



# PUBLIC SAFETY DRONE OPERATIONS

## DRONE UNIT MANAGER COURSE

**Broward County Convention Center | Room 203**  
**Monday, July 13 - Tuesday, July 14 | 0800 – 1700**

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*Disclaimer: As many of our instructors are actively involved in public safety aviation, this agenda is subject to change based on instructor availability at the time of the event.*

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:** Tailored specifically for managers and supervisors of small unmanned aircraft systems units within public safety agencies, this course delivers the latest insights and tools for effective leadership. Topics encompass unit administration, budgeting, safety protocols, SOP management, training program oversight, legal and regulatory compliance, and personnel selection strategies, ensuring comprehensive skill enhancement. **Maximum enrollment: 70**

**INTENDED AUDIENCE:** This course caters to public safety sUAS managers responsible for overseeing drone operations within their agencies, including law enforcement, fire departments, and search and rescue teams.

DAY ONE		
0800 – 0830	Introduction and Course Review	Nicholas J. Romano
0830 – 0930	UAS Missions, Applications & Purchasing Decisions	Nicholas J. Romano
0930 – 1030	Regulatory Framework & Compliance	Aaron Fritch
1030 – 1200	Standard Operating Procedures/Policy	Michael Kleinfelt
1200 – 1300	Lunch   On Own	
1300 – 1400	Managing a Public Safety Drone Unit	Aaron Fritch
1400 – 1500	Evidence Collection and Chain of Custody	Michael Kleinfelt
1500 – 1600	Developing a UAS Training Program	Matt Bridgefarmer
1600 – 1700	A Conversation with Manned Aviation	Nicholas J. Romano

DAY TWO		
0800 – 0900	SMS, Incident Reporting and Maintenance	Aaron Fritch
0900 – 1000	Accreditation and Standards	Don Shinnamon
1000 – 1130	Response to Drone Incidents	Nicholas J. Romano
1130 – 1300	Lunch   On Own	
1300 – 1430	Multi-Agency Coordination: EM/Disaster Response	Matt Bridgefarmer Aaron Fritch
1430 – 1530	Command and Tactical UAS Support at Fire and EMS Incidents	Brian Anderson
1530 – 1630	Team Awareness Kit / Software Solutions	Michael Kleinfelt
1630 – 1700	Course Review and Critique	Nicholas J. Romano

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