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SAFE® RTF (BNF)

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## Safety Precautions and Warnings

- Always keep a safe distance in all directions around your model to avoid collisions or injury. This model is controlled by a radio signal subject to interference from many sources outside your control. Interference can cause momentary loss of control.
- Always operate your model in open spaces away from full-size vehicles, traffic and people.
- · Always carefully follow the directions and warnings for this and any optional support equipment (chargers, rechargeable battery packs, etc.).
- · Always keep all chemicals, small parts and anything electrical out of the reach of children.
- Always avoid water exposure to all equipment not specifically designed and protected for this purpose. Moisture causes damage to electronics.
- . Never place any portion of the model in your mouth as it could cause serious injury or even death.

- Never operate your model with low transmitter batteries.
- · Always keep aircraft in sight and under control.
- Always move the throttle fully down at rotor strike.
- Always use fully charged batteries.
- Always keep transmitter powered on while aircraft is powered.
- · Always remove batteries before disassembly.
- Always keep moving parts clean.
- Always keep parts dry.
- Always let parts cool after use before touching.
- Always remove batteries after use.
- Never operate aircraft with damaged wiring.
- Never touch moving parts.

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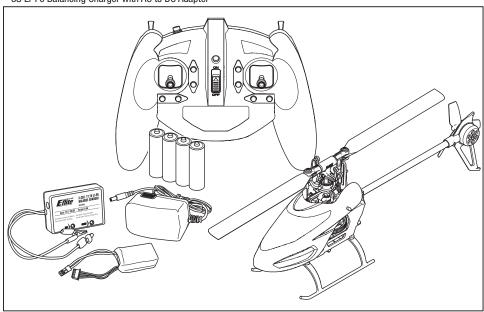
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| Specifications      |                 |                     |               |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Length              | 12 in (304mm)   | Tail Rotor Diameter | 2.5 in (64mm) |
| Height              | 4.5 in (114 mm) | Flying Weight       | 6 oz (170 g)  |
| Main Rotor Diameter | 12.2 in (310mm) |                     |               |

## **Box Contents**

- Blade 130 S
- 300mAh 3S 11.1V 30C Li-Po Battery
  3S Li-Po Balancing Charger with AC to DC Adapter
- MLP6 Transmitter (RTF Only)4 AA Batteries (RTF Only)



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## First Flight Preparation

- · Remove and inspect contents
- . Begin charging the flight battery
- Program your computer transmitter (BNF only)
- Install the flight battery in the helicopter (once it has been fully charged)
- Bind your transmitter (BNF only)
- Familiarize yourself with the controls
- · Find a suitable area for flying

# Flying Checklist

#### □ Always turn the transmitter on first

- Plug the flight battery into the lead from the ESC
- ☐ Allow the receiver and ESC to initialize and arm properly
- ☐ Fly the model
- ☐ Land the model
- ☐ Unplug the flight battery from the ESC
- ☐ Always turn the transmitter off last

## **Charging Warnings**

**CAUTION:** All instructions and warnings must be followed exactly. Mishandling of Li-Po batteries can result in a fire, personal injury and/or property damage.

- NEVER LEAVE CHARGING BATTERIES UNATTENDED.
- NEVER CHARGE BATTERIES OVERNIGHT.
- By handling, charging or using the included Li-Po battery, you assume all risks associated with lithium batteries.
- If at any time the battery begins to balloon or swell, discontinue use immediately. If charging or discharging, discontinue and disconnect. Continuing to use, charge or discharge a battery that is ballooning or swelling can result in fire.
- Always store the battery at room temperature in a dry area for best results.
- Always transport or temporarily store the battery in a temperature range of 40–120° F (5–49° C).
- Do not store battery or model in a car or direct sunlight.
   If stored in a hot car, the battery can be damaged or even catch fire.

- Always charge batteries away from flammable materials.
- · Always inspect the battery before charging.
- Always disconnect the battery after charging, and let the charger cool between charges.
- Always constantly monitor the temperature of the battery pack while charging.
- ONLY USE A CHARGER SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO CHARGE LI-PO BATTERIES. Failure to charge the battery with a compatible charger may cause a fire resulting in personal injury and/or property damage.
- · Never discharge Li-Po cells to below 3V under load.
- · Never cover warning labels with hook and loop strips.
- · Never charge batteries outside recommended levels.
- · Never charge damaged batteries.
- · Never attempt to dismantle or alter the charger.
- · Never allow minors to charge battery packs.
- Never charge batteries in extremely hot or cold places (recommended between 40–120° F or (5–49° C) or place in direct sunlight.

## **Battery Charging**

**NOTICE:** Charge only batteries that are cool to the touch and are not damaged. Look at the battery to make sure it is not damaged e.g., swollen, bent, broken or punctured.

- 1. Connect the AC to DC adapter to an AC outlet.
- 2. Connect the AC to DC adapter to the charger.
- Connect the battery balance lead to the charger.
   The connector is keyed to prevent reverse polarity connection.
- Always disconnect the flight battery from the charger immediately upon completion of charging.

#### **LED Indicators**

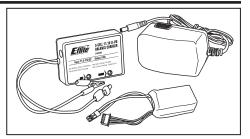
Red Flashing LED: Input power with no battery

Red and Green Solid LEDs: Battery connected and charging

Red Solid LED: Charge complete

**Red and Green Flashing LEDs:** Charge error Charging a fully discharged (not over-discharged) 300mAh battery takes approximately 1–1.5 hours.

The charger can also be powered through the DC alligator clips. Connect them to a 11.5–15V DC power source, noting proper polarity.



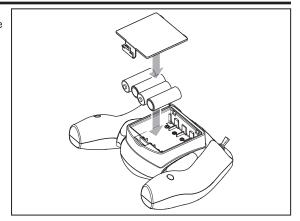
**CAUTION:** Do not connect to AC and DC power sources at the same time. Doing so may cause a short circuit, resulting in damage to the product, personal injury or property damage.

**NOTICE:** Always connect cable polarities correctly. Consult the battery instructions, safety sheet or product support before using a 12V battery with sources other than a standard AC wall outlet.

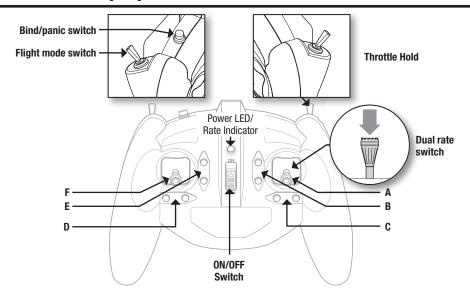
## Installing the Transmitter Batteries (RTF)

The LED indicator flashes and the transmitter beeps progressively faster as the battery voltage drops.

Replace the transmitter batteries when the transmitter begins to beep.



## Transmitter Control (RTF)



#### **Adjusting Flight Trims**

The transmitter beeps each time the trim buttons are pressed. The middle or neutral trim position is heard as a longer tone. The end of the trim range is indicated by no tone when the trim button is pushed.

#### **Dual Rate Selection**

The control sensitivity can be changed by pressing and releasing the right control stick. The LED on the transmitter will show solid for high sensitivity (default) and flashing for low sensitivity.

|        | Α                                                        | В                | С               | D              | Е                | F                                                 |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Mode 1 | Aileron (Left/Right)<br>Throttle/Collective<br>(Up/Down) | Throttle<br>Trim | Aileron<br>Trim |                |                  | Rudder (Left/Right)<br>Elevator (Up/Down)         |
| Mode 2 | Aileron (Left/Right)<br>Elevator (Up/Down)               | Elevator<br>Trim | Aileron<br>Trim | Rudder<br>Trim | Throttle<br>Trim | Rudder (Left/Right) Throttle/Collective (Up/Down) |

## Transmitter Setup (BNF)

Program your transmitter before attempting to bind or fly the helicopter. Transmitter programming values are shown below for the Spektrum DX6i, DX7s, DX6, DX7, DX8, DX9, DX18 and DX20.

The files for models using Spektrum™ transmitters with AirWare™ software are also available for download online at www.spektrumrc.com.

Your helicopter is also compatible with Spektrum DXe radios with software version 1.3 or higher. Use the directions below to reverse channel 6, or use the appropriate programming cable and the PC or mobile app to program the DXe. We recommend downloading the Blade 130 S DXe model setup available at <a href="https://www.spektrumrc.com">www.spektrumrc.com</a>.

If you are programming your DXe using the PC or mobile app, make sure the "Transmitter Channels" value is set to the default of 7. If for any reason this value is changed to 9, the 130 S will bind to the DXe, but will not respond to control inputs.

If your DXe was included in another Blade Ready To Fly (RTF) helicopter, the transmitter software will have to be updated using the appropriate programming cable and either the PC or mobile app available at <a href="https://www.spektrumrc.com">www.spektrumrc.com</a>. Please note, the switch configuration used for DXe transmitters included with the Blade 230 S RTF and Micro AH-64 Apache RTF varies from the standard DXe layout.

#### DXe

To use the DXe transmitter with the Blade 130 S, channel 6 must be reversed.

To reverse channel 6:

- While powering on the DXe, hold the left and right sticks in the top-inside corners as shown.
- 2. Re-center the sticks after the transmitter beeps. The LED will flash slowly.
- 3. To select a channel to reverse, move the right stick to the left or right and allow it to re-center. Move the stick to the right to select the next channel. Move the stick to the left to select the previous channel. The LED will flash rapidly corresponding to the channel selected, as shown in the table. Select channel 6.
- To reverse the selected channel, move the right stick up or down. The LED will change color to indicate the new channel direction.

The LED will flash **Orange** to indicate the channel is **normal**. The LED will flash **Red** to indicate the channel is **reversed**.

5. To store the changes, power off the DXe.

**CAUTION:** During the subsequent power up, always verify the throttle direction is correct and keep clear of the motor and rotor blades. Failure to do so may result in injury or damage to the product.

After reversing channel 6, bind the transmitter and helicopter normally.

Flight modes are controlled by the Flight Mode switch.

Panic Mode is controlled by the Bind/Panic/Trainer button.



| LED Flashes | Channel       |
|-------------|---------------|
| 1           | 1-Throttle    |
| 2           | 2-Aileron     |
| 3           | 3-Elevator    |
| 4           | 4-Rudder      |
| 5           | 5-Flight Mode |
| 6           | 6-Panic       |
| 7           | 7-Flaps       |
| 8           | 8-Aux Channel |

#### DX6i

| DAGI       | DAGI              |  |  |
|------------|-------------------|--|--|
| SETUP LIST |                   |  |  |
| Model Type | HELI              |  |  |
| Swash Type | 1 servo<br>Normal |  |  |
| REVERSE    |                   |  |  |
| Channel    | Direction         |  |  |
| THR0       | N                 |  |  |
| AILE       | N                 |  |  |
| ELEV       | N                 |  |  |
| RUDD       | N                 |  |  |
| GYR0       | N                 |  |  |
| PITC       | R                 |  |  |
| Modulation | Туре              |  |  |
| AUTO DSM   | 1X-ENABLE         |  |  |
| D/R COMBI  |                   |  |  |
| D/R SW     | AILE              |  |  |
| Timer      |                   |  |  |
| Down Timer | 4:00              |  |  |

| ADJUST LIST    |         |  |  |  |
|----------------|---------|--|--|--|
| TRAVEL ADJ     |         |  |  |  |
| Channel Travel |         |  |  |  |
| THR0           | 100/100 |  |  |  |
| AILE           | 100/100 |  |  |  |
| ELEV           | 100/100 |  |  |  |
| RUDD           | 100/100 |  |  |  |
| GYR0           | 100/100 |  |  |  |
| PITC 100/100   |         |  |  |  |
| CVDO           |         |  |  |  |

| D/R & Expo |                 |     |     |  |  |  |
|------------|-----------------|-----|-----|--|--|--|
| Chan       | Sw Pos D/R Expo |     |     |  |  |  |
| AILE       | 0               | 100 | +25 |  |  |  |
| AILE       | 1               | 75  | +25 |  |  |  |
| ELEV       | 0               | 100 | +25 |  |  |  |
| CLEV       | 1               | 75  | +25 |  |  |  |
| RUDD       | 0               | 100 | +25 |  |  |  |
| עעטא       | 1               | 75  | +25 |  |  |  |
|            | Min d           |     |     |  |  |  |

| uinu           |           |       |   |  |
|----------------|-----------|-------|---|--|
| RATE           | SW-F.MODE |       |   |  |
| 0              | 88%       | NORM  | 0 |  |
| 1              | 12%       | STUNT | 1 |  |
| Throttle Curve |           |       |   |  |

| Mix 1      |         |            |
|------------|---------|------------|
| GYRO->GYRO | A       | CT         |
| Rate       | D+125%  | U+125%     |
| SW         | ELE D/R | TRIM - INH |

| Throttle Curve         |          |          |          |          |          |
|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Switch Pos<br>(F Mode) | Pos<br>1 | Pos<br>2 | Pos<br>3 | Pos<br>4 | Pos<br>5 |
| NORM                   | 0        | 48       | 66       | 75       | 80       |
| STUNT*                 | 80*      | 80*      | 80*      | 80*      | 80*      |
|                        |          |          |          |          |          |

| <b>Pitch Curve</b>     |          |          |          |          |          |
|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Switch Pos<br>(F Mode) | Pos<br>1 | Pos<br>2 | Pos<br>3 | Pos<br>4 | Pos<br>5 |
| NORM                   | 40       | 45       | 50       | 75       | 100      |
| STUNT                  | 0        | 25       | 50       | 75       | 100      |
| HOLD                   | 40       | 45       | 50       | 75       | 100      |
|                        |          |          |          |          |          |

#### **Panic Mode Operation**

ELEV D/R Switch

Switch

Sw Pos 0 = Panic Mode Off Sw Pos 1 = Panic Mode On

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Once the model has returned to level you must manually return the Panic Mode Switch to the off position and move the collective stick to 50%, otherwise the cyclic and tail rotor controls will be reduced.

#### Flight Mode Operation

Gear/F Mode Sw: Pos 0 = Stability Mode Gear/F Mode Sw: Pos 1 = Intermediate Mode

\* If you would like to have Agility Mode available instead of Intermediate Mode increase the Throttle Curve "STUNT" value to 100 in all positions.

## DX7s, DX8

Model Type

**SYSTEM SETUP** 

| HILLI        |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| 1 servo      |  |  |  |  |
| Normal       |  |  |  |  |
| F-Mode Setup |  |  |  |  |
| F Mode       |  |  |  |  |
| Hold         |  |  |  |  |
|              |  |  |  |  |
| Aux 2        |  |  |  |  |
| Gear         |  |  |  |  |
| INH          |  |  |  |  |
| Frame Rate   |  |  |  |  |
| 11ms         |  |  |  |  |
| DSMX         |  |  |  |  |
|              |  |  |  |  |

# FUNCTION LIST

| 00.10      | 00.10 00tap |         |  |  |  |
|------------|-------------|---------|--|--|--|
| Chan       | Travel      | Reverse |  |  |  |
| THR        | 100/100     | Normal  |  |  |  |
| AIL        | 100/100     | Normal  |  |  |  |
| ELE        | 100/100     | Normal  |  |  |  |
| RUD        | 100/100     | Normal  |  |  |  |
| D/D 9 Evno |             |         |  |  |  |

|        | П  | Chan | Travel  | Reverse |
|--------|----|------|---------|---------|
|        | П  | GER  | 100/100 | Normal  |
| ١      | П  | PIT  | 100/100 | Normal  |
| Ī      | П  | AX2  | 100/100 | Normal  |
| $\neg$ | Ι' |      |         |         |

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|---------------|-------------------------|---------|------|--|
| Chan          | Switch Pos<br>(Ail D/R) | D/R     | Expo |  |
|               | 0                       | 100/100 | +25  |  |
| AILE          | 1                       | 75/75   | +25  |  |
|               | 2                       | 75/75   | +25  |  |
|               | 0                       | 100/100 | +25  |  |
| ELEV          | 1                       | 75/75   | +25  |  |
|               | 2                       | 75/75   | +25  |  |
|               | 0                       | 100/100 | +25  |  |
| RUDD          | 1                       | 75/75   | +25  |  |
|               | 2                       | 75/75   | +25  |  |
| Throttle Hold |                         |         |      |  |

| Throttle Curve         |     |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------|-----|------|------|------|------|
| Switch Pos<br>(F Mode) |     | Pt 2 | Pt 3 | Pt 4 | Pt 5 |
| N                      | 0   | 48   | 66   | 75   | 80   |
| 1                      | 80  | 80   | 80   | 80   | 80   |
| 2                      | 100 | 100  | 100  | 100  | 100  |

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|-----|------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
|     | Switch Pos<br>(F Mode) | Pt 1 | Pt 2 | Pt 3 | Pt 4 | Pt 5 |
|     | N                      | 40   | 45   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
|     | 1                      | 0    | 25   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
|     | 2                      | 0    | 25   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
|     | HOLD                   | 40   | 45   | 50   | 75   | 100  |

#### **Panic Mode Operation**

Trainer/Bind Button
Pressed = Panic Mode On
Released = Panic Mode Off

#### Flight Mode Operation

Throttle

F MODE Sw: Pos 0 = Stability Mode

Pos 1 = Intermediate Mode Pos 2 = Agility Mode

| Timer |              |  |  |
|-------|--------------|--|--|
| Mode  | Count Down   |  |  |
| Time  | 4:00 Tone    |  |  |
| Start | Throttle Out |  |  |
| 0ver  | 25%          |  |  |

#### **SYSTEM SETUP Model Type** HELI **Swash Type** Normal F-Mode Setup Switch 1 Switch B Switch 2

Inhibit

| Hold Switch    | Switch H             |  |  |
|----------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Channel Assign |                      |  |  |
| Channel Inpu   | Channel Input Config |  |  |
| 1 Throttle     |                      |  |  |
| 2 Aileron      |                      |  |  |
| 3 Elevator     |                      |  |  |
| 4 Rudder       |                      |  |  |
| 5 Flight Mode  | Switch B             |  |  |
| 6 Collective   |                      |  |  |

| Frame Rate |  |  |
|------------|--|--|
| 11ms       |  |  |
| DSMX       |  |  |
|            |  |  |

#### **FUNCTION LIST**

| Servo Setup |         |         |  |  |
|-------------|---------|---------|--|--|
| Chan        | Travel  | Reverse |  |  |
| THR         | 100/100 | Normal  |  |  |
| AIL         | 100/100 | Normal  |  |  |
| ELE         | 100/100 | Normal  |  |  |

| D/R & Expo |                             |         |   |  |  |
|------------|-----------------------------|---------|---|--|--|
| Chan       | Chan Switch (F) Pos D/R Exp |         |   |  |  |
| AILE       | 0                           | 100/100 | 0 |  |  |
| AILE       | 1                           | 75/75   | 0 |  |  |
| ELEV       | 0                           | 100/100 | 0 |  |  |
| ELEV       | 1                           | 75/75   | 0 |  |  |
| RUDD       | 0                           | 100/100 | 0 |  |  |
|            | 1                           | 75/75   | 0 |  |  |
| Gyro       |                             |         |   |  |  |
| Inhibit    |                             |         |   |  |  |

| IIIIIIDIL |              |  |  |  |
|-----------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Timer     |              |  |  |  |
| Mode      | Count Down   |  |  |  |
| Time      | 4:00         |  |  |  |
| Start     | Throttle Out |  |  |  |
| 0ver      | 25%          |  |  |  |

| Chan | Travel  | Reverse |
|------|---------|---------|
| RUD  | 100/100 | Normal  |
| GER  | 100/100 | Normal  |
| PIT  | 100/100 | Normal  |
|      |         |         |

| Throttle Curve |      |      |      |      |      |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Switch (B) Pos | Pt 1 | Pt 2 | Pt 3 | Pt 4 | Pt 5 |
| N              | 0    | 48   | 66   | 75   | 80   |
| 1              | 80   | 80   | 80   | 80   | 80   |
| 2              | 100  | 100  | 100  | 100  | 100  |
| HOLD           | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| Ditab Curvo    |      |      |      |      |      |

| Pitch Curve    |      |      |      |      |      |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Switch (B) Pos | Pt 1 | Pt 2 | Pt 3 | Pt 4 | Pt 5 |
| N              | 40   | 45   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
| 1              | 0    | 25   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
| 2              | 0    | 25   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
| HOLD           | 40   | 45   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
|                |      |      |      |      |      |

| Mixing   |          |          |     |
|----------|----------|----------|-----|
|          | N        | ormal    |     |
|          | Channels | -l- >    | Ger |
| P-Mix 1  | Rate     | 0/-125   |     |
| F-WIIX I | Offset   | 10       | 00  |
|          | Switch   | Switch I |     |
|          | Position | 0        | 1   |

#### **Panic Mode Operation**

**SYSTEM SETUP** 

Bind / I Button: Pressed = Panic Mode On Released = Panic Mode Off

## Inhibit **Flight Mode Operation**

Sw B: Pos 0 = Stability Mode Pos 1 = Intermediate Mode

Pos 2 = Agility Mode

## DX6e, DX7 (gen2), DX8 (gen2), DX9, DX18, DX20

| Model Type        | HELI    |  |
|-------------------|---------|--|
| Swash Type        | Normal  |  |
| F-Mode Setup      |         |  |
| Switch 1 Switch E |         |  |
| Switch 2          | Inhibit |  |
|                   |         |  |

Hold Switch Switch H

| Channel Assign       |          |  |
|----------------------|----------|--|
| Channel Input Config |          |  |
| 1 Throttle           |          |  |
| 2 Aileron            |          |  |
| 3 Elevator           |          |  |
| 4 Rudder             |          |  |
| 5 Gear               | Switch B |  |
| 6 Collective         |          |  |
| 7 AUX 2 Switch I     |          |  |
| Frame Rate           |          |  |

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|---|--------------|
|   | 11ms         |
|   | DSMX         |
|   |              |

#### **Panic Mode Operation** Bind / I Button

Pressed = Panic Mode On Released = Panic Mode Off

## **FUNCTION LIST** Servo Setup

One Time

| Chan | Travel  | Reverse |  |
|------|---------|---------|--|
| THR  | 100/100 | Normal  |  |
| AIL  | 100/100 | Normal  |  |
| ELE  | 100/100 | Normal  |  |
| RUD  | 100/100 | Normal  |  |
| GER  | 100/100 | Normal  |  |
|      |         |         |  |

| D/R & Expo |            |         |      |
|------------|------------|---------|------|
| Chan       | Sw (F) Pos | D/R     | Expo |
|            | 0          | 100/100 | +25  |
| AILE       | 1          | 75/75   | +25  |
|            | 2          | 75/75   | +25  |
|            | 0          | 100/100 | +25  |
| ELEV       | 1          | 75/75   | +25  |
|            | 2          | 75/75   | +25  |
|            | 0          | 100/100 | +25  |
| RUDD       | 1          | 75/75   | +25  |
|            | 2          | 75/75   | +25  |

| Gyro |         |
|------|---------|
|      | Inhibit |
|      |         |

#### Flight Mode Operation

Sw B: Pos 0 = Stability Mode Pos 1 = Intermediate Mode Pos 2 = Agility Mode

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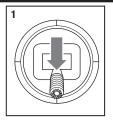
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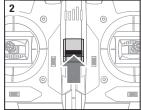
**Throttle Curve** 

| OW (D) 1 00        |      | 11.2 |      | 11.4 |      |
|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| N                  | 0    | 48   | 66   | 75   | 80   |
| 1                  | 80   | 80   | 80   | 80   | 80   |
| 2                  | 100  | 100  | 100  | 100  | 100  |
| <b>Pitch Curve</b> |      |      |      |      |      |
| Sw (B) Pos         | Pt 1 | Pt 2 | Pt 3 | Pt 4 | Pt 5 |
| N                  | 40   | 45   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
| 1                  | 0    | 25   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
| 2                  | 0    | 25   | 50   | 75   | 100  |
| HOLD               | 40   | 45   | 50   | 75   | 100  |

| Timer    |              |
|----------|--------------|
| Mode     | Count Down   |
| Time     | 4:00         |
| Start    | Throttle Out |
| Over     | 25%          |
| One Time | Inhibit      |
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## Installing the Flight Battery





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- 1. Lower the throttle stick to the lowest position.
- 2. Power ON the transmitter.
- Center all trims. For the included MLP6 transmitter (RTF only), the trims are centered when you hear a longer tone while pressing the trim button. Move the trim in both directions until you hear the long tone.
- 4. Attach the hook material to the helicopter frame and the loop material to the flight battery.
- Install the flight battery on the helicopter frame.Secure the flight battery with the hook and loop strap.

**NOTICE:** If the flight battery hook and loop strap is pulled too tight, it may result in a vibration or the tail rotor may drift to the right during flight. If you experience either of these issues, loosen the strap slightly and fly again.

6. Connect the battery connector to the ESC, noting correct polarity.

**CAUTION:** Connecting the battery to the ESC with reversed polarity will cause damage to the ESC, the battery or both. Damage caused by incorrectly connecting the battery is not covered under warranty.

Place the helicopter on a flat surface and leave it still until the ESC beeps and the receiver LED glows solid, indicating initialization is complete.

If you experience issues during initialization, refer to the Troubleshooting Guide at the back of the manual.

CAUTION: Always disconnect the Li-Po battery from the aircraft when not flying to avoid over-discharging the battery. Batteries discharged to a voltage lower than the lowest approved voltage may become damaged, resulting in loss of performance and potential fire when batteries are charged.

## **Transmitter and Receiver Binding**

This product requires an approved Spektrum DSM2®/DSMX® compatible transmitter. Visit *www.bindnfly.com* for a complete list of approved transmitters. Your RTF transmitter comes prebound to the model. If you need to re-bind, follow the directions below.

#### General Binding Procedure

- 1. Disconnect the flight battery from the helicopter.
- 2. If you are not using the transmitter included with the RTF version of the helicopter, refer to the Transmitter Setup Table to correctly program your transmitter.
- 3. Lower the throttle stick to the lowest position. Set all trims to the center position while the transmitter is on.
- 4. Power off the transmitter and move all switches to the 0 position. Move the throttle to the low/off position.
- 5. Install the bind plug in the bind port extension.
- 6. Connect the flight battery to the ESC. The receiver LED flashes, indicating it is in bind mode.
- 7. Power on the transmitter in bind mode.

To enter bind mode in the RTF transmitter, press and hold the bind switch while powering on the transmitter. The transmitter will beep and the LED will blink. Release the bind switch.

- 8. The helicopter is bound when the LED on the receiver turns solid.
- 9. Disconnect the flight battery, remove the bind plug and power the transmitter off.

If you encounter problems, obey binding instructions and refer to the troubleshooting guide for other instructions. If needed, contact the appropriate Horizon Product Support office.

CAUTION: When using a Futaba® transmitter with a Spektrum™ DSM2® module, you must reverse the throttle channel and re-bind. Refer to your Spektrum module manual for binding and failsafe instructions. Refer to your Futaba transmitter manual for instructions on reversing the throttle channel.

#### Throttle Hold

Throttle hold is used to prevent the motor from powering on inadvertently. For safety, turn throttle hold ON any time you need to touch the helicopter or check the direction controls.

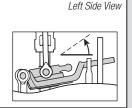
Throttle hold is also used to turn off the motor quickly if the helicopter is out of control, in danger of crashing, or both. The blades will continue to spin briefly when throttle hold is activated. Pitch and direction control is still maintained.

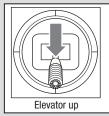
#### **Control Tests**

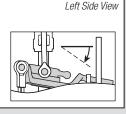
Ensure the throttle hold is ON when doing the direction control tests. Test the controls prior to the first flight to ensure the servos, linkages and parts operate correctly.

If the controls do not react as shown in the illustrations below, confirm the transmitter is programmed correctly before continuing on to the Motor test.

# Elevator Elevator down

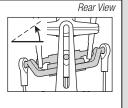


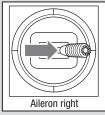




#### Aileron



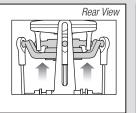


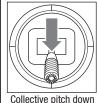


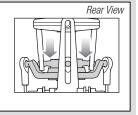


#### **Collective Pitch**









#### Motor

Place the helicopter outdoors on a clean, flat and level surface (concrete or asphalt) free of obstructions. Always stay clear of moving rotor blades.

**CAUTION:** Keep pets and other animals away from the helicopter. Animals may injure themselves if they attack or run toward the helicopter.

- 1. Both motors beep 3 times when the helicopter's ESC arms properly. Before you continue, confirm that throttle is at full low position.
- 2. Turn Throttle Hold OFF.

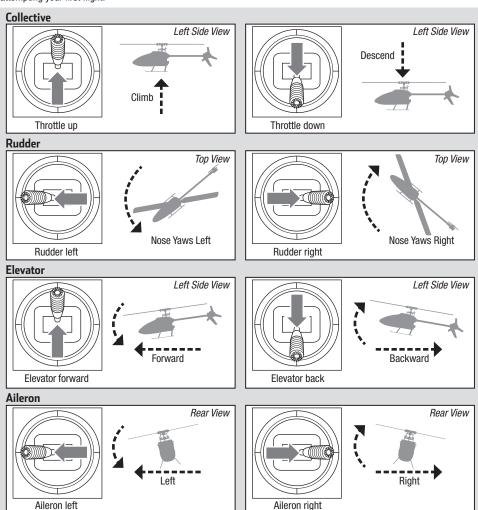
WARNING: Stay at least 30 feet (10 meters) away from the helicopter when the motor is running. Do not attempt to fly the helicopter at this time.

3. Slowly increase the throttle until the blades begin to spin. The main blades should spin clockwise when viewing the helicopter from the top. The tail rotor blades should spin counterclockwise when viewing the helicopter from the right side.

**NOTICE:** If the main rotor blades are spinning counterclockwise, reduce the throttle to low immediately. Disconnect the battery from the helicopter and reverse any two motor wire connections to the ESC and repeat the motor control test.

## **Understanding the Primary Flight Controls**

If you are not familiar with the controls of your 130 S, take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with them before attempting your first flight.



#### Rate Selection

Change rates by moving the two-position dual rate switch.

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 Low rate reduces the control rates, providing an easier to fly model. Beginners should use low rate for initial flights. • High rate provides full control and should be used by intermediate and experience pilots.

## Flight Mode Description

In **Stability Mode** the helicopter flies similarly to a fixed pitch helicopter. The bank angle is limited. When the cyclic stick is released the model will return to level.

In Intermediate Mode the bank angle is not limited. When the cyclic stick is released the model will not return to level. The head speed is slightly lower. The controls have a "softer" feel. This mode is great for learning forward flight and basic aerobatics such as stall turns and loops.

In **Agility Mode** the bank angle is not limited. When the cyclic stick is released the model will not return to level. The head speed is higher. This mode is great for 3D aerobatics such as stationary flips and tic tocs.

## Panic Recovery

If you get into distress while flying in any mode, push and hold the Bind/Panic Switch and move the control sticks to their neutral position. SAFE technology will immediately return the aircraft to an upright level attitude, if the aircraft is at a sufficient height with no obstacles in its path.

**NOTICE:** Do not activate Panic Recovery if the helicopter does not have sufficient altitude for a successful recovery.

Return the collective stick to 50% and release the Panic Switch to turn off Panic Recovery and return to the current flight mode.

**NOTICE:** Before releasing the panic switch, make sure the collective stick has been returned to the 50% position. Once the panic switch has been released, full negative collective becomes available, which could cause the 130 S to descend rapidly.

- Panic Recovery is intended to provide the pilot with the confidence to continue to improve their flight skills.
- Move the collective stick to 50% and return all other transmitter controls to neutral for the quickest recovery.
- Once the model has reached a level upright attitude, the negative collective is reduced to prevent the user from pushing the model into the ground.

## Flying the 130 S

Consult your local laws and ordinances before choosing a location to fly your aircraft.

If this is your first collective pitch helicopter, we suggest getting assistance from an experienced helicopter pilot or flying club until you are comfortable flying alone.

We recommend flying your aircraft outside in calm winds or inside a large gymnasium. Always avoid flying near houses, trees, wires and buildings. You should also be careful to avoid flying in areas where there are many people, such as busy parks, schoolyards or soccer fields. It is best to fly from a smooth flat surface as this will allow the model to slide without tipping over. Keep the helicopter approximately 2 ft (600mm) above the ground. Keep the tail pointed toward you during initial flights to keep the control orientation consistent. Releasing the stick in Stability Mode will allow the helicopter to level itself. Activating the Panic Recovery button will level the helicopter quickly. If you become disoriented while in Stability Mode, slowly lower the throttle stick to land softly.

During initial flights, only attempt takeoff, landing and hovering in one spot.

#### **Takeoff**

**NOTICE:** If the main motor or tail motor do not startup properly when throttle is first applied, immediately return the throttle to idle and try again. If the problem persists, disconnect the flight battery, check for binding in the gear train and ensure no wires have become entangled within the gears.

Place the model onto a flat, level surface free of obstacles and walk back 30 feet (10 meters). Slowly increase the throttle until the model is approximately 2 ft. (600mm) off the ground and check the trim so the model flies as desired. Once the trim is adjusted, begin flying the model.

#### Hovering

Making small corrections on the transmitter, try to hold the helicopter in one spot. If flying in calm winds, the model should require almost no corrective inputs. After moving the cyclic stick and returning it to center, the model should level itself. The model may continue to move due to inertia. Move the cycle stick in the opposite direction to stop the movement.

After you become comfortable hovering, you can progress into flying the model to different locations, keeping the tail pointed towards you at all times. You can also ascend and descend using the throttle stick. Once you're comfortable with these maneuvers, you can attempt flying with the tail in different orientations. It is important to keep in mind that the flight control inputs will rotate with the helicopter, so always try to picture the control inputs relative to the nose of the helicopter. For example, forward will always drop the nose of the helicopter.

The average flight time of the helicopter using the recommended battery is approximately 4 minutes.

## Low Voltage Cutoff (LVC)

LVC decreases the power to the motors when the battery voltage gets low. When the motor power decreases and the LED on the ESC flashes, land the aircraft immediately and recharge the flight battery.

LVC does not prevent the battery from over-discharge during storage.

**NOTICE:** Repeated flying to LVC may damage the battery.

## Landing

To land, slowly decrease the throttle while in a low-level hover. After landing, disconnect and remove the battery from the aircraft after use to prevent trickle discharge. Fully charge your battery before storing it. During storage, make sure the battery charge does not fall below 3V per cell.

## Advanced Settings

The 130 S default settings are appropriate for most users. We recommend flying with the default parameters before making any adjustments.

WARNING: To ensure your safety, always disconnect the motor wires from the ESC before performing the following steps. After you have completed the adjustments, reconnect the motor wires to the ESC before attempting to fly the model.

#### **Gain Parameters**

#### 1. Cyclic P Gain Adjustment (Default 100%)

Higher gain will result in greater stability. Setting the gain too high may result in random twitches if your model has an excessive level of vibration. High frequency oscillations may also occur if the gain is set too high. Lower gain will result in less stability. Too low of a value may result in a less stable model, particularly outdoors in winds

If you are located at a higher altitude or in a warmer climate, higher gains may be beneficial—the opposite is true for lower altitude or colder climates.

#### 2. Cyclic I Gain Adjustment (Default 100%)

Higher gain will result in the model remaining still, but may cause low frequency oscillations if increased too far. Lower gain will result in the model drifting slowly.

If you are located at a higher altitude or in a warmer climate, higher gains may be beneficial—the opposite is true for lower altitude or colder climates.

#### 3. Cyclic D Gain Adjustment (Default 100%)

Higher gain will improve the response rate of your inputs. If the gain is raised too much, high frequency oscillations may occur.

Lower gain will slow down the response to inputs.

#### 4. Cyclic Response (Default 100%)

Higher cyclic response will result in a more aggressive cyclic response.

Lower cyclic response will result in a less aggressive cyclic response.

#### 5. Tailrotor P Gain Adjustment (Default 100%)

Higher gain will result in greater stability. Setting the gain too high may result in random twitches if your model has an excessive level of vibration. High frequency oscillations may also occur if the gain is set too high.

Lower gain may result in a decrease in stability. Too low of a value may result in a less stable model particularly outdoors in winds.

If you are located at a higher altitude or in a warmer climate, higher gains may be beneficial—the opposite is true for lower altitude or colder climates.

#### 6. Tailrotor I Gain Adjustment (Default 100%)

Higher gain results in the tail remaining still. If the gain is raised too far, low speed oscillations may occur. Lower gain will result in the tail drifting in flight over time.

If you are located at a higher altitude or in a warmer climate, higher gains may be beneficial—the opposite is true for lower altitude or colder climates.

#### 7. Tailrotor D Gain Adjustment (Default 100%)

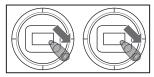
Higher gain will improve the response rate to your inputs. If raised too far, high frequency oscillations may occur. Lower gain will slow down the response to inputs, but will not have an effect on stability.

#### 8. Tailrotor Adaptive Filtering

Higher gain will reduce oscillations during high speed flight and when using large amounts of collective. Lower gain will improve tail performance but may lead to tail oscillations.

#### **Entering Gain Adjustment Mode**

- 1. Lower the throttle stick to the lowest position.
- Power ON the transmitter.
- 3. Install the flight battery on the helicopter frame, securing it with the hook and loop strap.
- 4. Connect the battery connector to the ESC.
- Place the helicopter on a flat surface and leave it still until the orange receiver LED glows solid, indicating initialization is complete.
- Move and hold both transmitter sticks to the bottom right corner as shown.

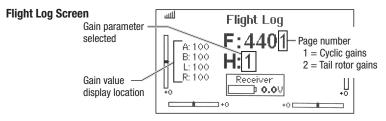


- Press and hold the bind/panic switch until the swash servos move.
- 8. Release the sticks and the bind/panic switch. The model is now in Gain Adjustment Mode.
- Proceed to Adjusting the Gain Values to make any desired changes.

#### **Adjusting the Gain Values**

If you are using a Spektrum™ telemetry-enabled transmitter, the gain adjustments can be viewed on the Flight Log screen. Refer to your transmitter instructions to locate this screen. The gain parameter currently selected will flash

on the transmitter screen. If you are not using a Spektrum telemetry-enabled transmitter, the parameter and gain values are indicated by the position of the swashplate on the helicopter.



Once you have entered Gain Adjustment Mode, move the cyclic stick right and left to select the gain parameter to adjust. Moving the stick right will select the next parameter. Moving the stick left will select the previous parameter.

The selected gain parameter is indicated on the Flight Log screen above and by the lean of the swashplate on the roll axis as shown in the table at the right.

| Parameter # | Display<br>location | Swash Position    | Page # |
|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------|
| 1           | A 100% to the Left  |                   | 1      |
| 2           | В                   | B 70% to the Left |        |
| 3           | L 40% to the L      |                   | 1      |
| 4           | R                   | 10% to the Left   | 1      |
| 5           | Α                   | 10% to the Right  | 2      |
| 6 B         |                     | 40% to the Right  | 2      |
| 7           | 7 L 70              |                   | 2      |
| 8           | R                   | 100% to the Right | 2      |

The current gain value for the selected parameter is indicated on the Flight Log screen and by the angle of the swashplate (forward or backward) as shown in the table at the right.

Move the cyclic stick forward or backward to adjust the gain value. Moving the stick *forward* will increase the gain value. Moving the stick *backward* will decrease the gain value.

It is always best to adjust one gain at a time. Make small adjustments (5% or less) and test fly the model to evaluate the adjustments that were made.

If you would like to reset the current gain value to the default value of 100%, move and hold the rudder stick full right for 1 second. The swash will level on the pitch axis, indicating a 100% gain setting.

| Swash Position             | Gain Value |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Full backward              | 0%         |
| 50% backward               | 50%        |
| Level forward and backward | 100%       |
| 50% forward                | 150%       |
| Full forward               | 200%       |

#### Saving the Gain Adjustments

- Lower the throttle stick to the lowest position and release the sticks
- 2. Press and hold switch I until the swash servos move.
- 3. Release switch I to save the gain adjustments.
- 4. Reconnect the main drive motor to the ESC. Your model is now ready for flight.

## Servo Adjustment

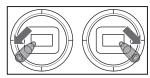
Your helicopter was setup at the factory and test flown. The servo adjustment steps are usually only necessary in special circumstances, such as after a crash or if a servo or linkage is replaced.

**Entering Servo Adjustment Mode** 

- 1. Lower the throttle stick to the lowest position.
- 2. Power ON the transmitter.
- 3. Install the flight battery on the helicopter frame, securing it with the hook and loop strap.
- 4. Connect the battery connector to the ESC.
- Place the helicopter on a flat surface and leave it still until the orange receiver LED glows solid, indicating initialization is complete.

WARNING: To ensure your safety, always disconnect the motor wires from the ESC before performing the following steps. After you have completed the adjustments, reconnect the motor wires to the ESC before attempting to fly the model.

Hold the left stick to the bottom left corner and the right stick to the bottom right corner as shown.



- Hold the bind/panic switch until the swash servos move.
- Release the sticks and the bind/panic switch. The model is now in Servo Adjustment Mode.
- Proceed to Adjusting the Servo Neutral Position to make any desired changes.

## **Adjusting the Servo Neutral Position**

With the model in Servo Adjustment Mode, the control stick and gyro inputs are disabled and the servos are held in the neutral position. Check the position of the servo arms to see if they are perpendicular to the servos.

- If the arms are perpendicular to the servos, no adjustment is necessary.
   Exit Servo Adjustment Mode.
- If one or more servo arm is not perpendicular to the servos, continue the servo adjustment process.

While watching the swashplate servos, apply right cyclic and release. One of the servos will jump, indicating which servo is selected. Press right cyclic and release until the servo that needs to be adjusted is selected.

Once the servo you wish to adjust is selected, move the cyclic stick forward or backward to adjust the servo neutral position in the desired direction.

If you would like to reset the current servo to the default neutral position, hold the rudder stick full right for 1 second

The range of adjustment is limited. If you are unable to adjust the servo arm to be perpendicular to the servo, you must reset the servo to the default neutral position, remove the servo arm and place it back onto the servo as close to perpendicular as possible. You may then adjust the servo neutral position using the forward/backward cyclic stick.

## **Saving the Servo Adjustments**

Before saving your adjustments and exiting servo adjustment mode, verify the swashplate is level and both main rotor blades are at 0 degrees. If they are not, make linkage adjustments as necessary.

- Lower the throttle stick to the lowest position and release the sticks.
- Press and hold switch Luntil the swash servos move.
- 3. Release switch I to save the servo adjustments.
- 4. Reconnect the main drive motor to the ESC. Your model is now ready for flight.

All of the settings are stored internally, so your adjustments will be maintained each time you initialize the model.

## Trim Flight

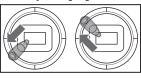
Perform this procedure if the model is not performing well or has been recently rebuilt from a crash.

The trim flight procedure was performed during the factory test flight and only needs to be performed if you notice the model is not returning to level consistently or if the model does not remain still during stationary pirouettes. The trim flight is used to determine the optimal settings for SAFE® technology during flight.

The trim flight must be performed in calm conditions.

#### **Entering Trim Flight Mode**

- 1. Lower the throttle stick to the lowest position.
- Center all trims. For the included Spektrum MLP6 transmitter (RTF only), the trims are centered when you hear a higher pitched beep while pressing the trim button. Move the trim in both directions until you hear the high-pitched beep.
- 3. Power ON the transmitter.
- 4. Install the flight battery in the helicopter.
- 5. Connect the battery connector to the ESC.
- Place the helicopter on a flat surface and leave it still until the motor beeps twice and the blue ESC LED glows solid, indicating initialization is complete.
- 7. Place the helicopter where you are going to take off.
- 8. Move and hold the left stick to the bottom left corner and the right stick to the top left corner as shown.



- Press and hold the bind/panic switch until the swashplate rotates around once.
- 10. Release the sticks and bind/panic switch.
- 11. The model is ready for the trim flight.

## **Performing the Trim Flight**

- Slowly increase the throttle to lift the model into a stationary hover. Make corrections as necessary to keep the model still. Evaluation does not begin until the throttle stick is over 50% and the sticks are centered. Making corrections will not affect the result but a longer flight may be necessary.
- Keep the model stationary in a hover for a total of 30 seconds. Sliding and slow movements are okay. The main goal is to keep the rotor disk level.
- 3. Once you are satisfied with the trim flight, land the model.

## **Exiting Trim Flight Mode**

- 1. After landing, lower the throttle stick to the lowest position.
- Press and hold the bind/panic switch for 2 seconds, or until the swashplate twitches, indicating the servo positions and attitude values have been recorded and trim flight mode has been exited.

#### Flight Test

After performing the trim flight, test-fly the model to evaluate the leveling characteristics.

- The model should return to level flight consistently.
- During takeoff, the model should lift off with minimal corrections.
- During a hover, the control stick should remain close to center. Small corrections are acceptable.

If the model performs poorly or does not level properly after the trim flight, retry the entire

trim flight procedure. If the problem persists, inspect the model for damaged components,

a bent shaft or anything that may result in increased vibration. The trim flight may not record the correct values due to excessive vibration, flying in wind or the model not staying level. In these cases, shorter trim flights may be necessary. Try the 30-second, level trim flight without corrections mentioned above first. If the leveling characteristics are not satisfactory, gradually shorten the trim flights, checking for improvements until the model performs as described.

#### Calibration Procedure

If the Blade 130 S is experiencing drift issues after completing the trim flight procedure located at www.bladehelis.com, perform the following calibration. The calibration procedure may also be needed following crash repairs.

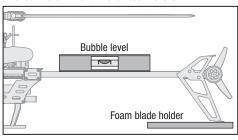
To perform the calibration procedure below, the Spektrum<sup>TM</sup> AR636 receiver installed in the Blade 130 S must have the most recent firmware. Receiver firmware updates and instructions are available under "PC Firmware Updates" at www.spektrumrc.com/technology/AS3X.aspx. The transmitter/receiver programming cable (SPMA3065) is required to update the receiver firmware.



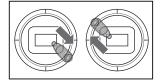
**WARNING:** Before beginning the calibration procedure, disconnect the main motor and tail motor leads to prevent accidental motor startup during calibration.

To perform the calibration procedure:

- 1. Ensure the surface used for calibration is level.
- 2. Power on the transmitter and helicopter, allowing them to initialize.
- 3. Turn Throttle Hold ON.
- Ensure the main motor and tail motor leads are disconnected. Set the flight mode switch to Intermediate Mode (FM1).
- 5. Using a bubble level as shown below, level the helicopter by placing the Blade 130 S foam blade holder under the tail fin. Use additional items, as necessary, to build up under the tail fin until the tail boom is level.



6. Hold the left stick to the bottom right corner, the right stick to the upper left corner and press the bind button until



the LED on the receiver flashes once.

- 7. Release both sticks and the bind button.
- 8. The LED on the receiver will remain solid for 1-2 minutes while the calibration takes place. Do not move the helicopter until the calibration is completed. If the LED begins blinking rapidly, an error has occurred. Begin the calibration procedure again, starting with step 1.
- After the calibration is successfully completed, the receiver LED will blink slowly (2 seconds on, 2 seconds off).
- 10. Power the helicopter off.
- 11. Reconnect the main motor and tail motor wires.
- 12. Perform the trim flight procedure as shown in the Advanced Settings Addendum available at www.bladehelis.com.
- During subsequent flights after the trim flight, the helicopter should return to within 5 degrees of level consistently.

## Post-Flight Inspection and Maintenance Checklist

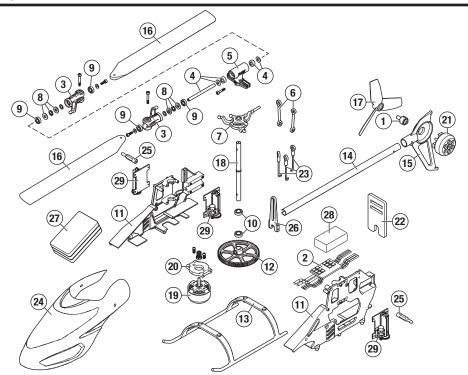
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|   | Ball Links                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Make sure the plastic ball link holds the control ball, but is not tight (binding) on the ball. When a link is too loose on the ball, it can separate from the ball during flight and cause a crash. Replace worn ball links before they fail. |  |
|   | Cleaning                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Make sure the battery is not connected before cleaning. Remove dust and debris with a soft brush or a dry, lint-free cloth.                                                                                                                    |  |
|   | <b>Bearing</b> s                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Replace bearings when they become notchy (sticky in places when turning) or draggy.                                                                                                                                                            |  |
|   | Wiring                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Make sure the wiring does not contact moving parts. Replace damaged wiring and loose connectors.                                                                                                                                               |  |
|   | Fasteners                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Make sure there are no loose screws, other fasteners or connectors. Do not over-tighten metal screws in plastic parts. Tighten screws so the parts are mated together, then turn the screw only 1/8th of a turn more                           |  |
|   | Rotors  Make sure there is no damage to rotor blades and other parts which move at high speed. Damage to these parts includes cracks, burrs, chips or scratches. Replace damaged parts before flying. Verify both main rotor blades have the correct and equal tension in the blade grips. When the helicopter is held up sideways, the main blades should support their own weight. When the helicopter is shaken lightly, the blades should fall. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
|   | Tail                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Inspect the tail rotor for damage and replace if necessary. Verify the tail motor bolts, tail rotor adapter bolts and tail motor mount bolts are properly tightened. Inspect the tail boom for any damage and replace if necessary.            |  |
|   | Mechanics  Inspect the main frame and landing gear for damage and replace if necessary. Check the mainshaft for vertical play and adjust the locking collar if necessary. Verify that the main gear mesh is correct and that no tight spots exist in the 360 degree rotation. Inspect all wires for damage and replace as necessary.                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |

## Troubleshooting Guide

| Problem                                                                                                                                                                                  | Possible Cause                                                                                     | Solution                                                                                                                                                                              |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Helicopter control response is inconsistent or requires extra trim to neutralize movement  Aircraft was not initialized properly or a vibration is interfering with the sensor operation |                                                                                                    | Disconnect the flight battery, center the control trim and re-initialize the helicopter                                                                                               |  |
| Helicopter will not                                                                                                                                                                      | Throttle too high and/or throttle trim is too high                                                 | Disconnect the flight battery, place the throttle stick in the lowest position and lower the throttle trim a few clicks. Connect the flight battery and allow the model to initialize |  |
| respond to throttle                                                                                                                                                                      | Helicopter moved during initialization                                                             | Disconnect the flight battery and re-initialize the helicopter while keeping the helicopter from moving                                                                               |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | Flight battery charge is low                                                                       | Completely recharge the flight battery                                                                                                                                                |  |
| Helicopter has reduced flight time or is underpowered                                                                                                                                    | Flight battery is damaged                                                                          | Replace the flight battery and follow the flight battery instructions                                                                                                                 |  |
| or is underpowered                                                                                                                                                                       | Flight conditions might be too cold                                                                | Make sure the battery is warm (room temperature) before use                                                                                                                           |  |
| LED on receiver flashes                                                                                                                                                                  | Transmitter too near aircraft during binding process                                               | Power off the transmitter. Move the transmitter a larger distance from the aircraft. Disconnect and reconnect the flight battery to the aircraft. Follow the binding instructions     |  |
| rapidly and aircraft will not respond to transmitter                                                                                                                                     | Bind switch or button was not held while transmitter was powered on                                | Power off transmitter and repeat bind process                                                                                                                                         |  |
| (during binding)                                                                                                                                                                         | Aircraft or transmitter is too close to large metal object, wireless source or another transmitter | Move aircraft and transmitter to another location and attempt binding again                                                                                                           |  |

| Problem                                                                                             | Possible Cause                                                                                                                   | Solution                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
|                                                                                                     | The bind plug was not removed from the receiver after binding                                                                    | Disconnect the flight battery, remove the bind plug from the receiver and reconnect the flight battery.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |
| LED on the receiver flashes                                                                         | Less than a 5-second wait<br>between first powering on the<br>transmitter and connecting the<br>flight battery to the helicopter | Leave the transmitter powered on. Disconnect and reconnect the flight battery to the helicopter                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |
| rapidly and the helicopter<br>will not respond to the<br>transmitter (after binding)                | The helicopter is bound to a different model memory (ModelMatch <sup>TM</sup> transmitters only)                                 | Select the correct model memory on the transmitter. Disconnect and reconnect the flight battery to the helicopter                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |
|                                                                                                     | Flight battery or transmitter battery charge is too low                                                                          | Replace or recharge batteries                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |
|                                                                                                     | Aircraft or transmitter is too close to large metal object, wireless source or another transmitter                               | Move aircraft and transmitter to another location and attempt connecting again                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
| Helicopter vibrates or shakes in flight                                                             | Damaged rotor blades, spindle or blade grips                                                                                     | Check main rotor blades and blade grips for cracks or chips. Replace damaged parts. Replace bent spindle                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |
| Random movements in flight Vibration                                                                |                                                                                                                                  | Verify the receiver is properly attached to the helicopter. Inspect mounting tape for damage. Verify that no wires are contacting the receiver. Inspect and balance all rotating components. Verify the main shaft and tail rotor adapter are not damaged or bent. Inspect mechanics for broken or damaged parts and replace as necessary                     |  |
| Tail oscillation/wag or poor performance Damaged tail rotor, main gear mesh, loose bolts, vibration |                                                                                                                                  | Verify that the boom support bolts are tight and the plastic boom support ends are properly adhered to the boom support rods. Inspect the tail rotor for damage. Verify that all bolts on the tail assembly are properly tightened. Verify main gear mesh and ensure no tight spots in the mesh through full rotation. Replace any damaged or worn components |  |
| Drift in calm winds                                                                                 | Vibration, damaged linkage,<br>damaged servo                                                                                     | Under normal operation the transmitter trims should not require adjustment and the center positions are memorized during initialization. If you find that trim adjustments are necessary after take off, verify the balance of all rotating components, ensure the linkages are not damaged and make sure the servos are in proper working condition          |  |
| Drift in wind Normal                                                                                |                                                                                                                                  | The model will drift with the wind but should remain level in flight. Simply hold the cyclic stick in the necessary position to keep the model stationary. The model must lean into the wind to remain stationary, if the model remains level then it will drift with the wind                                                                                |  |
| Panic Recovery or Return                                                                            | Model was not initialized on a level, still surface                                                                              | Re-initialize the model on a level and still surface                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |
| to Level does not level the model                                                                   | Model was not taken off of a level surface                                                                                       | Always lift off from a level surface                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |
|                                                                                                     | Battery strapped too tightly to the model                                                                                        | Loosen the battery strap                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |
| Severe vibration                                                                                    | Rotating component out of balance                                                                                                | Check the main shaft, tail rotor, main rotor blades, main frame and adapter for damage, replace as necessary. Vibration must be minimized for Panic Recovery and Return to Level functions to work properly                                                                                                                                                   |  |

## **Exploded View**



## **Parts Listings**

|    | Part #  | Description                              |
|----|---------|------------------------------------------|
|    | BLH9300 | 130 S RTF                                |
|    | BLH9350 | 130 S BNF                                |
| 1  | BLH2020 | Tail Rotor Hub Set                       |
| 2  | BLH9318 | Dual Brushless ESC Apache AH-64          |
| 3  | BLH3401 | Main Blade Grips: 180 CFX                |
| 4  | BLH3403 | Feathering Spindle Set: 180 CFX          |
| 5  | BLH3404 | Main Rotor Head Block: 180 CFX           |
| 6  | BLH3405 | Rotor Head Linkage Set: 180 CFX          |
| 7  | BLH3406 | Swashplate: 180 CFX                      |
| 8  | BLH3438 | 2.5x6x2.8mm Thrust Bearing: 180 CFX      |
| 9  | BLH3439 | 2.5x6x1.8mm Radial Bearing               |
| 10 | BLH3440 | 5x8x2mm Radial Bearing: 180 CFX          |
| 11 | BLH9301 | Main Frame: 130 S                        |
| 12 | BLH9302 | Main Gear (2): 130 S                     |
| 13 | BLH9303 | Landing Gear: 130 S                      |
| 14 | BLH9304 | Tail Boom (2): 130 S                     |
| 15 | BLH9305 | Vertical Tail Fin/Motor Mount Set: 130 S |

|    | Part #       | Description                           |  |
|----|--------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 16 | BLH9306      | Main Rotor Blades: 130 S              |  |
| 17 | BLH9307      | Tail Rotor Blade Set: 130 S           |  |
| 18 | BLH9308      | Main Shaft (2): 130 S                 |  |
| 19 | BLH9309      | Brushless Main Motor: 130 S           |  |
| 20 | BLH9310      | Main Motor Mount: 130 S               |  |
| 21 | BLH9311      | Brushless Tail Motor: 130 S           |  |
| 22 | BLH2025      | Main Blade Holder: 200 SRX            |  |
| 23 | BLH9313      | Servo Linkage Set: 130 S              |  |
| 24 | BLH9314      | Stock Canopy, Orange 130 S            |  |
| 24 | BLH9315      | Stock Canopy, Green: 130 S            |  |
| 25 | BLH9316      | Body Post Set: 130 S                  |  |
| 26 | BLH9317      | Anti-Rotation Bracket: 130 S          |  |
| 27 | EFLB3003SJ30 | E-flite 300mAh 3S 11.1V 30C LiPo, JST |  |
| 28 | SPMA3177     | Blade Replacement Receiver: 130 S     |  |
| 29 | SPMSH2045L   | 2.9g Linear Long Throw Servo: 130 S   |  |
|    | BLH9319      | Replacement RTF Transmitter           |  |
|    | BLH9319M1    | Replacement RTF Transmitter, Mode 1   |  |

#### **Optional Parts**

| Part #   | Description                            |  |
|----------|----------------------------------------|--|
| SPMA3065 | AS3X Programming Cable - USB Interface |  |
|          | DXe DSMX 6-Channel Transmitter Only    |  |
|          | DX6e DSMX 6-Channel Transmitter Only   |  |
|          | DX6 DSMX 6-Channel Transmitter Only    |  |
|          | DX7 DSMX 7-Channel Transmitter Only    |  |

| Part # | Description                           |  |  |
|--------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
|        | DX8 DSMX 8-Channel Transmitter Only   |  |  |
|        | DX9 DSMX 9-Channel Transmitter Only   |  |  |
|        | DX18 DSMX 18-Channel Transmitter Only |  |  |
|        | DX20 DSMX 20-Channel Transmitter Only |  |  |

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This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

CAUTION: Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

This product contains a radio transmitter with wireless technology which has been tested and found to be compliant with the applicable regulations governing a radio transmitter in the 2.400GHz to 2.4835GHz frequency range.

#### **Antenna Separation Distance**

When operating your Spektrum transmitter, please be sure to maintain a separation distance of at least 5 cm between your body (excluding fingers, hands, wrists, ankles and feet) and the antenna to meet RF exposure safety requirements as determined by FCC regulations. The following illustrations show the approximate



5 cm RF exposure area and typical hand placement when operating your Spektrum transmitter.

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#### Instructions for disposal of WEEE by users in the European Union



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