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Designation of UAS Geographical Zones

Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/947 on the rules and procedures for the operation of unmanned aircraft, lays down detailed provisions for the operation of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) as well as for personnel, including remote pilots and organisations involved in those operations.

The Regulation defines a UAS geographical zone as “a portion of airspace established by the competent authority that facilitates, restricts or excludes UAS operations in order to address risks pertaining to safety, privacy, protection of personal data, security or the environment, arising from UAS operations”.

Pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2019/947, the Irish Aviation Authority hereby establishes the following areas as UAS Geographical Zones, within the Shannon FIR;

- Control Zones (controlled airspace)
- Control Areas (controlled airspace)
- Danger Areas
- Restricted Areas (permanent and temporary)
- Prohibited areas
- Aerodrome Traffic Zones
- Transponder Mandatory Zones
- Radio Mandatory Zones

Details of these areas can be found in the [Integrated Aeronautical Information Package – Ireland](#).

All UAS operations in the UAS Geographical Zones are prohibited, unless an approval or an exemption has been given by the Irish Aviation Authority.

Exemptions & exclusions for open category UAS to operate up to 15 m (50 ft) within certain areas are detailed within [Aeronautical Notice U – 04](#).

The processes in place under Statutory Instrument No. 563 of 2015 (Small Unmanned Aircraft and Rockets Order) for approvals and exemptions remain extant, and UAS operators should continue using the same [IAA forms](#) and procedures.

Questions relating to Geographical Zones can be sent to airspace@iaa.ie.

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