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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible:

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT), and Transportation Security Administration (TSA), Department of Homeland Security (DHS) [2264]

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], Other:
- 4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Unmanned aircraft systems; Quality (ICS code(s): 03.120); Aircraft and space vehicles in general (ICS code(s): 49.020); On-board equipment and instruments (ICS code(s): 49.090)
- 5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access): Normalizing Unmanned Aircraft Systems Beyond Visual Line of Sight Operations; (180 page(s), in English)

Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25 05230 00 e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** Notice of proposed rulemaking This action proposes performance-based regulations to enable the design and operation of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) at low altitudes beyond visual line of sight (BVLOS) and for third-party services, including UAS Traffic Management (UTM), that support these operations. The <u>FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024</u> directs the development of this proposed rule. This proposed rule is necessary to support the integration of UAS into the national airspace system (NAS). This proposed rule is intended to provide a predictable and clear pathway for safe, routine, and scalable UAS operations that include package delivery, agriculture, aerial surveying, civic interest, operations training, demonstration, recreation, and flight testing. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) proposes to make complementary changes to its regulations to ensure it can continue to impose security measures on these operations under its current regulatory structure for civil aviation.
- **7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** National security requirements; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements; Cost saving and productivity enhancement
- 8. Relevant documents:

90 Federal Register (FR) 38212, 7 August 2025; <u>Title 49</u> Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 1540 and 1544:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-08-07/html/2025-14992.htm

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This notice of proposed rulemaking is identified by Docket Number FAA-2025-1908. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FAA-2025-1908/document and provides access to primary documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number.

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

10. Provision of comments

Final date for comments: 6 October 2025

[] 60 days from notification

WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the <u>USA TBT Enquiry Point</u>. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders by <u>4pm Eastern Time</u> on 6 October 2025 will be shared with the FAA and will also be submitted to the <u>Docket</u> on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.

Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov