



Department of Biodiversity,
Conservation and Attractions



Do you want to fly your drone in Karijini National Park?

This includes taking images and videos:

- to post on social media or in personal or travel blogs
- to share with family and friends
- for your own interest and enjoyment

Park visitors do not need approval from the Department of Biodiversity Conservation & Attractions (DBCA) to use drones recreationally in Karijini National Park, with the following exceptions and rules that must be followed:

- Drone use is not permitted within the Karijini gorges and immediate surrounding areas without written lawful authority from the DBCA. These applications will generally only be considered for commercial purposes.
- You must comply with the drone rules of the **Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA)**. This includes Never flying your drone closer than 30m to people, or over or above them at any height.
- You must comply with all **state laws** such as the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984 and Conservation and Land Management Regulations 2002*, the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 and Biodiversity Conservation Regulations 2018* and the *Bushfires Act 1954*.
- Your drone must not disturb wildlife or create a danger or nuisance for other park visitors. Please keep in mind:
 - Effects on the feeding and breeding behaviours of birds and other wildlife might not be immediately obvious.
 - The presence of a drone can intrude markedly on the experiences and privacy of other park visitors.
- You must be respectful of Aboriginal culture and heritage values in the park when using your drone and only access areas open to the public.
- You must not use your drone where emergency operations are underway such as the management of prescribed burns or bushfires. Check the **Emergency WA** and **Prescribed Burns** websites for more information.
- You are requested to contact the Karratha DBCA district office via email (karratha.admin@dbca.wa.gov.au) prior to each drone flight to ensure that your drone does not interfere with aerial and other park management operations.

If you are planning to use your drone for a commercial purpose (that is, for profit or reward), you will need to apply for a filming and photography permit or licence. Visit the **DBCA Commercial Filming** web page for further information.



Further information

www.casa.gov.au/knowyourdrone

www.legislation.wa.gov.au

www.emergency.wa.gov.au

www.dbca.wa.gov.au search for prescribed burns

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