

Apprentice[®] STOL S 700mm

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Safety Precautions and Warnings

This model is controlled by a radio signal subject to interference from many sources outside of your control. Interference can cause momentary loss of flight control. As the user of this product, you are solely responsible for operating in a manner that does not endanger yourself and others or result in damage to the product or the property of others.

- NEVER operate the aircraft under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- **NEVER** place any portion of the model in your mouth as it could cause serious injury or even death.
- NEVER operate the aircraft with damaged wiring or components.
- NEVER touch moving parts.
- **NEVER** operate the aircraft in the rain.
- NEVER fly over people, roadways, structures, power lines or near airports.
- **NEVER** attempt to fly from a vehicle or from within a structure.
- NEVER perform maintenance on the aircraft with the battery installed.
- NEVER use a damaged or deformed battery.
- ALWAYS treat the motor and propeller as if they are armed and could start at any time.
- ALWAYS ensure the transmitter is secure before and while the aircraft is powered on.
- ALWAYS keep body parts and loose clothing well clear of the propeller/rotor blades.
- ALWAYS keep the aircraft securely restrained in case of accidental throttle activation.

- ALWAYS perform a maintenance check on the aircraft and transmitter prior to and after every flight to ensure airworthiness.
- ALWAYS operate the aircraft in open spaces, away from full-size vehicles, traffic and people.
- ALWAYS keep the aircraft in sight and under control.
- ALWAYS keep a safe distance in all directions around your model to avoid collisions or injury.
- ALWAYS fully reduce the throttle or activate throttle cut before a crash.
- ALWAYS keep the transmitter powered on when the aircraft is powered on.
- 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 use fully charged batteries.
- ALWAYS let parts cool after use before touching.
- ALWAYS keep moving parts clean.
- ALWAYS keep parts dry.
- ALWAYS remove batteries after use.

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Specifications			
Wingspan	27.6" (700mm)		
Length	19.29" (490mm)		
Weight*Without Battery: 4.9oz (140g) With Recommended 2S 300mAh Flight Battery: 5.5oz (157g)			

* The weight provided is for the aircraft and flight control components. No additional payload is allowed. MTOM is weight with recommended battery.

Included Equipment			
Receiver	Spektrum [™] AS6420A 6 Channel AS3X & SAFE Dual Protocol UMX receiver (SPMAS6420A)		
ESC	Aviar	n 6-Amp Smart Lite (SPMXAE06)	
Motor	1810	-2000Kv 12-Pole (SPMXAM2900)	
Propeller	6 x 3.5 (HBZ6105)		
Servos	 (2) Aileron, 2.2g High Torque Linear Servo (SPMSA203) (1) Elevator, 2.2g High Torque Linear Servo (SPMSA203) (1) Rudder, 2.2g High Torque Linear Servo (SPMSA203) 		
RTF Included Equipment			
Flight Battery		300mAh 2S 7.4v 30C LiPo; JST-PH 2.0 3-Pin (SPMX3002S30)	
Battery Charger		2S LiPo USB-C Charger (SPMXC0020)	
Transmitter Spektrum [™] SLT6LP 2.4GHz (SPMR1275)		Spektrum [™] SLT6LP 2.4GHz (SPMR1275)	
Transmitter Batteries 4 AA Alkaline		4 AA Alkaline	
RTF Required Equipment			
Power Supply USB		USB-C power supply and charge cable	
		BNF Required Equipment	
Flight Battery		300mAh 2S 7.4v LiPo; JST-PH 2.0 3-Pin	
Battery Charger		2S LiPo Charger	
Transmitter		Spektrum [™] DSMX Transmitter	
Optional Accessories			
SPMR6775		NX6 6 Ch Transmitter Only	
RFL1205D		RealFlight Trainer Edition Steam download	
SPMWS2000		WS2000 Wireless Simulator USB Dongle	
SPMXC2050		Smart S155 AC Charger, 1x55W	
SPMXCA326		Adapter: IC3 Battery / JST-PH Device	

Completion Guide

Scan the QR code to go to the product completion guide for information on other compatible batteries and chargers.



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Aircraft Components

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Aircraft Assembly

We recommend reading each section of this manual before proceeding with assembly per the steps outlined. We also recommend watching the entire assembly video by scanning this QR code or using this URL: www.horizonhobby.cc/ ApprenticeSTOLassembly.



Assembly Video

Landing Gear Installation

The Apprentice STOL S 700mm includes landing gear which does not require hardware to hold in place. Install the main landing gear assembly into the slot on the bottom of the fuselage.



Wing Installation

We recommend watching the "Wing Installation" chapter/section of the assembly video by scanning this QR code or using this URL: www.horizonhobby.cc/ApprenticeST0Lassembly.



Assembly vid

The wing of the Apprentice STOL S 700mm is secured to the fuselage using two thumb screws.

 Connect the aileron servo connectors to the servo connectors coming out of the fuselage. The left and right servos can be connected to either connector.

IMPORTANT: Ensure the servo connectors and the Y-harness are connected with the correct polarity. The connectors have a small tab on one side which must align with the corresponding socket in the Y-harness connectors. In addition, the wire colors should match between the servos and Y-harness.

2. Insert the tabs at the front of the wing into the forward fuselage, then lower the wing into place.

IMPORTANT: Ensure the aileron servo wires are not pinched between the wing and fuselage.

3. Insert the wing screws and secure the wing to the fuselage by tightening the thumb screws into place.

IMPORTANT: Do not over tighten.







Install the Transmitter Batteries

1. Remove the battery cover.

2. Install the included four AA batteries, noting proper polarity.

3. Reinstall the battery cover.

Low Battery Alarm

When the transmitter battery voltage drops below 4.7 volts, an alarm sounds and the voltage LEDs flash. Replace the batteries immediately. If the alarm sounds while flying, land your aircraft as soon as possible.

CAUTION: Do not attempt to recharge the included AA batteries. These batteries are not rechargeable. Charging non-rechargeable batteries may cause the batteries to burst, resulting in injury to persons and/or damage to property.

Transmitter Switches and LEDs

Bind/Panic Button: This button is used to control the Bind and Panic Recovery Mode functions.

See the Binding section for information on re-binding your transmitter and aircraft if necessary. The included transmitter comes bound to the receiver/ aircraft from the factory, therefore binding is not typically necessary. See the Sensor Assisted Flight Envelope (SAFE) Technology section for information about Panic Recovery mode.

Information about Panic Recovery mode.

Hi/Lo Rate Switch: This switch supports high and low rate functions on aileron, elevator and rudder channels.

We recommend using low rates when first learning to fly or for smooth and more precise maneuvering, and high rates for more aggressive maneuvers and aerobatics.

In the upper, or "HI" position, servo travel is 100% on these channels. In the lower, or "L0," position, servo travel decreases to 70%.

Flight Mode Switch: This switch is used to select the SAFE flight mode. See the Sensor Assisted Flight Envelope (SAFE) Technology section for information about the various SAFE flight modes.

Throttle Cut Switch: This switch activates throttle cut.

With the throttle cut on (switch position 1), throttle input from the throttle stick is deactivated. This safety feature ensures any accidental bump of the throttle stick will not activate the motor while the flight battery is connected.

With the throttle cut off (switch position 0), any position of the throttle stick above the lowest setting will activate the aircraft motor.

NOTICE: Always ensure the throttle stick is at the lowest setting before switching the throttle cut function off. Failure to do so will result in the motor activating.

LED and Audible Indications:

Flashing with beeps: The transmitter is in bind mode, because the bind button was held down while the transmitter was powered on. See the Binding section for more information.

Pulsates with one low tone beep every 2 seconds: The transmitter battery voltage has dropped below 4.7 volts. Replace the transmitter batteries immediately. If this happens while flying, land the aircraft as soon as possible. **Inactivity Alarm:** If the transmitter is left inactive for 10 minutes, it will begin to beep until the sticks are moved or the power is turned off.





Slide the power button to power the transmitter ON. The LED indicator will illuminate green when the transmitter is ON and transmitting. To power the transmitter OFF, slide the power button to the OFF position.



Charge the Aircraft Battery

Only use an appropriate LiPo charger to charge the included LiPo Battery.

1. Connect the charger to a suitable USB-C power supply with your USB-C cable (required, not included). The charger will work with most 5V mobile power sources or smartphone chargers with at least 1 amp of power output.

NOTICE: Charging the battery with a USB power port with less than 1 amp of power output can produce heat.

- 2. Connect the charge lead to the battery, noting correct polarity. Charging a fully discharged battery takes approximately 45–60 minutes. Charge times may vary depending on the power source.
- 3. Remove the battery from the charger when the charging cycle is complete.
- 4. Remove the charger from the power supply.



Installing the Flight Battery and Arming Electronic Speed Control (ESC)



CAUTION: Always keep hands away from the propeller. When armed, the motor will turn the propeller in response to any throttle movement.

1. Lower the transmitter throttle stick and turn on throttle cut. With the throttle cut on, throttle input from the throttle stick is deactivated. This safety feature ensures any accidental bump of the throttle stick will not activate the motor while the flight battery is connected.

IMPORTANT: If you connect the battery while the throttle is not at its lowest position, the ESC will not arm. Reduce throttle to the lowest setting for the ESC to arm.

- 2. Power on the transmitter, and wait at least 5 seconds before proceeding.
- 3. Lift from the front of the hatch, near the propeller, to remove the battery hatch.
- 4. Secure the flight battery in the battery compartment using the hook and loop material so the aircraft is balanced at the correct center of gravity (CG). See the Center of Gravity section for information on measuring the CG.
- 5. Connect the flight battery to the ESC connector, noting proper polarity.
- 6. Replace the battery hatch, ensuring the battery wires are not caught inbetween the hatch and the fuselage.
- 7. Keep the aircraft immobile while the SAFE system initializes.
- After the SAFE system initializes, the control surfaces will move back and forth, then come to neutral to indicate the SAFE system has initialized and is ready to operate.

IMPORTANT: If the aircraft is moved and does not complete initialization within approximately 30 seconds, disconnect and reconnect the flight battery to re-initialize the system.

IMPORTANT: AS3X technology in Experienced Mode is not active until you advance the throttle past 25%. Once it is active, the control surfaces may move on the aircraft. This is normal. The AS3X technology will remain active until the ESC is disconnected.

CAUTION: Always disconnect the Li-Po flight battery from the aircraft receiver when not flying to avoid over-discharging the battery.



Center of Gravity (CG)

An aircraft with the correct CG is balanced at a within a specific range for safe and stable flight. When flying in Beginner mode with the aircraft balanced properly, the aircraft should climb gradually at full power and fly level at 50–60% power with no elevator input.

After installing the battery (in the recommended position) and before powering on the ESC, verify the CG by supporting the aircraft upright on your fingertips 35-40mm back from the front edge of the wing, at the wing root.

- If the nose tilts down, move the flight battery back until the aircraft is level.
- If the nose tilts up, move the flight battery forward until the aircraft is level.

Scan the QR code to view the assembly video and the proper method to balance the aircraft.



Assembly Video







Control Direction Test



WARNING: Do not perform this or any other equipment test without turning on throttle cut. Serious injury or property damage could result from the motor starting inadvertently.

If the control surfaces do not respond as shown, DO NOT FLY. Refer to the Troubleshooting Guide for more information. If you need more assistance, contact the appropriate Horizon Hobby Product Support department.

- 1. Power on the transmitter.
- 2. Turn on throttle cut.
- 3. Set the flight mode switch to Experienced Mode.

IMPORTANT: Do NOT check the controls in the Beginner or Intermediate Modes.

- 4. Place the model on level ground away from obstacles.
- 5. Power on the aircraft, and wait for it to fully initialize.
- 6. Move the sticks on the transmitter as shown in the table and observe the control surfaces on the aircraft. Ensure the aircraft control surfaces respond as shown and return to neutral when the control input is released.
- 7. Check for any binding in the control surfaces.
- 8. With the aircraft on a smooth surface, roll the aircraft forward by hand. Push the rudder trim button on the transmitter left or right until the aircraft tracks straight.

TIP: The transmitter emits a faint beep with each click of the trim buttons in either direction. Holding the button in either direction quickly adjusts the trim several steps until the button is released or until the trim reaches the end of its travel. If the trim button does not beep when clicked, the trim is at the far end of its travel. Center trim is indicated by a slightly louder beep.

Centering the Control Surfaces

After checking for correct control surface movement, release the transmitter sticks. Check each of the control surfaces to make sure they are centered. If adjustments are required, see the Control Surface Centering section for details.





Before Your First Flight

Before attempting to fly this aircraft for the first time, we recommend using the RealFlight Trainer Edition RC Flight Simulator (RFL1205, Included with the RTF version, not with the Bind and Fly Basic version), along with the SLT6LP transmitter included with the RTF version to learn and practice the basics of flying. The included transmitter may be connected to a PC for simulator use with a standard USB-C cable. Featuring six popular Horizon Hobby trainer aircraft and built-in Virtual Flight Instructor lessons, new pilots can learn to fly successfully by practicing on a PC at home or on a laptop just about anywhere else!

We also encourage you to connect with experienced RC pilots in your area through hobby shops or at designated flying fields. And for those located in the United States, we recommend joining a national organization such as the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). The AMA can provide information on local clubs, instructors and established flying sites in your area in addition to insurance coverage. Visit www.modelaircraft.org for more information.





Choose a Flying Field

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

In order to have the most success and to protect your property and aircraft, it is very important to select a place to fly that is very open. We recommend consulting your local hobby shop for information on local flying fields and clubs. For customers in the United States, visit the Academy of Model Aeronautics at www.modelaircraft.org for more information on flying clubs.

Remember, this aircraft can reach significant speeds when flying and will cover ground very quickly. Plan on flying in an area that gives you more space than you think you need, especially during the initial flights.

Range Test

WARNING: While holding the aircraft during the range test, always keep body parts and loose items away from the motor. Failure to do so could cause personal injury.

Before each flying session, and especially with a new model, you should perform a range check.

The included Spektrum SLT transmitter incorporates a range check mode to reduce the output power of the transmitter. Follow the directions below to enter range check mode for the SLT transmitter:

- 1. With the throttle stick set to the lowest setting and throttle cut switch on, power on the transmitter for at least 5 seconds.
- 2. With the help of an assistant to hold the aircraft, connect the aircraft battery to the ESC connector. Keep the aircraft immobile for 5 seconds.
- 3. Face the model, holding the transmitter in your normal flying position.
- 4. Press and hold the bind button and toggle the dual rate switch up and down four times. The transmitter RGB LED will flash and the alarm will sound, indicating the system is in range check mode. Do not release the bind button until the range check is complete.

IMPORTANT: You must hold the bind button through the entire range check process. Releasing the button will exit range check mode.

5. With the model firmly restrained on the ground, stand approximately 30 paces away from the model.

TIP: In some aircraft, when the model is placed on the ground, the antenna(s) can be within inches of the ground. Close proximity of the antenna(s) to the ground can reduce the effectiveness of the range check. If you experience issues during the range check, restrain the model on a non-conductive stand or table up to 2ft (60cm) above the ground, then range check the system again.

- 6. Move the transmitter rudder, elevator, aileron and throttle controls to ensure they operate smoothly at approximately 30 paces. If control issues exist, do not attempt to fly. Refer to the Warranty and Service Contact Information table at the end of the this manual to contact Horizon Hobby product support.
- 7. When the range check is successfully completed, release the bind button to exit range check mode.

CAUTION: Due to reduced output power of the transmitter, NEVER attempt to fly while the transmitter is in range check mode. Loss of control will occur.

The chosen flying site should:

- Have a minimum of 1300 feet (400m) of clear space in all directions.
- Be free of trees, buildings, cars, power lines or anything that could entangle your aircraft or interfere with your line of sight.
- Be clear of people and pets.







Flight Control

IMPORTANT: Even though SAFE technology is a very helpful tool, the aircraft still needs to be flown manually. If incorrect input is given at lower altitudes or at slower speeds, the aircraft can crash. Study these control inputs and the aircraft response to each carefully before attempting your first flight. For first flights, set the SAFE flight mode switch to Beginner Mode (position 0). For smooth control of your aircraft, always make small corrections. All directions are described as if you were sitting in the aircraft.

Throttle, Faster or Slower

- Push the throttle stick forward to make the aircraft go faster and climb.
- Pull the throttle stick back to slow down and descend.

Elevator Up and Down

- Pull the elevator stick back to make the nose of the aircraft go up.
- Push the elevator stick forward to make the nose of the aircraft go down.

Aileron Right and Left

- Move the aileron stick right to make the aircraft roll or bank right.
- Move the aileron stick left to make the aircraft roll or bank left.

TIP: Always picture yourself in the aircraft when determining which way to bank the aircraft wings.

- When the aircraft is flying away from you, banking the aircraft right or left appears normal.
- When flying toward you, the aircraft will appear to bank the opposite direction to the control input given. This will become more instinctual with experience.

TIP: When flying toward yourself, if one of the wings drops, move the aileron stick toward the low wing to level the aircraft.

Rudder Right and Left

- Push the rudder stick right to yaw the aircraft nose to the right.
- Push the rudder stick left to yaw the aircraft nose to the left.

The rudder stick is also used to steer the aircraft left and right while taxiing on the ground.

TIP: Similar to aileron control, picture yourself in the aircraft to determine which direction to point the nose whether you are flying away from yourself or toward yourself.



Sensor Assisted Flight Envelope (SAFE) Technology

You control the help SAFE® technology provides while you learn to fly. As your flying skills grow, decrease SAFE technology assistance. Change aircraft response at any time by moving the Channel 5 (SAFE Flight mode) switch on your transmitter.

IMPORTANT: These instructions are for the included SLT6LP transmitter (or similar transmitters) with a 3-position switch for Channel 5. If you fly this aircraft with a Spektrum transmitter other than the included SLT6LP, refer to the Bind and Fly Transmitter Setup section of this manual.

Panic Recovery Mode

SAFE Flight Modes	Flight Mode Switch
Beginner Mode	Position 0
Intermediate Mode	Position 1
Experienced Mode	Position 2





If you get into distress while flying in any mode, press and hold the Panic / Trainer button and move the control sticks to their neutral position. The SAFE technology will return the aircraft to a stable attitude, if the aircraft is at a sufficient height with no obstacles in its path. Release the Panic Button to turn off Panic mode and return the current SAFE flight mode. If you get into trouble and need to go back to Beginner mode for maximum stability, remember to fully move back the Channel 5 switch.

Activating SAFE Technology

SAFE technology is not active until you advance the throttle past 25%. Once the SAFE technology is active, the control surfaces may move on the aircraft. This is normal. The SAFE technology will remain active until the ESC is turned off.

Understanding Oscillation

In some flight conditions, you may see oscillation. If oscillation occurs, decrease the airspeed. If oscillation still persists, refer to the Troubleshooting Guide for more information.



If there is oscillation in any mode, decrease throttle immediately. If oscillation persists, refer to the Troubleshooting Guide.

CAUTION: Beginner, Intermediate, and Panic modes are intended for the training environment. Flying continuous high-G maneuvers (such as loops) in Experienced mode for an extended period of time may lead to inconsistent flight envelope and Panic Recovery behavior. If this occurs, land in Experienced mode and power cycle the receiver before flying again.

Launch and Landing Assistance

Take off and landings can be better managed by using Beginner mode. If the model is launched incorrectly, or is landing at a less than perfect attitude, press and hold the Panic button. The model can correct and help to prevent a crash. See the Take Off and Landing sections in this manual.

IMPORTANT: A level runway is required for takeoffs in Beginner mode due to throttle climb assistance.



Failsafe

In the unlikely loss of radio connection, failsafe will place the aircraft in a descending circle to the ground, unless the radio connection is restored.



SAFE Technology makes this aircraft a better learning tool, but you must set yourself up for success in flying:

- SAFE technology is designed as flight assistance, not an autopilot. The pilot is always in control and required to fly the aircraft at all times
- Follow the instructions provided in this manual to maintain your aircraft in top flying condition
- Seek qualified model flying instruction through your local model flying club. A qualified flight instructor can propel your advancement in this hobby
- Wind and environment can affect SAFE technology flight performance
- · Ensure you have no distractions so you benefit from every moment of flight time
- You must still fly the aircraft away from obstacles and at an altitude that will allow for a safe recovery

SAFE technology is a revolutionary flight training system designed to give you a stable platform for safely developing your flying skills. This is not an autopilot or self-guiding robot. The sensors and software in this system help you fly the aircraft where you want to go while decreasing the risk of an out-of-control crash. You can progress through the Beginner, Intermediate and Experienced flight modes as your skills increase, all with the confidence of an optional Panic recovery mode. At any time during a flight you can switch between the 3 flight modes or use Panic recovery to get your aircraft to a safe flying attitude.

SAFE Flight Modes Beginner Mode



- Envelope limit: Pitch (nose up and down) and Roll (wing tips up and down) angles are limited to help you keep the aircraft airborne
- · Self-leveling: when the pitch and roll controls are returned to neutral, the aircraft returns to level flight
- · Stability assisted takeoff and landing
- · Throttle based climb and descent

Intermediate Mode



- Natural Flight Experience: Pitch and roll controls are increased. Self leveling is not active.
- Large Flight Envelope: The pilot is only prevented from entering extreme flight attitudes.

Experienced Mode



- Natural Flight Experience: The pilot experiences natural AS3X flight for smooth handling and outstanding precision
- Unlimited Flight Envelope: No limit on Pitch and Roll angles (airframe) limited)

Panic Recovery

- · Immediate recovery to a safe flying attitude
- Return all transmitter controls to neutral for the quickest recovery
- This mode is intended to provide the pilot with the confidence to continue to improve their flight skills



Pilot presses and holds the Panic Recovery button and returns all other controls to their neutral position. The aircraft will roll wings level and pull

...once the aircraft is flying straight 3 and level, the pilot releases the Panic Recovery button and continues a gentle climb to a safe altitude.

IMPORTANT: Aircraft will recover to a safer attitude even if sticks are held. Some control input is still used with panic activated.

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AS3X[®] technology

Horizon Hobby has always made RC sport, scale and unique aircraft with the kind of performance experts appreciate. Now the exclusive Artificial Stability 3 Axis (AS3X) system helps take performance expectations in aircraft a quantum leap higher. Based on the successful use of MEMS sensor technology within the AS3X Stabilization System essential to Blade® ultra micro flybarless helicopters, the specifically tuned AS3X System for airplanes helps invisibly correct for turbulence, torque and tip stalls when encountered. Furthermore, the outstanding control agility delivers an ultra smooth, locked-in feel that obeys your every command with performance that's natural feeling. It's so gratifying, in fact, that it's as though you're the RC pilot of an expertly tuned, giant-scale aircraft. AS3X will change the way you'll want to fly now and in the future.

Find a safe open area to fly.
Charge the flight battery.
Install a fully charged flight battery in the aircraft.
Make sure all linkages move freely.
Check the Center of Gravity (CG).
Perform the control direction test.

Flying

This aircraft is relatively easy to fly and helps you apply beginner skills to flying; however, we recommend you get help from a qualified flight instructor for your first radio controlled flights. Some model flying clubs provide flight training at their flying fields. Find a nearby flying club through your local hobby shop.

Tips for Success

- Start in beginner mode. As you learn and become more confident, change modes to advance.
- Resist the desire to fly at full throttle. Flying slowly at first allows for greater response time should anything go wrong.
- Always keep your aircraft in plain sight and up wind from you.
- Gain experience by first flying in large circles high off the ground. Once you
 feel comfortable, gradually progress to more advanced maneuvers.

Weather Conditions

A good flying day is calm, with winds that are less than 5-7 mph (8-11km/h). Flying in faster winds than this could make flying difficult and result in a crash. Wind near the ground can be less than the wind at the elevation where your aircraft flies.

Takeoff

Ground Launch

Take off from the ground in Beginner mode is recommended for first flights, however, if the ground is not hard and level, get help to hand launch your aircraft.

- 1. Place the aircraft on its landing gear in a large, open area with smooth asphalt or concrete. The aircraft's nose should point into the wind (in no greater than 5–7 mph (8–11km/hr) wind).
- 2. Stand behind your aircraft so you can see the rudder, ailerons and elevator.
- Slowly move the throttle stick to FULL (100%) while gently pulling back on the elevator stick. Use the rudder to keep the aircraft's nose pointed into the wind while it leaves the ground.

TIP: Ground launch in Beginner mode. Increase the throttle and keep the aircraft straight with the rudder control. The aircraft will rise from a level runway in a short distance. Obtain a steady climb to a safe altitude. Use the Panic Mode switch if needed.

Hand Launch

When learning to fly, get help to hand launch your aircraft so you can concentrate on flying. If you must hand-launch the aircraft alone, hold the model in your dominant hand and the transmitter in your other hand. An optional neck strap (SPMP610, sold separately) can help you hold the transmitter.

- 1. Grip the aircraft under the fuselage, behind the landing gear.
- 2. Carefully increase transmitter throttle control to FULL (100%).
- 3. Throw the aircraft slightly nose up and directly into the wind while keeping the wings parallel to the ground.

TIP: Hand launch in Beginner mode. The technology will keep the aircraft level and in a climb. Obtain a safe and steady climb to a safe altitude. Use the Panic Mode switch if needed.

Perform a radio system range test.

Plan flight for flying field conditions.

Set a flight time for 6-8 minutes using the recommended 2S 300mAh battery pack.

Have Fun!

Scan the QR code for a link to a video with tips to help successfully fly the aircraft.



Flying Video

- Do not attempt your first turn at low altitude. Higher altitudes allow for greater possibility of correction.
- Control stick movements are quite sensitive. Avoid pushing the control sticks to their endpoints until you become more familiar with your aircraft.
- To recover from a nose dive, decrease throttle and release the aileron stick. Pull the elevator stick back a small amount to pull up the nose of the aircraft.
- If you feel you have lost control press and hold the Panic Button.





In Flight

Continue to climb into the wind at full throttle, until the aircraft reaches about 50 feet (15 meters). Gradually turn the aircraft away from you while still maintaining altitude. Begin a turn by banking the aircraft slightly with the aileron stick. Gently pull back on the elevator stick to pull the aircraft around the turn and to maintain altitude. When the aircraft reaches the heading desired, simply apply the opposite aileron to level the wings and ease off the elevator.

Climb to about 200 feet (60 meters) and reduce the throttle to around 50%. Adjust the throttle up or down to maintain altitude. Try not to get the aircraft too high or far away, making it difficult to see.

As you are flying:

- Fly at a high enough altitude to give yourself time to react to what the aircraft is doing.
- · Make small and gentle stick movements to see how the aircraft responds.
- Practice flying in large circles, high off the ground. Flying with the nose pointed toward you is one of the hardest skills to master when learning to fly. Flying in circles will give you experience viewing the aircraft from all angles.
- If you lose orientation of the aircraft, press and hold the Panic Recovery button and release the sticks. The aircraft will return to level flight. Release the button to continue your flight.

NOTICE: If a crash is imminent, activate throttle cut or quickly lower the throttle and throttle trim. Failure to do so could result in greater damage to the airframe, as well as damage to the ESC and motor.

NOTICE: Crash damage is not covered under warranty.

Landing

- 1. Reduce the throttle to around 50% to slow the airspeed.
- 2. Fly the aircraft downwind past the end of the runway.
- 3. Turn the aircraft into the wind and line the aircraft up with the runway center line.
- 4. Gradually decrease the throttle further to begin descending towards the runway, keeping the wings level during approach. Try to have the aircraft at approximately 10 feet (3 meters) altitude as it passes over the threshold of the runway.
- 5. As the aircraft passes over the threshold of the runway decrease the throttle.
- 6. Just as the aircraft is about to touch down, gently pull back on the elevator to raise the nose, or flare, for a gentle landing on the main landing gear. The goal is to be at a low enough speed so the aircraft will not climb when the landing flare is started.

TIP: If the aircraft bounces back into the air, either increase the throttle slightly and ease the aircraft gently back down to the runway, or increase the throttle to full power, climb out and go around to begin the landing process again.

7. Continue using the rudder stick to steer the aircraft straight down the runway, allowing the aircraft to roll to a stop.

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NOTICE: Crash damage is not covered under warranty.

IMPORTANT: When finished flying, never keep the aircraft in the sun. Do not store the aircraft in a hot, enclosed area such as a car. Doing so can damage the foam.

When properly trimmed, the aircraft's wing design causes the aircraft to climb at full throttle and descend at reduced throttle without the use of elevator.





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Low Voltage Cutoff (LVC)

Low Voltage Cutoff is a function built into the electronic speed control to protect the battery from over-discharge. When the flight battery charge is low, LVC limits power supplied to the motor so the flight controls receive sufficient energy to safely land the aircraft.

When LVC engages, the aircraft will slow and the motor will begin to pulse. When the motor power decreases, land the aircraft immediately and charge the flight battery.

NOTICE: Repeated flying to the low voltage cutoff will damage the battery.

Trimming the Aircraft

Adjusting Trim in Flight

If your aircraft does not fly straight and level at half throttle with the sticks at neutral, fly into the wind and adjust the trim sliders as indicated in the table until the aircraft maintains a reasonably straight and level flight path.

- Trimming is best done in calm wind conditions.
- The SAFE flight mode switch should be set to Experienced mode (switch B, position 2) before adjusting the trims.

After the aircraft is trimmed in flight, land the aircraft and proceed to the Manually Adjusting Trim section to re-center the servos and set the trim mechanically.

The included SLT6LP transmitter features electronic trim buttons. The transmitter emits a faint beep with each click of the trim buttons in either direction. Holding the button in either direction quickly adjusts the trim several steps until the button is released or until the trim reaches the end of its travel. If the trim button does not beep when clicked, the trim is at the far end of its travel. Center trim is indicated by a slightly louder beep.

TIP: Trim the aircraft at sufficient altitude of about 100' (30 meters). Having an experienced flight instructor trim your aircraft during the first flight is recommended.





Control Surface Centering

Before the first flights, or in the event of an accident, make sure the flight control surfaces are centered. Adjust the linkages mechanically if the control surfaces are not centered, avoid excessive use of transmitter sub-trims. Control surface centering must be done with SAFE off, and AS3X not active. Keep the throttle at zero after powering on to prevent AS3X from activating.

- **IMPORTANT:** Enable throttle cut to help prevent accidental throttle activation.
- 1. Verify the trims and subtrims on your transmitter are neutral.
- 2. Connect a battery to the model with SAFE off and keep throttle at zero.
- 3. When needed, use a pair of pliers to carefully bend the metal linkage (see illustration).
- 4. Make the U-shape narrower to make the linkage shorter. Make the U-shape wider to make the linkage longer.

Centering Controls After First Flights

For best performance with AS3X, it is important that excessive trim is not used. If the aircraft requires excessive transmitter trim (4 or more clicks of trim per channel), return the transmitter trim to zero and adjust the linkages mechanically so that the control surfaces are in the flight trimmed position.



Post Flight

flights.

Disconnect the flight battery from the ESC.
Power OFF the transmitter.
Remove the flight battery from the aircraft.
Recharge the flight battery.
Repair or replace all damaged parts.
Store the flight battery apart from the aircraft and monitor the battery charge.
Make note of the flight conditions and flight plan results, planning for future

Transmitter and Receiver Binding

Binding is the process of programming the aircraft receiver with the identification code of the transmitter so the receiver will only connect to that specific transmitter.

The included transmitter was bound to the aircraft at the factory. If the aircraft does not respond to transmitter control inputs when the batteries in the aircraft and transmitter are fully charged, the aircraft receiver and transmitter may need to be re-bound.

To re-bind the transmitter and receiver:

- 1. Power OFF the transmitter
- 2. Set the throttle stick to the low position and all other controls to neutral.* Ensure the aircraft is immobile.

IMPORTANT: The throttle will not arm if the transmitter's throttle control is not put at the lowest position.

3. Connect the flight battery to the ESC. The receiver will cycle between DSMX and SLT approximately every 20 seconds. The receiver LED is visible with the wing removed.

The LED will flash rapidly for DSMX, and slowly for SLT.

4. Press and hold the bind button (button A) on the transmitter while powering ON the transmitter. The receiver LED will glow solid when the receiver and transmitter are bound. The aircraft will initialize and the controls will function normally.

Once properly bound, the receiver and transmitter will retain their bind for future flights.

If you encounter problems, refer to the troubleshooting guide. If necessary, contact the appropriate Horizon Hobby product support office.

* Failsafe

The receiver stores the position of the transmitter throttle control at the time of binding as the failsafe position. If the receiver should ever lose communication with the transmitter, the failsafe function will activate. Failsafe moves the throttle channel to its preset failsafe position (low throttle) that was stored during binding. All other control channels move to put the aircraft in a slowly descending circle until radio link is re-established.

IMPORTANT: When finished flying, never keep the aircraft in the sun. Do not store the aircraft in a hot, enclosed area such as a car. Doing so can damage the foam.

LiPo battery tips:

- Disconnect and remove the Li-Po battery from the aircraft after use to prevent trickle discharge.
- · Charge your Li-Po battery to about half capacity for long term storage.
- During storage, make sure the battery charge does not fall below 3V per cell.
- Always read and follow all safety warnings and guidelines included with your LiPo batteries.





Bind and Fly Transmitter Setup

IMPORTANT: This aircraft is compatible with Spektrum transmitters. Binding to an SLT transmitter other than the Spektrum SLT6LP will not provide full functionality.

To use a Spektrum DSMX transmitter, follow the setup instructions on this page which corresponds to your DX, NX or iX series transmitter.

When using the recommended setup, the transmitter switch layout is as follows:

- Switch B Selects the Flight mode; Beginner (position 0), Intermediate (position 1), Experienced (position 2)
- Button I controls the Panic mode (depressed activates Panic mode)
- Switch F controls the aileron dual rates
- Switch C controls the elevator dual rates
- Switch G controls the rudder dual rates.
- Switch H controls the throttle cut.

Dual Rates

Make the initial flights in low rate, changing to high rate elevator for landing.

NOTICE: To ensure AS3X technology functions properly, do not lower rate values below 50%. If less control deflection is desired, manually adjust the position of the pushrods on the servo arm

NOTICE: If oscillation occurs at high speed, refer to the Troubleshooting Guide for more information.

Exponential

After first flights, adjust the exponential settings in the transmitter to fine tune the responsiveness of the aircraft around neutral to your preference.

iX Series Transmitter Setup
 Power ON your transmitter and begin once the Spektrtum Airware app is open. Select the orange pen icon in the upper left corner of the screen, the system asks for permission to Turn Off RF, select PROCEED
2. Select the three dots in the upper right corner of the screen, select <i>Add a New Model</i>
 Select Model Option, choose <i>DEFAULT</i>, select <i>Airplane</i>. The system asks if you want to create a new acro model, select <i>Create</i>
4. Select the last model on the list, named Acro . Tap on the word Acro and rename the file to a name of your choice
5. Tap and hold the back arrow icon in the upper left corner of the screen to return to the main screen
6. Go to Model Setup; Select Channel Assign, select PROCEED 5 Gear: Switch B 6 Aux1: Switch I Press and hold the back arrow icon in the upper left corner of the screen to return to the main screen
7. Go to the Model Adjust menu
8. Select Dual Rates and Expo; <i>Channel:</i> Aileron <i>Switch:</i> Switch F Set Switch Positions 0 and 1 : <i>Rate</i> 100% , <i>Expo</i> 10% Set Switch Position 2 : <i>Rate</i> 70% , <i>Expo</i> 5%
9. Channel: Elevator Switch: Switch C Set Switch Positions 0 and 1: Rate 100%, Expo 10% Set Switch Position 2: Rate 70%, Expo 5%
10. Channel: Rudder Switch: Switch G Set Switch Positions 0 and 1: Rate 100%, Expo 10% Set Switch Position 2: Rate 70%, Expo 5%
11. Tap the back arrow to return to the Model Adjust menu
12. Select Throttle Cut; Switch: Switch H Position: -100%

NX Series Transmitter Setup
 Power ON your transmitter, click on scroll wheel, roll to System Setup and click th scroll wheel. Choose yes.
2. Go to Model Select and choose <i><add model="" new=""></add></i> near the bottom of the list. Sele <i>Airplane Model Type</i> by choosing the airplane. select <i>Create</i>
3. Set Model Name : Input a name for your model file
4. Go to Channel Assign 5 <i>Gear</i> : Change A to Switch B 6 <i>Aux1</i> : Change D to Button I Click List to exit
5. Select <main screen="">, Click the scroll wheel to enter the Function List</main>
6. Go to Model Setup; Select Channel Assign , select PROCEED <i>5 Gear</i> : Switch B <i>6 Aux1</i> : Switch I Press and hold the back arrow icon in the upper left corner of the screen to return to the main screen
7. Go to D/R (Dual Rate) and Expo; Channel: Aileron Set Switch: Switch F Set Switch Positions 0 and 1 : <i>Rate</i> 100% , <i>Expo</i> 10% Set Switch Position 2 : Rate 70% , Expo 5%
8. Go to D/R (Dual Rate) and Expo; <i>Channel:</i> Elevator Set <i>Switch</i> : Switch C Set Switch Positions 0 and 1: <i>Rate</i> 100% , <i>Expo</i> 10% Set Switch Position 2 : <i>Rate</i> 70% , <i>Expo</i> 5%
9. Go to D/R (Dual Rate) and Expo; <i>Channel:</i> Rudder Set <i>Switch</i> : Switch G Set Switch Positions 0 and 1: <i>Rate</i> 100%, <i>Expo</i> 10% Set Switch Position 2: <i>Rate</i> 70%, <i>Expo</i> 5%
0. Select List to go back to the Function List
1. Select Throttle Cut; Switch: Switch H Position: -100%
DX Series Transmitter Setup
 Power ON your transmitter, click on scroll wheel, roll to System Setup and click th scroll wheel. Choose yes.
 Go to Model Select and choose <add model="" new=""> at the bottom of the list. The system asks if you want to create a new model, select Create</add>
 Set Model Type: Select Airplane Model Type by choosing the airplane. The system asks you to confirm model type, data will be reset. Select YES
4. Set Model Name: Input a name for your model file
5. Select <main screen="">, Click the scroll wheel to enter the Function List</main>
6. Go to Model Setup; Select Channel Assign , select PROCEED <i>5 Gear:</i> Switch B <i>6 Aux1:</i> Switch I Press and hold the back arrow icon in the upper left corner of the screen to return to the main screen
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9. Go to D/R (Dual Rate) and Expo; <i>Channel</i> : Rudder Set <i>Switch</i> : Switch G Set Switch Positions 0 and 1 : <i>Rate</i> 100% , <i>Expo</i> 10% Set Switch Position 2 : <i>Rate</i> 70% , <i>Expo</i> 5%
10. Select List to go back to the Function List
11 Select Throttle Cut:



Position: -100%

Smart Technology Electronic Speed Control (ESC)

This aircraft is equipped with an exclusive Smart technology electronic speed control that can provide a variety of real-time power system related telemetry data while you fly, including motor RPM, current, battery voltage and more to compatible Spektrum AirWare[™] equipped transmitters.

When powered on, the ESC will send the below information to the flight control and the information will be displayed on the transmitter telemetry screen. Throttle

- RPM*
- Voltage
- Current

- FET Temperature
- BEC Temperature

* During binding the transmitter will perform an auto configuration which will populate the telemetry page. You may need to change the telemetry values on those pages to suit this aircraft and your needs.

To enter the telemetry values:

(For iX series transmitters, you must select Save on each page)

- 1. Power on your transmitter.
- 2. Set the throttle cut to on.
- 3. Power on the aircraft and allow it to initialize.
- 4. In your transmitter, go to the Function List (Model Setup in iX series transmitters).
- 5. Select the **Telemetry** menu option.
- 6. Go to the Smart ESC menu option.
- 7. Scroll down to Low Voltage Alarm, enter 3.4V/cell.
- 8. Scroll down to Poles, enter 12.
- 9. Return to the main screen.

Service and Repairs

NOTICE: After any impact or replacement, always ensure the receiver is secure in the fuselage. If you replace the receiver, install the new receiver in the same orientation and manner as the original receiver or damage may result.

Thanks to the EPO foam material used for this aircraft, repairs to the foam can be made using virtually any adhesive (hot glue, regular CA (cyanoacrylate adhesive), epoxy, etc).

When parts are not repairable, see the replacement parts list for ordering by item number. For a listing of all replacement and optional parts, refer to the list at the back of this manual.

To access the receiver and tail servos, use a hobby knife to cut the decal along the length of the fueselage where the top and bottom fuselage are joined. Use clear tape to re-join the top and bottom after repair.

DX/NX screen shots shown below

Tele	LIST	
Auto-Config	6:Empty	
1:Smart Battery	7:Empty	
2:Empty	8:Empty	
3:GForce	9:Empty	
4:Gyroscope	10:Rx V	
5:Smart ESC	11: Flight Log	

BACK Smart ESC Display: Act Alarm Total Cells: 2 Low Voltage Alarm: 3.40V/Cell Voice Amps Max: 4A Inh FET Temp Max: 199F Voice Poles:12 Ratio: 1.00:1 Status Reports: Inh Warning Reports: Inh

Telemetry Alarms			
Smart ESC : Low Voltage Alarm	3.4V		
Smart ESC : Motor Poles	12		



All the functions of this aircraft are handled in the receiver. If you need to remove the receiver it needs to be reinstalled in the same orientation as originally mounted. The servo connectors should be at the front of the receiver, facing up.

Reference the diagram for servo and ESC connections.



Service of Power Components

CAUTION: Always disconnect the flight battery from the model before removing the propeller.

Disassembly

- 1. Remove the battery hatch.
- 2. Use a #1 Phillips screwdriver to remove the 2x6mm self tapping screw (A) from the center of the spinner. This screw secures both the propeller and the spinner.
- 3. Use a #1 Phillips screwdriver to remove the three M1.6x4 machine screws (B) holding the propeller adapter (C) to the motor, and remove the propeller adapter.
- 4. Use a #1 Phillips screwdriver to remove the M2x10mm machine screw on top of the motor mount (**D**).
- 5. Remove the motor from the motor mount (E).

6. Disconnect the connectors between the motor and the ESC.

Assemble in reverse order.

Assembly Tips

- Correctly align and connect the motor wire colors with the ESC wires.
- The propeller size numbers (6 x 3.5) must face forward for correct propeller operation.
- Do not over-tighten screws. Thread the screws snugly into place, but do not force them to turn further. Damage to plastic parts may result if you apply too much force.

IMPORTANT: Do not use threadlock where screws enter plastic components.



NOTICE: Moving a linkage to another position may block the servo arm or affect SAFE technology functionality.

The Illustration shows the factory hole settings in servo arms and control horns.







Trouble Shooting Guide for SAFE Technology

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
	Flying over recommended airspeed	Reduce air speed
Oscillation	Damaged propeller or spinner	Replace propeller or spinner
	Imbalanced propeller	Balance the propeller. For more information, view John Redman's propeller balancing video at www.horizonhobby.com
	Motor vibration	Replace parts or correctly align all parts and tighten fasteners as needed
	Loose receiver	Total system failure. Align and secure receiver in fuselage
	Loose aircraft controls	Tighten or otherwise secure parts (servo, arm, linkage, horn and control surface)
	Worn parts	Adjust gain to compensate for parts wear or replace worn parts (especially propeller, pivot points or servo)
	Irregular servo rotation	Replace servo
Trim is at extreme and aircraft does not fly straight or level	Trim is not at neutral	If you adjust trim more than 4 clicks, adjust the linkage to mechanically remove trim

Trouble Shooting Guide

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Aircraft will not respond to throttle but responds to	Throttle not at lowest position or throttle trim too high	Reset controls with throttle stick and throttle trim at lowest setting
	Throttle servo travel is lower than 100%	Make sure throttle servo travel is 100% or greater
other controls	Throttle channel is reversed	Reverse throttle channel on transmitter
	Motor disconnected from ESC	Make sure motor is connected to the ESC
	Damaged propeller and spinner, collet or motor	Replace damaged parts
Extra propollor poico or oxtra	Propeller is out of balance	Balance or replace propeller
vibration	Prop nut is too loose	Tighten the prop nut
VIDIATION	Spinner is not tight or fully seated in place	Tighten the spinner or remove the spinner and turn it 180 degrees
	Flight battery charge is low	Completely recharge flight battery
	Propeller installed backwards	Install propeller with numbers facing forward
Reduced flight time or aircraft underpowered	Flight battery damaged	Replace flight battery and follow flight battery instructions
	Flight conditions may be too cold	Make sure battery is warm before use
	Battery capacity too low for flight conditions	Replace battery or use a larger capacity battery
	Transmitter too near aircraft during binding process	Move powered transmitter a few feet from aircraft, disconnect and reconnect flight battery to aircraft
	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
Aircraft will not Bind (during binding) to transmitter	The bind plug is not installed correctly in the bind port	Install bind plug in bind port and bind the aircraft to the transmitter
	Flight battery/transmitter battery charge is too low	Replace/recharge batteries
	Bind switch or button not held long enough during bind process	Power off transmitter and repeat bind process. Hold transmitter bind button or switch until receiver is bound
	Transmitter too near aircraft during connecting process	Move powered transmitter a few feet from aircraft, disconnect and reconnect flight battery to aircraft
	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
Aircraft will not connect (after binding) to transmitter	Bind plug left installed in bind port	Rebind transmitter to the aircraft and remove the bind plug before cycling power
	Aircraft bound to different model memory (ModelMatch™ radios only)	Select correct model memory on transmitter
	Flight battery/Transmitter battery charge is too low	Replace/recharge batteries
	Transmitter may have been bound using different DSM protocol	Bind aircraft to transmitter

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Control surface does not move	Control surface, control horn, linkage or servo damage	Replace or repair damaged parts and adjust controls
	Wire damaged or connections loose	Do a check of wires and connections, connect or replace as needed
	Transmitter is not bound correctly or the incorrect model was selected	Re-bind or select correct model in transmitter
	Flight battery charge is low	Fully recharge flight battery
	BEC (Battery Elimination Circuit) of the ESC is damaged	Replace ESC
Controls reversed	Transmitter settings are reversed	Perform the Control Direction Test and adjust the controls on transmitter appropriately
Motor power pulses then motor loses power	ESC uses default soft Low Voltage Cutoff (LVC)	Recharge flight battery or replace battery that is no longer performing
	Weather conditions might be too cold	Postpone flight until weather is warmer
	Battery is old, worn out, or damaged	Replace battery
	Battery C rating might be too low	Use recommended battery
Aircraft control surfaces do not move after switch is turned on	Aircraft was moving during initialization	Keep aircraft still during initialization

Replacement Parts

Part #	Description
HBZ6101	Hatch: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6102	Fuselage w/tail: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6103	Wing Set: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6104	Wing Bolts: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6105	Prop 6 x 3.5: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6106	Spinner w/Screw: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6107	Motor Collet: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6108	Motor Mount: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6109	Hardware Set: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6110	Landing Gear Set: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6111	Screw Set: Apprentice STOL 700mm
HBZ6112	Decal Sheet, Apprentice STOL 700mm
SPMXAM2900	Brushless Outrunner Motor: 1810-2000Kv 12-Pole
SPMSA203	2.2g Linear Servo High-Torque w/servo mount
SPMAS6420AA	DSMX/SLT 6-Channel Rx AS3X/SAFE: Apprentice STOL
SPMR1275	SLT6LP 6-Channel Transmitter
SPMXAE06	Avian 6-Amp Smart Lite Brushless ESC; 2S-3S JST-PH
SPMXC0020	2S USB-C PH2.0 3-pin Charger
SPMA2002	Y-Harness: Ultra Micro 3"
SPMX3002S30	300mAh 2S 7.4v 30C LiPo; JST 2.0 PH 3-Pin

Optional Parts

Part #	Description
RFL1201	RealFlight 9.5 Software Only
RFL1203	RealFlight 9.5 Digital Download
RFL1205D	RealFlight Trainer Edition Steam download
SPMWS2000	Wireless Simulator USB Dongle
SPMXCA326	Adapter: IC3 Battery / 2S UMX D
SPMR6775	NX6 6 Ch Transmitter Only
SPMXC1070	S150 AC/DC Smart Charger, 1x50W
SPMXC2050	S155 G2 1x55W AC Smart Charger

Plastic Parts and Pushrods HBZ6109

Part	Description	Quantity
Pushrods	Two ailerons, elevator, rudder	4
Pushrod guides	Elevator, rudder guides for fuselage	2
Control horns	Two aileron, elevator, rudder	4
Servo covers	Covers for aileron servos	2

Hardware Screw Set HBZ6111

Location	Description	Quantity
Propeller and spinner	2x6mm Self tapping	1
Motor mount	M2x10 Machine screw	1
Propeller adapter	M1.6x4 Machine screw	3
Wing to fuselage	M2x12 Machine screw (thumb screw)	2
Servo retainer	1x3mm Self tapping	8

Glossary of Important Terms

Aileron: Control surface found on the trailing edge of each wing. Giving right aileron control causes the right aileron to deflect up and the left aileron to deflect down, making the aircraft roll to the right. Giving left aileron control causes the left aileron to deflect up and the right aileron to deflect down, making the aircraft roll left.

AS3X: Active Stabilization, 3-Axis. An electronic stability system that counters outside forces such as wind, turbulence, torque, tip-stall, control sensitivity issues due to CG position, to make the aircraft fly more smoothly, and provide a better flying experience.

- **Binding:** The process of electronically linking the transmitter to the receiver. The aircraft will then recognize only a particular transmitter.
- Center of Gravity (CG): Point at which the aircraft balances, most notably from front to back.
- **Control Horn:** An arm installed on a flight control surface to permit actuation via an attached pushrod.
- **Control Throw:** The distance a control surface deflects, normally measured from the widest point of the control surface.
- **Dual Rate:** Setting found in the transmitter which allows two different control throw distances when the control stick is deflected fully. Using a low rate gives less control throw at full deflection and thus a less sensitive feel to the aircraft. Using high rate gives greater control throw at full deflection and thus a more sensitive feel to the aircraft.
- **Elevator:** Control surface found on the trailing edge of the horizontal stabilizer. Up elevator causes the aircraft to pitch up. Down elevator causes the aircraft to pitch down.
- Electronic Speed Control (ESC): an electronic device that controls and regulates the speed of the motor. It has connections from the battery, to the motor, and to the Receiver.
- **Exponential:** A setting programmed in the transmitter which allows the pilot to tailor the sensitivity of the controls around neutral. Increasing the exponential value creates a softer control feel around neutral, thus making the aircraft less sensitive to control inputs. Exponential only affects the controls around neutral.

Low Voltage Cutoff (LVC): A safety feature built into the electronic speed

control which activates when the battery voltage drops below a determined level, cutting power to the motor, but still providing power to the receiver and servos, allowing the aircraft to be landed safely.

MTOM: Maximum Take Off Mass

Pitch: The rotation of the aircraft nose up or down, controlled by the elevator.

- **Pushrod:** A rod which is connected between the servo and control horn. It slides back and forth to move the control surface, and may be routed through guides or tubes to prevent flexing.
- **Range Test:** Test to check the transmitter and receiver are functioning properly. The test is done by setting the transmitter to a low-power mode and testing the control function from a set distance.
- **Receiver:** an electronic device installed in the aircraft which decodes the control inputs sent from the transmitter and sends the inputs to the servos.
- Roll: Left and right rotation of the aircraft around the longitudinal axis.
- **Rudder:** Control surface found on the trailing edge of the vertical stabilizer. Right rudder control causes the nose of the aircraft to turn to the right. Left rudder causes the nose of the aircraft to turn left.
- Sensor-Assisted Flight Envelope (SAFE) Technology: Offers smoother flight capability that battles windy conditions for you and multiple modes so you can fly with the level of protection and assistance that suits any given moment of the flight.
- **Servo:** Electronic component which translates the control signals from the receiver into movement of a control surface. The servo is connected to the control surface with a pushrod.
- Throttle: Control input which regulates the speed of the motor. A higher throttle setting makes the motor rotate faster, thus increasing forward thrust. A lower throttle setting makes the motor rotate slower, thus decreasing forward thrust.

Transmitter: Control unit held by the pilot which sends signals to the aircraft.

Yaw: Left or right rotation of the aircraft nose, controlled by the rudder.

Z bend: A Z-shaped bend at each end of a pushrod for the purpose of connecting it to a servo arm or control horn.

AMA National Model Aircraft Safety Code

Effective January 1, 2018

A model aircraft is a non-human-carrying device capable of sustained flight within visual line of sight of the pilot or spotter(s). It may not exceed limitations of this code and is intended exclusively for sport, recreation, education and/or competition. All model flights must be conducted in accordance with this safety code and related AMA guidelines, any additional rules specific to the flying site, as well as all applicable laws and regulations.

As an AMA member I agree:

- I will not fly a model aircraft in a careless or reckless manner.
- I will not interfere with and will yield the right of way to all humancarrying aircraftusing AMA's See and Avoid Guidance and a spotter when appropriate.
- I will not operate any model aircraft while I am under the influence of alcohol or any drug that could adversely affect my ability to safely control the model.
- I will avoid flying directly over unprotected people, moving vehicles, and occupied structures.
- I will fly Free Flight (FF) and Control Line (CL) models in compliance with AMA's safety programming.
- I will maintain visual contact of an RC model aircraft without enhancement other than corrective lenses prescribed to me. When using an advanced flight system, such as an autopilot, or flying First-Person View (FPV), I will comply with AMA's Advanced Flight System programming.

- I will only fly models weighing more than 55 pounds, including fuel, if certified through AMA's Large Model Airplane Program.
- I will only fly a turbine-powered model aircraft in compliance with AMA's Gas Turbine Program.
- I will not fly a powered model outdoors closer than 25 feet to any individual, except for myself or my helper(s) located at the flightline, unless I am taking off and landing, or as otherwise provided in AMA's Competition Regulation.
- I will use an established safety line to separate all model aircraft operations from spectators and bystanders.

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Limited Warranty

What this Warranty Covers—Horizon Hobby, LLC, (Horizon) warrants to the original purchaser that the product purchased (the "Product") will be free from defects in materials and workmanship at the date of purchase.

What is Not Covered—This warranty is not transferable and does not cover (i) cosmetic damage, (ii) damage due to acts of God, accident, misuse, abuse, negligence, commercial use, or due to improper use, installation, operation or maintenance, (iii) modification of or to any part of the Product, (iv) attempted service by anyone other than a Horizon Hobby authorized service center, (v) Product not purchased from an authorized Horizon dealer, (vi) Product not compliant with applicable technical regulations, or (vii) use that violates any applicable laws, rules, or regulations.

OTHER THAN THE EXPRESS WARRANTY ABOVE, HORIZON MAKES NO OTHER WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION, AND HEREBY DISCLAIMS ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE IMPLIED WARRAN-TIES OF NON-INFRINGEMENT, MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PAR-TICULAR PURPOSE. THE PURCHASER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THEY ALONE HAVE DETERMINED THAT THE PRODUCT WILL SUITABLY MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PURCHASER'S INTENDED USE.

Purchaser's Remedy—Horizon's sole obligation and purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy shall be that Horizon will, at its option, either (i) service, or (ii) replace, any Product determined by Horizon to be defective. Horizon reserves the right to inspect any and all Product(s) involved in a warranty claim. Service or replacement decisions are at the sole discretion of Horizon. Proof of purchase is required for all warranty claims. SERVICE OR REPLACEMENT AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS WAR-RANTY IS THE PURCHASER'S SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY.

Limitation of Liability—HORIZON SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR SPECIAL, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, LOSS OF PROFITS OR PRODUCTION OR COMMERCIAL LOSS IN ANY WAY, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER SUCH CLAIM IS BASED IN CONTRACT, WARRANTY, TORT, NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY OR ANY OTHER THEORY OF LIABILITY, EVEN IF HORIZON HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. Further, in no event shall the liability of Horizon exceed the individual price of the Product on which liability is asserted. As Horizon has no control over use, setup, final assembly, modification or misuse, no liability shall be assumed nor accepted for any resulting damage or injury. By the act of use, setup or assembly, the user accepts all resulting liability. If you as the purchaser or user are not prepared to accept the liability associated with the use of the Product, purchaser is advised to return the Product immediately in new and unused condition to the place of purchase.

Law—These terms are governed by Illinois law (without regard to conflict of law principals). This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. Horizon reserves the right to change or modify this warranty at any time without notice.

WARRANTY SERVICES

Questions, Assistance, and Services—Your local hobby store and/or place of purchase cannot provide warranty support or service. Once assembly, setup or use of the Product has been started, you must contact your local distributor or Horizon directly. This will enable Horizon to better answer your questions and service you

in the event that you may need any assistance. For questions or assistance, please visit our website at www.horizonhobby.com, submit a Product Support Inquiry, or call the toll free telephone number referenced in the Warranty and Service Contact Information section to speak with a Product Support representative.

Inspection or Services-If this Product needs to be inspected or serviced and is compliant in the country you live and use the Product in, please use the Horizon Online Service Request submission process found on our website or call Horizon to obtain a Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) number. Pack the Product securely using a shipping carton. Please note that original boxes may be included. but are not designed to withstand the rigors of shipping without additional protection. Ship via a carrier that provides tracking and insurance for lost or damaged parcels, as Horizon is not responsible for merchandise until it arrives and is accepted at our facility. An Online Service Request is available at http://www.horizonhobby.com/content/service-center render-service-center. If you do not have internet access, please contact Horizon Product Support to obtain a RMA number along with instructions for submitting your product for service. When calling Horizon, you will be asked to provide your complete name, street address, email address and phone number where you can be reached during business hours. When sending product into Horizon, please include your RMA number, a list of the included items, and a brief summary of the problem. A copy of your original sales receipt must be included for warranty consideration. Be sure your name, address, and RMA number are clearly written on the outside of the shipping carton.

NOTICE: Do not ship LiPo batteries to Horizon. If you have any issue with a LiPo battery, please contact the appropriate Horizon Product Support office.

Warranty Requirements—For Warranty consideration, you must include your original sales receipt verifying the proof-of-purchase date. Provided warranty conditions have been met, your Product will be serviced or replaced free of charge. Service or replacement decisions are at the sole discretion of Horizon.

Non-Warranty Service—Should your service not be covered by warranty, service will be completed and payment will be required without notification or estimate of the expense unless the expense exceeds 50% of the retail purchase cost. By submitting the item for service you are agreeing to payment of the service without notification. Service estimates are available upon request. You must include this request with your item submitted for service. Non-warranty service estimates will be billed a minimum of ½ hour of labor. In addition you will be billed for return freight. Horizon accepts money orders and cashier's checks, as well as Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover cards. By submitting any item to Horizon for service, you are agreeing to Horizon's Terms and Conditions found on our website http://www.horizonhobby.com/content/service-center_render-service-center.

ATTENTION: Horizon service is limited to Product compliant in the country of use and ownership. If received, a non-compliant Product will not be serviced. Further, the sender will be responsible for arranging return shipment of the un-serviced Product, through a carrier of the sender's choice and at the sender's expense. Horizon will hold non-compliant Product for a period of 60 days from notification, after which it will be discarded.

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Country of Purchase	Horizon Hobby	Contact Information	Address	
United States of America	Horizon Service Center (Repairs and Repair Requests)	servicecenter.horizonhobby.com/RequestForm/		
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		800-338-4639		
European Union	Horizon Technischer Service	service@horizonhobby.eu	Hanskampring 9	
	Sales: Horizon Hobby GmbH	+49 (0) 4121 2655 100	D 22885 Barsbüttel, Germany	

FCC Information

FCC ID: BRWSPMR1275, BRWSPMAR630

This equipment complies with FCC and IC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20cm between the radiator and/or antenna and your body (excluding fingers, hands, wrists, ankles and feet). This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. **Supplier's Declaration of Conformity**

HBZ Apprentice STOL S 700mm RTF (HBZ6100): 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.

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with

IC Information

IC: 6157A-SPMR1275, 6157A-SPMAR630 CAN ICES-3 (B)/NMB-3(B)

This device contains license-exempt transmitter(s)/receivers(s) that comply with Innovation, Science, and Economic Development Canada's license-exempt RSS(s). Operation is subject to the following 2 conditions:

- 1. This device may not cause interference.
- 2. This device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- · Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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Compliance Information for the European Union

EU Compliance Statement:

HBZ Apprentice STOL S 700mm RTF (HBZ6100); Hereby, Horizon Hobby, LLC declares that the device is in compliance with the following: Low Voltage Directive (LVD) 2014/35/EU; EU EMC Directive 2014/30/EU; Radio Equipment Directive (RED) 2014/53/EU; RoHS 2 Directive 2011/65/EU; RoHS 3 Directive - Amending 2011/65/EU Annex II 2015/863.

HBZ Apprentice STOL S 700mm BNF (HBZ6150); Hereby, Horizon Hobby, LLC declares that the device is in compliance with the following: Radio Equipment Directive (RED) 2014/53/EU; RoHS 2 Directive 2011/65/EU; RoHS 3 Directive - Amending 2011/65/EU Annex II 2015/863.

The full text of the EU declaration of conformity is available at the following internet address: https://www.horizonhobby.com/content/support-render-compliance.

NOTE: This product contains batteries that are covered under the 2006/66/EC European Directive, which cannot be disposed of with normal household waste. Please follow local regulations.

Wireless Frequency Range and Wireless Output Power:

Transmitter:

2403-2480MHz

16.46dBm

Receiver:

2402-2478MHz 4.65dBm

EU Manufacturer of Record:

Horizon Hobby, LLC 2904 Research Road Champaign, IL 61822 USA

EU Importer of Record:

Horizon Hobby, GmbH Hanskampring 9 22885 Barsbüttel Germany

WEEE NOTICE:



This appliance is labeled in accordance with European Directive 2012/19/EU concerning waste of electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). This label indicates that this product should not be disposed of with household waste. It should be deposited at an appropriate facility to enable recovery and recycling.



This product is a class C4 UAS as defined by the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).







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