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Question:

Why have model aircraft been considered the same as drones?

Answer:

Both model aircraft and drones are unmanned aircraft and therefore it makes sense that both need to be considered under the same regulation.

With the inclusion of model aircraft in the EU UAS Regulation, the intention of the legislator was not to introduce new restrictions, but to enable [EASA Member States](#) to continue applying their current requirements for model aircraft. It explicitly encourages States to do so and provides various options for this, with one important exception: the need for the model aircraft owner to register themselves as UAS operator and make their registration number visible on (or easily accessible within) the aircraft while on the ground.

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