

DRONE REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL AND LOCAL DRONE OPERATORS

International Operators

Kindly note that Belize is currently only accepting applications for Drone authorizations from international drone operators who have been commissioned for works/services from an approved local business/organization in Belize.

Drone operators providing services in Belize will need to meet the following process and application requirements prior to entering Belize (with their drone device/s):

- A letter of request/intent shall be submitted to the Director of Civil Aviation (stating the purpose of the works and services being provided by the drone operator/s) from the said business/organization who has commissioned these services in Belize; this must be emailed to the Department of Civil Aviation at the address info@civiaviation.gov.bz and elizabeth.regaldo@civilaviation.gov.bz. This letter must state arrival date of drone operator/s and location/s of drone operations to be conducted by the drone operator/s in Belize. Additionally, the following shall be submitted:
 - A copy of drone operator/s identification card (a government issued ID card i.e. passport etc. from the applicant's country or residency).
 - A letter of approval for works by the Belize Film Commission.
 - A completed copy of the Drone Application Form
- 2. The Department of Civil Aviation will analyse the request
- 3. The operator/s will then need to visit the Aeronautical Information Service (AIS) office on the first floor of Philip Goldson International Airport to pay a \$30.00 BZE Currency fee for the PERMIT.
- 4. Drone operator/s will need to take this receipt to the Department of Civil Aviation where the drone operator/s will receive the Authorization Letter and Permit for entrance and operations in Belize.

(The Government of Belize currently prohibits the temporary importation of drones for recreational/personal usage. The Government of Belize is currently developing requirements and regulations for recreational drone travelers to Belize. This process will allow all travelers to Belize to operate their devices after meeting the necessary requirements under the Laws of Belize.)

For Belizean Drone Operators:

- 1. Complete the Drone Application Form
- 2. Copy of government issued ID (Passport, Social Security)
- The operator/s will then need to visit the Aeronautical Information Service (AIS) office on the first floor of Philip Goldson International Airport to pay a \$30.00 BZE Currency fee for the PERMIT. Note: Drone authorizations are not issued for areas near 0 to 3 miles of an aerodrome (airstrips). Such places are: Ladyville, Placencia, Caye Caulker and North of San Pedro without written approval from the department.