

## **Preface to the Policy and Procedures, and the Pre-flight Checklist**

1) These attachments are intended to serve as a template for any given yacht to write its own guidelines for drone operations. They are in no way definitive, comprehensive or based on specific legal opinion. Feel free to copy, amend, delete from, add to, or in any other way to utilize this framework. Feel free also to decline. And then you must write your own; if not, you are on your own when the proverbial hits the fan.

2) The release referred to should be written by the owner's or manager's legal counsel.

3) Drone technology is likely to move faster than authorities' attempts to oversee and regulate drone operations in the recreational field. Sheer numbers will make it difficult to register such craft, to monitor their flights, and to identify their pilots. Nonetheless, it is urged that there be no tolerance for a cavalier "open skies" attitude towards launching such drones from a yacht. Potential repercussions from any sort of incident resulting from unregulated flight are too drastic to entertain.