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Lines with a rule number carry that rule's text, read against source on 6 September 2026. CGP lines apply on a site that holds coverage under the federal construction stormwater permit. Lines marked Practice are how the record is built.

A AT CAPTURE

- ☐ Aircraft clock and ground clock set before the first flight; time zone written down. Practice
- ☐ File named before it leaves the card: site code, YYYY-MM-DD, flight, frame. Practice
- ☐ SHA-256 fingerprint of every file, written into one manifest per flight. Practice
- ☐ Files kept as the aircraft wrote them, in original format and resolution; deliverables derived from that copy. Practice
- ☐ Date and a brief description of the area for every set of frames. Practice
- ☐ Second copy of the flight folder, manifest included, the same day. Practice

C CLOCKS THAT RUN WHETHER OR NOT ANYONE ASKS

- ☐ Inspection report completed within 24 hours of completing the inspection. CGP 4.7.1
- ☐ Serious injury or any loss of consciousness: report to the FAA within 10 calendar days. 14 CFR 107.9(a)
- ☐ Damage to property other than the aircraft above \$500 repair or \$500 fair market value: 10 calendar days. 14 CFR 107.9(b)
- ☐ Inspection reports retained 3 years from the date permit coverage expires or is terminated. CGP 4.7.4
- ☐ Corrective action log retained on the same 3-year clock. CGP 5.4.4

W WHAT GOES INTO THE RECORD

- ☐ Every material fact belongs in the document; knowingly omitting one is prohibited. 14 CFR 3.403(c)
- ☐ The prohibition reaches any document kept, made, or used to show compliance with the aviation rules § 3.401 lists. 14 CFR 3.403(c)(2)
- ☐ It applies to Part 107 work through the subchapter list, not through Part 107 itself. 14 CFR 3.401(a)
- ☐ Consequence reaches whoever omits and whoever causes the omission: the approvals that person holds, plus civil penalty. 14 CFR 3.403(c) and (d)

A A CORRECTION

- ☐ New file in, with its own date, its own fingerprint, and a line naming what it corrects. Practice
- ☐ Both layers stay in the archive, in the order they arrived. Practice
- ☐ The record stands as it was taken. Practice



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C COPIES AND ACCESS

- ☐ A copy of all inspection reports at the site or at an easily accessible location. CGP 4.7.3
- ☐ Producible immediately during an on-site inspection or on request by EPA. CGP 4.7.3
- ☐ Electronic copies allowed on the three conditions in the footnote to that Part. CGP, footnote 77 to Part 4.7.3
- ☐ Every export logged: what went out, the date, and who received it. Practice
- ☐ Before-and-after photographs submitted with the Notice of Termination. CGP 8.2.1a
- ☐ Those photographs must be clear and in focus, in the original format and resolution, with the date and a brief description of the area. CGP 8.2.1a.ii and iii

A ASK THE OWNER'S ATTORNEY BEFORE THE FIRST FLIGHT

- ☐ Written consent before flying: the sentence names specific persons and private property both. Ley 68-2021, Art. 3
- ☐ Whether that consent reaches the people working on the site. Practice
- ☐ Whether faces are obscured before frames enter the archive, and what happens to the original frame. Practice

I IF A PRESERVATION NOTICE ARRIVES

- ☐ The archive freezes exactly as it stands. Practice
- ☐ The notice goes into the file with its date and its source. Practice
- ☐ Retention period and any contract destruction clause go to the attorney together. Practice

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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