YOU HAVE CONTROL.  
BE SAFE, BE LEGAL!

WHEN YOU FLY A DRONE, THE RESPONSIBILITY IS YOURS.

IN THE CITY OF ORANGE BEACH, REMEMBER:

Hobby drone use is not allowed except by a person on their own personal property, or on property they have the express written permission of an owner to use. Hobby drone use is not allowed on the beach.

Drone use connected to a special event must have a special event permit that includes permission for use of the drone and likewise for commercial productions involving video, film or audio, which require a film permit. Find permit forms and additional information at www.orangebeachal.gov/events/special-events.

Commercial or real estate entities that film with drones multiple times a year must receive permission annually with a fee added to their business license fee. Business license details at www.orangebeachal.gov/departments/finance-department/business-licenses

All Orange Beach drone filming permit applications must provide valid FAA certification and each applicant must produce proof of liability insurance.

Each drone user’s flight plan - including those used for special events, concerts and film projects - must be approved by the city with a minimum of 7 days’ notice. Permits, where applicable, are required prior to submission. Email plans to droneflightplan@orangebeachal.gov.

(FEDERAL LAWS AND GUIDELINES FOR SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS:)

Do not fly over people

Must remain clear, and yield to all manned aircraft operations

Never fly near emergency response efforts

Never fly over stadiums or sporting events

Do not fly over or under the influence of alcohol or drugs

Do not fly near or over sensitive infrastructures (e.g., power stations, correctional facilities)

Do not fly in national parks

Contact the airport or air traffic control tower if within 5 miles of an airport

Operate UAS no higher than 400 feet and remain below surrounding obstacles

Operate UAS within visual sight at all times

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www.orangebeachal.gov/droneuse