



POLICY ON UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS
(DRONE)
(Adopted 4/14/2016)

The flying of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) or “drones” is prohibited at all times, at any event hosted by the Vermont Soccer Association (VSA) without prior VSA approval. No soccer match will be allowed to start or continue if there is a drone or similar device flown above or in the immediate area of the soccer field. The event officials (Cup Committee) or referee will have full discretion and authority to determine what constitutes the area surrounding the field and whether to suspend a game if a violation of this rule occurs.

The use of a UAS at an event hosted by the Vermont Soccer Association may be pre-approved by VSA officials (requests must be received a minimum of 48 hours before the event) under the following circumstances, (1) for a specified promotional activity, and (2) in a designated area that is away from youth soccer players, spectators, and any field of play.

Club officials are responsible for the prohibitive operation of UAS by their coaches, fans, and parents.

Failure to comply with this policy could result in game forfeiture and or club sanctions as deemed necessary by the Cup Committee.