


Name of Policy: <u>Unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) and model aircraft</u>		 Effective date: June 8, 2020 Original effective date: September 15, 2016	
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Approving Officer: President			
Responsible Agent: Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration			
Scope: All Campuses			
Key words: Unmanned Aircraft System, UAS, Drone, Model Aircraft, Unmanned Aerial Vehicle, UAV			
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(A) Policy statement

All operation and use of unmanned aircraft systems (“UAS”) and model aircraft on or above university property must be preapproved by the university and in compliance with the rules of operation set forth below, including associated procedures promulgated pursuant to the authority of this policy. See paragraph (G) for link to form requesting pre-approval.

(B) Purpose of policy

- (1) Reasonably mitigate public safety risks to individuals and organizations potentially affected by UAS or model aircraft operations;
- (2) Ensure compliance with federal, state, and local laws and university liability insurance provisions; and
- (3) Meet institutional regulations and ethical responsibilities with respect to privacy.

(C) Scope

Any individual who operates or wishes to operate UAS or model aircraft on or above university property.

(D) Operation

All operation and use of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) and model aircraft on or above university property must comply with federal aviation administration (FAA) regulations, and any local, state and federal laws. Any operation or use violating such regulations and laws is prohibited. It is the responsibility of the operator to ensure compliance with all applicable laws.

(E) Enforcement and penalties

- (1) Any person operating a UAS or model aircraft on university property without an approved request form; in violation of their FAA approved status or any federal, state or local law; or, in violation of university policies, may be advised by university police or any university representative with control or jurisdiction over the activity to cease operation immediately until appropriate approval is received.
- (2) Student violations may be addressed in accordance with the code of student conduct, as well as other applicable policies and may include sanctions, up to and including expulsion.
- (3) Employee violations may be resolved in accordance with university disciplinary policies, up to and including termination.
- (4) Any violators of local, state and federal laws and regulations may be addressed by appropriate law enforcement or FAA authorities.

(F) Definitions

- (1) University property: buildings, grounds and land owned by the University of Toledo or controlled by the University of Toledo via leases or other formal contractual arrangements for university activities.

- (2) Unmanned aircraft system (UAS): UAS is also known as unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) or may be characterized as a drone. UAS is an unmanned aircraft and all of the associated support equipment, control station, data links, telemetry, communications and navigations equipment, etc. necessary to operate the unmanned aircraft safely in the national airspace system.

- (G) Link to [Unmanned Aircraft Systems \(UAS\) Procedure](#)
Link to [Pre-approval form](#)

<p>Approved by:</p> <p><u>/s/</u> Sharon L. Gaber, Ph.D. President</p> <p><u>June 8, 2020</u> Date</p> <p><i>Review/Revision Completed by:</i></p> <p><i>Provost/Exec. VP for Academic Affairs Exec. VP for Finance & Administration Office of Research Office of Legal Affairs Athletic Department University of Toledo Police Department Safety & Health Risk Management SLT</i></p>	<p>Policies Superseded by This Policy: None</p> <p>Initial effective date: September 15, 2016</p> <p>Review/Revision Date: June 8, 2020</p> <p>Next review date: June 8, 2023</p>
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