

DRONE GUIDE

The Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps is a no-fly (drone) zone unless expressly granted authorisation from the Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps and with strict observance of Belgian law: DGAT – Direction Générale Transport Aérien (Directorate-General of Air Transport).

The Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps S.A., by granting authorisation to fly over its site, will not be held liable in any way for non-respect of the aforementioned legislation, this liability being incumbent on the drone operator.

This document aims to inform organisers and remote pilots on regulations to be respected for any safe fly-overs of the Circuit's site while fully respecting the laws in force in Belgium.

Everyone must be aware that any specific request for DGTA authorisation must be made sufficiently early in order to deal with the request.

Furthermore, this request is the exclusive responsibility of the remote pilot. The Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps will not submit an application on behalf of a third party and, in any case, will not be able to intervene in favour of the remote pilot with the administration.

1. Documents to be supplied to the Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps

Any over-fly of the Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps site requires authorisation expressly for this, and without this approval the remote pilot will be banned permanently from all activity on our site and prohibited from any use of the images on the basis of the Circuit's image rights.

In order to obtain authorisation from the Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps, a completed form and documents are to be sent by email to:

Contact : severine.cirlande@spa-francorchamps.be

2. Belgian law

For drones labelled as “Cx”, refer to the detailed regulation on the DGTA site: <https://mobilite.belgium.be/fr/aviation/voler-en/drones-uas> and of the Skeydrone site: <https://skeydrone.aero/download-regulations/>

The base Belgian laws concerning drones:

<https://mobilite.belgium.be/fr/aviation/voler-en/drones-uas/informations-cles/transition>

In order to authorise, in Belgium, the use of a drone not certified as “Cx” of a maximum weight of +500 gr.

In the first scenario:

The remote pilot flies under the “Open Limited” legislation (conventional transitional legislation in force in Belgium until 01/01/2024):

- and ensures he/she flies more than 50m away from any individual or group of people with any drone with a maximum weight of 2kg

The pilot also ensures he/she flies any drone with a maximum weight of +2kg more than 150m away from any infrastructure

The pilot must have:

- ***Insurance covering professional operation of drone(s);***
- ***A European pilot’s licence of A2 category (Open Limited + 500gr).***

Second case scenario:

The pilot cannot maintain safety distances of 50 m away from any individual or group of people or, as the case may be, of 150 m away from any infrastructure, as imposed under the “Open Limited” category and the remote pilot must fly under “Specific” legislation:

The pilot must have:

- ***Insurance covering professional operation of drone(s);***
- ***The written confirmation of receipt from the DGTA for a declaration of operation on the basis of the Belgian standard scenario (BE-STS-01) = a***

flight for a registered operator in a country recognised by the EASA (European Aviation Safety Agency), in an environment manually handled and secured by the operator on the ground.

- ***A flight authorisation issued by the DGTA after acceptance of a risk analysis regarding the SORA (Specific Operations Risk Assessment) process if the conditions of BE-STS-01 cannot be ensured (determined flight geographic area, volume of operation and buffer zone).***

Contact :

SPF Mobilité et Transports
Direction générale Transport aérien
Cellule drones (Drones Unit)
Rue du Progrès 56
1210 Bruxelles/Brussels

Email: uas@mobilite.fgov.be

Tel: 02/277 43 08 (Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to noon)

3. In practice

In the case of authorisation from the Circuit and respect of the prescribed Belgian legislation, the operator must hold an accreditation on behalf of the championship organiser.

A WhatsApp group “drone-name of the event” will be created in order to maintain constant contact with the race direction and to prevent any incident. Places and times of the flights will be systematically noted there.

4. Geo-zone /UAS (Unmanned Aerial System) geographical areas

The website map.droneguide.be represents the UAS geographical areas published according to Article 15 of the (EU) Implementing Regulation of 2019/947 of the Commission from 24 May 2019 regarding the regulations and procedures applicable to the operation of **unmanned aerial vehicles**, and the ministerial decree of the 21/12/2020 establishing the fixed UAS geographical areas and the conditions for access to the fixed UAS geographical areas.



This map show the UAS geographical areas where access to the UAS is prohibited or subject to an application of specific regulations. The map does not include UAS geographical areas where the lower limit is above 1400 ft AMSL (above mean **sea level**).

<https://mobilite.belgium.be/fr/aviation/voler-en/drones-uas/zones-geographiques>

To be noted that a permanent geo-zone has been installed at the Circuit, in the heliport area.

The geo-zone can be found here: <https://map.droneguide.be>

At the address: Route du Circuit, 4970, Stavelot, Francorchamps, BEL



DRONE FORM

Course / event /trackday	
Dates of flight	
Contact for accreditation	
Name of remote pilot	
Phone number of remote pilot	
Email of remote pilot	

Documents to be supplied

- No. of the drone operator
- Insurance cert. proof of the drone
- Licence of the remote pilot
- Approval of the organiser

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Date

Signature

Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps
Waiver of individual recourse (page 1)

Authorisations to fly over the Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps site by a drone are issued by the Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps S.A. to certain organisations (the "Accredited Parties") subject to the conditions of this waiver of individual recourse.

I hereby recognise that I am bound by the terms of the waiver of individual recourse. By signing this form, I recognise that the waiver of individual recourse contains important terms that limit my rights and impose particular liabilities and duties on me.

I note that the waiver of individual recourse contains important terms concerning:

- I hereby declare that I carry out my activity of drone pilot or operator on the Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps site entirely under my sole liability, with my own risks, irrevocably renouncing, in my name and in the name of my beneficiaries or right-holders, that I carry out my activity of drone pilot or operator, from all actions, claims and demands, of whatever kind or nature against "The Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps, S.A. under public law", that manages the site, and against the owner of the site, its employees, the organisers, the FIA, the RACB, the FIM, the FMB, the contestants, the holder of commercial rights and a certain number of other organisations and persons associated with the trackday, the event or the championship, in the case of accident, of injury or death, as well as against the insurers of the aforementioned persons, companies and bodies.
- The limited liability of the Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps, of the organisers, of the FIA, the RACB, the FIM, and the FMB, of the contestants, the holders of commercial rights and of a certain number of other organisations and of persons associated with the trackday, the event or championship in the case of damage or theft of professional or personal equipment on the site (including the Press Centre).
- The liability of the accredited party for all claims arising from their actions or from the actions of permit holders and certain subsequent claims set out in the individual confirmation of receipt.



- My obligation to respect the instructions of all those responsible for the event and/or local organisers and to remain in the areas for which I have obtained an access permit.

Finally, I note that, in accordance with the terms of the waiver of individual recourse, all permits remain the property of the Circuit of Spa-Francorchamps and/or the organiser who has/have accredited me to exercise my activity and are not transferable to anyone else.

I therefore recognise that I fully accept the conditions of the waiver of individual recourse

Signed for and in the name of the Party Accredited

Publication / Agency / TV / Radio

Name

Date of event

Mobile number

Signature preceded by the note "read and approved".