



## Unmanned Aircraft Systems Rules and Procedures

1. Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) is defined as any aircraft system that is designed to fly independently of a pilot in the air, to include all associated support equipment, control station, data links, telemetry, communications and navigation equipment etc., necessary to operate the system.
2. VIR does not permit the use of UAS commercially unless the operator has a FAA Section 333 Exemption, which a copy of must be supplied with the application. VIR will not permit the use of UAS at any time if the rules of any sanctioning body prohibit the use of UAS during their events.
3. Any UAS considered for use by VIR must be registered with the FAA and labeled in accordance with FAA guidelines. Pilots will keep their FAA registration certificate on them at all time while the UAS is in use at VIR. See the FAA Website for more information about the registration/marketing process:  
<https://www.faa.gov/uas/registration/>
4. UAS may be used for private testing and research by individuals or teams at VIR during track rentals and events. **The owner/operator is responsible to have FAA approval, if required, to operate the UAS for their purposes.** Recreational or commercial use of UAS at VIR is not permitted.
5. UAS Operators will assume full responsibility for their aircraft and any liability that occurs as a result of its operation or failure to function properly. Operators will maintain insurance and provide VIR with a Certificate of Insurance (COI) naming VIR and Blue Chip Racing et al as additional insured with a minimum of \$5 million dollar combined single limit of bodily injury and property damage liability per occurrence. The liability insurance certificate must specifically state that it includes the operation of UAS's. The additional insured must state exactly the following:  
**"Said insurance shall name Connie Nyholm, Jim Stout & M. Katherine Stout, Virginia International Raceway, VIR Operations LLC, Blue Chip Racing Resorts LLC, the Lodge at VIR LLC, South Bend Farm Inc., Halifax County VA, TMI Racing Products, Nissan North America Inc., Patriot Racing LLC, ViJo LLC and VMTP LLC and their respective subsidiaries, shareholders, directors, officers, sponsors, employees, servants and agents (the "VIR Parties") as additional insureds, and said insurance shall be primary and non-contributory to any other insurance available to the additional insureds. Said Renter's policy shall also contain a waiver of subrogation, except for workers compensation."**
6. UAS will take off and land only in designated Landing Zones. During flight, UAS will maintain a minimal flight altitude of 100 feet AGL and a maximum altitude of 400 feet AGL. UAS in violation of this will be grounded immediately and have the pilots operations privilege revoked.



7. UAS are not permitted to fly if a standard rotary or fixed winged aircraft is operating in VIR airspace conducting operations on behalf of VIR, providing aerial coverage of an event or providing Air MEDEVAC support for an incident at VIR.
8. UAS are not permitted to photograph or video the emergency response to any incident on the facility. UAS in the area of an on track incident will either immediately land or proceed to another area of the track.
9. UAS Pilots must apply for a Credential to operate their UAS on VIR Property. VIR reserves the right to limit the number of UAS credentials issued. You must be 18 years of age or older to apply for a credential. Credentials are picked up, in person at the VIR Media Office no later than the Friday prior to the event. Professional attire is required.
10. UAS Credentials are non-transferable and any unauthorized use will subject the bearer to confiscation of the credential and removal from the premises. A request for credentials does not guarantee they will be issued.
11. UAS Pilots will wear the Blue Photo Vest with Identification Number and Safety Yellow vest identifying them as a UAS pilot at all times when operating their UAS.
12. UAS Pilots when inside the Track Fence will obey all Photographer boundary restrictions per the VIR Photo Boundary Map. Pilots will be provided with the combinations to gain access to photography gates with their credentials. Combinations are not to be shared with anyone. Failure to close and securely relock a gate may result in immediate revocation of event credentials.
13. UAS Pilots will not make any attempt to recover a UAS that has landed or crashed inside of the track. If a UAS has landed or has crashed inside of the Track the pilot will report the incident to the closest VIR Security Officer, or call 434-822-3109 (VIR Security Gate). Recovery of the UAS is not a priority of the Track and will be done at the convenience of the Track Services personnel. Note that recovery may not occur until after the track is cold for the day.
14. VIR reserves the right to immediately revoke event credentials at any time and require exit from the property in the case of any conduct deemed detrimental to the safety of themselves, or others or to the safe operation of the facility.
15. Pilots will be charged \$50 in the event your vest(s) are not returned at the end of the event.
16. No consumption/use of alcohol/controlled substances is allowed 8 hours prior to the use of any UAS at VIR.
17. Any policy concerning the use of UAS at VIR does not supersede the authority of the Federal Aviation Administration.
18. UAS are currently banned at any NASCAR, IMSA or SCCA event.



UAS Credential Request

Event / Date Requested (Must be submitted two weeks prior to the event)

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Team Name (If applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

FAA Registration # \_\_\_\_\_ FAA Registration is required for all UAS in use at VIR.

Pilot Name \_\_\_\_\_ Pilot Date Of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Pilot Address  
Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Pilot Cell Phone (Must have while on VIR) \_\_\_\_\_

Pilot Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Pilot Email \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Information

Company \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Agent \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Aircraft Data

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_

Model \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Power Source \_\_\_\_\_ Fixed Wing \_\_\_\_\_ Rotary Wing \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose of UAS Flight: \_\_\_\_\_

Pilots Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

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My signature below acknowledges that I have read and understand all of the policies of VIRginia International Raceway concerning use of UAS on the Facility and that I assume full and total responsibility and liability for any incident that occurs as a result of the operation of my UAS.

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**All Information Fields Must be Completed.**