Flying an unmanned aircraft?
Find out if you need permission from Transport Canada

START

I use my aircraft for work or research (anything beyond the fun of flying)

No
Yes

It weighs more than 35 kg

No
Yes

It weighs more than 25 kg

Yes
No

It weighs less than 2 kg

Yes
No

I have read and can meet the exemption conditions for UAVs less than 2 kg

No
Yes

I have read and can meet the exemption conditions for UAVs from 2 kg up to and including 25 kg

No
Yes

You don’t need permission, but you do have to fly safely

You must apply for a Special Flight Operations Certificate
Learn more

You don’t need permission, but you must meet the exemption conditions

You don’t need permission, but you must meet the exemption conditions AND notify Transport Canada with:

- Contact information
- UAV model
- Description of operation
- Geographical boundaries of operation

Notify Transport Canada

Read the Do’s and Don’ts

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