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Critical Infrastructure Security & Operations Officers <u>Tips in Responding to a UAS Incident</u>



- Direct attention outward and upward to attempt to locate individuals who are holding a controller or device (laptop, notebook, cell phone) and appears to be operating a UAS. Look at windows, balconies, rooftops, and open spaces. For special events, predetermine likely locations that would enable a person to control a UAS.
- R eport incident to state or local law enforcement immediately and request a response if necessary. Execute organization's emergency response action plan if appropriate.
- bserve the UAS and maintain visibility of the device. Look for the direction of travel, damage to facilities, and individuals. NOTE: Battery life is typically 20-30 minutes.
- Notice features and identify the type of device (i.e., Fixed-wing/Multi-rotor/Retail or Custom), size, shape, color, payload, video camera equipment, and activity.
- Execute appropriate security/emergency response action by maintaining a safe environment for the public and first responders in accordance with Federal, State, and local laws and regulations. Document event details including photos if possible.

Category	Range	Payload
Retail Quadcopter	Up to 3 Miles	0-2 lbs.
Retail or Custom Multi-rotor	3–10 Miles	3-15 lbs.
Commercial Applications	Varies	15-30 lbs.

INCIDENT REPORTING QUICK TIPS*

- Identify Operator and Witnesses (Name & Contact Info)
- Type of Incident (Commercial, Hobby, Public/Governmental)
- Type of Device (s) and UAS Registration Number
- Event Location and Incident Details (Date, Time, and Place)
- Evidence Collection (Photos, Video, Device (s)

^{*} Always follow state and local laws and regulations.



UAS QUICK REFERENCE TIPS