Drone User’s Group
Safety and Operations Policy

1. Drones (sUAS) are to be flown.
   a. Safely.
   b. Respectful to individual privacy.
   c. Within the laws set forth by local municipalities.
   d. Within the core values of the Drone User’s Group.

2. Remote Pilots will ensure:
   a. Pilots are aware of and observe all Federal, State, and Local laws.
   b. Any drone over .55 pounds is registered.
      i. https://registermyuas.faa.gov/
   c. Flights are not conducted in restricted or prohibited locations.
   d. Flights are conducted strictly for Hobby, Recreational, or Education only.
      
      | Hobby or recreational | Not Hobby or Recreational |
      |------------------------|---------------------------|
      | Flying for fun          | Receiving Money for demonstration |
      | Taking photos for personal use | Taking photos of a property for compensation |

   e. Drones do not exceed 55 pounds.
   f. Aircraft speed does not exceed 100 MPH.
      i. Excludes official FPV races with proper containment.
   g. Remain within Visual Line of Sight (VLOS)
      i. First Person View (FPV) does not qualify as VLOS.
   h. Flights are conducted below 400 feet.
   i. Flights are not conducted in a careless or reckless manner.
   j. Flights are not conducted directly over non-participating people, vehicles, or structures.
   k. Flights are conducted not conducted in adverse weather that can lead to a malfunction, loss of control, or inability to return to the takeoff location.
   l. Operations are conducted further than 5 miles from ANY airport and heliport.
      i. NON-Commercial flights may be conducted provided permission has been granted by the airport authority.
   m. Flights do not interfere with the traffic patterns, or operation of manned aircraft.
      i. Remote pilots will give way to all manned aircraft.
   n. Drones are not to be used or modified to carry material or devices hazardous to people, vehicles, or structures on the ground.
   o. Operations are conducted between sunrise and sunset.
      i. Night Operations may be conducted provided proper lighting is installed that is visible in all directions from at least 3 miles.
      ii. The lighting system must provide orientation to the pilot.