

Filming using Drones – Guidance

The use of Small Unmanned Aircraft (SUAs) /Drones is becoming popular with filmmakers. This document sets out the basic requirements for filming using a drone in Buckinghamshire Country Parks. This is not an exhaustive explanation of all procedures to follow and all relevant legislation regarding drones and we would direct you towards the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) website www.caa.co.uk/consumers/unmanned-aircraft-and-drones/ for further information.

The use of drones for commercial purposes (including filming) is covered by the Air Navigation Order 2009. In general to film using a drone you will require permission from;

- The CAA
- The landowner for land in which the drone will be taking off and landing.

To film using a drone in Buckinghamshire Country Parks you will need to provide;

- Application to film
- CAA permission issued to the operator including, if applicable, the Operational Safety Case (OSC)
- Risk Assessment and Method Statement (RAMS) which includes the use of the drone
- Flight Impact Zone (FIZ) Map
- Public Liability Insurance of at least £10 million

Dependant on the application further documentation may be requested.

The use of drones is treated on a case by case basis and as such the production of the above documentation does not guarantee the granting of permission to film using a drone within Buckinghamshire Country Parks.

You should also be aware of the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) guidelines relating to data protection act regarding the use of drones for filming purposes – <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/drones>