



Australian Government
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RPAS
REMOTELY PILOTED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS

Performance-based regulatory environment for RPAS Operations

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RPAS Policy and Regulation



- Regulatory challenges and developments
 - » Dealing with challenges in the present
 - » Dealing with future challenges
- Drone discussion paper consultation

Ongoing amendments to Part 101

- Regulation originally made in 2002
- Some assumptions made then may not be effective now



Tomorrow's World...we're learning

- Sector risk profiles (happening right now)
- RPAS Roadmap – shaping the future
 - Next gen regulations
 - Integration with air traffic management systems (accommodated and segregated)
 - Building partnerships with industry and association (ICAO and JARUS)
 - Primary focus of Roadmap is Integration of UAS into the NAS
- RRAT and CASA's Drone Safety review

Discussion paper – review of RPAS



- Opened 11 Aug 2017
- Closes 29 Sep 2017
- 910 responses

- should RPA be registered?
- mandate geo-fencing?
- counter-drone technologies
- training and proficiency

Part 101 Manual of Standards (legislative)

- Standard requirements for operating
 - » BVLOS
 - » Night
 - » 3nm of airport
- Training syllabi
- Operator
 - » Record keeping
 - » Notifications -> CASA



Challenges ahead...breaking barriers

- Design and build certifications
- 21st century regulations
- Whole of government approach
- Communication protocols
- Airspace integration
- Collision avoidance
- Control systems
- Autonomy v automation
- Registration
- Geo-fencing
- Human factors
- Counter-drone technology



Outcome v prescription regulations

- Know the client
- Fit-for-purpose regulations (one size doesn't fit all)
- Non-traditional approach
 - Focus on safety (allowing for a risk based approach)
- Set a pathway – the roadmap

Thank you for your time