WASHINGTON — Sixteen organizations have been selected by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to initially administer the Recreational Unmanned Aircraft Systems Safety Test (TRUST). The test was developed to provide recreational drone flyers with aeronautical safety knowledge and an overview of the rules for operating drones in the National Airspace System.

"These organizations are key to making this test widely available and easily accessible to recreational drone pilots," said FAA Administrator Steve Dickson. "We need pilots of all aircraft, including those who operate recreational drones, to have the training and knowledge needed to operate safely in the nation's airspace."
The test may be taken through any of the following approved organizations:

- The Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA)
- The Boy Scouts of America
- Chippewa Valley Technical College
- Community College of Allegheny County - West Hills Center
- CrossFlight Sky Solutions LLC
- Drone Launch Academy LLC
- Drone U
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU)
- HSU Educational Foundation
- Lake Area Technical College
- Pilot Institute
- Proctorio Incorporated
- Tactical Aviation
- UAV Coach
- University of Arizona Global Campus
- Volatus Aerospace Corp

Links to test administrators are available on the FAA website. The test is administered online at no cost through the approved test administrators.

After passing the test, recreational drone flyers will be issued a completion certificate which they are required to show if asked by FAA or law enforcement personnel. The completion certificate does not expire. Recreational drone flyers should take the test at their earliest convenience.

Congress required the development of the testing program in the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018. The drone community provided input into the test development.

TRUST stands for "The Recreational UAS Safety Test"

- Mandated by 49 USC 44809(a)(7)
- All recreational flyers (including children) operating under "The Exception" (49 USC 44809) must take and pass the test – Required by Law.
- Part 107 remote pilots who choose to operate under "The Exception" (49 USC 44809) must take and pass the test – Required by Law.
- The FAA will not recommend which Test Administrator a recreational flyer should use
- *Look at the TAs listed on our website (faa.gov/uas) and decide which entity suits their needs*
- Designed to provide basic safety information and take less than 30 minutes to complete
- Knowledge check questions are correctable to 100%
- Test is "one and done" with no periodic retest needed

Upon completion, TAs will issue a TRUST completion certificate to the applicant

- Will have the name of the applicant, a unique token number and the TA's name
- Can be used as evidence that the requirements of 49 USC 44809(a)(7) have been met
- *May be in paper or electronic format*

TRUST is available online and free for anyone to take

Test Administrators (TAs) are FAA-approved organizations that administer the TRUST

TAs selected have successfully completed the FAA's application process and represent a broad cross-section of the recreational drone community

Exception for Limited Recreational Operations:

1. Fly strictly for recreational purposes
2. Operate in accordance with Community-Based Organization's set of safety guidelines Ex. American Model Aircraft Association (AMA) "Regurgitate to LEO"
3. Fly within Visual Line of Sight
4. Do not interfere and give way to any manned aircraft
5. Obtain airspace authorizations in Class B, C, D, or E (Surface)
6. Operate at 400ft or below in Class G airspace
7. Pass an aeronautical knowledge and safety test – TRUST – See #9
8. Register and properly mark aircraft 14 CFR §48

9. Provide proof of passing TRUST to the Administrator (FAA), or Law Enforcement upon request – 49 USC 44809(a)(7)
10. Fly in accordance with local laws as established by the municipality in which you live or are operating.