



The Government of Sark

POLICY AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

RULES FOR THE USE OF SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT (SUAs/DRONES) IN THE VICINITY OF SARK

The Sark Government policy setting out the rules can be found in the Aviation Journal of the Channel Islands, (Edition 1707, Page 31/32) on the Director of Civil Aviation website at www.cidca.aero

This policy was agreed between the Policy and Performance Committee of Chief Pleas and the DCA on April 18th 2017, to permit the operation of SUAs/Drones by licensed operators in the vicinity of the island of Sark.

This means that no SUAs/Drones may be flown over the Island of Sark but may with the correct approval, be flown from and to a water craft while the craft is at sea (see below for details), unless Sark Constables instruct the operator to cease flying.

Anyone wishing to operate SUAs/Drones either for private or commercial purposes are required to obtain individual approval from the DCA in advance of their use, and operators must comply with the following conditions -

1. The SUA/Drone must be capable of being safely launched from and recovered to a water craft at sea.
2. Launch and recovery must take place from a water craft at sea positioned at a distance of at least 150 metres from the shoreline at lowest astronomical tide.
3. The operator must be a holder of a current aerial work permit.
4. The SUA/Drone must at all times remain at least 150 metres from the island. Once in flight this distance shall be measured from the cliff top or shoreline - whichever is closer to the water craft.
5. All other conditions in ANL2012 s37 are complied with.
6. The Sark Constables enforce these rules and have the right to instruct any operator to cease flying where the operator has not complied with these rules or, they consider that there is a danger or nuisance to persons, property or animals.

This rule is in force until further notice

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