



# INTERNATIONAL DRONE SHOW 2026

## EXHIBITOR MANUAL



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## IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

**1 May 2026:** Deadline for furniture & screen rental

**29 May – 2 June:** Shipment delivery window

**2 June 2026:** Booth setup (08:00–19:00)

**3 June 2026:** Final setup (07:00–08:45)

**3 – 4 June 2026:** Show days (09:00–16:00)

**4 June 2026:** Breakdown (16:00–19:30)

## VENUE

HCA Airport  
Lufthavnvej 131  
5270 Odense N  
Denmark

### Transport and parking:

Free parking is available outside the airport entrance.

HCA Airport is located just 7 km North of Odense and is best accessible by car.

A shuttle bus will run from Odense to the venue each morning during the show dates, with return trips in the afternoon.

Seats are limited, so make sure to sign up through our registration system.

### Hotel:

A number of hotel rooms have been reserved for our IDS guests at special rates. Check it out on our [website](#).



## BOOTH INFO

The exhibition takes place in a specially built pop-up venue directly on the runway of the airport, thus the exhibition is considered a pop-up exhibition.

This means that there are no partitions or overhead structures between booths and no flooring other than the concrete on the runway. Consequently, wall or ceiling-mounted displays are not permitted and not possible.

If you wish to create a defined space for your booth, you are welcome to bring your own dividers, such as a back wall or roll-up banners. Our experience shows that the open layout fosters networking and engagement among exhibitors.

### Available booth sizes:

Booth size: 2×2 m

Booth size: 3×2 m

Booth size: 5×3 m

Booth size: 6×3 m

Booth size: 7×3 m

Booths are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis and selected during online registration.

### Included in your package:

- Reserved booth space
- 1x café table and 2 chairs
- 1x power outlet (230V)
- WiFi access
- 1x exhibitor ticket (*name as submitted at registration*)
- Full catering during opening hours for 1 person
- Booth number on floor
- On-site support during setup and exhibition hours
- Booth packages do not include speaker or demo slots

### Stand guidelines and construction rules

- No partitions, rigging, or suspended items allowed
- Only freestanding structures like roll-ups, banners, etc.
- All booth elements must stay within assigned dimensions
- Oversized/custom structures require pre-approval
- Fire regulations apply
- Freestanding screens/displays are allowed and can be rented through IDS
- One 230V power outlet is provided per booth – exhibitors must bring their own extension cords, power strips, and adapters. Cables and wires must be safely covered or taped down



## BUILD-UP AND DISMANTLING HOURS

### Build-up:

Build-up can take place 2 June 08:00–19:00 and 3 June 07:00 – 08:45.

Booths must be fully operational before exhibition opens 3 June 09.00

### Dismantling:

All exhibitors should dismantle 4 June from 16:00–19:30

Stand breakdown may not begin until the event has ended at 16:00 on 4 June. All stands, including all stand inventory, must be fully vacated from the exhibitor tent by 20:00 on 4 June.

### Delivery of goods:

Delivery of goods is accepted between 29 May – 2 June 2026.

All items and shipping documents must be labelled with:

- IDS26
- Company name
- Booth number

Please note:

- The exhibitor must be listed as the consignee/receiver on all shipments.
- We take no responsibility for delivered items
- HCA Airport can receive goods on behalf of exhibitors before they arrive. HCA Airport, Odense Robotics or International Drone Show do not sign as the legal receiver, handle customs, or pay carriers

Please notify us in advance if you will be shipping goods.

Items sent in advance can be picked up at the airport near the exhibition entrance.

Vehicle access airside is strictly limited to setup (2 June 2026) and breakdown (4 June) and only by prior registration via the harbor office.



### Dispatch of goods after the event:

Exhibitors are responsible for arranging collection of goods after IDS 2026.

All outbound shipments must clearly state the exhibitor as the consignor/ sender, and carriers must collect items at the following address:

HCA Airport – IDS 2026  
Airport Office  
Lufthavnvej 131  
5270 Odense N  
Denmark

HCA Airport can make goods available for pickup at the exhibition area after the event.

We do not book carriers, prepare shipping documents, handle customs procedures, or pay carriers on behalf of exhibitors.

All goods must be collected no later than 5 June 2026 unless alternative arrangements have been agreed in advance.

## EXHIBITION MAP

A map showing booth locations, catering points, and access routes is available on the [website](#).

## ELECTRICITY & TECHNICAL SERVICES

Each booth includes 1x 230V outlet.

Any high-voltage needs must be submitted by 1 May via email: [info@internationaldroneshow.com](mailto:info@internationaldroneshow.com).

Bring your own extension cords and adapters.

No unauthorized electrical installations allowed.

## SCREEN & FURNITURE RENTAL

Should you not have your own stand equipment or display materials, it is possible to ordering exhibition materials for International Drone Show 2026,



You can find an overview of all available options in our [Exhibitor Ordering Catalogue](#). The catalogue is intended as an additional service to support exhibitors who require basic exhibition solutions such as furniture, equipment, TV screens, or standard stand elements.

All items listed in the catalogue must be ordered no later than 1 May 2026.

Orders placed by this deadline are guaranteed to be produced and delivered directly to your booked stand in time for IDS 2026.

Please note that orders placed after 1 May 2026 cannot be guaranteed for timely production and delivery and will be subject to a surcharge, depending on availability and lead times.

## **INSURANCE, SECURITY & CLEANING**

We strive to create a safe and welcoming event for everyone by minimizing security risks through close collaboration with our security partner at HCA Airport. All venue staff are trained in safety and evacuation procedures.

Night security will be provided; however, all exhibits, materials, and personal belongings remain at the exhibitor's own risk at all times. The organiser accepts no liability for any loss, theft, or damage, regardless of cause. Exhibitors are responsible for arranging adequate insurance coverage for their participation.

Cleaning is limited to public walkways, not inside booths.

## **EXHIBITOR TICKET AND ACCESS REQUIREMENTS**

Each booth includes 1 exhibitor ticket, which is issued to the name and email provided at registration. All additional exhibitor staff must register individually using the special-rate link provided when booking the booth. These discounted tickets are available exclusively to internal staff and may not be transferred.

You can update the name on your ticket at any time using the link provided in your confirmation email from the registration system.

Exhibitor badges must be worn visibly at all times during the event.

Vehicle access to the airside area is permitted only during setup and break-down. Drivers must register their vehicle on arrival at the harbor office to gain access.



As the event takes place at an operational airport, all attendees must present valid photo ID (passport or driver's license) to enter.

Staff who are only assisting with setup or breakdown do not require an exhibitor ticket, but they must register in person at the harbor office upon arrival.

## **CATERING**

Catering during opening hours is included in the ticket price.

Breakfast for exhibitors arriving early is provided.

## **MARKETING & USE OF LOGO**

IDS2026 logo may be used in exhibitor promotion. Please find the official International Drone Show logo [here](#).

Use #IDS2026 for social media posts.

## **WARNING**

Scam Warning – 'Attendee Lists' & Approved Contractors

Please be aware that there are 'hoax' companies, targeting exhibitors to sign up with them to receive 'attendee' lists of IDS 2026.

PLEASE DO NOT respond to any such emails. We do NOT rent out our attendee lists.



# LIVE DEMO APPENDIX

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## Abbreviations & Definitions

AFIS	Aerodrome Flight Information Service – The type of Air Traffic Service provided in HCAA
DC	Display Coordinator
DD	Display Director - Overall IDS OPS Accountable Manager
DOA	Drone Operator Agreement (between Operator and HCAA)
DPA	Drone Pilot Assistant – Responsible for radio comm with AFIS/the tower (see DOA)
HCAA	Hans Christian Andersen Airport
OPS	Operations
OPS-rep	OPS responsible person – Live Demo operator’s OPS accountable person.
RP	Remote Pilot (in Command) – Responsible for the flying and the safety of the flight operation
UAS DK	UAS Denmark Test Center

## Regulatory Compliance

To fly live demo at IDS 2026, the operators must comply with European (EASA) UAS rules, supplemented by the Danish national UAS rules

- Overarching regulation is EASA/EU Regulation on UAS – 2019/947 (“947”).
- Supplementing 947 is the Danish National Supplementary Order 1649/2023 + 527/2025 (“The Drone Order”)
- Local regulation for HCA Airport/UAS Denmark Testcenter is covered by a Drone Operator Agreement (DOA) and this appendix.

We cannot assist with permissions, authorizations, dispensations, or any other issues requiring interaction with the Danish CAA.

We will of course try to assist otherwise or refer you to external consultants that might be able to assist you.

We must also inform you that with the latest published case-processing and waiting times with the Danish CAA, any permission, dispensation, or authorization that you may wish to apply for is not possible to have processed within the timeframe available, unless you are already well into the process.



If you already possess an EASA Operational Authorization from a country other than Denmark, you may be able to obtain a Cross Border Approval to operate in Denmark, but this cannot be guaranteed, and the application should be submitted ASAP.

In other words: You should either be able to operate in the OPEN Category or already possess a Danish authorization to operate in SPEC Category, to be able to perform a live demo at IDS 2026.

The following local conditions apply:

- **OPEN Category:**  
The EASA “947” regulation apply, supplemented by the Danish national rules – more information at this link: [www.en.droneregler.dk/commercial-drone-operations](http://www.en.droneregler.dk/commercial-drone-operations).  
Exempted at IDS are that we can waiver altitude up to 750 m, and distance to audience (which is considered uninvolved), tents, and buildings can be waived down to 30 m (1:1 rule applies outside 30 m).  
More details are available in the DOA – see section 2.
- **SPEC Category:**  
If you already have SORA/PDRA/STS approved, your approval must accommodate the following:  
Air risk: We have ARC-a (Restricted Airspace), and the airport will be closed during IDS.  
Ground risk: We are expecting to be able to avoid classifying the audience as an assembly of people thanks to the conference infrastructure and space available. I.e., the conference area will be “Populated”. This is to be confirmed.  
Inside the airport fence we consider the ground area to be “Controlled Ground Area” except for the conference/audience area.

## General

This appendix stipulates the local safety, operational, and compliance requirements for drone operators participating in the Live Demo Displays at IDS 2026. For IDS conference website, Live Demo information: <https://internationaldrone-show.com/demo-flight-at-ids/>

For IDS conference website, Exhibitors Manual & Outdoor Overview: <https://internationaldroneshow.com/exhibitors/>

A Drone Operator Agreement (DOA) with HCAA is mandatory for all operators – see section 3.



All live demo operators shall appoint an overall OPS responsible representative for IDS 2026 and inform HCAA DroneOPS of the contact details.  
RP can be the OPS-rep if so desired.

All operators must send minimum 1 person to the mandatory morning-brief on the day of their display (see time schedule below); If an operator is not present at the morning-brief, the demo will be cancelled.

This representative shall be the OPS-rep or RP. This person will be accountable for relaying all information received at the briefing to their crew of the demo display.

All live demos must be rehearsed at HCA Airport prior to the event itself. We will attempt to have the full set-up (display area, fences, AV, etc.) ready from noon on the day prior – Tuesday 2nd June.

Tuesday is the main rehearsal day. For operators with a demo slot on day 2 (Thursday), a limited number of rehearsals will be available after the end of the official program day 1 (Wednesday).

### [Drone Operator Agreement \(DOA\) with HCA Airport](#)

All operators shall agree to and sign a DOA before any flight operations at HCAA.

If you already have a valid DOA, it may suffice – see below.  
Entering a new DOA should be arranged before arriving at IDS.

An IDS DOA, tailored for this event and with a short validity period will be established, free of charge.

It will be valid for the IDS week only (Monday to Friday).

If you already decided to return to the test center for future operations at HCAA/UAS Denmark Testcenter you should sign a regular two-year agreement.

In case of utilizing an existing DOA, please check if the OPS responsible/accountable person in the agreement is the same person as for IDS 2026. If not, you should also enter an IDS DOA.

You can have both an IDS DOA and a regular two-year DOA.



## Operator Registration

If your company is based in an EASA country, you must be registered as a Drone Operator in your home country, and your drone marked accordingly - this registration and marking is valid in Denmark as well.

This will be checked prior to first flight.

If your company is based in a non-EASA country, you must attach your company name and contact information to the UAS while flying in UAS DK.

Proof of insurance must be presented before flying at IDS.

## Times

All times are local.

All slots are given by start time only: Duration of demo slots are 20 minutes - the 5 minutes in between are buffer and time allowance for "stage-change".

No later than at your Live Demo slot start time + 20 minutes drone(s) shall be confirmed on the ground, and the presentation concluded.

You will be given a "Heads-up" by DD when your 20 minutes are approaching the end.

When your flying operation is concluded, i.e., when the drone(s) is/are on ground for the last time, the presenter can still utilize any time remaining of the 20 minutes to conclude the presentation.

### Tuesday 2nd June:

- Primary Rehearsal Day: 1300-1800.
- All live demos must be rehearsed at HCA Airport prior to the event itself - no rehearsal means no live demo.
- A limited number of rehearsals can be scheduled after the end of the official program on Wednesday.

### Wednesday 3rd June (IDS Day 1):

- Mandatory Morning-brief for OPS-rep and/or RP: 0915-1000 (no-show means no demo...).
- First demo starts at 1045, after the event opening proceedings.
- Final demo starts at 1530, ending at 1550, 10 minutes before the end of event day 1.
- 1600-1800: Live Demo rehearsals.

### Thursday 4th June (IDS Day 2):

- Mandatory Morning-brief: 0800-0845 (no-show means no demo...).
- First demo starts at 0915.
- Final demo starts at 1530, ending at 1550, 10 minutes before the end of event day 2.



## Location Details

Morning Brief will be held in the Departure Hall (far NW corner of the airport terminal building).

See Morning-Brief PowerPoint – will be distributed when the necessary details are locked in.

## IDS Operational Organization

A minimum of 2 HCAA OPS crew will be present during live demos.

Display Director (DD):

A DD will be present during all demos (Christian Klit Johansen / Jens Anker Nielsen):

Final authority on go/no-go decisions and safety issues, and undisputed authority to direct the flight operation to cease.

Display Coordinator (DC):

All requests, questions, practicalities, coordination or changes through DC (Jens Anker Nielsen).

Drone Pilot Assistant (DPA):

A DPA is required during all live demos (Jens Anker Nielsen / René Lindgren Hansen).

DPA is the allocated assistant and radio operator, responsible for communication relay between RP and AFIS (the tower). Secondary duties are visual airspace monitoring and VLOS assistance.

## Live Demo Operator Crew

3 roles must be filled:

- OPS-rep - shall be present during the demo
- Presenter – typically a manager, sales, or C-level person (can be the OPS-rep)
- RP – has the one task of operating the UAS (can be the OPS-rep)

I.e., a minimum of 2 people shall be present at the Live Demo. The Presenter and RP cannot be the same person.

The contact details of OPS-rep shall be given to IDS DC no later than at the mandatory morning briefing.



## DEMO Ops - Procedures

### Before Demo:

Use of the preparation tent next to the display area is highly encouraged.

Be at the display site minimum 15 min prior; report to, and identify Remote Pilot (RP) to, the Display Director (DD). Update DD and Drone Pilot Assistant (DPA) with any changes; brief DD and DPA on your itinerary.

Be ready to start your presentation on time! (latest edition of time schedule will be presented at the morning-brief).

Microphone and HDMI connector to the big screen is available, bring your own PC.

Use the secured WiFi if needed for your demo flights. The connection is intended solely for use during your demo, and we kindly ask you to log off again afterwards. The WiFi network name and code will be provided on the day.

RP is responsible for the safety and execution of the flight operation. Directions from Display Director shall be complied with immediately. These directions should hopefully be limited to:

- If safety is jeopardized
- If the instructions in this appendix, the DOA, or regulations, are compromised
- If other IDS OPS issues necessitate

### During Demo:

SAFE – LEGAL – SMART:

First, make it safe. When safe, also make it legal. When both safe and legal, consider what is smart and creates value – you can make it mildly entertaining, but never unsafe or non-compliant, so do not fool around!

Comply with directions from DD.

Coordinate & Communicate with DPA.



## Flight Limitations

- Minimum safety distance to forward audience limit, tents, buildings: 30 m.
- During flight a minimum ground risk buffer to audience, tents, buildings: 1:1 rule.

### Drone Operation



- OPEN Category A3 limitations applies, with the following exceptions:
  - The minimum distance to buildings of 150 m is for the purpose of IDS lowered to 30 m.
  - Maximum flight altitude is 750 m (2.500 ft) - OBS 1:1 rule
- No flight vector with ballistic trajectory “hitting” conference area, audience, or airport buildings at any time.
- DD may set further limitations for individual operators.

In case of Specific Category operations, the limitations in your OM and Operational Authorisation additionally applies but can never be less limiting than above IDS limitations.

## Pyrotechnics

Bringing pyrotechnics in any form onto airside of an operational airport is normally prohibited.

If your demo UA in any way uses or carries pyrotechnics of any kind:  
The Airport Security Manager has allowed the presence of pyrotechnics on airside of the operational airport for the purpose of IDS 2026 only.

Only pyrotechnics mounted on, integrated in, or carried by, the UA are allowed. This approval is valid for 2-4 June only, and requires prior coordination with HCAA DroneOps.



## Radio Frequencies

All demonstrators must operate exclusively on open, license free radio frequencies during the event. If your system requires the use of a restricted or licensed spectrum, you must apply for an exemption in advance.

See more here: [Agency for Digital Government](#). And please feel free to contact the IDS team with any questions or if you need guidance on frequency compliance.

## DROP Ops

Not allowed, unless you have the necessary Operational Authorisation from your national authority, and a Cross Border Approval from the Danish Authority.

## Mothership/Release Ops

Release of smaller drones from a “Mothership” is allowed if:

- Actual combined Take-off Mass is below 25 kg
- Each released drone is controlled by a separate Remote Pilot
- The Mothership remains under the control of the same Remote Pilot after release

Or if you have the necessary Operational Authorisation from your national authority, and a Cross Border Approval from the Danish Authority.

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