

Top 5 Drone Myths and Misconceptions

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5 Drone Misconceptions



DRONES ARE TOYS





Drones are considered aircraft in the FAA's eyes and cannot be flown without certificates of pilot authorization and airworthiness



3D MAPPING / LAND SURVEYING

Drones collect data at vantage points that are not accessible to humans and used to create 3D maps, land surveys, photogrammetry, and topographic surveys



SEARCH AND RESCUE

Drones are used for search and rescue operations, aerial patrols and other roles that usually are served by crewed aircraft



AERIAL CAMERAS

Drones can do more than just take pictures of your weekend getaway or awesome views of real estate



FIRE FIGHTING

Drones aid firefighting operations by providing an aerial view of the fire scene, which offers firefighters real-time information about the fire's progress

DRONE DELIVERIES





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QUICKER DELIVERY TIMES

A quicker delivery time is one of the top reasons companies are trying to incorporate drones into their business models

REDUCED COSTS

The last mile of the package is the most expensive to a company, using drones will be able to cut down on fuel costs, types of equipment used, and much more



REDUCTION OF TRAFFIC

With the incorporation of drones, traffic that comes from delivering of goods will be cut down drastically. Some reports suggest that trucks cause 28% of the congestion on American roads

ECO-FRIENDLY

Batteries are used in all types of drones, making them much more economical as well as ecofriendly. This will contribute to making the air cleaner and better for humans, animals, and plants

ANYONE CAN FLY A DRONE



FAA REQUIREMENTS

The FAA classifies Drone pilots as either Recreational or Commercial

RECREATIONAL DRONE PILOT

Using a drone to take photographs for your own personal use with no monetary gain would be considered recreational.

COMMERCIAL DRONE PILOT

Using a drone to take photographs and/or videos for compensation is considered a commercial operation. For this You must be at least 16 years old and pass an Aeronautical Knowledge Test—also known as the Part 107 test, to become a certified Remote Pilot

PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE

Drone flying is fairly difficult, especially for a beginner with no practical background in flying anything remotecontrolled. It is always best to know the basics first before actually flying a drone.



KNOW BEFORE YOU FLY

- •Don't fly within 5 miles of an airport
- •Remember to stay below 400' and at least 150' from buildings and people
- •Observe your drone at all times
- •Never fly near manned aircraft
- •Enjoy and fly responsibly

NATIONAL AIRSPACE





EXCLUSIVE SOVEREIGNTY

The United States government has controlling rights over the airspace of the United States from the ground upwards





NAVIGATIONAL AIRSPACE

Where Private Property Rights End And Navigable Airspace Begins



THE NATIONAL AIRSPACE

Incorporates different classifications of airspace. These are each determined by the complexity or density of the aircraft traffic within them



UNMANNED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Just like traffic on the ground, UTM regulations govern aircraft traffic to promote a safer and more efficient national airspace

THE JETSONS VS REALITY





The Jetson Family The dreams of a generation <u>Jetson One</u> The reality of today

IN CLOSING





Getting a drone stuck in a tree isn't the worst thing that can happen. But it's definitely up there

DRONE DELIVERIES

Dreaming about a pizza delivery by drone. It's not a pie-inthe-sky idea any longer

ANYONE CAN FLY A DRONE

Sure, I can teach you how to fly a drone, But I think it would just go over your head

NATIONAL AIRSPACE

Urban Air Traffic is thicker than a cup of Espresso

JETSONS VS REALITY

I swear on catching a SpaceX Rocket, this dream is becoming reality



THANK YOU

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