Stornoway Airport
Port-adhair Steòrnabhaigh

Concerned about the safety of drone activity?
Need to tell the airport that you're flying a drone?

Contact Air Traffic Services   stornatc@hial.co.uk   01851 707415

Please endeavour to provide a minimum of 24 hours' notice to Air Traffic Services for any drone flights.

Letting the airport know
Please contact the airport without delay if:
- You intend to fly a drone within the Airport Flight Restriction Zone (FRZ) – please endeavour to give a minimum of 24 hours' notice
- You observe and have immediate concerns about the safety of drone activity. This enables the airport to build a picture of local drone activity as well as enhancing safety at the time.

The threat to airports
The unwanted and unplanned presence of drones represent a significant risk to airport operations, both in the vicinity of the airport and further afield – for instance, Search and Rescue Helicopters regularly carry out training operations away from the airport at a low level etc.

The drone and model aircraft code
The Drone and Model Aircraft Code can be found at https://register-drones.caa.co.uk/drone-code/the_drone_code.pdf and provides drone users in the UK with the information they need in order to fly their drones safely and legally.

Drone Assist | Flight Planning & Approval App for Drone Operators (altitudeangel.com) provides an interactive map of airspace used by commercial air traffic, so that you can see areas to avoid or in which extreme caution should be exercised. It contains a 'Fly Now' feature that enables you to share your drone flight location with other users.

There are also several drone apps that show airspace restrictions. Details of airspace restrictions in your drone's inbuilt software may not always be up to date. You must check a correct and up-to-date source before flying.

Legal information
Guidance on the safety rules that apply when flying drones can be found at Drones | Civil Aviation Authority (caa.co.uk)

Please also see the Drone Safety Map: Stornoway Flight Restriction Zone (FRZ)