European Union Aviation Safety Agency

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FAQs:

Regulations on UAS (drone) explained, Provisions applicable to both ‘open’ and ’specific’ category, Drones (UAS), Regulations

Question:

Is it possible for an EASA Member State (MS) to maintain its national drone regulation in parallel with the new European drone legislation?

Answer:

No. The EU drone regulation is an act that became immediately applicable in all EU MSs since 31 December 2020 superseding national regulations and making them not applicable anymore. However the European drone regulations provide some flexibility for the MSs to develop acts to define certain aspects such as:

- Minimum age for remote pilot
- Conversion of certificates issued before the applicability of the EU regulation
- Authorisation of model club and associations
- Fines when breaching the regulation
- Use of geographical zones
- Insurance

The EASA MSs cannot develop any further regulations on drones on a topic that is already regulated by the European Drone regulation.

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