

Are the new drone regulations overkill?

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Over the last few years, unmanned flying machines, variously described as Remotely Piloted Air Systems (RPAS), Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV), Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS), or more commonly known as 'drones', have been mainly used in targeted killings, surveillance or gathering intelligence. Recently, innovators have expanded the use of drones to applications in the commercial sector that could lead to revolutionizing industries like agriculture and urban development.



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Some commercial uses for drones in the near future could include delivering packages, protecting wildlife, precision farming, search and rescue and many more. On 1 July 2015, part 101 of the Civil Aviation Regulations came into effect which is aimed at regulating the use of drones. The question is whether these new Regulations enable or inhibit growth in the commercial use of drones in South Africa.

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