

### Requirements

Flying a drone or model aircraft for educational purposes at recognised educational institutions is considered 'flying for fun'.

If you fly for fun, you do not need to register your drone or get a licence or operator accreditation.

### Flying commercially

If you get money for flying or are flying to promote or advertise your school, you're flying commercially and extra rules apply:

- If your drone is 2 kg or less, you must get an operator accreditation, register your drone and supervise anyone under the age of 16.
- If your drone is more than 2 kg, you must get a remote pilot licence, get a remotely piloted aircraft operator's certificate and register your drone.

### Schools near an airport

If your school is within 5.5 km of a controlled airport, you must not fly a drone unless it is:

- 250 g or less (micro drone)
- flown indoors and can't get out of the building
- flown outside of the air traffic control tower hours if you're flying outdoors.

If your drone weighs more than 250 g or you want to fly outdoors during air traffic control tower hours you will need additional permissions and approvals – fees apply.

### Know your drone safety rules

You must follow the CASA drone safety rules. These rules in particular apply to schools:

- make sure you always have your drone in sight
- don't fly higher than 120 m above ground level
- keep your drone at least 30 m from other people
- don't operate the drone in a way that creates a hazard.

Refer to the CASA drone safety rules.

Check if there are other rules you need to follow from your education department.

### No-fly zones

Check for no-fly zones before you fly!

Use a CASA-verified drone safety app to check where you can and can't fly.

### Learn more about drone safety

Use the CASA videos to discuss important safety rules before flying.

Follow up with the CASA drone safety quiz to check students' understanding.

There are videos and quizzes to help your students learn about the CASA drone safety rules. Check out the CASA website.

### Things to consider

When flying a drone, be sure to consider:

- risk of potential harm to the department, school, staff, students or the public
- school health and safety requirements
- privacy and public liability insurance
- local and state laws
- property owner requirements.

