



Part 107 – Remote Pilot Training Prep Course for Law Enforcement

**July 17, 18, & 19
2023**



Sponsor/Location: Rooks County Sheriff's Office Stockton, KS

Cost: \$500 per student

Instructors:

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Course Objective:

This remote UAS (unmanned aerial systems) pilot preparation course was developed to ensure that law enforcement members understand the technical, legal limitations, and ethical responsibilities that are associated with piloting unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) in the National Airspace. Students will be prepared to successfully complete the Remote Pilot Certification Exam administered through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The cost associated with taking the FAA exam is not included in this course. Upon successful completion of the FAA exam, the operator will be able to pilot drones for commercial purposes. While it is not required for law enforcement officers to take the FAA exam, due to exemption from the requirement, it is strongly recommended. Students who do not go on to take the FAA exam will not be licensed and can only operate the drone for official tasks for their department.

Course Details:

The course is held from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. over three days. The FAA written exam should be scheduled on the day following the course if students choose to pursue the commercial license, or as soon as possible. The FAA written exam is offered at many testing locations. Course fees include all instruction, copies of course materials, and notes. Meals, travel, and lodging are not included in the registration fee and are the responsibility of the attendee.

Attendees will receive a certificate for 24 hours of continuing education toward their required law enforcement professional development program.

To register or ask questions, contact James Balthazor at (785)737-3813 or jrbalthazor@fhsu.edu