

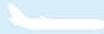
Hobby / Recreational Flying

# What Can I Do With My Model Aircraft?

Having fun means flying safely! Hobby or recreational flying doesn't require FAA approval but you must follow safety guidelines.

Any other use requires FAA authorization.

**AVOID DOING ANYTHING HAZARDOUS TO OTHER AIRPLANES OR PEOPLE AND PROPERTY ON THE GROUND**

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- ✔ **DO** fly a model aircraft/UAS at the local model aircraft club
  - ✔ **DO** take lessons and learn to fly safely
  - ✔ **DO** contact the airport or control tower when flying within 5 miles of the airport
  - ✔ **DO** fly a model aircraft for personal enjoyment
  - ✘ **DON'T** fly near manned aircraft
  - ✘ **DON'T** fly beyond line of sight of the operator
  - ✘ **DON'T** fly an aircraft weighing more than 55 lbs unless it's certified by an aeromodelling community-based organization
  - ✘ **DON'T** fly contrary to your aeromodelling community-based safety guidelines
  - ✘ **DON'T** fly model aircraft for payment or commercial purposes



For more information about safety training and guidelines, visit [www.knowbeforeyoufly.org](http://www.knowbeforeyoufly.org)

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[www.faa.gov/uas](http://www.faa.gov/uas)



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