

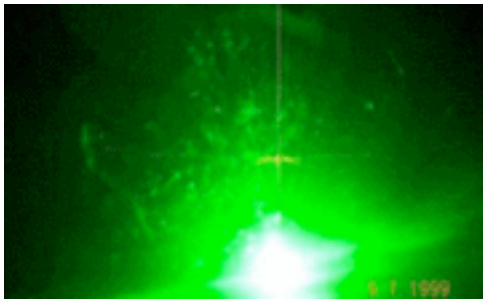
# CAUTION

## KEEP HANDHELD LASERS SAFE AND LEGAL NEVER AIM A HANDHELD LASER AT AN AIRCRAFT!

You may be arrested and you may help get handheld lasers banned!

### IT IS BAD FOR PILOTS & PASSENGER SAFETY

**Distracting or Flashblinding Pilots is Dangerous!** Pilots don't want to worry about distraction from a bright flash or not being able to see when landing or taking off. Even consumer lasers are bright enough to cause glare (pilots can't see past the light) or temporary flashblindness (similar to getting a camera flash in your eye).



Glare from a legal 5 milliwatt laser pointer located 1200 feet away aimed at an aircraft cockpit window. The runway is not visible due to the intense glare from the laser.

### IT COULD GET YOU IN TROUBLE WITH THE LAW

**You may get arrested.** There are laser users arrested just about every month in the U.S. for aiming at aircraft. It is surprisingly easy to find you (and it is NOT a game to hit aircraft and try to remain undetected -- don't do it).

**You may go to trial.** This is expensive and a major hassle. You do NOT want to hire a lawyer to represent you in a trial with an upset state or federal prosecutor.

**You may go to jail.** In October 2008, a California man was sentenced to two years in prison for aiming a 3 milliwatt laser pointer at an aircraft. Note that this was a 3 milliwatt laser, about the same strength as a 2.5 milliwatt supermarket scanner laser.

**You may get shot.** Because laser gunsights are common, police get very worried when someone points a laser at them. In February 2005, a man in Florida was killed when he refused to stop pointing lasers at officers. You don't want to cause any misunderstanding where officers in a targeted police helicopter "shoot first and ask questions later".

### IT IS BAD FOR OTHER HANDHELD LASER USERS

**Handheld lasers may be banned.** Laser-aircraft incidents happen about three times per day in the U.S. You can understand that pilots and the FAA are upset about this. If handheld lasers were banned in the U.S., this would be fine with them. Other countries such as Canada and the U.K. also are considering bans on laser pointer sales.

So if you like using handheld lasers, don't screw it up by adding to the long list of laser incidents.

**Handheld lasers have already been banned in an Australian state.** New South Wales officials got fed up after lasers hit aircraft landing at Sydney's airport, in March 2008. The Australian state banned handheld lasers and put them in the same "dangerous weapon" category as guns and crossbows. Possession and/or misuse of handheld lasers can get you a fine or even up to 14 years (!) in prison.

HERE'S HOW TO KEEP HANDHELD LASERS  
SAFE AND LEGAL:

# NEVER

aim a laser beam at an aircraft, a  
vehicle, or towards strangers. In  
other words...

## DON'T ANNOY PEOPLE WITH THE LASER BEAM.

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