



AVIATION/DRONE ACRONYMS YOU SHOULD KNOW:

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AC — Advisory Circular

ADM — Aeronautical Decision Making

ADS-B — Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast

AGL — Above Ground Level

ASOS/AWOS — Automated Surface or Weather Observation System

ATC — Air Traffic Control

ATIS — Automated Terminal Information Service.

BVLOS — Beyond Visual Line of Sight

CTAF — Common Traffic Advisory Frequency

CFIT — Controlled Flight Into Terrain *(or trees)

DME — Distance Measuring Equipment

DoD — Department of Defense

DOI — Department of Interior

DOS — Department of State

DOT — Department of Transportation

DUAT — Direct User Access Terminal

ELT — Emergency Locator Transmitter

FAA — Federal Aviation Administration

FAR — Federal Aviation Regulation

FBO — Fixed Base Operator'

FCC — Federal Communications Commission

FSDO — Flight Standards District Office

FSS — Flight Service Station

GA — General Aviation

GPS — Global Positioning System

HF — High Frequency

Hz — HERTZ (frequency)

IFR — Instrument Flight Rules

ILS — Instrument Landing System

LAANC — Low Altitude Authorization and Notification Capability

LORAN — Long Range Aid to Navigation

LOS --- Line of Sight (re VLOS)

MVFR — Marginal Visual Flight Rules
METAR—METeorological Aerodrome Reports
MOA — Military Operations Area

NAS — National Airspace System
NOTAM — Notice to Airmen
NPRM — Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
NTSB — National Transportation Safety Board

PAPI — Precision Approach Path Indicator
PIC -- Pilot in Control or Command
PIREP — Pilot (Weather) Report

SIGMET — Significant Meteorological Information
SMS — Safety Management System
SUAS -- Small Unmanned Aerial System

TAF — Terminal Area Forecast
TCAS — Traffic alert and Collision Avoidance System

UAV -- Unmanned Aerial Vehicle
UAG — License for Unmanned Aviation -- Unmanned Aircraft General
UGR — Unmanned Aircraft General - Recurrent
UAS — Unmanned Aerial System
UTM — Unified Traffic Management System (NASA/FAA)
UVR — UAS Volume Reservation or (Vehicle Report?)

VASI — Visual Approach Slope Indicator
VHF — Very High Frequency
VOR/DME — VHF Omnidirectional Range/Distance Measuring Equipment

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