Drone Pre-Flight Checklist

The drone pre-flight checklist allows you to conduct a full pre-flight check, including requirements for being within five miles of a US airport. Find the digital version of this form and more at https://www.fulcrumapp.com/apps/drone-pre-flight-checklist.

Location

Address (required)

Street Address

City, State, Zip

- Within 5 miles of a major airport? (Required under some circumstances.)
  - ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If yes: Control tower permission?
  - ☐ Yes ☐ No

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- Drone firmware up to date? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Transmitter firmware up to date? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Free of visible defects? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Batteries fully charged? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Propellers properly tightened? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Camera mounted properly? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go

- SD card in camera? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Antennae up? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Compass calibrated? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Minimum return height adjusted? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Clear frequency chosen? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- FAA approved drone zone? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Ceiling height established? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Flat surface at launch site? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Safe launch and return site? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go
- Launch site clear of people and objects? (required)
  - ☐ Go ☐ No-Go

Certification

Cleared for takeoff?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Operator Name
Please print _____

Signature _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____

Time ____ : ____ AM / PM

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