

Submission 127 – Confidential

These are just some general thoughts regarding this topic...

1. Who should have access to Remote ID data and to what information?

Answer: Law enforcement only, with the exception that they must have a warrant or established reasonable suspicion. In this case, the only information they should have access to is the location of the drone and not any individuals who may be controlling the drone.

2. Should there be a data collection standard?

Answer: The data should be collected lawfully and without the intent to invade anyone's privacy.

3. What is the best method of providing Remote ID data to relevant stakeholders?

Answer: Once law enforcement have a warrant, or have established reasonable suspicion, the data can be handed over to the necessary parties involved upon request.

4. What types of drone operators should be required to carry Remote ID equipment to operate drones? What should be exempt and why?

Answer: Only drone operators with the intent to operate a drone above a certain height specified by CASA (e.g. flying above 100 metres – possibly encroaching on airspace used by other aircraft). In this case, Remote ID should be enabled on the drone which they are operating. Remote ID should be entirely optional and should be able to be enabled/disabled by the drone operator. However, operators should be bound by regulation which require that they enable Remote ID once they fly above a certain height or over a certain location.

5. How can Remote ID privacy issues be managed?

Answer: I cannot specify many solutions. In my opinion, privacy issues would be very hard to manage. As a student minoring in law, I can already see many potential flaws with this initiative, plus the possibility of being in contravention of the privacy act (1988).