

## Your response

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<p><b>Question 1: Do you agree with the proposal to license drone equipment rather than to licence exempt? If you disagree, please provide the evidence that would support any disagreement with the proposals.</b></p>	<p>Yes. The management of spectrum is critical to successfully integration of UASs and an approach that is aligned with a future involving routine flights and operations (rather by exceptions) is welcomed.</p>
<p><b>Question 2: Do you agree with the on the proposed authorisation approach for UAS? If you disagree, please provide the evidence that would support any disagreement with the proposals.</b></p>	<p>Yes. The authorisation approach seems reasonable, and it's agreed that licensing at the operator level is the most practicable.</p>
<p><b>Question 3: Do you have any comments on the proposed licence conditions?</b></p>	<p>It is not clear what path would need to be followed for specific equipment to be added to the license and what type certification process would need to be followed. Would it simply be the case that there is evidence that the equipment stays within the given spectrum for its type or would more evidence be required around software/hardware assurance. Note that there may be an assumption here that equipment on UAVs are separately componentised, which may not be the case – eg. some equipment might be intrinsic to the UAV itself depending on the manufacturer. Also, how much of this will overlap with the operator's operational safety case that would already need to demonstrate management of interference hazards etc?</p>
<p><b>Question 4: Do you have any comments on the proposed list of equipment and associated conditions?</b></p>	<p>Will this list be subject to review and refinement as it does not seem to be exhaustive. For example, I believe some Inmarsat frequencies may be missing from their L-band service and there may be other services and suppliers now or in the near future who will need to be catered for as new satellites and constellations are deployed.</p>

**Question 5: Do you agree with Ofcom's assessment on whether to introduce UAS operator licences? If you disagree, please provide further information.**

Yes