

## वशुन्दि चर्ते आसतः वशुः सम्मानस्य हो।

स्र वेत्र च्या व्योधास्त्राचा त्रवाञ्च व्या ब्या BHUTAN CIVII. AVIATION AUTHORITY MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS PARO, BHUTAN



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## ADVISORY CIRCULAR

Further to Notification No. DCA 003/6/3 dated 17 March 2015 issued by the erstwhile Department of Civil Aviation (DCA), Bhutan Civil Aviation Authority (BCAA) hereby grants permission for the operation of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) -Drone within the airspace of Bhutan under the strict compliance of, but not limited to, the following conditions:

- Application to BCAA to be submitted with security clearances (RBA & RBP);
  clearance from MOHCA, BICMA, and other agencies, as required;
- Submit Technical Specifications of Drones, pilot experience/ license and other requirements as specified by BCAA from time to time;
- Fly with direct Visual Line of Sight (VLOS) only after obtaining clearance from ATC Paro, RBHSL, and other agencies as advised by the BCAA,
- Not operate at a height exceeding 300ft (90m) above the ground or water;
- Not permitted in areas near airports (3miles or 5 kilometers) and air routes of both international and domestic flights;
- Not permitted over yellow roof-tops and congested areas or as advised in the clearance letters of agencies;
- Pilot/Operator to be responsible for the safe operation and separation from other airspace users;
- Submit documentary evidence that pilot has adequate experience and competence,
- Operator/Pilot responsible for safety, privacy, and security during operation;
- Operator shall indemnify the Authority against any judicial process, litigation, or any other action and liabilities due to any technical failure and contravention of any rules, regulations and the Laws of the Kingdom of Bhutan.

This circular is issued for strict compliance with immediate effect and shall serve as legal support till such a time, the draft Regulations for Drones is finalized.

Director

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