

POLICY- USE OF DRONES AT KHSAA MEMBER SCHOOL SPORT AND SPORT-ACTIVITY EVENTS

Sec. 1) BACKGROUND AND POLICY

- a) After considering the factors detailed in NOTAM 91.145 (b) and NOTAM 9/5151 (10/2010) as updated by NOTAM 4/3621 (10/2014), and until additional prescriptive regulations are adopted by the FAA, the KHSAA shall operate congruently with the FAA regulations and NOTAMs on model aircraft irrespective of the seating capacity of the facility (TFR 14 CFR 91.145 and Special Notes FDC NOTAM 9/5151 and NOTAM 4/3621). This means that at KHSAA sanctioned events (scrimmage, regular and postseason) there may be no use of drones for any reason, whether or not the facility has a capacity of 30,000 individuals.
- b) The published unofficial plain language interpretation is as follows:
 - (1) The FAA prohibits flight at and below 3,000 feet above ground level within a 3 nautical mile radius of all sporting event stadiums having a seating capacity greater than 30,000 people.
 - (2) This temporary flight restriction includes all Major League Baseball stadiums, National Football League stadiums, NCAA division one football stadiums, NASCAR Sprint Cup races, and INDY Car races.
 - (3) The temporary flight restrictions begin one hour prior to the start of the sporting event and end one hour after the sporting event has concluded.
 - (4) The KHSAA policy removes the restriction on seating capacity, and as a result includes all KHSAA sanctioned events (scrimmages, regular and postseason contests).
- c) Until further amendment by FAA regulations, if these devices are detected at a KHSAA sanctioned event (scrimmage, regular and postseason), contest officials are to stop play/activity and notify game/contest management. It is the responsibility of the contest management to ensure that, unless the device is a permitted exception under FAA rules (a broadcast rights holder with permission who should have documentation to verify this fact, Department of Defense device with applicable permits, law enforcement or air ambulance flight operations, it is not operating at the facility prior to the resumption of play.
- d) The specific FAA information is detailed on the FAA website at www.faa.gov.