GEOZONES



THREE CATEGORIES DRONE OF FLIGHT



What ever the category you fly in (each with their own generic rules and requirements which apply everywhere) ALWAYS make sure you <u>ALSO</u> comply with the **Geo-Zone requirements**





GEO-ZONES

! ALL FLIGHT CATEGORIES NEED TO COMPLY ! OPEN / SPECIFIC / CERTIFIED

- Nationally defined
- Deviations from the general rules for reasons of safety, security, environment or privacy

Each zone has its own do's-and-don'ts

e.g.

- Only certain drones allowed
- Flight authorisation required
- Only fly up to 10m
- Complete no-fly zone

new map on map.droneguide.be (including NOTAM parsing)





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As of December 31st





As of December 31st: **STEP 1** before each flight

Aviation portal Operator registration

> Federal Public Service Mobility and Transport Belgian Civil Aviation Authority

<u>Official new GeoZone</u> <u>publication tool</u> (including NOTAM parsing)

https://map.droneguide.be



TO DO: Check on that map which GeoZones overlap with YOUR FLIGHTPLAN and list all of them in YOUR LIST of relevant GeoZones.

You will have to comply with <u>ALL</u> additional rules they <u>EACH</u> impose.

How do you get to know what those are?



As of December 31st : **STEP 2** before each flight

Aviation portal Operator registration

Federal Public Service Mobility and Transport Belgion Civil Aviation Authority For each GeoZone on <u>YOUR LIST</u> you will have to go and see who *the GeoZone Manager* is and what extra rules he imposes

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Go and check https://es.mobilit.fgov.be/geozones/ for <u>each</u> relevant GeoZone



Some GeoZone Managers, might impose individual flight authorisation (e.g. skeyes who does so for each flight within any of its GeoZones)



As of December 31st: **STEP 3** before each flight

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Aviation portal Operator registration



Rules + flight auth. Rules + flight auth. procedure procedure

Rules

skeyes as GeoZone Manager for controlled airspace

> Geo Zone Mgr. Zone B

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skeyes

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Geo Zone Mgr. Zone A

Make sure you comply with all additional conditions for each zone (e.g. max flight height, drone requirements, ...)





As of December 31st: STEP 4 before each flight

Aviation portal Operator registration

Federal Public Service

Mobility and Transport

Flight auth. Flight auth

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Make sure you request individual flight authorisation if/where required by the GeoZone Manager

Drone Service

Application

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GeoZones

skeyes guide you

Geo Zone Mgr.

Zone B



What is Direct Remote ID when imposed in a GeoZone?

Definition as per 945/947 EU reg.



When/where is it mandatory? (if not imposed by a GeoZone)

• For flights in the Open category: C1, C2, non-tethered C3, C5 and C6 drones by definition have this feature on board and only when using those drones is there an obligation in the Open category to have direct remote ID active during the flight.

Such Cx-compliant drones are however not yet available on the market.

 Its use is obligatory for all flights in the Specific category <u>only as from</u> <u>2/12/2021</u>.



What is Geo-Awareness when imposed in a GeoZone?

Definition as per 945/947 EU reg.

 ALERT
 Based on that map and its GPS coordinates, the drone autonomously detects a potential breach of GeoZone limitations and ALERTS the pilot

not be confused with the functionality offered on DJI drones called 'DJI geofencing' as this DJI drone feature refers to the alerting of the pilot based on a bespoke map designed and made public by DJI based on its very own safety criteria.

When/where is it mandatory? (if not imposed by a GeoZone)

- C1, C2 and C3 drones operated in the Open category by definition have this feature on board and should have it activated during all flights. It is optionally available on C5 and C6 drones (to be used to execute STS1 and STS2 as of 2/12/2021), if present on them it should be activated during all flights.
- Cx-compliant drones are however not yet available on the market on 1/1/2021.





What is Geo-Caging when imposed in a GeoZone?



Can only be imposed by a GeoZone

- Referred to as a system that prevents the drone from flying over a given altitude and a given distance outside a given volume of airspace (vertically and horizontally) as defined during the flight planning phase of the drone operation.
- It is equivalently referred to in the EU Delegated Act in the section used to define the obligatory characteristics of a C6 drones as being 'a system that prevents the UA from breaching the horizontal and vertical limits of a programmable operational volume'.



What about my still valid Class 1A authorisations/derogations and Class 1B declarations?



Still OK to execute flights covered by a still valid Class 1B declaration or Class 1A authorisation (with eventual derogation) You can start executing flights as from January 1st 2021 covered by the EU rules and obligations

HOWEVER:

Flight NOTIFICATION to the BCAA no longer required as from 1/1/2021 You need to:
IN ALL CASES comply with the (new) GeoZone rules!
Get a new operator registration



SUMMARY OF WHAT TO KEEP IN MIND

NEED TO RESPECT

Generic rules



DELTA's vs. generic rules: **National GeoZones**



- Aerodrome zones (incl. heliports) P/D/R + Military zones CTRs

- Seaports UAS test-zones

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DELTA's vs. generic rules: National GeoZones





HAVE A SAFE FLIGHT



