**Policy: Kingdom of Artemisia Drone Presence**

**Definitions**

Drone: Defined by mundane statute as ‘an aircraft that is operated without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft’ (Public Law 112-95, Section 331(8)).

UAS: Unmanned Aircraft Systems

FAA: Federal Aviation Administration

**Use of Policy**

A drone pilot will be located on the grounds of the event. UAS are regulated in the United States by the FAA under either Section 336 (Special Rule for Model Aircraft) or 14CFR Part 107 (FAA’s Small UAS Rule). It is the responsibility of the Remote Pilot In Command of the aircraft to know which part of the law they are subject to.

If a pilot wishes to operate a UAS at an event in the Kingdom of Artemisia, they must:

1. Obtain prior permission in writing from the Event Steward for the event.
2. The Event Steward will obtain prior permission in writing from the owner of the property if it is on private land, or the appropriate agency if the property is government owned.
3. Provide the aircrafts FAA registration number and name of the Pilot In Command to the Event Steward. FAA registration number must be clearly printed and visible on the UAS.
4. Operate the aircraft in compliance with all applicable local, state and federal law regulations. This includes the requirement that the Pilot In Command be licensed under Part 107 if the imagery is going to be sold or if the pilot is being paid or otherwise compensated for the operation.
5. Operate the aircraft in compliance with the SCA Media and Photography policy.
6. Report any injuries or property damage caused by the operation to the Event Steward the same day as they occur. Note that FAA regulations require reporting to them of any injuries or damage to property (other than the UAS involved) in excess of $500. UAS Operators are strongly encouraged to obtain liability insurance for their aircraft.
7. Permission to fly UAS at events in the Kingdom of Artemisia may be removed at any time by the Event Steward or anyone above them in the chain of command (i.e. Local Seneschal, Kingdom Seneschal, Crown, etc.)
8. Pilots are expected to exercise good judgment and common courtesy while conducting UAS operations at events in the Kingdom of Artemisia.
9. UAS are permitted above public spaces such as battle fields, merchant’s row or Arts & Sciences spaces. Any images taken of personal encampments must be of a height such as to diminish detail and maintain privacy.

**References:**

Federal Aviation Administration: [https://www.faa.gov/uas/](https://www.faa.gov/uas/)
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