

# TIPS AND TRICKS FOR THE USE OF DRONES ON HOLIDAY



Drones are increasingly popular among travelers, as a well-equipped camera drone now costs less than a decent digital camera and can capture stunning aerial images. However, it's crucial to remember that drones are not permitted everywhere, and traveling abroad with a drone can result in substantial fines and expenses. Experts advise you on what to be mindful of to avoid legal complications and provide tips for safe use of drones.

## Check Drone Insurance

Drone owners and operators need drone insurance. Before going on a trip, checking if the insurance cover extends to the holiday destination is important. Without proper insurance, the costs of damage can be high. **To ensure coverage abroad, it's wise to inquire with your insurance provider before traveling.** If coverage abroad is not included, consider switching insurance providers.

## Drones on a Board

To avoid issues at the airport, it is advisable to check the airline's regulations beforehand. Experts recommend carrying the drone and its batteries in hand luggage to prevent possible damage due to mishandling of checked baggage. The drone propellers can be detached and conveniently packed in checked baggage. Many airlines do not permit operational drones in the cabin.

## Observe Country-specific Laws and Rules

Since 2021, the same rules regarding the use of drones have generally applied throughout the EU. However, there may be country-specific differences and regional tightening of regulations. It is not uncommon for nature reserves to completely prohibit the use of drones. Violations often result in heavy fines or confiscation of the drone. It is recommended to check with the relevant tourism authorities in advance and pay attention to information signs on site.

## Respect Privacy

Remember, aerial images can inadvertently capture a larger area than intended, potentially including people who prefer not to be photographed or filmed. To avoid any discomfort or privacy issues, our experts advise steering clear of private property or crowded areas like beaches and tourist spots when flying your drone. Being considerate in these situations prevents potential conflicts and ensures everyone's safety.

## Fly Safely in Unfamiliar Terrain

Strong winds, especially in coastal areas, can affect or even disrupt drones' flight behavior. **To avoid accidents, it is recommended that drones be flown only in constant and good weather conditions.** Flying a drone is similar to driving a car on unfamiliar roads; special terrain requires special caution to prevent incidents and damage to people or property.

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