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FAQs:

I am into drone racing and/or flying drones with goggles (FPV) ‘open’ category, Open category, Drones (UAS), Regulations

Question:

As a drone racer, which category and subcategory of operation do I fall under?

Answer:

Normally drone races are organised by clubs and associations. In such cases, they may have received operational authorisations from their National Aviation Authorities in accordance with Article 16 of Regulation (EU) 2019/947, which also covers the organisation of such events.

If, instead, you want to conduct a race that is not within a club or association and with no spectators (in this context meaning uninvolved persons, see the definition above) present, you will fall under the **‘open’ category** and you can operate under subcategory A3.

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