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Airspace check, the two clocks, and the day-of-flight record. Verified 6 September 2026.

P Pin the site to a class

- ☐ Coordinates for the takeoff point and every corner of the work area. Class is a coordinate question. 14 CFR 107.41
- ☐ Class B, Class C, Class D, Class E surface area: prior ATC authorization, in hand before takeoff. 14 CFR 107.41
- ☐ San Juan: Class C. Surface to and including 4,000 ft MSL, 5-mile core, shelves to 10 miles. JO 7400.11M, Appendix C
- ☐ Aguadilla: Class D. Surface to and including 2,700 ft MSL, 4.5-mile radius. JO 7400.11M, Appendix D
- ☐ Ceiba: Class D. Surface to and including 2,500 ft MSL, 5-mile radius. Established effective 9 July 2026. 91 FR 23904
- ☐ Isla Grande: Class D, part-time, to but not including 1,200 ft MSL, 3.9-mile radius. JO 7400.11M, Appendix D Times in the Chart Supplement.
- ☐ Ponce: Class E surface area, 4.1-mile radius, part-time. Times by NOTAM, then the Airport/Facility Directory. JO 7400.11M, Appendix E
- ☐ Mayaguez: Class E surface area, part-time. Measure the published geometry against your own coordinates. JO 7400.11M, Appendix E

R Read the grid

- ☐ One grid is 30 by 30 seconds of arc — about 160 acres in most of the contiguous 48 states, and larger at Puerto Rico's latitude. UASFM FAQ #13
- ☐ Grid altitudes are feet above the ground. UAS Facility Map Decision Flow Chart
- ☐ Multiple grids: file the lowest altitude of all of them, not the one you park in. UAS Facility Map Decision Flow Chart
- ☐ A 0' grid: request above it through further coordination. Part 107 Airspace Authorizations
- ☐ The map is informational. The authorization comes from the filed request. UAS Facility Maps

T The two clocks

- ☐ LAANC near-real time: approval at the pre-approved altitude on the map. Part 107 Airspace Authorizations
- ☐ Further coordination: at least 72 hours before the requested start time, reviewed by the Air Traffic Manager. Part 107 Airspace Authorizations
- ☐ FAADroneZone: at least 60 days before the operation date. First come, first served. Keep the reference number. Part 107 Airspace Authorizations



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- ☐ Waiver plus airspace authorization: both go through FAADroneZone. UAS Facility Maps
- ☐ LAANC in Puerto Rico: SJU, BQN, PSE, SIG, MAZ. Re-read the list before quoting a date near Ceiba. FAA LAANC airport list

D Day of flight

- ☐ TFR list filtered to PR; open the NOTAM column and read the full text. tfr.faa.gov
- ☐ NOTAM Search for the airports near the site, and for ZSU. AIM 5-1-3
- ☐ Prior to flight the remote pilot in command must assess the operating environment, including local weather conditions and local airspace and any flight restrictions. 14 CFR 107.49(a)
- ☐ Inside a TFR, the NOTAM text names who may be approved. FAA UAS — Temporary Flight Restrictions
- ☐ The approval covers airspace entry. Pilots must still check NOTAMs, weather conditions, and abide by all airspace restrictions. LAANC — scope of the authorization
- ☐ File the dated check beside the authorization, same record, same window. LAANC — scope of the authorization

T Two rules that travel with you

- ☐ Prohibited or restricted area: permission from the using or controlling agency, as appropriate. Get it in writing. 14 CFR 107.45
- ☐ Stay clear of operations and traffic patterns at any airport, heliport, or seaplane base — hospital helipads and private strips included. 14 CFR 107.43
- ☐ Neither one is on the 107.205 waiver list, so the answer there is planning, not paperwork. 14 CFR 107.205

Planning aid, not legal advice and not an authorization. The regulations and the permits cited here are the authority; this card points at them. Read against the sources on 6 September 2026. Confirm anything that decides a flight against the source itself before you fly.

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