

Training requirements in the 'specific' category

Are all remote pilots in the 'specific' category required to train to fly a drone?

Answer

For operation falling under the 'specific' category, the training depends on the operation you intend to conduct. So unless the operation falls into a standard scenario, after the risk assessment, you will need to propose a possible training course to the National Aviation Authority. The authority will, in each case, evaluate the adequacy of the training, and if they confirm it in the operational authorisation, the training will become the required training.

If your operation falls into a standard scenario, the remote pilot must:

- hold a certificate of remote pilot theoretical knowledge for operation under standard scenarios;
- hold an accreditation of completion of the STS-01 practical skill training.

To do so, the remote pilot must complete and successfully pass an online training course.

Both the certificate and accreditation can be issued by a competent authority or an entity chosen to do so.

Regulatory reference: UAS.SPEC.050 (d) and UAS.SPEC.060 (b) of EU Regulation 2019/947

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Who issues the remote pilot competency certificate for the 'specific' category and how long is it valid for?

Answer

For standard scenarios, the National Aviation Authority is responsible for issuing the certificates. A certificate for Remote Pilot competency **is valid for 5 years**. If the revalidation is

conducted before the certificate expires, the remote pilot may attend a seminar provided by the National Aviation Authority or by an entity recognised by it, otherwise competencies need to be re-demonstrated.

For operations in the 'specific' category that are not covered by standard scenarios, the training will be defined in the operational authorisation provided by the National Aviation Authority.

Regulatory reference: Article 12 of EU Regulation 2019/947 and UAS.STS-01.020

Contact your National Aviation Authority for further information

(see <https://www.easa.europa.eu/domains/civil-drones/naa>).

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Will the competency certificate for the 'specific' category be recognised throughout Europe?

Answer

Yes, training conducted in one EASA Member State will be recognised in all others.

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