www.faa.gov/uas

www.knowbeforeyoufly.org

www.jbsa.mil

www.aacog.com/jlus

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DRONES



What is recreational use?

The recreational use of a drone is the operation of an unmanned aircraft for personal interests and enjoyment. For example, using a drone to take photographs for your own personal use would be considered recreational; using the same device to take photographs or videos for compensation or sale to another individual would be considered a commercial operation. You should check with the FAA for further determination of proper use.

Safety Guidelines

- Fly at or below 400 feet above the ground.
- Keep your drone within sight.
- Never fly near other aircraft, especially near military airfields and airports.
- Never fly over groups of people.
- Never fly over critical infrastructure.
- Never fly near emergency response efforts.
- Be aware of airspace requirements
"Know Before You Fly".



AACOG Regional JLUS Statement

The AACOG Regional JLUS program in collaboration with Joint Base San Antonio (JBSA) are working together to enhance support of the continuation of the military's mission in Military City USA. Drone usage has increased in frequency and is expected to grow by 10% every year. An appropriate level of air safety awareness is necessary to reduce the potential conflict between military and civilian aircrafts. With drones, a viable educational outreach campaign with surrounding school districts can effectively reach student and civilian pilots throughout the Alamo Area region.

Do I need to register my Drone?

Yes, the National Defense authorization act reinstates the Federal Aviation Administration's registration rules for small, model-aircraft-sized drones. The rule for small drones, which the FAA classifies as unmanned aircraft weighing less than 55 pounds and more than 0.55 pounds, were set in 2015 and aimed at managing the growing numbers of the aircraft in increasingly crowded national airspace. The online registration requirement included a \$5 fee for both commercial and recreational drone operators using such aircraft.



What are Drones?

A drone is an aircraft without a human pilot on board. The drone is controlled by an operator on the ground. Each drone operator is responsible for understanding and abiding by the rules implemented by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).



- Observe line of sight.
- Stay away from airfields.
- Watch out for interference and critical infrastructure.

- Fly over large events.
- Fly over someone's house.
- Fly over 400 feet.
- Fly over highways and major roads.
- Fly within 5 miles of airports or military airfields.

