



Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Operations

Within 5 Miles of GSP

Whether you're a novice drone pilot or have many years of aviation experience, rules and safety tips exist to help you fly safely in the national airspace. To operate a UAS (model aircraft or drone) legally, there are two options:

Special Rule for Model Aircraft (Section 336)	Small UAS Rule (Part 107)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fly or hobby or recreation ONLY Register the model aircraft Follow community-based safety guidelines and fly within the programming of a nationwide community-based organization Fly a model aircraft under 55 lbs unless certified by a community-based organization Fly within visual line-of-sight and stay below 400 feet AGL Never fly near other aircraft or emergency response efforts Notify the Greer ATC prior to flying within 5 miles of the airport 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fly for recreational or commercial use Register the drone Get a Remote Pilot Certificate from the FAA Fly a drone under 55 lbs Fly within visual-line-of-sight* Don't fly near other aircraft or over people* Don't fly in controlled airspace near airports without FAA approval* Fly only during daylight or civil twilight, at or below 400 feet* * These rules are subject to waiver; see: https://www.faa.gov/uas/request_waiver/
For more information see: https://www.faa.gov/uas/getting_started/model_aircraft/	For more information see: https://www.faa.gov/uas/getting_started/part_107/

To operate as “hobbyist” or recreational use, which means no compensation is involved, the operator must prior coordinate with Greer ATC if within 5 miles of the GSP Airport. To operate commercially, remote pilots must apply for a Part 107 Waiver and receive HQ FAA approval.

Greer ATC: 864-879-2155

When you contact Greer ATC; you must provide the following information:

- Geographic location and operating area dimensions
- Altitude at which the operations will be conducted (not to exceed 400 feet AGL)
- Number of drones and operators
- Time and duration of activity
- Method to determine when activity begins and ends
- A real-time contact for any required communications

Current FAA guidance states “when notified of a model aircraft operation, the ATC Manager or Airport Management may deny operations if they impact the safety of other operations at the airport.” The FAA requires controllers to record any drone activity and any operational issues that it causes.

For questions regarding FAA UAS requirements, see <https://www.faa.gov/uas/>

For questions regarding operations near GSP; contact Greer ATC at 864-879-2155 or the GSP Director of Operations at 864-848-6220.