

CHAPTER 4 OPERATIONS IN CONTROLLED AIRSPACE — CONTROLLED AERODROMES

4.01 Purpose

For subsection 101.072 (1) of CASR, this Chapter prescribes the requirements relating to the operation in controlled airspace, below 400 ft, of an unmanned aircraft.

Note Any operation above 400 ft within 3 NM of an aerodrome, would be subject to the restrictions and permission requirements under regulations 101.070 and 101.075.

4.02 Definitions

In this Chapter:

area that is crosshatched has the same meaning as in section 4.05.

area that is shaded black has the same meaning as in section 4.05.

area that is shaded grey has the same meaning as in section 4.05.

defined unmanned aircraft means an unmanned aircraft operated in accordance with:

- (a) an approval of an approved area under regulation 101.030 of CASR; or
- (b) a permission mentioned in regulation 101.075 that permits operation of the aircraft within the no-fly zone of a controlled aerodrome.

no-fly zone of a controlled aerodrome means any areas and airspace that are below 400 ft and:

- (a) within 3 NM, in any direction, from the measurement point of any runway of a controlled aerodrome; or
- (b) within the approach and departure paths referred to in section 4.05, whether or not they extend beyond 3 NM, in any direction, from the measurement point of any runway of the controlled aerodrome.

RPA, for the purposes of this Chapter, means an RPA that is not a defined unmanned aircraft.

4.03 RPA flight in the no-fly zone of a controlled aerodrome

- (1) Subject to this section, a person must not:
 - (a) conduct RPA operations; or
 - (b) fly an RPA;in the no-fly zone of a controlled aerodrome.
- (2) A person who is:
 - (a) a certified RPA operator: or
 - (b) the remote pilot of a certified RPA operator;may conduct, or fly as the remote pilot in, an RPA operation in the no-fly zone of a controlled aerodrome if the operation is a tethered operation in accordance with section 4.04.
- (3) A person may fly an RPA in the no-fly zone of a controlled aerodrome if the flight is exclusively an indoors operation.
- (4) A person may fly a micro RPA in the no-fly zone of a controlled aerodrome PROVIDED the aircraft does not enter:
 - (a) an approach and departure path described in paragraph (b) of the definition of ***no-fly zone of a controlled aerodrome***; or