### Flight Rules on Unmanned Aircraft (UA)

### **Prohibited Airspaces for Flight**

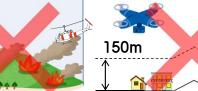
Airspace around airports



Airspace around

Airspace more than 150m above the ground

Airspace above Densely Inhabited Districts





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Any Person who intends to operate UA in the above airspace is required to obtain permission from the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism.

Airspace around Key National Facilities\*

Airspace around foreign diplomatic offices

Airspace around Defense-related Facilities Airspace around **Nuclear Sites** 









\* The Diet Building, Prime Minister's Official Residence, office buildings of administrative authorities for crisis management, the Supreme Court, the Imperial Palace, political parties' offices, etc.



Any person who intends to operate UA over and around airports, key national facilities, defense-related facilities and nuclear sites is required to obtain consent from an administrator of the facility and to report the flight information to the Prefectural Public Safety Commission prior to the operation.

### Flight rules to be observed wherever you are

### **Operation Limitations**

\* In addition to the following rules, pilots must operate UA subject to preflight actions and prevention of collision with airplanes and other UA.

1. No alcohol and drugs





4. Not beyond visual line of sight





2. No careless or reckless





5. Keep required

6. Not over event sites

7. No transportation of

8. No dropping objects









Poisonous materials, inflammable liquids, explosives, etc.

Any person who intends to operate UA without conforming to the above rules of 3.  $\sim$  8. is required to obtain approval from the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism.

Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, **Transport and Tourism** Website



**National Police** Agency Website



License-free radio equipment (including license-free radio equipment for UA) without a "Technical Conformity Mark" cannot be used and may be regarded as an illegal use in Japan, even if the equipment is based on a foreign standard.

Technical Conformity Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications Website Mark













### **Additional Points to Consider**

 Flight rules such as prohibited airspaces for flight and operation limitations on Unmanned Aircraft (UA) are defined in the Civil Aeronautics Act. Visit our website at <a href="http://www.mlit.go.jp/en/koku/uas.html">http://www.mlit.go.jp/en/koku/uas.html</a>



 The flight prohibited areas for drones are also designated under the Drone Act. Visit our website at <a href="https://www.npa.go.jp/english/uas/uas.html">https://www.npa.go.jp/english/uas/uas.html</a>



• Flights around specific areas such as temples, shrines and parks may be prohibited by local regulations.

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### **[Contact Information]**

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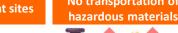
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Civil Aviation Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan





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### Flight in the Prohibited Airspaces

Any person who intends to operate UA defined as in the Aeronautics Act in the following airspaces is required to obtain permission from the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism.

- Airspace around airports
- Airspace more than 150m above the ground
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### Flights not following the operation limitations

Any person who intends to operate UA without conforming to the following operation rules is required to obtain pre-approval from the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism.

- No night flights
- · Flight not beyond visual line of sight
- Keep at least 30m distance between UA and any person or properties on the ground/water surface
- Do not operate UA over event sites where many people gather
- Do not transport hazardous materials such as explosives by UA
- Do not drop any objects from UA

## What is "Unmanned Aircraft(UA)" and "UA defined as in the Civil Aeronautics Act"?

The term "UA" means any airplane, rotorcraft, glider, or airship which cannot accommodate any person on board and can be remotely or automatically piloted.

Examples: Drone (multi-copter), radio control airplane, crop-dusting unmanned helicopter.

UA defined as in the Civil Aviation Aeronautics Act means the UA which weighs 100g or more.

### **Densely-populated area**

The densely-populated areas over where flight of UA is in principle prohibited are defined as Densely Inhabited Districts (DID) as a result of population census.

For details of DID, please visit the website of Civil Aviation Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism in reference to the "Densely Inhabited Districts of Japan".

