

Flying a Drone? Find out if you need an Aerial Work Permission from the BCAA...

My drone has a media capturing device (camera, recorder, scanner, etc.)

YES

NO

I plan to use my drone for commercial gain (examples: publication of footage through a business' social media, remuneration using a drone, drone photography used for marketing purposes, recruitment etc.)

My drone weighs 20kg or less without its fuel but including any articles or equipment installed in or attached to the aircraft at the commencement of its flight

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The drone media is captured by a non-profit type organisation for research purposes or part of a government agency and may be used for public distribution

An Aerial Work Exemption will have to be issued by the BCAA. Contact the BCAA Flight Operations team [here](#) to find out the Exemption requirements

YES

NO

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An Aerial Work Permission will have to be issued by the BCAA. The requirements for the permission are quite robust and are aimed at complying with the [local legislation](#) whilst keeping the public safe. Contact the BCAA Flight Operations team [here](#). Alternatively you may use an already approved drone operator. A list can be found [here](#).

NO

A permission is not required from the BCAA as the drone is not being used for 'Aerial Work'. The use of the drone is considered recreational and would need to adhere to the local laws found [here](#). Also stay well clear of the L F Wade International Airport, information found [here](#).

Current [local legislation](#) does not define SUA/drones that weigh over 20kg. A permission would have to be based on an approval from a foreign National Aviation Authority (ex. FAA, TC, UK CAA).