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UAS (RPAS) regulations: current status and development

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Why use flight permits? – current approach

- There is <u>no legal framework</u> yet to integrate manned and unmanned aviation in one single sky.
- » Full integration of RPAS means, adapting:
 - » Air Traffic Management,
 - » Airworthiness standards,
 - » Training requirements, ...



- » Those elements are not yet fully present:
 - » « PERMIT-TO-FLY »







Different approaches

- » Countries **WITHOUT** specific RPAS legislation :
 - » Not allowed at all (pratically G.D. Luxemburg)
 - » Allowed, but case per case
 - » •With admin fee (e.g. Germany)
 - » •Without fees (e.g. Belgium, Netherlands)
 - » Free flight under specific conditions (e.g. Panama)







Different approaches

- » Countries **WITH** specific RPAS legislation :
 - » CAA stipulated RPAS regulations, BUT
 - » Big differences between countries,
 - » Difficult for RPAS operators.
 - » FRANCE, UK,...







Who to contact?

- Who do you need to contact to obtain a Flight Permit (depending the situation)
 - » CAA Civil Aviation Authority
 - » Civil and Military ANSPs
 - » Landowner
 - » Stakeholders







Who to contact?

» Stakeholders:



- » Heliports, airports, …
- » Power lines and power plants
- » Waterways and sea canals Division
- » Industries (chemical, ...)
- » Motorways (Federal Police)
- » Customs









Documents needed

- What documents do we need to obtain a Permit? Differs from country to country, but in general:
 - » Manuals,
 - » Detailed information about the flight,
 - » Permissions,
 - » Insurance certificate,
 - » Proof of experience.







Documents needed - Manuals

- » Creating manuals is the most important document to show the CAA you CAN fly safely:
 - » Operational manual
 - » Safety manual
 - » Technical manual



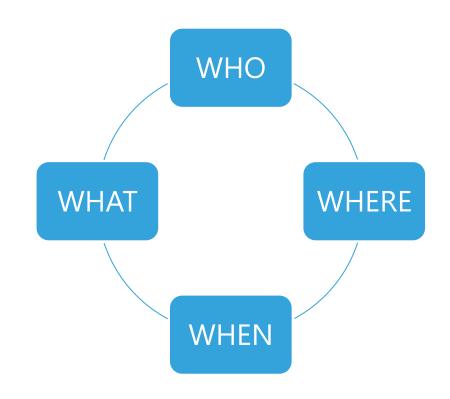






Documents needed – Flight info

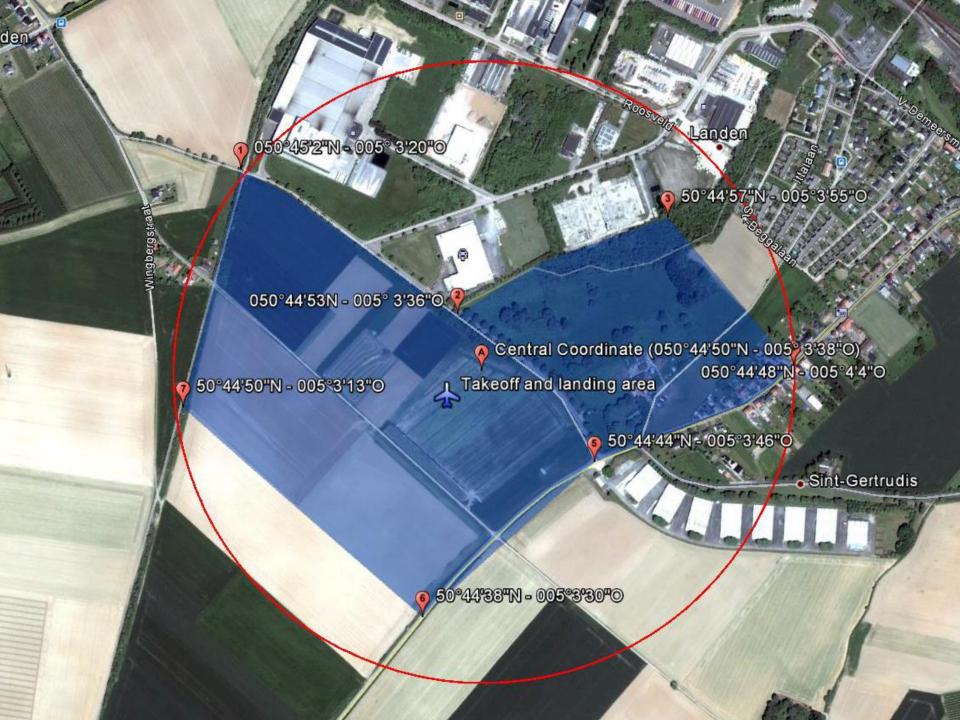
- » Information about the flight:
- » Who: Applicant
- » What: Type of RPAS
- » Where: Height Lateral limits
- » When: Date and timings











Documents needed - Permissions

- » Permissions:
 - » Landowner
 - » Stakeholders









Documents needed - Insurance

- » Insurance certificate
 - » New sector → Insurance companies not ready yet
 - » Private liability insurance

- » Aviation insurance
- » Creation of RPAS specific insurance







Documents needed

- » Provide the CAA with proof of experience, such as:
 - » Attended training courses, both practical and theoretical,
 - » Licenses, ...











Constraints

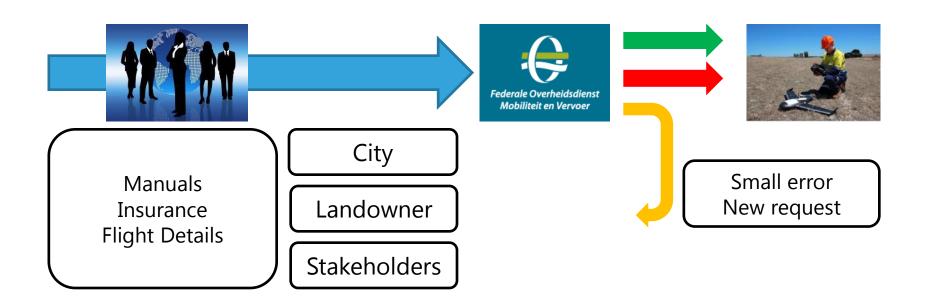
- » Generally: complex, not clear, long lasting,
- When contacting the CAA:
 - » Not easy to find the right Point of Contact (POC)
 - » Language barrier
 - » No information on website or professional channels
 - » 2 4 weeks to get an approval
 - » Land owner approval
 - » Time consuming (rural areas/different owners)







» Belgium

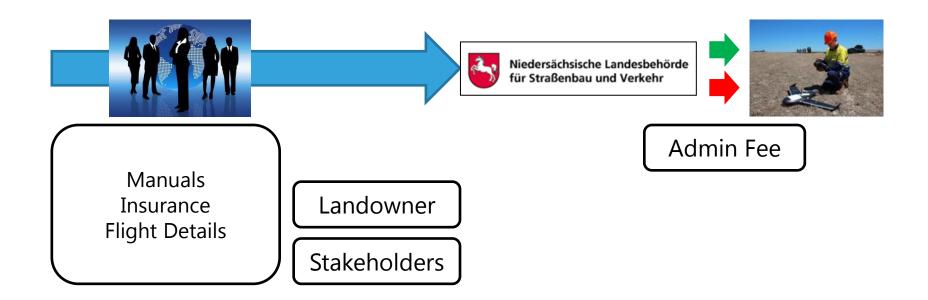








» Germany



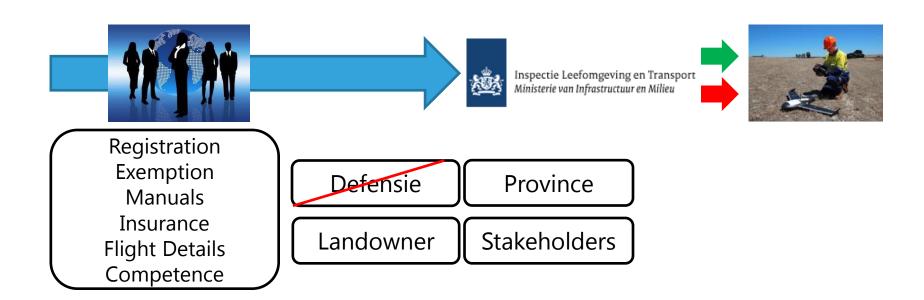






The Netherlands —











France











Manuals/MAP Insurance Flight Details **Valid License** Check by DGAC Scenarios S1 - S4

Landowner

Stakeholders

RPAS Cat. C, D, E, F, G

24h Prior call **Prefect**







Outlook - Legislation

» Legislative landscape is "complex"!

ICAO → RPAS not UAV, UAS

(International Civil Aviation Organization – 1947 – UN Agency)

EUROPEAN STAKEHOLDERS

European Commission, EASA, EUROCONTROL, EDA, JARUS

NATIONAL STAKEHOLDERS

CAA, ANSP's







Outlook – ICAO – Feedback BCAA

- » 1. For ICAO, RPAS is still recognised as being an aircraft.
- » 2. For ICAO, accident/incident reporting for RPAS is mandatory.
- 3. the RPAS as system needs an approval before flying. Not necessarily a certificate of airworthiness, but a method whereby there is a thorough check before entering airspace.
- y 4. pilots need a remote pilot licence and the applicable ratings before they can fly the RPA.
- » 5. civil operators of RPAS shall be under oversight
- » 6. ICAO RPAS manual to be published in 2014
- » 8. RPAS Symposium planned in Nov 2014
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Outlook - Europe and legislation

- » EASA works on RPAS above 150 kg and possible cross-border < 150 kg Extension of role likely
- » <u>European Roadmap</u> published (07/13) by the European RPAS Steering Group (ERSG):

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/aerospace/uas/



» Integration starting from 2016 onwards







Outlook – nearby future

- » Most of the countries are working on a RPAS legislation...
- » Every CAA has a different approach...

Framework tomorrow (2014) in Belgium (and probably also EASA...)

- » RPAS approved based on
 - aircraft flight manual
 - safety analysis report
- » RPAS registered in aviation register
- » remote pilot with remote pilot license & applicable ratings
- » RPAS operator with RPAS operator certificate
- » RPAS operations in compliance with rules of the air







Conclusion

» Today:

- » Long procedures several weeks
- » Each country is different

» Actions/Needs for the future

- » Faster procedures
- » Transpart way of communication of rules by CAA's
- » General applicable rules
- » Complete integration of RPAS in a 'Single Eurpean Sky'







Thanks for your attention!!

» Let sleeping dogs lie:

frequencies and power emmissions...

» Q&A

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