

Are you interested in becoming a UAV operator for property valuation?

Unmanned aircraft vehicles are an emerging technology that can offer commercial and operational advantage to organisations. There are two terms that are commonly used when referring to such technologies:

1. Unmanned Aircraft Vehicle (UAV)

- This term refers to the hardware - the plane itself.
- UAVs have been used for some time in the military and are popular for a diverse range of non-survey related applications such as film-making, environmental work and even recreational use.

2. Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS)

- This term refers to the complete solution, including the camera(s), route planning software, GPS and so on.
- A UAS is designed around the application it is intended for. For example, solutions can be engineered specifically for surveying pipelines, road corridors, mine sites and topographic surveying.

UAV's can be used to assess property value, by providing a complete picture of the property with an aerial view that was previously only attainable using expensive full size planes and helicopters.

A UAV controller's certificate and an operator's certificate to fly are required for operating unmanned aircraft. Australia's Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) requires the chief controller of a UAV system to have passed the theory, but not the practical component of a private Pilot Licence.

Advantage Partnership Lawyers can assist you in gaining certification to operate unmanned aircraft in Australia. Our Principal Lawyer is a member of the Lawyer-Pilot Bar Association and currently holds an Air Transport Pilot (ATP) Licence. For further information, contact our office on **02 9221 7555** or **legal.one@advantagepartnership.net**