



## Public Safety Aviation Accreditation Commission

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The Public Safety Aviation Accreditation Commission (PSAAC) in conjunction with the Airborne Law Enforcement Association (ALEA) today released for publication the final version of standards for the use of small unmanned aircraft systems (sUAS) by public safety agencies. As the integration of sUAS technology into public safety operations continues to increase, the development of best practice standards that address the safe, efficient and ethical use of small unmanned aircraft for all public safety missions is vitally important.

The new sUAS standards contain five sections; Administration, Flight Operations, Safety, Training and Maintenance and provide guidance on the tactical, legal and ethical use of sUAS. The standards provide a set of best practices for agencies already using, or considering the use of small unmanned aircraft. Adherence to these standards will provide assurance to the civilian community that its public safety agency is operating in accordance with well-established, safe, efficient and ethical practices.

We invite ALEA members engaged in sUAS programs to download the Standards and adopt them as best practice operational policy and procedures and incorporate them into the program's Operations Manual for use in support of your respective agency's sUAS mission.

The Public Safety Accreditation Commission is a 501(c)(6) non-profit organization founded to promote and advance safe, effective, and efficient aviation operations in public safety through voluntary compliance with best practice standards.

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