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SAFETY NOTES: OBSERVE AT ALL TIMES

Please take the trouble to read right through these instructions before attempting to use the equipment for the first time, paying particular attention to the Safety Notes. If you are a beginner to radio-controlled model aircraft or helicopters, we recommend that you ask an experienced modeller for help, as you are bound to need support and advice initially.

This radio control system is designed and approved exclusively for use with radio-controlled models. If you use the equipment for any other purpose, Robbe Modellsport will accept no liability for the consequences.

SAFETY NOTES

Radio-controlled models are not toys or playthings in the usual meaning of the term, and they should not be operated by young people under fourteen years of age unless an experienced adult is available to supervise them. Building and operating these models requires technical expertise, manual skills, a cautious attitude and safety-conscious behaviour. Errors, negligence and omissions in building or flying these models can result in serious personal injury and damage to property.

The manufacturer and vendor of the equipment have no means of checking that your models are built and operated correctly, and for this reason we can do no more than bring these hazards expressly to your attention. We deny all further liability.

Technical faults, whether electrical or mechanical, can result in electric motors bursting into life unexpectedly, causing other parts to come loose and fly around at high speed. Switching on the receiving system when the transmitter is not active can also have the same effect.

In either case there is a serious risk of injury. Propellers, helicopter rotors and all other rotating objects which are driven by motors or engines represent a constant hazard and a potential source of injury. Avoid touching such parts at all costs. It is a sobering thought that a propeller revolving at high speed could cut off your finger.

Do not stand in or close to the primary danger area around the propeller or other rotating parts whenever the electric motor is connected to a drive battery. Take care to keep all other objects from making contact with revolving parts.

Protect your radio control system from heat, dust, dirt and damp, and do not subject your equipment to excessive heat, cold or vibration. Radio control systems should only be used in "normal" conditions, i.e. within a temperature range of -15° C to $+55^{\circ}$ C.

Use only the recommended battery chargers, and supervise the procedure when charging batteries. Please read and observe our safety notes regarding charging the batteries. Overcharging, or incorrect charging methods can result in the batteries exploding or bursting into flames.

Always maintain correct polarity.

Avoid subjecting this equipment to undue shock or pressure. Check your system regularly for damage to cases and wiring. If a unit gets wet or is damaged in a crash, it should not be used again even after you have dried it out and checked it thoroughly. The only safe course of action is to replace damaged items, or at least have them checked by a robbe Service Centre.



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Faults caused by damp or crash-induced shock may not be obvious to the layman, but after a short period of further use they may cause catastrophic failure. It is important to use only the components and accessories which we expressly recommend, and always use genuine robbe-Futaba connectors. It is not permissible to make modifications of any kind to the system components.

ROUTINE PRE-FLIGHT CHECKS

If there are several modellers at your site, ensure that yours is the only transmitter on "your" frequency before you switch the transmitter on.

- Always extend the transmitter aerial fully before operating your model, and check that it is firmly engaged in its socket.
- Ensure that the throttle stick is at the stop / idle end-point before you switch the receiver on.
- Always switch the transmitter on first, then the receiver.
- Always switch the receiver off first, then the transmitter.
- Carry out a range check before the flight or run.
- Have you selected the correct model memory?
- Check all the working systems. Ensure that the control surfaces respond to the stick commands in the correct "sense" (right stick = right rudder etc.), and that the travels are as recommended.
- Are all the mixer functions and switches set correctly?
- Are the batteries sufficiently charged?
- If you are not sure of any point don't fly, as this would endanger yourself and anybody else at the site.

OPERATING THE MODEL

- Never fly above spectators or other pilots.
- Do not fly in any way which could endanger humans or animals.
- Never fly close to high-tension overhead cables or residential areas.
- Don't operate your model in the vicinity of canals, locks or other public waterways.
- You must not operate your model from public roads, motorways, paths, squares etc.

Never operate your equipment in stormy weather.

The transmitter aerial must always be extended fully when you are actually controlling a model. Don't "point" the transmitter aerial straight at the aeroplane when flying. The signal generated by the transmitter is at its weakest in an imaginary line extending straight from the aerial. It is always best for the pilot to stand in a position where the long side of the aerial points towards the model.

If several radio control systems are in use at the same time on adjacent channels, the operators or pilots should always stand together in a loose group. Pilots who insist on standing away from the group endanger their own model as well as those of other pilots.

INSURANCE

Ground-based models are usually covered by standard personal third-party insurance policies. To fly powered model aircraft you will need to extend the cover of your existing policy, or take out a specific policy. Check your insurance and take out new cover if necessary.

1. SET CONTENTS



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- 1 FX-30 transmitter
- 1 FX-FM Synthesizer RF module
- 1 LiPo transmitter battery, 7.4 V / 3400 mAh
- 1 R 1410 DP PCM-1024 receiver
- 1 Switch harness with charge socket
- 1 12 Volt Lithium battery charger, 2 A
- 1 110 ... 230 Volt AC switch-mode PSU, for charging from the mains supply

RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES:

Trainer lead, FF9 -> FF9	No. F 1591
Trainer lead, FF9 -> DIN (6-pin)	No. F 1592
Trainer lead -> FX series (2.5 mm)	No. 8236
Trainer lead -> F-series (3.5 mm)	No. 8238
Flight simulator adaptor lead, FF-9	No. 8239
FX-30 transmitter tray, carbon fibre	No. 8491
FX-30 transmitter charge lead	No. 8260
Receiver battery, 4.8 V / 1400 mAh	No. F 1307
Replacement transmitter battery	No. 4846
Stick switch, 2-position	No. 8315
Stick switch, 3-position	No. 8316
Stick switch, push-button	No. 8317
Aero-Team aluminium transmitter case	
(transmitter excl. tray)	No. F 1556
Aluminium case (FX-40), for transmitter with tray	No. F 1565



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2. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The FX-40 is a high-class radio control system which sets new standards in many areas.

2.1 FX-30 TRANSMITTER

Third-generation PCM system (PCM-G3) offering unsurpassed transmission speed and accuracy. Compared to the previous PCM 1024 system, the number of steps (increments) has been doubled from 1024 to 2048, but at the same time the repeat time has been reduced from 28.5 ms to 17.6 ms - an improvement of around 40%.

In all RC systems there is inevitably a response lag, i.e. a delay between the movement of the transmitter stick and the initial movement of the corresponding servo, but this has also been reduced by 25%.

The net result is virtually real-time control, i.e. the control signals arrive at the servos practically at the same instant and with virtually zero lag, giving the pilot a completely new feeling of direct control.

PCM-G3 modulation is only possible in conjunction with the R 5014 DPS or R 5114 DPS receivers.

As you would expect, it is possible to switch the modulation to the PCM 1024 system and to 8 / 12 channel PPM (FM), to enable existing receivers to continue to be used.

• The system is unusually easy to use thanks to the clearly arranged graphical user interface, which is very easy to understand, and is of consistent, uniform design throughout.

The system includes a completely new, extremely simple mixer select system based on an initial selection of the model type using a graphic image of the layout. Simply select the wing and tail type, and the transmitter sets up the correct mixers and channel sequence automatically.

The primary means of data input is the 3-D hot-key, with integral 'EDIT' function.

- The transmitter spot frequency is generated using a Direct Digital Synthesizer (DDS), i.e. no crystals are required. It is possible to select all channels approved for use in Europe in the 35 (A + B), 40 and 41 MHz bands if the appropriate RF module is installed. The selected spot frequency is amplified selectively in the RF amplifier module, which generates the level of output power approved for radio control use.
- Thirty internal model memories provide ample space for model-specific data, but in any case additional model memory capacity for up to 1958 models is possible on a 1 GB SD card. The SD card can also be used as a simple method of transferring model data from one transmitter to another. SD cards are available in any specialist photographic or electronic shop.
- The transmitter is fitted with new precision-made dual-axis stick units featuring four ballraces and special long-life potentiometers of industrial quality. The potentiometer cable guidance system is very elegant: the cable only moves through about 45°, which helps to avoid cable fractures.

 The FX-30 transmitter features the new Rotary Trim System, which combines the traditional method of operation with the advantages of digital storing. When you switch model memories, or switch the system on again after a pause, the correct trim values are immediately available again automatically.

Trims are provided for all stick functions, and each can be set to normal, centre or ATL (asymmetrical) function. The integral screen provides a clear on-screen display of trim positions. Trim values are stored in the model memory, either globally (for all flight modes) or separately (for each flight mode individually).

- Freely programmable 17-point AFR transmitter control curves, with separate speed adjustment for each of the twelve proportional channels.
- Ten freely programmable 17-point curve mixers; six different D/R settings can be superimposed on them, with separately variable delay and speed for both directions of the servo ('there' and 'back').
 'Stick-to-stick' or 'stick-to-servo' mix mode, with separate delay and speed adjustment when the mixer is switched on and switched off. The mixers can be connected in series (cascaded), and switches, transmitter control functions or virtual functions can be selected as transmitter controls. With Offset function and fine-tuning adjustment: mixer inputs can be adjusted externally using assigned rotary controls, switches or transmitter sticks.
- Eight flight modes with selectable priority and variable transition delay, plus unrestricted name and copy functions.
- Trainer (teacher pupil, buddy-box) facilities fitted as standard, plus integral DSC socket. The Trainer system features individual channel transfer and optional mix operation.
- Li-Po battery technology; mains battery charger included in the set.
- Programmable count-up or count-down stopwatch with operating hours timer and model memory timer.

Note:

The FX-30 transmitter features an energy-saving measure in the form of an automatic RF cut-off circuit. If no transmitter control (stick, switch, adjustor etc.) is operated for a period of thirty minutes, the transmitter switches the RF section off, the screen displays the message "PLEASE SWITCH TRANS-MITTER OFF", and the green LED indicator goes out. This is particularly relevant when you are using the transmitter in Trainer mode; please bear in mind that it is essential to operate one control occasionally (at least once every thirty minutes), otherwise there is a danger of the Teacher transmitter switching itself off.

2.2 R-1410 DP PCM-1024 RECEIVER

Small, lightweight dual-conversion PCM receiver (PCM-1024 system) weighing only 34 g, with end-mounted sockets for up to ten servos.

The outstanding features of this receiver are excellent reliability, compact dimensions and low weight. It is a ten-channel version of the proven R149DP reference receiver



3. SPECIFICATION

14 channels PCM 2048 (G3)
FM (PPM) or PCM 1024, PCM-G3
7.4 V LiPo battery / 3.4 Ah
approx. 1035 g

3.2 R-1410 DP PCM-1024 RECEIVER

Frequency bands:	1 MHz
ntermediate frequencies:10.7 MHz and 45	55 kHz
Transmission system:PCM	I-1024
Channel spacing:1	10 kHz
Power supply: 4.8 6 Volts (4 5 cells, NC /	/ NiMH)
Current drain:	12 mA
Dimensions:	21 mm
Weight:	34 g

4. FX-30 TRANSMITTER CONTROLS



4.1 LiPo transmitter battery, 7.4 Volt / 3400 mAh, No. 4846



REMOVING / CHANGING THE TRANSMITTER BATTERY

- First switch the transmitter off.
- Remove the RF module.
- Unlatch the back panel at the top and fold it open, taking care not to damage the lower locating lugs.
- Undo the retaining bands.
- Disconnect the battery connector from the transmitter by pulling on the connector itself (not on the wires).
- When re-installing the battery in the transmitter please note that the battery lead must face the right.
- Plug in the connector, taking care to maintain correct polarity.
- Re-fit the retaining bands.
- Engage the lower locating lugs of the back panel. Fold the back panel up into the correct position and engage the top latch. Ensure that no wires are snagged between the panels.



Note:

Never disconnect the battery from the transmitter when the monitor LED is still flashing, as this could corrupt stored values or cause damage to memory modules. If this should occur, cease using the transmitter and send it to your nearest robbe Service Centre.

4.2 RC charger, charging the transmitter battery

The RC charger included in the set is suitable for charging 7.4 Volt Lithium batteries, and features a voltage-controlled automatic cut-off circuit (8.4 Volts). The charge current is approximately 2 A.

It can be connected:

- to a 12 V car battery or 12 V DC mains PSU via the car cigar lighter adaptor (supplied);
- or to a mains socket (110 ... 230 V AC) using the mains adaptor (also supplied).



Notes on handling and charging the transmitter battery

- Connect the 230 V mains charger to a mains power socket.
- Connect the plug to the 12 V Lithium charger.
- The red monitor LED will now light up.
- Locate the charge lead attached to the 12 V charger, and connect it to the transmitter.
- The charge monitor LED now lights up red to indicate that charging is in progress; the charge current is around 2 Ampere.
- The charge time is around 3.5 hours if the battery is initially discharged.
- When the charge process is almost complete (90%), the colour of the charge monitor LED changes colour to green; the charge monitor LED goes out when the charge is 100% complete. The battery can safely be disconnected at around 90%, since the remainder of the charge to 100% takes approximately a further thirty minutes using the CC-CV charge method.

Caution:

The LiPo transmitter battery is fitted with an integral balancer and a protective electronic circuit, which protects against over-voltage and deep-discharge.

The battery must only be charged using the RC charger supplied in the set! Chargers such as the Power Peak Infinity and similar are not suitable, as these devices are designed for high cell-count packs, and generate a very high voltage at the cutoff point, which could destroy the protective battery circuit.

 Li-Poly cells feature an extremely low self-discharge rate of around 0.2% per day, and for this reason they can be stored for long periods without problems. However, deep-discharging must be avoided, as the pack will sustain permanent damage in the form of loss of capacity if discharged too far (the protective electronic circuit avoids this). After about five months of storage - but at the latest when the pack voltage falls to 2.5 Volts / cell - it is essential to recharge the pack. Before any protracted period of storage you should recharge the battery to at least 50% of nominal capacity. After about five months the pack should be recharged again.

- The theoretical useful life of a Lithium cell when operated at low discharge currents is around 500 charge / discharge cycles.
- Since Li-Poly cells do not suffer from the memory effect (lazy battery effect), it is not necessary to discharge them before charging (cycling, balancing, as required with NC and NiMH batteries). In fact, it is harmful to discharge the packs first, and this should be avoided. The capacity of Li-Poly cells declines slightly with each charge cycle, so prior discharging would result in premature capacity loss.

Safety Notes:

- Do not submerge the battery in water or any other liquid.
- Do not heat or incinerate the battery, or place it in a microwave oven.
- Do not short-circuit the pack or charge it with reversed polarity.
- Do not subject the battery to physical pressure; do not deform or throw it.
- Do not solder directly to the battery.
- Do not modify or open the battery.
- Do not charge the battery to a voltage higher than 4.2 Volts per cell, or discharge it to a voltage lower than 2.5 Volts per cell.
- LiPo batteries may only be charged using a charger designed expressly for this purpose. Never connect the battery directly to a mains PSU.
- Never charge or discharge the battery in direct sunshine, or close to a heater or fire.
- Do not use the battery in any location which is subject to severe static discharges.
- Any of these errors may cause the battery to be damaged, explode or catch fire.
- Keep the battery well out of the reach of children.
 If electrolyte should escape, keep it well away from fire; the substance is highly inflammable and may burst into flames.
- Avoid the fluid electrolyte contacting your eyes. If this should occur, rinse the affected part immediately with plenty of clean water before seeking medical attention.
- If the fluid electrolyte should contact your clothes or any other object, wash it off immediately using plenty of water.
- Never leave the battery on charge unsupervised.
- Charge the battery only on a fireproof surface.

To protect the environment, take defective and exhausted packs to your local free battery collection point after ensuring that they are completely discharged. On no account dispose of exhausted batteries in the domestic waste. Exhausted batteries can be recycled.

Operating times:

With a fully charged battery, the transmitter's operating time is around ten hours when used with the transmitter battery No. 4846.

The operating time of the receiver battery varies greatly according to several factors: the number of servos connected to the system, the stiffness of the control linkages, and the frequency of control commands (servo movements). When the servo motor is running, a servo draws a current of between 150 and 600 mA, whereas its consumption falls to around 5 to 8 mA when the motor is stopped. Once the servo reaches the position dictated by the transmitter stick, the motor switches off, and the servo only draws its idle current. It makes no difference whether the servo is at neutral, one end-point or any intermediate point.



4.3 INSERTING / REPLACING THE RF MODULE



- Always switch the transmitter off before inserting the RF module.
- Position the RF module squarely before pushing it into place; press it in until the side lugs engage.
- Take care that no pins are bent when you insert the connector.
- To remove the RF module squeeze the side lugs inwards and pull it out, keeping it straight and "square".

4.4 STICK ADJUSTMENTS

The FX-30 transmitter is fitted with new precision dual-axis stick units featuring quadruple ballraces and industrial-standard long-life potentiometers.

In designing these sticks we placed particular emphasis on smooth, accurate control around the centre position.



ADJUSTING THE STICK LENGTH

The length of the primary sticks is infinitely variable, and can be adjusted to suit the pilot's preference.

- Loosen parts A and B
- Set the stick-top to the desired length
- Lock part B against part A.



CENTRING FORCE ADJUSTMENT

On both stick units the centring force of the springs is infinitely variable, and can be adjusted to suit your personal preference. The first step is to remove the transmitter back panel. Adjust the centring spring force at the positions indicated using the 1.5 mm A/F allen key supplied.



4.5 CONVERTING THE THROTTLE FUNCTION

As supplied, the transmitter is set up in Universal mode, i.e. both sticks have a self-neutralising action.

Most users will wish to convert one of the two sticks to a ratchet or brake function in the vertical plane, to produce a nonneutralising function for the throttle channel.

The first step is to locate a small bracket in the transmitter accessory bag. Attach the bracket as shown, using the spring force adjustor screw; this raises the return spring.





Raised centring spring for throttle right (modes 1 + 3)

Raised centring spring for throttle left (modes 2 + 4)

You can now activate the ratchet or brake spring and adjust the

force using the 1.5 mm A/F allen key supplied.



ACTIVATING THE RATCHET FUNCTION

For fixed-wing model aircraft applications the throttle stick is usually employed with a ratchet spring. The ratchet is applied by carefully tightening the ratchet spring screw (rotating it to the right) until the throttle stick "feels" right to you. Take care not to activate the brake function at the same time; you may need to unscrew the brake spring screw slightly.

ACTIVATING THE BRAKE FUNCTION

- The ratchet function should first be disabled by unscrewing the ratchet spring.
- Now tighten the brake spring carefully (to the right) until the throttle brake "feels" right to you.

The ratchet and brake function cannot be activated at the same time, as they effectively overlap.

The stick mode is selected in the Transmitter Control Settings / Stick Mode sub-menu of the System menu. If you convert the throttle function, you will also need to check the stick mode and change it if necessary (stick mode 1 to 4). The default software setting is Stick Mode 2 (throttle left); see also the System Menu, page 23.



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For this reason it is very important that mechanical linkages work smoothly and freely, and that the servo is not mechanically obstructed at any point in its travel.

When the receiver battery is almost discharged, you will notice that the servos run more slowly than usually. If you ever reach this point, cease operations immediately, and recharge the battery.

4.6 SD CARD MEMORY MODULE

Model data relating to the various models can be stored on an SD card (max. capacity 1 GB), which can be purchased separately. We recommend the use of high-speed SD cars such as the Sun-Disk type.



SD cards of other makes designed for digital cameras can also be used, but we are unable to guarantee that all will work perfectly since so many different types are available.

Important note:

The SC card must be initialised (formatted) before you can store model data on it. This is the procedure:

- Insert the card in the transmitter, and switch it on.
- The following message appears: 'Card not initialised. Stop / Format'
- Select the Format field to initialise the card, and press the 3-D hot-key button.
- A security query appears; confirm this with 'OK'.
- The message 'Formatting card' appears, and the screen shows the progress of the procedure in bar-graph form.
- This process may take several minutes, depending on the size of the card.
- When formatting is complete, you will see the message 'Formatting finished'; confirm this with OK.
- The transmitter now automatically switches to the familiar Start screen.

Software update switch

SD card slot

INSERTING THE SD CARD

This is the procedure for inserting and replacing the SD card:

- Switch the transmitter off.
- Open the side flap by pulling gently at the marked point.
- The SD card slot is now visible.

Hold the SD card with the locking lug on the underside. Push the

card into the slot as far as it will go; you should distinctly hear the card click into place.

See page 72 for information on updating the software.

REMOVING THE SD CARD

Push the end of the SD card inward with a fingertip until it moves slightly; you should hear a click. The SD card will now be ejected automatically, and you can take the card out of the slot.

Note:

Do not remove the SD card during a read or write process, as this may corrupt the data stored on the card.

TRANSFERRING DATA TO A PC

You will need a card reader device which supports SD cards in order to transfer data to or from a PC. These are available from electrical suppliers as digital photo accessories.

The files stored on the SD card are not in Windows format, and are not visible on a PC.

A special software program called the "Futaba File System Utility" is available for viewing and erasing these files. It can be downloaded from the Download area of the robbe Support Server at http://Support.robbe.com.

Another program whose purpose is to convert model data between T12Z / T12FG / T14MZ / FX 30 and FX 40 transmitters is in preparation, and will also be available for downloading from the robbe Support Server in due course.

DATA SECURITY

The lifetime of an SD card is more than 100,000 write cycles. If you experience read / write problems after a very long period of frequent use, the card should be replaced. We are unable to accept responsibility for the security of the data on the card, and we always recommend that you create a back-up copy to be on the safe side.

Once data is stored on a DP card - or in the transmitter - it does not require electrical current, so you will not lose data if you remove the transmitter battery.

MEMORY CAPACITY

• The transmitter's internal memory is sufficient for thirty models, and an optional SD card can be used as an expanded memory medium. The transmitter can manage cards with capacities of 32 MB to 1 GB. A 1 GB card has sufficient capacity for 1958 model data sets. The SD card can also be employed by the user to update the transmitter's software. The program data for this is also available in the Download area of the robbe website.

NOTES ON HANDLING SD CARDS

- Do not remove the SD card during the data writing process.
- Do not subject the SD card to powerful magnetic or electrical fields, as this can cause data loss and permanent damage to the card.
- Do not subject the card to direct sunlight or conditions of high aerial humidity.
- Do not allow the card to contact dirt, water or other fluids.
- Always hold the card by the edges when inserting or removing it.
- Take care always to insert the SD card the correct way round.
- Always switch off the transmitter before inserting or removing the SD card.

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4.7 TRAINER MODE

The FX-30 is fitted with additional sockets on the left-hand side. One of them is a Trainer socket, which can also be used to control a flight simulator, and doubles up as a DSC socket.



Trainer (teacher / pupil) mode operations make it possible for newcomers to learn the art of model flying with the help of a tutor. The Teacher and Pupil transmitters must be inter-connected using the appropriate Trainer lead, which is available separately.

Teacher	Pupil	Trainer lead
FX 30	Skyport T4VY, T4EX, T6EX, T7C, T9C, T10C	Special trainer lead No. F 1314
FX 30	T12Z, T12FG, T14MZ, FX-30, FX-40	Trainer lead No. F 1591
FX 30	FC28, FC 18, F-14, FC-16	With Trainer Module 4 and lead No. F 1592

The FX-30 transmitter can be used either as the Teacher or the Pupil transmitter.

Please note the following points:

Selecting the modulation on Pupil transmitters with G3 modulation (PCM 2048).

For Pupil transmitters which feature G3 modulation, it is possible to switch to 8-channel or 12-channel modulation.

- In the case of other Pupil transmitters (with PCM 1024 or FM (PP8) modulation) it is essential to set 8-channel PPM (FM) modulation.
- If the transmitters are not set up with the same stick mode (throttle left / throttle right), you must change the mode on the Pupil transmitter (MODE 1 - 4).
- Connect the Teacher transmitter to the Pupil transmitter using the Trainer lead.
- Switch the Teacher transmitter on.
- The Pupil transmitter is usually switched on automatically when you connect the Trainer cable; to avoid the Pupil transmitter radiating an RF signal we recommend that you remove the crystal or the RF module from the transmitter, as well as the aerial.
- Pupil transmitters with a six-pin micro Trainer socket and a transmitter power supply consisting of a 2S LiPo or 6 NiMH pack are powered directly via the Trainer lead, No. F 1591 (e.g. T12FG, T12Z, T14MZ, FX-30, FX-40).

Other transmitters with a six-pin micro Trainer socket and an eight-cell NC / NiMH power supply require the special Trainer lead, No. F 1314. This lead features an integral voltage converter (from 6 NC to 8 NC), which avoids constantly triggering the low-voltage alarm (T4EX, T6EXP, T7C, T9CP, T10C).

- Check the control functions carefully on the Teacher transmitter, then operate the Trainer switch and check the control functions from the Pupil transmitter.
- Switch back to Teacher mode: control must revert to the Teacher transmitter.

The transmitter software allows you to select whether the Pupil transmitter has its own mixer functions for controlling the model, or whether the system should always use the Teacher transmitter's mixer functions. Alternatively 'mix mode' operation is possible; in this case both transmitters are permitted to control the model.

For more information on the settings required for these arrangements please refer to the "Trainer" set-up menu; this is described as part of the "System menu" section.

The FX-30 transmitter can be operated either as the Teacher transmitter or as the Pupil transmitter in combination with a huge variety of transmitters from the robbe / Futaba range. The following combinations are possible; the list below also states the Trainer leads required:

FX-30 transmitter as Teacher transmitter in conjunction with the following Pupil transmitters:

- T12FG, T12Z, T14MZ, FX-30, FX-40 transmitters = Trainer lead No. F 1591
- T10C, FF-9 (T9CP), FF-7 (T7CP), T4EX, Skysport T4YF transmitters = special Trainer lead No. F 1314
- FX-14 / FX-18 transmitters = Trainer lead No. 8236
- F-series transmitters with Trainer module 4, No. F 1574 = Trainer lead No. 8238
- F-series transmitters with 6-pin DIN socket, Skysport 4 (T4VF), FF-6, FF-8 and PCM 1024-9Z = Trainer lead No. F 1592; must be converted by the robbe Service Centre (power supply cap).

FX-30 transmitter as Pupil transmitter in conjunction with the following Teacher transmitters (transmitter battery required in Pupil transmitter):

- Skysport T4YF, T4EX, FF-7 (T7CP), FF-9 (T9CP), T10C, T12FG, T12Z, T14MZ, FX-30, FX-40 transmitters = Trainer lead No. F 1591
- FX-14 / 18 transmitters = Trainer lead No. 8236
- Skysport 4 (T4VF), FF-6, FF-8, FC-28, FC-18 and FC-16 with DIN socket or PCM 1024 9Z transmitter = Trainer lead No. F 1592
- F-14, FC-16, FC-18 or FC-28 transmitters with Trainer 4 Module, F 1574 = Trainer lead No. 8238

4.8 DSC MODE, USE WITH FLIGHT SIMULATOR

A DSC (Direct Servo Control) lead can also be connected to the

DSC socket on the left-hand side of the transmitter in order to control the receiver and the connected servos without radiating an RF signal. This can be helpful at a competition, for example; you may wish to carry out adjust-



ments when your spot frequency is already in use. Also useful for changing the spot frequency of R 5014 / R 5114 receivers.

Note:

The DSC function can only be used as an alternative to the Trainer function. This means that you must first disable (INA) Trainer mode in the "Trainer" set-up menu of the "System menu".

- Locate the DSC lead supplied in the set, and connect it to the receiver socket marked B/C.
- Switch the receiver power supply on.
- Now connect the plug to the transmitter; this automatically switches the unit on without radiating an RF signal. The screen displays the message "DSC lead connected", and the transmitter passes the control signals to the receiver via the cable.



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To operate a flight simulator program using the FX-30 transmitter you will need to use the adaptor lead, No. 8239, which is available as an optional accessory.

In this case the transmitter must always be set to 8-channel operation and FM modulation (see Base menu, Set-up menu "Frequency"), Section 12.4.

Switching on the Trainer function when set to PPM 8 modulation automatically switches the RF module off; the same applies with a 2.4 GHz system.

4.9 INPUT ELEMENTS

The FX-30 is programmed using the '3-D hot-key' with EDIT function and the S1 button, in conjunction with the large, clearly arranged LCD screen.

LCD MONITOR CONTROL AREA

The large, clearly arranged, high-contrast LCD graphic monitor, with a resolution of 255×96 dots, provides the user with all the essential information during the programming procedure and when using the system to control a model.



3-D HOT-KEY / EDIT BUTTON

During the programming procedure data is entered primarily using the '3-D hot-key': rotating it increases or decreases a marked value, while - pressing it confirms the newly set values (EDIT function).

S1 input button

The S1 button can be used to leaf through in either direction within the individual sub-menus even when you are not directly at the special settings level. A brief press on the button takes the cursor straight back to the starting point. To return to the home display you must hold the button pressed in for at least one second. The S1 button also acts as a Key Lock, to ensure that settings are not changed accidentally while you are flying a model. To lock and unlock the buttons first return to the Home display, then hold the S1 button pressed in for at least one second.

The screen-shot shows the Start screen. See Section 9 for a description of the individual displays.



4.10 LED STATUS

On the front panel you will find two status LEDs which indicate the transmitter status by means of flashing sequences and colours.



- When you switch the transmitter on, the red LED lights up.
- A green LED flashing slowly indicates that the spot frequency is being transmitted to the receiver.
- The LED monitor colour changes to green when the DSC lead is connected, and when the transmitter is active as a Pupil transmitter for Trainer mode operations.
- If the LED monitor flashes red slowly, this indicates that no RF module is present, or that the RF module in the transmitter does not match the transmitter or the selected frequency band.

SUMMARY OF THE MOST IMPORTANT COLOUR INDICATORS:

LED glows red:	RF module installed,
	No RF signal radiated
LED glows red / green:	Transmitter radiating RF signal
LED flashes red:	No RF module fitted
LED flashes green:	DSC or Trainer (Pupil) mode

4.11 ROTARY TRIMS

The four trim controls arranged around the primary sticks (T1 \dots T4) take the form of rotary trims, as do the two trimmers arranged at top right and top left (T5 + T6) of the transmitter. The transmitter software allows you to select any of them to act as trims for the stick channels or for any other controls; they can also be set to act as mixer function controls.

Every time you move a rotary trim, the trim value changes by one increment (the increment size is user-variable). The transmitter emits an audible signal when the trim position reaches the neutral point (centre position), or passes the neutral point. The current trim position is displayed in bar-graph form in the Start display and also in the "Trim value" menu. The trim rate and increment can be selected individually for each trim button; this is carried out in the "Function" menu.

The rotary trims can be assigned to act as trim functions for the individual transmitter controls; this is carried out in the "Function" sub-menu of the Base menu. The trim travel and the type of trim (ATL, Centre, Normal) can be set in the same menu.



In the Trim display sub-menu the trim increment "Step" can be set individually for each rotary trim. In the same menu you can assign the Global or Separate function as required.



4.12 ROTARY KNOBS

The rotary knobs LD and RD are analogue controls which can be assigned freely to any function. They feature a fine centre detent, and the transmitter emits an audible signal when they are moved to the centre position.

The markers indicate the set position.



4.13 UPPER ROTARY TRIMMERS

The two upper rotary trimmers can be set up to act as supplementary trims, or assigned as transmitter controls for any function you like. They feature a fine centre detent, and the transmitter emits an audible signal when they are moved to the centre position.

The trimmer on the left-hand side of the transmitter is designated T6, that on the right-hand side T5. Both controls can be reached conveniently using the index fingers, without forcing the pilot to let go of the primary sticks.



4.14 AERIAL

The transmitter aerial is located in a compartment at the bottom of the transmitter case on the right-hand side, as seen from the front.

Before you operate the transmitter withdraw the transmitter and screw it (right-hand thread) into the aerial base. Remove it and stow it in the compartment for transport.



The angle of inclination of the aerial is variable. To adjust the angle locate the clamping screw indicated in the photo, loosen it, swivel the aerial to the desired position, then carefully re-tighten the screw.

Tool required: allen key





5. CONNECTING THE SERVOS

Servo output sequence with previo	us PCM 1024 system
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Channel	Power model	Glider	Helicopter
1	Aileron	Aileron	Roll-axis (aileron)
2	Elevator	Elevator	Pitch-axis (elevator)
3	Throttle	Throttle	Throttle
4	Rudder	Rudder	Tail rotor
5	Retracts	Flaperon	Gyro
6	Aileron 2	Flaperon 2	Collective pitch
7	Free	Aileron 2	Free
8	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Pitch-axis (elevator) 2

The FX-30 radio control system allows the user to select the sequence of servo outputs freely, without restriction.

If you wish to maintain compatibility with previous PCM 1024 systems with fixed servo output assignment, you should change the sequence to that shown in this table.



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5.1 CONNECTING SERVOS - PCM 1024 AND PCM 2048 (G3)



NEW SYSTEM FOR FUNCTION SEQUENCE

For the PCM-G3 system the second aileron output has been shifted to output 5, in order to maintain compatibility with small five-channel and six-channel receivers; the increased number of channels has also necessitated this change. This means that the receiver channel sequence is not the same as that of the PCM 1024 system.

To maintain compatibility with the PCM-1024 system it is possible to select any function sequence you like; this is accomplished in the "Function" menu.

Note:

If you need to change the function sequence when using the PCM-G3 system, please ensure that associated functions are allocated together within the channel groups $1 \dots 6$ or $7 \dots 12$. Do not assign paired functions to channels 6 and 7, as this could result in different servo transit times.

The transmitter employs a new, graphical method of selecting the model type as basis for the mixer functions and transmitter control arrangement (stick mode), and this automatically generates a suggested configuration for the selected model type. We recommend that you keep to this set-up if possible, so that you are always using a standard configuration. The "Function" menu clearly shows the output to which the corresponding servo is connected, and which transmitter control is used to operate it. Where a single function operates two or more servos, the corresponding transmitter controls are configured accordingly.

Within an individual model type the configuration varies little, although the number of channels in use may increase if the number of wing flaps and other control surfaces is higher than usual.

The situation is different when you switch from one model type to another. For example, if you change the model type from a normal tail to a tail layout with two elevator servos (Ailvator), the sequence of functions is necessarily different.

The same also applies, of course, to model gliders (powered and unpowered), and for flying wing models with and without winglets.

The following pages contain comprehensive tables and sketches which clearly show the servo connection sequence, arranged according to the different model types which are managed by the software.



5.2 Airplanes, Motorglider and Glider with standard T-, Cross- and V-tail

		1 Aileron		2 Aileron			2 Aileron+1 Flap		
СН	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider
1	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator
2	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder
3	Throttle	Motor	AUX 1	Throttle	Motor	AUX 1	Throttle	Motor	AUX 7
4	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron
5	Gear	AUX 7	AUX 8	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2
6	Airbrake	Airbrake	Airbrake	Gear	AUX 7	AUX 7	Flap	Flap	Flap
7	AUX 6	AUX 6	AUX 6	AUX 6	AUX 6	AUX 6	Gear	AUX 6	AUX 6
8	AUX 5	AUX 5	AUX 5	AUX 5	AUX 5	AUX 5	AUX 5	AUX 5	AUX 5
9	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4
10	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3
11	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2
12	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1
VC1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber
VC2	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly
VC3	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1

		2 Aileron+2 Flap)		2 Aileron+4 Flap		4 Aileron+2 Flap		
СН	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider
1	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator
2	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder
3	Throttle	Motor	AUX 6	Throttle	Motor	AUX 4	Throttle	Motor	AUX 4
4	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron
5	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2
6	Gear	AUX 5	AUX 5	Gear	AUX 3	AUX 3	Gear	AUX 3	AUX 3
7	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap	Aileron 3	Aileron 3	Aileron 3
8	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Aileron 4	Aileron 4	Aileron 4
9	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap	Flap	Flap
10	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2
11	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2
12	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1
VC1	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber
VC2	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly
VC3	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1

	4 Aileron+4 Flap						
СН	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider				
1	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator				
2	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder				
3	Throttle	Motor	AUX 2				
4	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron				
5	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2				
6	Gear	AUX 1	AUX 1				
7	Aileron 3	Aileron 3	Aileron 3				
8	Aileron 4	Aileron 4	Aileron 4				
9	Flap	Flap	Flap				
10	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2				
11	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap 3				
12	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 4				
VC1	Camber	Camber	Camber				
VC2	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly				
VC3	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1				
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1				

The numbers in circles indicate the receiver output





NOTE!

All model types are available when twelvechannel PCM-G3 mode is selected. If you select FM 8-channel or PCM 1024, the number of available model types is reduced. In this case only the model types shown with a grey background are available.

VC 1 ... 4 are virtual functions without physical receiver outputs; however, these functions affect multiple servos, e.g. the Crow (Butterfly) function.





5.3 Modeltype with 2 separate Elevator flaps, usable also as Aileron (Ailvator)

1		1 Aileron			2 Aileron		2	Aileron + 1 Fla	D
СН	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider
1	Elevator	Elevator							
2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2
3	Rudder	Rudder							
4	Aileron	Aileron							
5	Throttle	Motor	AUX 7	Aileron 2	Aileron 2				
6	Airbrake	Airbrake	Airbrake	Throttle	Motor	AUX 7	Throttle	Motor	AUX 6
7	Gear	AUX 6	AUX 6	Gear	AUX 6	AUX 6	Flap	Flap	Flap
8	AUX 5	Gear	AUX 5	AUX 5					
9	AUX 4	AUX 4							
10	AUX 3	AUX 3							
11	AUX 2	AUX 2							
12	AUX 1	AUX 1							
VC1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber
VC2	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly
VC3	AUX 1	AUX 1							
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1							

	2	Aileron + 2 Fla	р	2 Aileron + 4 Flap		4 Aileron + 2 Flap			
СН	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider
1	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator
2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2
3	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder
4	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron
5	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2
6	Throttle	Motor	AUX 5	Throttle	Motor	AUX 3	Throttle	Motor	AUX 3
7	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap	Aileron 3	Aileron 3	Aileron 3
8	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Aileron 4	Aileron 4	Aileron 4
9	Gear	AUX 4	AUX 4	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap	Flap	Flap
10	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2
11	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	Gear	AUX 2	AUX 2	Gear	AUX 2	AUX 2
12	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1
VC1	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber
VC2	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly
VC3	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1

_	4	Aileron + 4 Fla	р
СН	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider
1	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator
2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2	Elevator 2
3	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder
4	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron
5	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2
6	Throttle	Motor	AUX 1
7	Aileron 3	Aileron 3	Aileron 3
8	Aileron 4	Aileron 4	Aileron 4
9	Flap	Flap	Flap
10	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2
11	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap 3
12	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 4
VC1	Camber	Camber	Camber
VC2	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly
VC3	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1

The numbers in circles indicate the receiver output





NOTE!

All model types are available when twelvechannel PCM-G3 mode is selected. If you select FM 8-channel or PCM 1024, the number of available model types is reduced. In this case only the model types shown with a grey background are available.

VC 1 ... 4 are virtual functions without physical receiver outputs; however, these functions affect multiple servos, e.g. the Crow (Butterfly) function.





5.4 Flying wing models as motorplane, EP-Glider ore Glider, standard rudder or winglet rudder

		2 Aileron		2	2 Aileron + 1 Flap			2 Aileron + 2 Fla	р
СН	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider
1	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder
2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2
3	Throttle	Motor	AUX 1	Throttle	Motor	AUX 7	Throttle	Motor	AUX 6
4	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron
5	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2				
6	Gear	AUX 7	AUX 7	Flap	Flap	Flap	Gear	AUX 5	AUX 5
7	AUX 6	AUX 6	AUX 6	Gear	AUX 6	AUX 6	Flap	Flap	Flap
8	AUX 5	AUX 5	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2				
9	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4	AUX 4				
10	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3	AUX 3				
11	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2				
12	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1				
VC1	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator
VC2	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber
VC3	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1				

	2	Aileron + 4 Fla	р	4 Aileron + 2 Flap			4 Aileron + 4 Flap		
СН	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider	Airplane	EP-Glider	Glider
1	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder	Rudder
2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2	Rudder 2
3	Throttle	Motor	AUX 4	Throttle	Motor	AUX 4	Throttle	Motor	AUX 2
4	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron	Aileron
5	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2	Aileron 2
6	Gear	AUX 3	AUX 3	Gear	AUX 3	AUX 3	Gear	AUX 1	AUX 1
7	Flap	Flap	Flap	Aileron 3	Aileron 3	Aileron 3	Aileron 3	Aileron 3	Aileron 3
8	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Aileron 4	Aileron 4	Aileron 4	Aileron 4	Aileron 4	Aileron 4
9	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap	Flap
10	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2	Flap 2
11	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	AUX 2	Flap 3	Flap 3	Flap 3
12	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	Flap 4	Flap 4	Flap 4
VC1	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator	Elevator
VC2	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber	Camber
VC3	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly	AUX 1	Butterfly	Butterfly
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1	AUX 1









NOTE!

All model types are available when twelve-channel PCM-G3 mode is selected. If you select FM 8-channel or PCM 1024, the number of available model types is reduced. In this case only the model types shown with a grey background are available.

VC 1 ... 4 are virtual functions without physical receiver outputs; however, these functions affect multiple servos, e.g. the Crow (Butterfly) function.

In the case of flying wings the elevator is also a virtual function.

The numbers in circles indicate the receiver output

5.5 Function sequence for Helicopter use

СН	H1 + 2, HE3 90°, HR3 120° HN3 120°, H3 140°	Heli 4		
1	Throttle	Throttle		
2	Rudder	Rudder		
3	Gyro	Aileron		
4	Aileron	Elevator		
5	Elevator	Pitch		
6	Pitch	Elevator 2		
7	Governor	Gyro		
8	Governor 2	Governor		
9	Needle	Governor 2		
10	AUX 3	Needle		
11	AUX 2	AUX 2		
12	AUX 1	AUX 1		
VC1	AUX 1	AUX 1		
VC2	AUX 1	AUX 1		
VC3	AUX 1	AUX 1		
VC4	AUX 1	AUX 1		

NOTE!

All model types are available when twelve-channel PCM-G3 mode is selected.

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VC 1 ... 4 are virtual functions without physical receiver outputs; however, these functions affect multiple servos.



6. SWITCHING THE TRANSMITTER ON / OFF

- Locate the switch on the transmitter marked "Power", and slide it to the right.
- After the loading and initialisation phase (monitor LED flashes red) the screen displays the spot frequency confirmation field.



- This request to check the spot frequency is displayed every time you switch the transmitter on.
- If the transmitter is set to the correct channel, and you wish to transmit an RF signal, select the appropriate answer with the 3-D hot-key and press the rotary knob (EDIT) to confirm your choice.
- The green status LED now lights up, indicating that an RF signal is being broadcast.
- If you select "No" with the 3-D hot-key and confirm your choice with 'EDIT', the display switches to the Start menu, and no RF signal is transmitted; the green LED goes out.
- You can now carry out adjustments without radiating an RF signal, or change the spot frequency so that the transmitter starts on the correct channel next time you switch it on.

Note:

If an SD card is fitted, this will also prolong the start phase slightly, as the transmitter must first read all the files on the card.

Caution:

Never switch the transmitter off during the initialisation phase (monitor LED flashes red), as this could corrupt the settings.

SWITCHING THE TRANSMITTER OFF

- Move the "Power" switch on the transmitter to the left.
- This action cuts off RF transmission, and causes the data in the working memory to be written to the transmitter's internal memory or the SD card.

Switching the transmitter on again during the power-off / data storing process could also corrupt the saved data, so the transmitter ignores your action if you try to do this.

7. CHANGING THE SPOT FREQUENCY

The system incorporates a DD Synthesizer system which generates the spot frequencies. The channel is selected at the transmitter by software.

If you are using a G3 receiver (R 5014 / 5114 DPS), information regarding the selected channel is sent to the receiver using the Wireless Frequency Setting System (WFSS); the receiver then responds by switching to the same channel. The new spot frequency is stored in the receiver - even when it is switched off - until such time as you change the channel again.

To change the transmission frequency, please answer the 'Transmit ?' query with 'NO' by pressing the 'EDIT' button (3-D hot-key).

Now select the spot frequency field using the 3-D hot-key, and press the 'EDIT' button to confirm your choice.

At this point you have to check that the set receiver number (label on the back of the receiver) is entered correctly, because it is only possible to transmit a spot frequency (PCM-G3 receiver only) if the appropriate receiver number (Receiver ID) is transmitted at the same time.

FREQUEN	CY 🚽	(8.0U 1/1
BAND No. (FREQ. CH)	65 (35	5,050MHz)
FREQ. BAND	35MHz	EUROPE
MODULATION	PCM-G3	(MODE A (5K))
RECEIVER ID	RX1 00000100	1 NO USE

Receiver number Spot frequency field

The "Frequency" set-up menu now appears.

FREQUEN	CY .	(8.0U1/1
BAND No. (FREQ. CH)	65 (3	5.050MHz)
FREQ. BAND ZAREA	35MHz	EUROPE
MODULATION	PCM102	4

- Use the 3-D hot-key to shift the cursor to the spot frequency (FREQ. CH) display, then press the 'EDIT' button.
- A new screen appears, listing all the available channels. Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the desired channel, then press the 'EDIT' button to confirm the security query.

•	FREQUENCY		7.402/6
	CURRENT: 55	(34.950MH	z)
	64 (35.040)	65 (35.050)	66 (35.060)
	67 (35.070)	68 (35.080)	69 (35.090)
	70(35.100)	71(35.110)	72(35.120)
	PLEAS	E SELECT FREQUE	ENCY

The newly set frequency is transmitted to the receiver, and the monitor LED flashes green.

• During this period you must switch the receiver on, then off; finally wait about three to five seconds and switch it on again.



- The monitor LED on the receiver will now flash once, and a servo connected to channel 1 moves briefly around the centre point three times; this indicates that the receiver has picked up the signal and switched its frequency appropriately.
- The screen now asks once more whether you want to activate the radio transmission or not. Confirm your choice, and the transmitter and receiver work on the newly selected spot frequency.

Note!

The frequency information is transmitted at very low power, with an effective range of about one to two metres. For the system to work, it is absolutely essential to extend the receiver aerial and fit the transmitter aerial (if you have not already done so).

The monitor LED on the receiver should flash once the spot frequency has been transmitted. If it does not, or if the receiver failed to generate the previously described confirmation signals, then the frequency change has not taken place. Repeat the procedure, this time placing the transmitter and receiver closer together.

The spot frequency information is transmitted on channel 80 in the 35 MHz band, and if this channel should already be in use by another transmitter, it is possible that the FX-30 will not transmit with sufficient power to complete the frequency change-over. In this case you need to place the two aerials very close together, or carry out the procedure using the DSC lead. In the extreme case you may need to place the tip of the transmitter aerial directly on the receiver.

If you are using a R 1410 DPS receiver, you must first install the appropriate receiver crystal, i.e. the crystal corresponding to the spot frequency you have selected at the transmitter.



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8. CHANGING THE FREQUENCY BAND AND MODU-LATION

AREA CODE

These systems feature an Area Code which ensures that they can only work on those frequency bands and spot frequencies which are approved for use in a given region.

Since the RF modules are also area-coded, this makes it possible for us to make available only those frequency bands and spot frequencies which are approved for use in the region where the equipment is to be sold and used. The software will only work with RF modules bearing the same area code as the system itself.

For the European region the frequency bands available are 35 and 40 / 41 MHz. Provided that the appropriate RF module is installed, the software will offer the corresponding spot frequencies from which you can choose as described above.

CHANGING THE FREQUENCY BAND

In order to change the frequency band - for example from 35 to 40 MHz - the RF module for the "new" frequency band must first be plugged into the transmitter.

- Now switch the transmitter on
- Confirm the switch of frequency band by pressing the EDIT button.
- Use the 3-D hot-key to select the spot frequency display, and press Enter to call it up.
- Press Enter to call up the Spot Frequency Select function.
- The screen now displays the Spot Frequency Select menu for the 40 MHz band. Choose the spot frequency you wish to employ using the procedure described above.

The remainder of the procedure is identical to that for 'Changing the spot frequency', as described in Section 7 on the preceding page.

SELECTING THE MODULATION (PCM-G3, PCM-1024, PPM8 - 12)

This Set-up menu is also used for selecting the transmitter modulation. The default setting is the new PCM-G3 system.

If you wish to use the R 1410DP PCM-1024 receiver, you must first change the modulation to the PCM-1024 system.



• Use the '3-D hot-key' to move to the 'Modulation' line. Confirm your choice with 'EDIT', then select the desired modulation and spot frequency. Confirm the security query, then press the 3-D hot-key ('EDIT' button) to confirm your choice. • When you switch the transmitter off, the selected modulation is saved for this model memory. Next time you switch on, the new modulation will automatically be available.

Note!

If you change the modulation from PCM-G3 to another modulation, only eight channels will be available to control your models, rather than twelve. The transmitter software takes this into account at the model

select stage, and does not display model types which require higher channel counts.

RECEIVER NUMBER (Receiver ID)

The last two lines of the "Frequency" set-up menu are used to enter the receiver numbers (receiver ID). An individual number is permanently assigned to every receiver; the number is printed on a label on the back of the receiver.

This receiver ID is stored in the transmitter for each model memory. When you invoke the wireless frequency change process, the receiver number is also transmitted to ensure that only this particular receiver changes its spot frequency in response to the transmitter.

If you have a model equipped with two receivers, you can enter the number of the second receiver in the line "2nd receiver No."

- If necessary, you can change the receiver's eight-digit Identity Number. Use the 3-D hot-key to move to the appropriate line, and confirm your choice with 'EDIT'.
- In the display which now appears you can select the correct number using the 3-D hot-key for each position of the ID code before confirming the number. The process is concluded by pressing Enter.
- Check finally that you have entered the ID code correctly.
- If you are using two receivers in a large-scale model, you must enter the ID code for both receivers. Use the same procedure in the second field to accomplish this.

Important note:

It has been established that problems can occur if the FX-30 transmitter is used with a Multiplex 9-channel or 12-channel IPD receiver. If servo travel is set to more than 135%, or if two channels are mixed together and the total travel is more than 135%, the receiver may switch to hold-mode! It is absolutely essential that you check for system compatibility before using a different make of receiver, and if necessary contact the manufacturer.

Robbe Modellsport accepts no liability for such combinations.



9. DESCRIPTION OF THE START SCREEN

The most important information relating to the transmitter programming is displayed on the Start screen. At the same time most of the display fields also constitute the starting point for the individual programming procedures. Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the field you wish to change, and press it to confirm your choice: this takes you to the desired set-up menu.

9.1 START SCREEN FOR FIXED-WING MODEL AIRCRAFT



9.2 START SCREEN FOR MODEL HELICOPTERS



CAUTION: IMPORTANT!

Please make it a routine matter to check the residual battery capacity as often as possible, and recharge the transmitter pack in good time. If the low-voltage alarm (6.8 V) should be

triggered during a flight, land the model without delay, switch off the transmitter and recharge the battery. Please check before you launch your model that you have selected the appropriate model memory!

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10. MENU STRUCTURE, METHOD OF NAVIGATING

The menu structure is divided up into three distinct Select menus: System, Base and Model. From each Select menu you can then move on to the various Set-up menus. Some Select menus and Set-up menus have a second page or sub-level.

Set-up menus which are frequently needed, e.g. the Frequency Select menu, can be accessed directly from the Start screen (see also the description of the Start screen on the previous page).



The process of finding your way around the menu system is simple and logically arranged. The '3-D hot-key' and the Select button S1 are used to control the menu system.

- The S1 button is used to leaf through within the Select menu level; it is also used to lock and unlock the 3-D hotkey.
- When you stop using the 3-D hot-key, after an interval of five seconds the control is automatically blocked, in order to prevent you changing values accidentally whilst flying a model.



Hold the S1 button pressed in for at least 0.6 second to unlock the 3-D hot-key again.

- Holding the S1 button pressed in for one second returns you directly to the Start screen.
- The 3-D hot-key features two operating functions:
- To confirm a selection it must be pressed in; this equates to an 'EDIT' function.
- · Rotating the hot-key changes the data values.
- For example, turning the 3-D hot-key to the right increases the % value in a sub-menu, whereas turning it to the left reduces the value.

11. SYSTEM MENU

This menu is used to adjust basic transmitter settings which apply to all models, i.e. they are not specific to any model memory. Settings entered in this menu apply to all model memories. It is not possible to change or influence the data stored in any model memory whilst you are using this menu. Exception: Trainer mode; this data is stored individually with each model memory.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'SYSTEM' field in the HOME menu, and confirm your selection with 'EDIT'. This action calls up the overview of the System menu on the screen:

SYSTEM MENU	(8.0U 1/1
TRAINER	H/W SETTING
DISPLAY	INFORMATION
SYSTEM TIMER	
USER NAME]

Rotating the '3-D hot-key' selects one of the available functions. These are as follows:

Trainer mode settings

- Trainer:
- Display: Screen contrast
- System timer: Operating hours timer, alternatively model memory timer
- User name: User name
- H/W control setting: Hardware transmitter control reverse
- Information: Software version, SD card capacity

11.1 TRAINER MODE

Trainer (teacher - pupil, buddy-box) operations make it possible for newcomers to learn the art of model flying with the help of an experienced pilot (Teacher).

The FX-30 transmitter is equipped as standard with a socket to which a Trainer cable can be connected. The socket is located at the bottom of the transmitter on the left-hand side. Section 4.7 on page 10 of these instructions lists the other transmitters from the robbe / Futaba range which can be used in combination with the FX-30 transmitter, acting either as the Teacher or as the Pupil transmitter. These lists also contain information on the Trainer leads and modules which have to be used for particular combinations, together with safety notes relating to Trainer mode operations.

Important note:

If you intend to use the FX-30 transmitter as the Teacher unit, then it is absolutely essential to set the modulation on the Pupil transmitter to PPM.

Exception: systems with PCM 2048 (G3) modulation: in this case you can select eight-channel or twelve-channel mode.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'TRAINER' option in the System menu, and press EDIT to confirm your choice.





In this menu you can enter all the basic settings for Trainer mode operations. After marking the desired option using the 3-D hot-key, any changes to the settings are carried out by turning the '3-D hot-key'.

TRAINER MODE: TEACHER TRANSMITTER

The following options are available (see pages 1 / 4):

• ACT / INA:

'ACT' mode setting = Trainer function switched on; 'INH' = Trainer function switched off

Trainer:

This setting determines whether the transmitter is to be used as the Teacher or Pupil transmitter.

• 12 / 8 channel: toggles between twelve and eight channels.

It is essential to note that the FX-30, like all other systems with PCM 2048 (G3) modulation, features a different function sequence compared with earlier Futaba and robbe / Futaba transmitters.

If you are using a PCM 2048 (G3) system, it is possible to select eight-channel or twelve-channel mode.

For all other systems (PCM 1024, PPM8) this value must be left at eight-channel.

The eight-channel setting should also be selected if you wish to use the transmitter to control a flight simulator.

• Switch:

This point selects the switch you wish to use to transfer control between the Teacher and the Pupil transmitters. Mark and confirm this option: this action calls up a submenu in which you can determine the switch you wish to use, and its direction of operation. It is also possible to determine the function of the switch. 'NORM' means that the switch has defined 'ON' and 'OFF' positions.

After entering this basic Trainer information, you can decide for each channel separately whether it is to be controlled by the Pupil alone, or in conjunction with the Teacher (Mix mode), when the transfer switch has been operated.

Move to the 'MODE' field for the appropriate channel, then rotate the 3-D hot-key to select the mode from the following options:



• Off:

This channel is not transferred to the Pupil transmitter; it is controlled exclusively by the Teacher.

FUNC:

In this mode the corresponding channel is transferred to the Pupil transmitter. In this case the Pupil transmitter uses the mixer settings of the Teacher transmitter, and therefore does not require its own mixer functions to control the model. The position of the Trainer switch determines whether the Teacher or Pupil has control of the model. Order No. 35 MHz: F 8042 40 MHz: F 8043 41 MHz: F 8044

• NORM:

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In this mode the corresponding channel is also transferred to the Pupil transmitter, but the Pupil transmitter uses its own mixer settings, and therefore requires appropriate mixer functions to control the model. When control is passed to the Teacher transmitter, its own mixer functions are used to control the model. As in FUNC mode, the position of the Trainer switch determines whether the Teacher or Pupil has control of the model.

• MIX:

If this mode is selected, and the Trainer switch is set to "ON", then the Teacher and Pupil both have access to the model's control system, i.e. they control the model in parallel. In this mode both the Teacher and the Pupil control the model using the settings and mixers selected on the Teacher transmitter.

The various modes can be selected separately for each function, i.e. a combination of modes is possible for the various channels.

The software of the FX-30 allows the user to define a separate switch for each channel. If you wish to do this, you should mark and activate the corresponding field. This action calls up the following screen display, where the switches can be selected.

HARDWARE SEL. NORMA	L (8.00 1/1
J1 SA SE SI LD T3	
J2 SB SF SJ RD T4	
J3 SC SG LS T1 T5	
J4 SD ST RS T2 T6	

The following options are available:

NONE:

- The selected mode is always active for this channel
- ON / OFF: Switch Direction sub-menu

TRAINER MODE: PUPIL TRANSMITTER

If the FX-30 is to be used as the Pupil transmitter, the appropriate settings have to be entered as described above.

The settings correspond to those required when programming the transmitter as the Teacher transmitter, but the number of available options is much smaller, since a Pupil transmitter only requires a few functions.

It is important to set the correct number of channels: the channel count must be selected according to the Teacher transmitter to be used:

- Twelve channels if the Teacher transmitter is a T12Z, T12FG, T14MZ, FX-30 or FX-40.
- Eight channels for any other type of Futaba or robbe / Futaba transmitter.



11.2 SCREEN (DISPLAY) SETTINGS

In the 'DISPLAY' set-up menu you can alter the contrast settings for the LCD screen.

ADJUSTING SCREEN CONTRAST



Activate the 'LCD CONTRAST' field and rotate the '3-D hotkey' to adjust the screen contrast. Turning the control to the left makes the screen lighter; turning it to the right makes it darker.

To return the screen contrast to the default setting, select and mark the line in the usual way, then hold the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second: this restores the original default setting.

11.3 SYSTEM TIME

In this menu you can select either of two different timers: **1) TOTAL:** this timer displays the overall elapsed operating time since the last reset. As an option this function can be used to record the transmitter's total operating time, or to display the battery operating time; in the latter case the timer should be reset to 'ZERO' every time you recharge the transmitter battery.

The system time is displayed at bottom left of the 'Start' screen.

SYSTEM TIMER	(<u>7.40</u> 1/1
MODE	TOTAL
SYSTEM TIMER	22:12:57

2) MODEL: this is a model memory timer which records the operating times for each model memory separately.

SYSTEM TIMER	(<u>8.0U</u> 1/1
MODE	MODEL
SYSTEM TIMER	03:09:19

RESET: this function is used to reset each timer to zero. Move to the System Time menu, and then to the 'System Time' line. Hold the 'EDIT' button pressed in for about one second to reset the timer.



11.4 USER NAME

This function is used to program your own name.

USER NAME

Mark the User Name field and confirm with EDIT; a Character Select menu now appears on the screen, which you can use to enter your name.

The name can be entered using capital letters and numerals.



The user name can be up to twelve characters long (including spaces). First use the 3-D hot-key to mark the letter in the name line which you wish to alter, then select the appropriate letter in the character field using the '3-D hot-key', and confirm your choice with the 'EDIT' button: this action adopts the new letter. To erase the name move to the 'DELETE' field with the 3-D hotkey and press the 'EDIT' button.

If you wish to modify an existing name, select the appropriate arrow button: now you can move the cursor in the appropriate direction by pressing the 'EDIT' button. To erase the letter, click the cursor in front of the appropriate letter, then switch to the 'DELETE field with the 3-D hot-key, and confirm with 'EDIT'.

To accept the name use the 3-D hot-key to move to the 'EDIT' field and confirm your choice.

Description of function:

BACK:

Use the 'BACK' button to erase names you have already entered.

EDIT:

The 'EDIT' button is used to confirm and accept data you have entered.

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The arrow buttons are used to control the cursor.

DELETE:

The 'DELETE' button is used to erase individual letters.

CANCEL:

To interrupt the procedure or function and return to the menu, use the 3-D hot-key to move to the 'USER NAME' field and press the Enter button.

11.5 TRANSMITTER CONTROL SETTINGS

Hardware transmitter control reverse

This menu provides a means of reversing any of the transmitter controls, including the primary sticks and switches (hardware reverse). If you carry out a hardware reverse, the effect of the corresponding transmitter control is reversed. This setting does not affect the screen display (percentage value / prefix). We recommend leaving these settings at NORM unless you have very special requirements. The facility is really intended only for very unusual cases where pilots have become accustomed to operating particular functions "the wrong way round", because it suits their individual flying style.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'H/W REVERSE' option in the System menu, and confirm your selection with EDIT.

H/ŀ	REVER	SE			8.001/2
H/W	MODE	H/W	MODE	HZW.	MODE
J1	NORM	SR	NORM	SE	NORM
J2	NORM	SB	NORM	SF	NORM
JJ	NORM	SC	NORM	SG	NORM
J4	NORM	SD	NORM	SH	NORM

Use the '3-D hot-key' to make your choice within the menu, and use it again to mark the 'MODE' field for the transmitter control which you wish to reverse.

Turn the '3-D hot-key' to reverse the mode. Key to the display:

- NORM:
 - The transmitter control operates in the default direction **REV:**
 - The transmitter control operates in the reverse direction
- STICK MODE



We have already seen that the throttle stick can be converted mechanically to use a ratchet or brake, but the transmitter also enables the user to re-assign the function of the primary sticks. In addition to the default 'Mode 2' setting, the transmitter software offers three additional stick modes. This makes it a straightforward matter to set up the system to match your personal preferences. Since the assignment of the control functions to the corresponding receiver servo outputs remains the same for all stick modes, all you have to do is decide which stick mode you wish to use to control your models. Pressing the Enter button and turning the hot-key allows you to set any of the stick modes (1 ... 4).

Mode 1: Throttle right, aileron right, rudder left, elevator left Mode 2: Throttle left, aileron right, rudder left, elevator right Mode 3: Throttle right, aileron left, rudder right, elevator left Mode 4: Throttle let, aileron left, rudder right, elevator right

Switches (switch type assignment)

The external mixer switches of the FX-30 system are equipped with plug-in connectors, and each is clamped in the case using a central nut. This arrangement makes it possible to reposition the switches to suit the user's wishes.



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It is also possible to swap over the two-position and threeposition switches.

I f	SWI	ТСН			ļ	7.401/1
	H∕W	SETTING	H∕W	SETTING	H/W	SETTING
	SA	3Pos	SE	2Pos	SI	3Pos
	SB	3Pos	SF	3Pos	SJ	2Pos
	SC	3Pos	SG	3Pos		
	SD	3Pos	SH	3Pos		

you wish to interchange the switches (e.g. two-position for three-position), it is also necessary to change the software switch configuration, otherwise the switch position display will be incorrect.

11.6 INFORMATION

This menu provides information relating to the currently installed version of the software. It also displays the memory capacity of the SD card and the transmitter's code number (ID). The screen also displays the menu language currently selected.

INFORMATIO	DN	8.00 1/1
PRODUCT ID	:00400005	
LANGUAGE	ENGLISH	
VERSION	: 1. 3	
MEMORY CARD SIZ	E: 1958 MODEL	
CARD FREE SIZE	: 1944 MODE	_

In the first line of the Information screen you will see the transmitter's ID number displayed after 'PRODUCT ID'. The second line shows the language currently set for the menu system.

The version number of the application software is displayed in the 'Version' field.

If the transmitter is currently fitted with an SD card, the screen also displays the free memory capacity in terms of the number of model memories (model data) available. The transmitter can manage SD cards with capacities of up to 1 GB = 1958 models.

If the transmitter is not currently fitted with an SD card, the display shows no memory card.

12. BASE MENU

The functions of the Base Menu are described in detail in the following section. Their purpose is to record the basic settings for a model or model memory. These individual items of data are stored under a model name in a separate memory.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the Base Settings field in the HOME menu, and confirm your selection with 'EDIT'. This action calls up the overview of the Base menu, as shown below:

LINKAGE MENU	(7.4U)1/2
SERVO MONITOR	FUNCTION
MODEL SELECT	SUB-TRIM
MODEL TYPE	SERVO REVERSE
FREQUENCY	FAIL SAFE

It is not possible to display on a single screen all the functions which are available in the Base menu, so this menu features a second level or page in which the remaining functions can be selected: the S1 button is used to toggle between screen displays 1/2 and 2/2. Turning the 3-D hot-key beyond the last position also switches automatically to the next page of the display. Move the 3-D hot-key in the appropriate direction to make your selection. The second page of the Base menu looks like this:

LINKAGE MENU	1051	(7.40	2/2
THROTTLE CUT	DATA	RESET	
IDLE DOWN]		
TIMER			
T1-T6 SETTING			

The following individual options are available:

- Servo monitor: Servo travel display
- Model select: Model memory select
- Model type: Model type select
- Frequency: Frequency and modulation select
- Function: Transmitter control and sequence select
- Servo centre: Servo centre offset
 - Servo reverse: Reverse of direction of servo rotation
 - Fail-Safe: Fail-safe settings
- End-point ATV: Servo travel settings
- Motor off: Motor cut function
- Idle 2: Second throttle idle position
- Swashplate: Swashplate type select
 - (Helicopter model type only)
- Stopwatch: Stopwatch settings
- Trim display: Trim increment (step) select
- Data reset: Reset data to default values
- Idle-up: Idle up (Helicopter model type only)

Note:

The display of the individual options in the Power, Glider or Helicopter base menus are different.



12.1 SERVO MONITOR

The Servo Monitor menu displays all servo travels in a clear form using a bar graph and percentage values. The travels are those which are generated by all the adjustments and mixer functions which you have set up. This constitutes an ideal test program for checking control surface travels manually, or for testing all servos automatically.

Note:

The servo monitor takes into account all the adjustments you may have made, including Limit, transmitter control travel etc.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark this option in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT.

SERV(TEST I	OFF 4 CH5 CH	NOF		(8.0U)
					F
			╓╟──┤┝──		╟─╢─┥
+0 +0	+0-10	D GY TH 4 +59 +9	R GOU GO2 8 +0 +0	2 NDL AU3 3 +0 +0	

There are three different modes available in the servo monitor:

Servo test 'Off'

In this mode the screen displays the servo travels / positions corresponding to the current transmitter control positions. A useful tool for manually checking mixer functions and travel settings for individual servo channels.

Move the desired transmitter control. The Test mode must be switched off for this (Test Off). The screen displays the servo deflection for the corresponding channels in bargraph form and as percentage values.

Neutral positions 'Neutral'

All channels move to the neutral position dictated by the transmitter. This is an excellent means of checking that servos and servo output arms are set to accurate neutral positions. It is also ideal for establishing the neutral position when installing servos in a model.

Move the '3-D hot-key' to change the test mode in the right-hand field from 'Off' to 'Neutral'.

Automatic servo test 'Move'

This mode activates an automatic servo test: all channels are slowly moved from one end-point of the transmitter control to the other. Ideal for testing servos and checking maximum control surface travels.

This mode is accessed by switching the Test mode (Move) on. Select the button using the '3-D hot-key', then switch the mode on and confirm your choice.

12.2 SELECTING A MODEL MEMORY

This menu enables you to select the actual model memory file you wish to use. It is also designed for general model data handling tasks, such as creating new memories, copying, erasing and renaming.

Each model memory takes up a space of around 500 kB. Thirty models can be stored internally, while a 32 MB SD card can store approximately 60 models. The transmitter supports SD cards with a maximum capacity of 1 GB = 1958 models.

Note:

We strongly recommend that you create a back-up copy of your model memory, especially if you wish to experiment with different settings. When you switch off the transmitter, the current data is always written to the model memory.

CALLING UP A MODEL MEMORY



- The first step must always be to determine the memory location
 - INTERNAL or
 - SD card

Mark the appropriate field, and use the '3-D hot-key' to select the desired memory medium.

- The left-hand field on the screen displays the list of models stored on the selected memory medium. The list includes all the model memories you have created, together with the model names. Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the desired model, then press the 'EDIT' button.
- A security query appears which you must also confirm with EDIT: the new model memory is now activated.
- Initially the RF signal is still switched off for reasons of safety. The screen now displays the query 'Transmit?'. You must answer with 'Yes'; only then is the transmitter ready for use with the newly selected model memory.

SETTING UP A NEW MODEL MEMORY

- The first step must always be to determine the memory location
 - INTERNAL or
 - SD card

Mark the appropriate field and use the '3-D hot-key' to select the desired memory medium.

- After this you have to re-mark the field and activate it. For safety reasons the radio link is now interrupted.
- Confirm the subsequent security query with the 'EDIT' button once more.
- A display now appears automatically in which you can:
- select the model type and confirm the change;
- select the spot frequency and modulation and if necessary - enter the new receiver No.
- Confirm the frequency change. Switch the transmitter off, then on again, and the radio link is restored.





- At this point a security query appears which you must also confirm with EDIT. The new model memory is now activated.
- For safety reasons the RF signal is still switched off. The screen now displays the query "Transmit?"; you must answer with 'Yes'; only then is the transmitter ready for use with the newly selected model memory.

The new model is initially saved under the name "New" followed by an incremental number; at the same time it is added to the model list. Your next step should be to assign the model a memorable name.

ERASING A MODEL MEMORY

For safety reasons it is not possible to delete an active model.

- From the list in the appropriate memory medium use the 3-D hot-key to select the model to be erased, and confirm with 'EDIT'.
- Now mark the DELETE field, and confirm with 'EDIT'.
- Answering the security query with "Yes" erases the model; if you wish to interrupt the erase process, turn the 3-D hot-key or operate the S1 button.

RENAMING A MODEL MEMORY

- From the list in the appropriate memory medium use the 3-D hot-key to select the model which is to be renamed, and confirm with 'EDIT'.
- Now mark the 'RENAME' field and confirm with 'EDIT'. A new screen appears displaying all the available letters, numbers and symbols.

S1 = leaf through



The name is entered in letters and numerals. The model name can be up to eight characters long, including spaces.

- First use the 3-D hot-key to mark the letter in the name line which you wish to alter, then select the appropriate letter in the character field using the '3-D hot-key', and confirm your choice with the 'EDIT' button. This action adopts the new letter.
- Use the 'Arrow button' to jump to the previous letter; 'Delete' erases the character after the cursor.
- Repeat this procedure to enter the whole name, letter by letter.
- When you have completed the data input process, confirm with the 'EDIT' button.
- To interrupt the procedure and re-activate the old name, move the cursor to MODEL SELECT, and press Enter.

COPYING A MODEL MEMORY

You can copy a model memory within the same memory medium, and also transfer the data into the alternative memory medium.

- The first step must always be to determine the memory location (source)
 - INTERNAL or
 - SD card

Mark the appropriate field and use the '3-D hot-key' to select the desired memory medium.

1) Select the source from which the copy is to take place, e.g. from the internal memory or from the memory card.



- 2) The next step is to determine the memory location of the destination file using the cursor; confirm your choice with the 'EDIT' button.
 INTERNAL or
 - IN LERINA - SD card
 - SD card
- The 'COPY' command can now be carried out by marking it with the cursor, and confirming it with the 'EDIT' button. You can interrupt the process at any time by turning the 3-D hot-key.

When you make a copy, an incremental number (-1, -2 etc.) is always appended to the existing model name. If the model name is too long for an additional suffix, the last two characters of the name itself are erased.



12.3 SELECTING THE MODEL TYPE

This is the menu where you select the model type, the wing type and the tail type for fixed-wing model aircraft.

For model helicopters this menu determines the type of swashplate mixing.

Using your information as a basis, the software then suggests the appropriate mixer functions in accordance with the selected model type. This reduces the screen display to the minimum required, and helps to avoid unwanted complexity and confusion.

Note:

The model type must always be selected before you adjust any model settings, because a change of model type always erases all previously stored values.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Model Type' field in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT.

The following screen display appears; note that it will vary according to the model type you have selected.



Use the cursor to mark the TYPE field, then press EDIT.

MODEL TYP MODEL T	PE SELECTIO	(8.0U)1/1 N
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AIRPLANE	HELICOPTER	

Mark the desired model type from the three categories on offer, and confirm with EDIT.

Confirm the subsequent security query.

When you have made your choice, the associated wing, tail or swashplate types will automatically be available for you to select.

The following basic selections are available:

- Model type: Airplane (power model) Helicopter Glider
- Wing type (seven types for power models and gliders)
- Tail type (three types for power models and gliders)
- · Swashplate type (eight types for model helicopters)

SELECTING THE WING AND TAIL TYPE

If you have selected the Fixed-wing model type (power model or glider), then the next step is to determine the appropriate wing and tail types.

This menu contains three screen pages arranged in series; this is necessary in order to display all the wing types in a comprehensible manner. The page number is indicated at top right on the screen.



Selecting the control surface count

MODEL WING	TYPE TYPE	SELECT	ION	(7.4U)1/1
1AIL	2A	IL	2AIL	+1FLP
2AIL+2	FLP 2A	IL+4FL	P 4AIL	+2FLP

Selecting the tail type

MODEL TY	(PE YPE SELEC	(8.00)1/1
NORMAL	V-TAIL	AILVATOR

Display of selected type, confirmation query

MODEL TY	(7.4U)1/1	
MODEL	RMATION	
GLIDER	TYPE	TYPE
a-f_	2AIL	NORMAL
GLIDER		
CLIDED VEC /D	DICH POTOPULVEUN	NO COTHER MEUN

Alternatively for flying wings the type of rudder(s)

MODEL TY	PE	(7.4 U)1/1			
AIRPLANE	WING TYPE 2AIL FLYING WING	RUDDER TYPE WINGLET			
MODEL TYPE (7.40)1/1 WING TYPE SELECTION					
FLYING WING / DELTA					



SELECTING THE SWASHPLATE TYPE

If you have selected a model helicopter as model type, the next step is to define the method of actuating the swashplate.

Use the familiar method for activating the Swashplate Select field; the display now changes to the following:



The swashplate types now available to you are listed below:

MODEL TYP SWASH TY	e Pe select	(8.0U1/1 ION
H-1	H-2	H-4
HR3	HN3	Н-Э
HE3	H4X	27

- H1: Actuation using one servo
- H2: Actuation using two servos (Heim system)
- H3 140°: CCPM linkage with three servos, with extended linkage points for the two roll-axis servos
- HR3 120°: Actuation using three servos (one each pitchaxis, roll-axis and collective pitch servo), arran ged at an angle of 120°
- HE3 90°: Actuation using three servos, arranged at an angle of 90°
- HN3 120°: Actuation using three servos (two pitch-axis, one roll-axis), arranged at an angle of 120°
- H4: Actuation using two pitch-axis and two roll-axis servos
- H4X: Actuation using two pitch-axis and two roll-axis servos +45° virtual rotation

The method of activating a particular swashplate type is the same as that for calling up the various wing types (see previous page).

Sections 5.1 to 5.4 (see pages 14 to 17 in these instructions) contain clearly arranged tabular lists of the servo sequences for all the available wing and swashplate types, relating to the transmitter controls.

12.4 SELECTING THE FREQUENCY AND MODULATION

This menu has already been described in detail in Sections 7 and 8 (see pages 19 and 20); it is therefore only listed here briefly in order to maintain the proper sequence. The screen shots are reproduced with a brief commentary.

The system features a DD Synthesizer system for generating the spot frequencies. The channel is selected by software at the transmitter, and the channel data is transmitted to the receiver using the wireless spot frequency transfer system (WFSS); the receiver then switches to the same channel (G3 receivers only).

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Frequency' option in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT.

FREQUEN	CY	8.0U1/1
BAND No. (FREQ. CH)	65 (35	.050MHz)
FREQ. BAND /AREA	35MHz	EUROPE
MODULATION	PCM-G3	(MODE A (5K))
RECEIVER ID	RX1 0000100	1 NO USE

From this display you can determine the spot frequency, ...

BAND No.	65 (35.	050MHz)
FREQ. BAND	35MHz	EUROPE
MODULATION	PCM1024	

the frequency band (in accordance with the Area Code), the modulation and \ldots

the receiver code.

FREQUEN	CY	(8.0U)1/1
BAND No. (FREQ. CH)	65 (35	5.050MHz)
FREQ. BAND	35MHz	EUROPE
MODULATION	PCM-G3	(MODE A (5K))
RECEIVER ID	RX1 0000100	01 NO USE

This menu is also used to transmit the frequency channel information to a PCM-G3 receiver (see also page 19).

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12.5 FUNCTION

The transmitter employs a new method of selecting the model type as basis for the mixer functions and transmitter control arrangement (stick mode), and this process automatically generates the optimum configuration for the model type you select. We recommend that you keep to this set-up if possible, so that you are always using a standard configuration.

The "Function" menu clearly shows the output to which the corresponding servo is connected, and which transmitter control is used to operate it. Where a single function operates two or more servos, the corresponding transmitter controls are configured accordingly. Within an individual model type the configuration varies little, although the number of channels in use may increase if the number of wing flaps and other control surfaces is higher than normal.

The situation is different when you switch from one model type to another. For example, if the model type changes from a normal tail to a tail layout with two elevator servos (Ailvator), the sequence of functions is necessarily different. The same also applies to model gliders (powered and unpowered), and for flying wing models with and without winglets.

For the PCM-G3 system the second aileron output has been shifted to output 5, in order to maintain compatibility with small five-channel and six-channel receivers; the higher number of channels has also necessitated this change. This means that the receiver channel sequence is not the same as that of the PCM 1024 / PPM 8 system. However, you can select any function sequence you like in this menu, in order to maintain compatibility with the PCM 1024 and PPM 8 system.

Note:

If you need to change the function sequence when using the PCM-G3 system, please ensure that associated functions are allocated together within the channel groups 1 ... 6 or 7 ... 12. Do not assign paired functions to channels 6 and 7, as this could result in different servo transit times.

The servo sequence tables are to be found in Sections 5.1 to 5.4 (Servo sockets); see pages 14 to 17 in these instructions.

ASSIGNING TRANSMITTER CONTROLS

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Function' set-up menu in the Linkage menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The following screen display now appears:

NORMAL	8.001/5
CONTROL	TRIM
J4 년 I3 전 T	
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	NURMAL CONTROL J4 II T J3 II T J2 II II

There are additional screen pages of this kind; the page indicator on the right-hand side indicates this. In this menu you can assign your preferred transmitter controls and trims for all functions, and determine the sequence of functions.

Any transmitter control can be assigned to any control function:

• First mark the 'FUNCTION' field using the 3-D hot-key, then confirm it with EDIT.

- Then mark the appropriate function field, e.g. 'ELEVATOR' for elevator, and confirm it.
- Now select the transmitter control you wish to use for this function: mark the 'HARDWARE SEL.' field and activate it. The display changes, and a Select menu appears which lists the transmitter's controls in symbolic form:

HARDWARE SEL.	NORMAL	8.001/1
J1 SA SE SI LD	тз	
J2 SB SF SJ RD	T4	
J3 SC SG LS T1	T5	
JA SD SH RS T2	ТБ	

- At this point you can now assign your choice of transmitter control to the selected function by moving the flashing cursor using the 3-D hot-key and confirming with the 'EDIT' button.
- The 'Global' and 'Separate' fields determine whether the transmitter control is to be the same for this function in all flight modes (Global). If you set the function to 'Separate', the transmitter control for this function can be different for each flight mode (condition). This point is selected by turning the '3-D hot-key' to left or right; the display changes when you operate the selected flight mode change-over switch. A combination of 'Global' and 'Separate' transmitter controls is also possible.

SELECTING THE TRIM CONTROLS

The trim controls are also freely selectable; the procedure is identical to that for selecting the transmitter controls. Mark the 'TRIM' field for the corresponding function and confirm your choice; the Trim set-up menu now appears.

In this menu you can select the trim controls from the symbolic depictions on the left-hand side of the screen, and assign them in any way you wish.

TRIM SETTINGS

Additional adjustments can be carried out in this menu:



Trim Rate

The trim travel is infinitely variable within the range -150 to +150% of the travel of the transmitter control; the default setting is +30%. Once you have marked and activated this option, you can set the desired % value by turning the '3-D hot-key'. You can revert to the default setting (30%) by holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second.

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Trim Mode

Once you have marked and confirmed this field, you can set any of the following trim modes by turning the '3-D hot-key'.

Normal = Normal trim type; the trim range is symmetrical around the servo centre-point. The selected (fixed) trim range is offset around the centre, which causes changes to the end-point values.

ATL = Asymmetrical trim type; the trim value alters only at one end of the transmitter control range. This is usually employed for the throttle function, so that you can fine-trim the idle without affecting the full-throttle position.

CTRM = Centre trim; this trim function also affects the centre range of the transmitter control, but has no effect on the end-points. Since the end-points are fixed, the trim travels change (i.e. become asymmetrical) if you alter the trim value.

Global or Separate mode

The 'Global' and 'Separate' fields determine whether the trim controls are to be the same for this function in all flight modes (Global). If you change this function to 'Separate', the trim control for this function can be different for each flight mode. Turn the '3-D hot-key' to left or right to change this setting. The display changes when you operate the selected flight mode change-over switch.

Note:

Changing the trim from Global to Separate makes it possible to alter the configuration of various trim controls to suit each flight mode; it also enables the user to set and store different trim values for each flight mode.

Typical applications:

1. Different trim controls for each flight mode

In the Normal flight mode the trim controls T1 + T4 are assigned to control functions J1 + J4. In the 'Aerobatics' flight mode the trim controls T1 + T4 are assigned in reverse (cross-trims). This makes it possible to control the function with the one hand, and adjust the trim for the same function with the other hand.

2. Different trim values for each flight mode

Model helicopters: it can be highly advantageous if the different trim values for the static flight mode 'Hover' and the dynamic flight mode 'Aerobatics' can be set and stored separately.

VIRTUAL CHANNELS: this set-up menu is used to configure the virtual functions VC-1 ... VC-4. The term 'virtual function' is used to describe functions which use other channels as 'double functions', i.e. they do not have their own servo channels.

A virtual channel is a separate second control curve with which a transmitter control affects the servo output.

Examples of this are the Crow (Butterfly) function, which controls the aileron and flap servos, or the elevator function of a flying wing model, where the ailerons have a dual function, 'doubling up' as elevators.

The servo sequence tables (Sections 5.1 to 5.4) on pages 14 to 17 include the virtual functions.

SWITCHED CHANNELS 9 + 10 AND 13 + 14

The switched channels 9 + 10 in PCM 1024 mode, and 13 + 14 in PCM G3 mode, are operated using the transmitter controls DG1 + DG2.

12.6 SERVO CENTRE OFFSET

When you install the servos in a model, it is always best to position them in such a way that the servo output arm is in the neutral position when the associated trim control on the transmitter is also at centre.

Sometimes the design of the model makes this impossible, and in other cases the neutral position is non-standard due to the use of different makes of servo. In such instances this function can be used to bring the servos of all channels to the exact neutral position.

This option should only be used to correct minor discrepancies, as it inevitably affects servo travel, which may become restricted and asymmetrical.

We recommend this procedure:

After establishing the correct trim positions through test-flying, the first step should be to adjust the position of the servo output arms as accurately as possible, and adjust the control surface linkages to the correct mechanical trim settings. At this stage the trim memory and the settings in this menu should be left at 0%. Once you have made these adjustments as accurately as possible, you should use this menu to fine-tune the servo neutral positions to exact centre.

Note:

Always determine the correct direction of servo rotation (servo reverse) before adjusting the servo centre offset; see page 33.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Servo centre' function in the Base menu, and confirm your choice using EDIT.

SUB-TRIM			(8.00 1/2
CH FUNCTION	1022223	CH FUNCTION	
1 AILERON	+0	5 RUDDER	+0
2 ELEVATOR	+0	6 THROTTLE	+0
3 PITCH	+0	7 GYRO	+0
4 ELEVATOR2	+0	8 GOVERNOR	+0

This menu has a second level (page) for channels 9 to 12; the page number on the right-hand side indicates this.

The servo positions are always displayed as a value and as a $\%\mbox{-value}.$



To change a setting the appropriate channel must first be marked with the cursor. Select the correct channel, then adjust the trim increments by rotating the 3-D hot-key. The adjustment range is -240 increments to +240 increments, corresponding to around $+/-20^{\circ}$ of servo travel. The default setting is 0 increments.

You can change any active setting back to the default value (0 increments) by holding the 3-D hot-key pressed in for at least one second.



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12.7 SERVO REVERSE

This function is used to reverse the direction of servo rotation electronically; it is available separately for all servos. This means that you do not have to consider the direction of rotation when installing the servos in a model. It is important to set the correct direction of servo rotation using this function before you start programming additional model data.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Servo reverse' option in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT.

S	ERVO RE'	/ERSE	8		8.001/2
CH	FUNCTION	MODE	CH	FUNCTION	MODE
1	AILERON	NORM	5	RUDDER	NORM
2	ELEVATOR	NORM	6	THROTTLE	NORM
3	PITCH	NORM	7	GYRO	NORM
4	ELEVATOR2	NORM	8	GOVERNOR	NORM

This menu has a second level (page) for channels 9 to 12; the page number on the right-hand side indicates this. The direction of rotation of the servos is shown in each display field as either 'NORMAL' or 'REVERSE'.

To change a setting you must first use the cursor to mark the appropriate channel. Once you have selected the correct channel, you can change the direction of servo rotation from 'NORMAL' to 'REVERSE' or vice versa by turning the 3-D hot-key. Pressing the 'EDIT' button concludes the servo reverse procedure.

This drawing shows the normal and reversed directions of rotation of one servo.



12.8 FAIL-SAFE SETTINGS

This function is only available in PCM-G3 and PCM-1024 mode. This means that the corresponding modulation process must be set at the transmitter, and a matching PCM receiver must be installed in the model.

In the Fail-Safe menu you can set the following parameters for channels 1 \dots 8:

1. 'HOLD' mode: the last fault-free signals are stored temporarily in the receiver, and are passed on to the servos if interference should occur. These servo positions are maintained ('held') until such time as valid signals are picked up from the transmitter again. This is the default mode.

2. (F/S) Fail-Safe position: when interference strikes, the servos run to pre-programmed positions which are set at the transmitter; these settings are also stored temporarily in the receiver.

3. An additional feature - the 'Battery Fail-Safe' function: as soon as the voltage of the receiver battery falls below a value of about 3.8 V, the servos for which B/FS has been selected run to pre-selected positions in order to warn the pilot that the airborne battery is almost flat. If this should happen, you must land immediately.

Recommended setting: for power models set the motor to the idle position and a gentle turn; for gliders: flaps to launch position or airbrakes extended.



Helicopter mode: throttle to around 80%.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'FAIL-SAFE' option in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT.

This menu has a second level (page) for channels 5 to 12; the page number on the right-hand side indicates this. Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'F/S' field of the channel for which the Fail-Safe settings are to be altered. Turn the '3-D hot-key' to the left to change the mode from 'HOLD' to 'F/S'. You must press the 'EDIT' button to confirm your choice.

If you opt for 'Fail-Safe', it is then necessary to enter the correct settings for the servo positions. This is carried out by using the 3-D hot-key to mark the F/S-POS field at the far right end of the corresponding channel. Now move the associated transmitter control to the desired position, and press the 'EDIT' button. The servo position you enter is now displayed as a percentage figure. This process has to be repeated for all the channels which you have set to 'F/S' mode.

To change the setting from 'F/S' back to 'HOLD', mark the lefthand field of the corresponding channel before turning the '3-D hot-key' to the right; press the 'EDIT' button to confirm.



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You can use exactly the same procedure to program the Battery Fail-safe feature, separately for each channel. To accomplish this you have to select 'BAT-F/S' in the right-hand field by turning the '3-D hot-key': the display now changes from 'OFF' to 'B.F/S'. The warning position for the selected servo is entered using the method already described; the value is displayed on-screen in the form of a percentage. We recommend that you set up the throttle or airbrake / spoiler servo for this warning function.

It is possible to reset the Battery Fail-Safe function; this is achieved by assigning a transmitter control to the function: mark the appropriate field at bottom right of the screen using the 3-D hot-key, and confirm with the 'EDIT' button. When you do this, the Switch Select menu appears. Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the transmitter control or switch you wish to use for this function, then confirm your choice with 'EDIT'. The set control is displayed in the appropriate field.

The F/S settings necessarily vary according to the model type you have selected. For example, sensible settings for a model helicopter would cause it to settle in a stable hover, whereas a fixed-wing model aircraft should take up a broad turning pattern. The basic requirement is that brief interference should trigger a set of fail-safe settings which would automatically enable the model to adopt an inherently stable flight pattern even when not under the pilot's control, until contact with the transmitter is restored. If you select the throttle function, don't set the throttle value too low, otherwise there is a danger that the motor will cut out.

You can check the settings by switching the transmitter off and observing the reaction of the servos connected to the receiver.

Note:

Selecting a fixed-wing model aircraft or helicopter as the model type automatically sets a fail-safe setting for the throttle function.

It is important to check whether the default setting is correct for your application. Change it if necessary, or set the function to HOLD mode if you prefer.

12.9 SERVO TRAVEL SETTINGS (ENDP. ATV)

This function provides a means of adjusting servo travel separately for each side of centre, individually for all twelve channels. It is often necessary to reduce servo travel in order to prevent the servo output shaft moving through an angle greater than that permitted by its mechanical limits. However, servo travel can also be increased for particular applications. This function always



acts upon the individual servo channel you select, and all mixed functions involving this channel. In the same menu you can also enter a servo travel limit point and the desired servo transit speed for each channel separately.

Please note that any changes you make to this setting also have a proportional effect on the trim travel, as well as on any Dual Rate settings you have programmed.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Limit' option in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen now looks like this:

END POIN	T		(8.00	1/3
CHFUNCTION	LIMIT TRAV.	TRAV.	LIMITSF	PEED
1 AILERON	135%100%	: 100:	×135×	0
2 ELEVATOR	135% 100%	. 100:	135%	0
3 PITCH	135%100%	: 100:	:135%	0
4 ELEVATOR2	135%100%	. 100	135%	0

Servo travel settings

In the "Travel" column mark the appropriate field for right or left travel of the servo; this field is now highlighted (dark background). At this point you can change the servo travel using the '3-D hot-key' as a % value, corresponding to the requirements of your model. If you wish to alter the travel setting for both directions, you have to remember to change the value in the 'Travel' column. The default setting is 100%, and the travel can be adjusted within the range 30% to 140%. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

• Entering limit points

The same procedure is used for determining the servo limit point: mark the appropriate field with the cursor, and set the value using the '3-D hot-key'. The limit points can also be entered individually for each side of servo travel. The default value is 135%, but the limit point can be varied within the range 0 to 155%. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

• Entering servo transit speeds

If you wish to adjust the servo transit speed to meet particular requirements, mark the appropriate field in the righthand column using the 3-D hot-key. You can now adjust the servo speed in single increments within the range 0 to 27 increments, again using the '3-D hot-key'. The default value is 0 increments. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.



12.10 MOTOR CUT FUNCTION

This function enables you to cut the motor using a switch, without changing the idle trim. For fixedwing models and helicopters alike this is an elegant method of reliably stopping the motor. Mark the 'Throttle Cut option in the base menu. The screen now looks like this:



Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the

'Motor cut' option in the Base menu, then confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display now looks like this:



- Activate the function by marking the field of the ACT / INA line. Use the '3-D hot-key' to change the mode from 'INA' to 'ACT' or 'ON', according to the current position of the trigger switch, then confirm your action with the 'EDIT' button.
- You should now select the switch which you wish to use to cut the motor: mark the 'Switch' field and press the 'EDIT' button to call up the Switch Select menu. Choose your preferred switch, and activate the state corresponding to 'switched on'.
- Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Motor off' (CUT) field, and set the desired cut-off point as a percentage of the servo travel. The adjustment range is 0 to 50%; the default setting is 17%. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

The motor can now be stopped simply by operating the selected cut-off switch - but only if the throttle stick is at the idle position.

Please note the following points when setting up this function:

- It is impossible to start the motor unless the motor-cut switch is at the 'OFF' position.
- Set the percentage value in such a way that the carburettor is completely closed, but the pushrod does not strike its end-stops.
- If the motor cut-off is still switched on (i.e. motor stopped) when you switch the transmitter on, the software activates an alarm. The alarm can be switched off by operating the external mixer switch.
- The purpose of this alarm function is to remind the user that the carburettor is still completely closed, and that it is therefore impossible to start the motor.

12.11THROTTLE PRE-SELECT (IDLE 2)

The 'Idle 2' function enables the pilot to use a physical switch as a rapid method of selecting a pre-set throttle position in the low-speed range, e.g. for the landing approach. The function can only be triggered if the throttle stick is already positioned in the bottom half of its travel, so that the motor is already running in the 'lower speed range'.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Idle 2' option in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen now looks like this:

IDLE DOWN		(8.0U1/1
ACT/INH	INH	
OFFSET	0%	
SWITCH		

- Activate the function by marking the field in the ACT / INA line. Use the '3-D hot-key' to change the mode from 'INA' to 'ACT' or 'ON', according to the current position of the trigger switch, and confirm your actions with the 'EDIT' button.
- You should now select the switch which you wish to use to set the motor to the idle position: mark the 'SWITCH' field and call up the Switch Select menu using the 'EDIT' button. Choose your preferred switch and activate the state corresponding to 'switched on'.
- Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'OFFSET' position, and set the desired idle point as a percentage of total servo travel. The adjustment range is 0 to 100%; the default setting is 0%. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

If you now operate the switch you have selected, the throttle servo adjusts the carburettor opening so that the motor takes up the desired high idle speed.

12.12SWASHPLATE RING

The new swashplate ring mixer limits the travels of the swashplate functions roll-axis (aileron), pitch-axis (elevator) and collective pitch to a pre-set value, in order to prevent the servos being stalled at extremes of travel. It acts as an automatic limiter on the maximum servo travel when two functions (roll-axis and pitch-axis) are operated simultaneously.

This is particularly useful for model helicopters intended for 3-D flying, as this style of flying requires extreme servo travels.





This function is used to program the mixer functions required to actuate the swashplate of a model helicopter. It is not available if you select the swashplate type SWH1, as no mixers are required for the collective pitch function with this configuration.

If you activate a model helicopter with any of the other swashplate types, you can access this menu to set and reverse the stick travels of the roll-axis (aileron), pitch-axis (elevator) and collective pitch (PIT) functions. The essential mixer functions can also be programmed at this point.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Swashplate' option in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen now looks like this:



• Neutral point adjustment

The first step is to optimise the neutral point setting, which is entered as a percentage value. First adjust the servo output arms mechanically, so that the neutral point is close to 50%. Now mark the 'Point' field and adjust the position of the collective pitch stick until the servo output arms are exactly at 90° to the pushrods. Press the 'Enter' button, and read off the displayed percentage value; this figure is also displayed in bar-graph form.

Adjusting stick travel

The swashplate travel settings can be optimised for the roll-axis, pitch-axis and collective pitch functions: mark the corresponding field, and enter the required percentage value using the '3-D hot-key'. The adjustment range is -100% to +100%; the default setting is 50%. Holding the rotary knob pressed in for about one second restores the default setting.

You should now use the servo reverse function to correct the direction of servo rotation where necessary, so that all the servos move in the same direction when you operate the collective pitch stick. With these settings correct, set the appropriate direction of rotation for the pitch-axis and roll-axis functions by changing the + / - prefix where necessary.

It is important to set the control travels to the largest possible value without the pushrods or servos striking their endstops. Check the maximum control travels carefully when the collective pitch, roll-axis and pitch-axis functions are at their extremes of travel. Remember that the swashplate may bind if you set excessive travels, although this varies according to the method of actuation and the design of the rotor head.

The swashplate menu has several display levels (pages); the page indicator at top right indicates this. You can access the other levels by pressing the S1 button. The screen changes, and the display for adjusting the mixer rates looks like this:

SWASH				(8.	002/3
MIXING	+++0	Q+++	MIXING	+++0	Q+++
PIT→AIL	100%	100%	AIL→ELE2	100%	100%
PITYELE	100%	100%	ELE+AIL	100%	100%
PIT→ELE2	100%	100%	ELE>PIT	100%	100%
AIL→ELE	100%	100%	ELE+ELE2	100%	100%
AIL→PIT	100%	$100 \times$	8		

Setting the mixer rates

The mixer rate set-up procedure is explained using an HR-3 swashplate as an example. The procedure for the other swashplate types is identical, but the actual settings will need to be slightly different.

First move the throttle stick to the neutral position, and adjust the pushrod lengths so that the swashplate is exactly horizontal. Fine-tuning can be carried out using the 'Servo centre offset' option.

The mixer rate for the roll-axis function (AIL -> PIT) is optimised first. Mixer values can be set as percentages separately for the left and right side of travel. Set the values in such a way that there are no adverse effects on the pitchaxis and collective pitch functions when the roll-axis function is operated over its full travel.

The next step is to optimise the mixer rate for the pitchaxis functions (ELE -> ROL and ELE -> PIT). Mixer values can be set as percentages separately for the left and right side of travel. Set the values in such a way that there are no adverse effects on the roll-axis and collective pitch functions when the pitch-axis function is operated over its full travel.

The final step is to optimise the mixer rate for the collective pitch functions (PIT -> ROL and PIT -> ELE / ELE2). Mixer values can be set as percentages separately for the left and right side of travel. Set the values in such a way that the swashplate remains horizontal even when the throttle stick is moved over its full travel.

Activate the last display page, and the following screen appears:

1 <u>0.00</u> 0,0
, 0 %
0%

In this sub-menu you can compensate for the unwanted effects of pushrod non-linearity.

First move the throttle stick to a position where the rotational speed is as low as possible. Now move the roll-axis stick (aileron) over its full travel from left to right. Set the compensation value for that function in such a way that there is no adverse effect on the collective pitch and pitchaxis functions. The values can be entered individually for each side of centre, and are entered using the '3-D hotkey'.


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The next step is to set up compensation for the pitch-axis function. Set the compensation value for that function in such a way that there is no adverse effect on the collective pitch and roll functions at full travel of the pitch-axis stick.

Repeat both these steps for the situation in which the throttle stick is in a position corresponding to maximum motor torque.

The Swashplate set-up menu also provides a means of setting 'servo speed compensation'. Set the throttle stick to the neutral position, then move the pitch-axis stick as fast as you can. Adjust the 'speed' settings as a percentage value so that this action has no adverse effect on the collective pitch function.

The values are entered by turning the '3-D hot-key' after marking the appropriate field.

12.14 TIMER SETTINGS (stopwatch)

The Timer menu is used to set up and adjust the electronic timers provided by the FX-30 transmitter. The timers are displayed in two on-screen windows, which means that you have constant access to two crucial times, for example: the overall flight time and the motor run time of an electric-powered model. The timers can be set up individually for each model. The selected configuration is automatically loaded when you switch from one model to another.

For each timer you can select either of two operating modes count-down and count-up. If you choose a count-down timer, you will need to enter a maximum flight time for each model, e.g. according to the volume of the fueltank or the capacity of the flight battery. As soon as you start the timer, the time begins counting down, starting from the initial value you have entered. The residual time is constantly displayed.

In contrast, the count-up timer starts at '0' and displays the time which has elapsed since you operated the switch. For the last twenty seconds of the period the transmitter emits an audible signal every two seconds. Over the last ten seconds of the programmed time a signal sounds every second. When the set time is reached, a continuous tone sounds for several seconds. The timer then continues running, but the display shows the time with a negative prefix.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'TIMER' option in the Base menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display now looks like this:

TIMER	<u>(8.0∪</u> 1∕1
TIMER1	
TIMER2	

In this main Timer menu the first step is to select the stopwatch for which the settings are to be entered. Mark the desired function and confirm with the 'EDIT' button. For Timer 1 the screen then looks like this:

Select mode of operation (count-up / count-down)

TIMER	,				8	.001/1
TIMER1	OO: TIME:	00.0 STOPPED	R	ESET		
MODE	UP	ALAR	M 1	0:00	k.	
RESET	sw ——	START	sw —	- ST	OP SW	

First you have to determine whether the activated timer is to operate as a count-down or count-up stopwatch. To change this setting, mark the appropriate field and change it using the '3-D hot-key'.

Setting the count-down time

Mark the '10' and '00' fields in turn in order to set the minutes and seconds values. The settings are entered using the '3-D hot-key'.



· Selecting the switch

With the timer configured in this way, you can move on to defining the switches which are to be used to control the timers. In each case a switch can be assigned for:

- Resetting the timer ('Reset'),
- Starting the timer,
- Stopping the timer, and
- Recording lap times (split time).

The same switch can also be assigned to individual timer function options. In each case mark the field adjacent to the switch list, operate the 'EDIT' button and determine the desired switch and direction of operation in the Switch Select menu.

TIMER	Ś	1			<u>{8.</u>	0U 1/1
TIMER1	OO: TIME:	05.0 RUNNING	RES	ET		
MODE	UP	ALARM	10:	00		
RESET	sw ——	START S	w ——	STOP	sW	

A timer can be reset by operating the switch defined for that purpose. However, an alternative method is to activate the 'Reset' field of the corresponding timer function, and then press the 'EDIT' button.

12.15 TRIM DISPLAY

Use the 3-D hot-key in the Base menu to mark the "Trim display" function, then confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display now looks like this:

T1-T6 SETTING			NORMAL		8.001/1
T1	STEP	MODE SEPAR	Т4	STEP	MODE SEPAR
T2	4	SEPAR	T5	4	SEPAR
тэ	4	SEPAR	T6	4	SEPAR

Trim increment indicator

The current settings are now displayed in the form of an increment (step) value for the trim buttons T1 ... T6. You can also select the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode for the trim buttons.

The Step setting provides a means of adjusting the resolution of the trims. The resolution is variable within the range 1 ... 200; at the finest resolution even the most minute of inaccuracies can be trimmed out. The default increment value is 4, which gives a resolution of -50 and +50 increments. Changing the increment value to 8 produces a resolution of -25 and +25 increments.

The higher the value, the 'coarser' the trim resolution.

The settings can either be adopted for all flight modes (Global), or just for the selected flight mode (Separate).



12.16 DATA RESET

When you wish to enter the essential data for a new model, you will often need to start by erasing the contents of a model memory which you no longer need, or just certain areas of that memory. The reset process is carried out in this menu, which provides four options:

- Trim settings (T1 T6, all flight modes Global) All the trim settings for all flight modes can be reset using this sub-menu.
- Trim settings (T1 T6, ACT flight mode Separate / Global)

This sub-menu is used to reset the trim settings of the current flight mode, and all 'Global / Separate' settings.

- Reset model menu settings
 This sub-menu is used to reset all the functions of the
 Model menu apart from the 'Condition Select' function (for
 selecting flight modes).
- Reset all model data

This sub-menu is used to reset all model data in the Base menu, with the exception of the frequency settings, the model type and the model select data.

Start by marking the 'DATA RESET function in the Base menu using the 3-D hot-key, then confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen now looks like this:

DATA RESET	8.001/1
T1-T6(ALL CONDITIO	IND
T1-T6(CURRENT+GROU	JP COND.)
MODEL MENU SETTING)
ALL MODEL SETTING	

Select one of the four options on offer, and use the 3-D hotkey to mark the field which corresponds to the process you wish to use. Operate the 'EDIT' button to confirm your choice. The actual erasure process is only carried out when you press this button a second time. Pressing any other button interrupts the process.

12.17 FLIGHT MODE HOLD

The purpose of this function is to enable you to change the settings in a flight mode other than the current one. The motor is held at the 'idle' setting, to prevent it being switched on accidentally.

CND HOLD (Condition Hold)can only be activated when the "Normal" flight mode is selected, and only if the throttle stick is at the idle position.

As soon as you activate CND HOLD, the transmitter sounds a warning signal, alerting you to the fact that the throttle servo or speed controller will not respond if you move the throttle stick. You can now switch to the flight mode you wish to adjust by operating the appropriate flight mode change-over switch, and alter any settings you wish in safety.

Activating this function sets the throttle servo to a fixed, preset position. This means that you must disable the 'CND HOLD' function if you actually wish to carry out adjustments to the channel which operates the throttle servo.



Note that CND HOLD cannot be activated or disabled if:

- a flight mode switch has already been switched on, or
- the throttle stick is at a value higher than 1/3 of full stick travel.

To select the throttle setting you must first mark the field with the cursor button, and then move the throttle stick to the desired position. Note that the selected stick position must be lower than 1/3 of stick travel. Pressing the 'EDIT' button now activates the CND HOLD function.

The status of this option is shown in the Base display. This is the meaning of the display:

- CND HOLD IS ON: flight mode hold switched on
- CND HOLD: flight mode hold switched off



MODEL MENU 13.

The Model menu, which is described in detail in this section, provides functions which enable you to enter wide-ranging settings for a specific model memory. The data is then stored under the programmed model name in the appropriate model memory.

MODEL MENU	CONDIT1 8.001/3
SERVO MONITOR	PROG. MIXES
COND. SELECT	AIL DIFF.
AFR	FLAP SETTING
DUAL RATE	AIL+CAMB.FLP
NT:	

Since a single display cannot encompass all the functions which are available in the Model menu, there are two additional display pages in which the remaining functions can be selected. The page indicator on the right-hand side of the screen indicates that more data is available on additional pages. Individual menu points are selected by operating the S1 button. The sub-menus are listed below.

The following options - amongst others - are available according to the selected model type:

MODEL MENU	CONDIT1 (8.0U2/3
AIL→RUD	CAMB.FLP+ELE
AIRBRAKE+ELE	RUD+AIL
CAMBER MIX	RUD+ELE
ELE+CAMBER	SNAP ROLL

MODEL MENU	CONDIT1	8.003/3
AIRBRAKE		
GYRO		
MOTOR		

Servo travel display

Programmable mixers

Aileron differential

Flap travel setting

Aileron -> flap mixer

Aileron -> rudder mixer

- SERVO MONITOR
 - FLIGHT MODE: Flight mode select CONTROL AFR: Transmitter control travel settings DUAL RATE: Switchable second control curve
- PROG. MIXER:
- AIL DIFF:

FLAP SETTING:

- AIL TO FLAP:
- AIL TO RUD:
- Airbrake to elevator:
- Airbrake -> elevator mixer AILERON -> spoiler: Aileron -> spoiler mixer
- AILERON -> brake flap: Aileron -> brake flap mixer
- Flap -> elevator: Flap -> elevator mixer
- Rudder -> aileron: Rudder-> aileron mixer
- Rudder -> elevator:
- Rudder -> elevator mixer SNAP ROLL: Snap roll function
- Spoiler:
- Brake flap mixer Mixture adjustment: Carburettor mixture adjust
- Gyro: Gyro adjustments
- V-tail:

Note:

The following section does not describe every possible option, as some of them have already been discussed in previous menus, or are described in the next section which covers the model type menus; these menus can also be activated at that point. The displays for the individual options may vary slightly according to the model type you have selected.

V-tail mixer

13.1 FLIGHT MODE

The software of the FX-30 provides up to eight flight modes for each individual model memory. This feature ensures that you can always store the optimum settings for the various phases of a typical flight, and call them up as and when required simply by operating a switch.

For example, this option can be used to program the settings for a model glider so that the control surfaces are set correctly for the winch launch phase, i.e. both ailerons and both flaps lowered in order to gain maximum possible lift for the launch. To guarantee a stable flight attitude you could also select the option for setting an elevator offset to provide pitch trim compensation (around the lateral axis). These values can be called up prior to launching the model, using a switch or a particular position of one transmitter control.

If you program several flight modes in a particular model memory, it is possible to define the priority of the modes in any way you like. Flight modes can be copied, named and renamed individually, and also erased individually. You can program a delay time for each channel, so that there is a smooth transition when you switch modes, rather than an abrupt change.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Flight mode' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display now looks like this:

The basic programming procedure consists of the following steps:

COND. SE	LECT	CONDIT1	8.001/1
COND. NAME	SWITC	:H	
1 CUNDI I 1			

Adding a new flight mode

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'New' field, and confirm your choice with the 'EDIT' button. The screen now shows the next available number which can be allocated for the new flight mode. Pressing the 'EDIT' button again calls up the new flight mode on the screen.



Mark the field for selecting the flight mode switch (--), and press the 'EDIT' button to call up the Switch Select menu. In this sub-menu you can define the flight mode activation switch, and its mode of operation, i.e. the direction for activating and disabling the new flight mode.

Note that it is possible to select an individual switch (SINGLE) or a logically linked pair of switches (LOGIC).

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• Erasing flight modes

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the flight mode in the list which you wish to erase; the number of the marked flight mode now flashes. Move the cursor to the 'Erase' field, and press the 'EDIT' button to initiate the erase process. A warning now appears: if you press the 'EDIT' button again, the selected flight mode is deleted. Pressing any other button interrupts the process.

Renaming flight modes

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the flight mode in the list whose name you would like to change; the number of the marked flight mode now flashes. Move the 3-D hot-key to the 'New Name' field, and press the 'EDIT' button to initiate the renaming process.

The menu for selecting letters, numerals and characters now appears (see also page 29). Use the '3-D hot-key' to mark the letter to be changed. Select the desired new letter, numeral or symbol from the on-screen list, again using the 3-D hot-key, then press the 'EDIT' button; this action adopts the new letter etc. Repeat this procedure for all eight characters in the name.

Once the full name has been entered, the 'EDIT' field must be marked, and the 'EDIT' button pressed; this concludes the renaming of the flight mode.

Copying flight modes

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Copy' field, the press the 'EDIT' button. This brings up the menu for copying individual flight modes.

COND.COPY	CONDIT1	8.0U 1/1
SOURCE COND.		
DESTIN.COND.		

The first step is to determine the source flight mode, i.e. the mode to be copied, by marking the appropriate field with the 3-D hot-key and pressing the 'EDIT' button. The flight mode to be copied is now displayed in this field. Mark the destination field, and press the 'EDIT' button again. You can now choose the flight mode which is to be overwritten.

The flight mode which is to be copied, and the flight mode to be overwritten, are selected by turning the '3-D hot-key'. When everything has been set correctly, mark the 'Copy' field and operate the 'EDIT' button to initiate the copy process. This action starts the copy process, but it is only carried out when you confirm the security query with 'Yes'. The data content of the source flight mode is then copied to the specified location.

Changing priorities

Use the 3-D hot-key in the list to mark the flight mode whose priority you wish to change. The 3-D hot-key can again be used to shift the marked line (flight mode) up or down; this action shifts its priority accordingly. Please note that the last line has the highest priority. Pressing the 'EDIT' button concludes the procedure.

• Setting the delay time

In the list of flight modes, mark the one whose transition time you wish to alter, then activate the 'DELAY' field, and press the 'EDIT' button. The screen changes, and now looks like this:

DUA	L RA	TE	CONDIT1	(8.0U 1/2
D/R	NAME	STATUS	FUNCTION	SWITCH
1 D/R	1	INH	AILERON	SD
2 D/R	2	INH	ELEVATOR	SA
3 D/R	3	INH	RUDDER	SB
4 D/R	4	INH	AILERON	

Use the 3-D hot-key and mark the channel in the 'DELAY' column for which you wish to alter the transition time. The setting is entered by turning the '3-D hot-key'. The adjustment range is 0 to 27 increments. The default setting is always '0', i.e. there is no programmed delay time as standard.

Finally you can select the separate / global mode, i.e. whether the delay time for that channel is to apply only to the currently active flight mode (Separate) or to all flight modes (Global). If you select Separate, the set transition time only applies to the mode in which the setting was selected.

Note:

If you have set up and activated multiple flight modes, the corresponding transmitter control curves (AFR) must also be changed from Global to Separate, to ensure that a different setting takes effect in each flight mode. If the setting is left at Global, the transmitter control has the same effect in all flight modes.

• Switch function SINGLE / LOGIC



It is possible to select either an individual switch (Single) or a logically linked switched function (Logic) involving two switches.

In the latter case the following functions are available:

- AND: links switches in series
- OR: links switches in parallel
- Ex-OR: links and connects particular switches





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13.2 TRANSMITTER CONTROL TRAVEL SETTINGS

The transmitter control travel (AFR) settings are used to adjust the travel characteristics (Expo1, Expo2, Curve) which a transmitter control employs when it affects the associated receiver output (servo) or mixed functions.

Sixteen AFR curves are available in total: twelve transmitter controls for the twelve servo channels and four VC transmitter control curves for the virtual channels, whose transmitter controls have no direct servo output; instead they control servos using a supplementary curve, according to a mixed function.

Summary:

Eight flight modes with up to twelve transmitter control curves plus four VC curves, plus six switchable (D/R) curves. It is difficult to imagine a more convenient system.

Each curve can have two to seventeen curve points, plus a variable speed which is set separately. All the adjustments can be carried out for each function individually. **Note:**

It is essential to complete the following settings before carrying out adjustments to the transmitter control curves:

- 1) Model type select
- 2) Servo and function sequence
- 3) Direction of servo rotation
- 4) Servo travel (ATV)
- 5) Servo centre

The reason for this requirement is that any change to the function sequence, for example, erases any curve which has already been set.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the transmitter control travel (AFR) function in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT.

The screen display now looks like this:



This display has two levels (pages); the page indicator on the right-hand side indicates this. The second page looks like this:



Operation:

Entering pre-set values

First use the 3-D hot-key to mark the set-up field on the second page (FUNCT). Turn the '3-D hot-key' to select the transmitter control whose settings you wish to adjust. At this point you can also define whether the settings you are about to enter apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to one specific mode (Separate). Turn the '3-D hot-key' to change this setting, and confirm with the 'EDIT' button.

In this menu the servo speed can also be adjusted in the 'Speed' field. The first facility at this point is to program a mode (linear or non-symmetrical). The linear mode is used to control the throttle servo and for switches; this mode is not self-neutralising. This characteristic applies to the other, non-symmetrical mode, which for this reason is the default setting for all control surfaces.

If you wish, you can enter a separate speed for both directions ('there' and 'back'). The adjustment range is 0 to 27 increments. Please note: the higher the number, the more slowly the servo moves. The maximum value (27 increments) corresponds to a duration of nine seconds. The '3-D hot-key' is used to alter the setting. The default setting is always '0'. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

Programming curves

- The first step in this process is to determine the curve type. Starting from the main display, mark the 'MODE' field and use the '3-D hot-key' to make your selection. The following curve types are available:
 - EXP1: Exponential curve (curve 1)
 - EXP2: Exponential curve (curve 2)

CURVE: 9-point curve (2- ... 17-point) curve with turn-points

Press the 'EDIT' button to activate the selected curve type and display it in graphic form.

- The settings can be defined separately for the right side (RATE A) and the left side (RATE B) of the curve: mark the appropriate field and use the '3-D hot-key' to alter the value in it. The adjustment range is -200% to +200%; the default setting is +100%. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.
- The curve can be shifted vertically (OFFSET). This is accomplished by marking it with the '3-D hot-key' and confirming with EDIT. Positive values move the curve up; negative values down.

The same procedure is employed for setting up the two available exponential curves. The illustrations show two typical examples of these curve types. The EXP function affects the characteristics of the primary sticks: the linear connection between the transmitter control travel and the servo travel is altered to an exponential characteristic, which generally provides finer control of the model.

As an additional feature, the fields 'Rate A + B' can be marked to adjust the transmitter control travel separately for each side of centre.







To set up a freely variable curve you have to define curve points. The two screen shots show sections of the display as examples of these curves.

- Use the cursor to mark the field in which the associated curve point is displayed (POINT).
- The point which is to be modified is selected using the '3-D hot-key'. Once you have activated the appropriate point, the value in the 'RATE' field can be defined by turning the '3-D hot-key'.
- The default set-up contains nine different points which can be varied, but for special purposes the number of points can be varied within the range two to seventeen.



- The position of the curve point can now be defined: mark the appropriate field, and set the value by turning the '3-D hot-key'. You must now hold the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second in order to adopt the new point.
- This is the procedure for erasing a curve point: mark the point adjust field (POINT), select the point to be erased using the '3-D hot-key', and hold the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second.
- It is also possible to shift these two curve types vertically using 'Offset'.



13.3 DUAL RATE SETTINGS

- Up to six different Dual Rate settings can be entered. This is accomplished by marking the Dual Rate field and pressing the 'EDIT' button. The display changes, and you can enter the appropriate settings in the sub-menu when then appears.
- The first step here is to activate the D/R settings you wish to use, by marking the first field in the appropriate line. Turn the '3-D hot-key' to activate the setting (changes from INA to ACT). This change must be confirmed with EDIT.

DUA	L RA	TE	CONDIT1	(8.0U 1/2
D/R	NAME	STATUS	FUNCTION	SWITCH
1 D/R	1	INH	AILERON	SD
2 D/R	2	INH	ELEVATOR	SA
3 D/R	3	INH	RUDDER	SB
4 D/R	4	INH	AILERON	

- Move to the 'Function' field and use the same procedure to select the channel to which the D/R setting is to apply. You now have to select an actuating switch. Use the 3-D hotkey to mark the appropriate field, then press the 'EDIT' button. This calls up the Switch Select menu, where you can define the desired switch and its direction of operation.
- The Dual Rate function provides a second control curve which can be called up by operating a switch. You can decide whether the function is to be linear with reduced travels (classic D/R), Expo1, Expo2 or a curve with two to seventeen points.

The D/R (Dual Rate) function can be used to set a second control curve for up to six transmitter controls, which is selected by means of a switch. It makes no difference whether you assign six switchable curves to one transmitter control, or two curves to three transmitter controls, or a single curve to six controls.

This function can be used in order to adjust the control travels to the model for particular phases of flight (launch, landing).

In addition to this convenient facility, it is also possible to set up the sixteen AFR curves as mentioned earlier; once again these can be assigned to each flight mode individually by setting up a maximum of eight flight modes.



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13.4 PROGRAMMABLE MIXERS

The FX-30 features ten freely programmable mixers which are available for every model memory, in addition to the fixed preprogrammed mixer functions. The programmable mixers feature user-selectable transmitter control settings which can be called up, ranging from a linear characteristic to a nine-point curve; the latter can be expanded to seventeen points for special purposes.

The primary use of these mixers is to compensate for interactions between the individual functions of fixed-wing model aircraft, e.g. for precision aerobatic flying. When the corrective mixers are properly set up, the model becomes generally simpler and more pleasant to fly. Programmable mixers can be set up to link any functions and channels (Master and Slave channels).

Three curve types are available for the transmitter control settings: two exponential and one linear. All these mixers can be assigned a separately variable delay, in order to avoid abrupt transitions when a mixer is switched on in flight. Another option is to set group mode (effective in all flight modes) or single mode (effective only in a specific flight mode).

The trim select function determines whether the trim of the Master channel is also to affect the Slave channel. The Offset option allows you to adjust the mixed (slave) channel to match the main function, so that there is no control surface movement at the neutral position. The switches or other transmitter controls which are used to activate the various mixers can be selected individually. Finally, it is even possible to define a transmitter control which is used to fine-tune the settings.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'PROG. MIX' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen now typically looks like this:

PRO	G. MIXES	CONDIT	1 (8.00 1/3
9	MIXING	MODE	GROUP
1	INHIBIT	MIXING	GROUP
2	INHIBIT	MIXING	GROUP
3	INHIBIT	MIXING	GROUP
4	INHIBIT	MIXING	GROUP

The individual mixers are listed line by line: the first four mixers are listed on the first page. The display has additional levels (pages); the page indicator on the right-hand side indicates this. The programming procedure is described here using the first mixer as an example, but mixers 2 to 10 are set up in exactly the same way.

This menu is used to enter your preferred settings for the mixer in question. In the last column 'Global' you can define whether the mixer is only to apply to one flight mode (Separate) or to all flight modes globally (Global); 'global' mode is the default setting. To change this setting, use the 3-D hot-key to mark the field for the mixer you wish to program. The field is now highlighted (dark background), and you can turn the '3-D hotkey' to the left to change the setting to 'Separate'. Activate the change by pressing the 'EDIT' button. You move to the actual programming masks by marking the appropriate field in the 'Mixer' column on the left, and confirming with the 'EDIT' button. The display changes, and the first mixer programming menu appears. This display has three levels; the page number on the right-hand side indicates this. The programming procedure involves the following steps:

PROG. M	IX 1 CONDIT1 (8.00)1/3
+150	MODE OFFSET INH
+100	EXP 1 +0.0
0	
-50	+0.0 +0.0
-100	

PROG.	MIX 1 C	ONDIT1 (8.0U)2/3
	FUNCTION, H/W	LINK MODE
MASTER	AILERON	OFF TRIM OFF
SLAVE	ELEVATOR	OFF STK OFF
	CTRL	RATE(%)
FINE TU	NING ——	+0 (+0)

PROG.	MIX 1	CC	INDIT1 (8.00/3/3
STATUS	INH	SPEED	IN MODE OUT
Switch	DELAY	START	STOP 0.05

Activating the mixer

Move the 3-D hot-key to the 'STATUS' field; the default setting here is 'INA' (inactive). Turn the '3-D hot-key' to the left to activate the mixer; 'ACT' now flashes on the screen. Press EDIT to conclude this procedure.

• Defining the mixer switch

Move the 3-D hot-key to the field in the 'SWITCH' line, and confirm your action with the 'EDIT' button: the Switch Select menu is now superimposed. Select the operating switch and the direction of operation at that point. If you want the mixer to be switched on constantly, leave this setting at the default of 'NONE'.

• Setting up the Master channel

If you are setting up a normal mixer, the settings should be entered as described in the following section: First mark the 'Master' field. Using the '3-D hot-key' you can select the function which is to be the Master channel. You must confirm your choice with EDIT.

If you wish to connect or link this mixer with another mixer, then you must enter suitable settings in the 'Link' column. The 'Link' function is required in order to connect one programmable mixer to other mixer functions. For example, if you do not use the Link function and set up a model with two aileron servos - each connected to a separate receiver output - coupling rudder to aileron will have the effect that only one aileron servo will move when you give a rudder command.

- If the 'Link' function is switched on, the second mixer will affect the existing mixer, with the result that both aileron channels will be affected.
- The Link mode can be switched from 'OFF' (default) to '+' or '-'; the prefix indicates the direction of effect. Changes are made by turning the '3-D hot-key'.
- Finally you can set up the trim function. Here you have to determine how the trims of the two mixed channels are to work. In the corresponding 'TRIM' window you can set 'OFF' or 'ON'. If set to 'ON', the trim of the Master channel also affects the Slave channel. Otherwise both channels are de-coupled. The mode change is carried out using the '3-D hot-key' once the field has been marked; confirm your choice with the 'EDIT' button.

• Setting up the Slave channel

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The settings are entered using exactly the same procedure: mark the 'Slave' field, use the '3-D hot-key' to determine the Slave function, then confirm your choice with EDIT. Activate the 'Link' mode if required, as described above.

- Now you have to determine whether AFR mode is to apply to the Slave channel, i.e. what is known as 'Stick to stick mode'.
- 'STK STK' = OFF

The Master function affects the Slave channel directly, without taking into account any special settings you may have applied to the Master transmitter control, i.e. it only affects the selected Slave channel.

• 'STK - STK' = ON

In this mode any special settings applied to the Master transmitter control - such as D/R, AFR, EXPO etc. - also affect the Slave channel. In this mode the mixer functions also affect any other mixers involving the Slave channel.

Example: Model type - two ailerons

Mixing elevator to aileron in 'Stk - Stk' mode affects both ailerons.

Select the mode accordingly, and - if necessary - switch the mode from 'OFF' to 'ON' by turning the '3-D hot-key'. Pressing the 'EDIT' button concludes the procedure.

• Carrying out 'fine-tuning' adjustments

It is possible to program a transmitter control which is used to carry out fine adjustments (fine-tuning) of the mixer settings. Changes are carried out in the 'TRIM' line, but first you have to define the transmitter control you wish to use for this purpose: mark the appropriate field to call up the menu, then select your preferred transmitter control using the '3-D hot-key'. Any of the auxiliary transmitter controls can be used.

Next you have to define the operating mode for the transmitter control you have chosen; the mode is selected using the standard procedure: mark the 'Mode' field using the 3-D hot-key, and make your selection using the '3-D hot-key' once more. Four modes are available in total, and their method of working is displayed on-screen in schematic form. This is the key to the symbols:



The mixer rate is 0% when the transmitter control is in the centre position. Moving the transmitter control to right or left increases and reduces the value respectively.



The mixer rate is 0% at the left end-point of the transmitter control. Moving the transmitter control to the right increases the value.



The mixer rate is 0% at the right end-point of the transmitter control. Moving the transmitter control to the left increases the value.

The mixer rate is 0% when the transmitter control is in the centre position. Moving the transmitter control to right or left always increases the value.

Setting the servo transit speed and delay

In the 'SPEED' line you can enter a speed for both directions of servo travel, i.e. the 'there' direction and the 'back' direction. The adjustment range is 0 to 27 increments. Please note: the higher the number, the more slow-ly the servo moves. The maximum value (27 increments) corresponds to a duration of nine seconds. The value is changed using the '3-D hot-key'. The default setting is '0'. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

In the 'Delay' line you can enter a delay time in the range 0.0 to 4.0 seconds for the POWER ON and POWER OFF phases. This value means the time which elapses between operating the switch (in the 'ON' direction), and the mixer taking full effect. In the 'STOP' field you can program a delay which occurs when the mixer is switched off again. To program this setting you must first mark the appropriate field and enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key'. The default value is '0'. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

Master / Slave function

The Master / Slave function is used to control pre-set and programmed curves using a switch.

In Slave mode you can define a target point which is reached after a user-defined time. This function only takes the end-point into account - not any intermediate points. In Master mode the situation is different: in this case you can set up a curve with seventeen intermediate points, all of which are taken into account when the function is switched on. This means that you can give your model aircraft a completely new set-up within a few seconds, or change its characteristics to suit particular circumstances.

Programming an Offset mixer

This type of mixer is typically used to pass a fixed value to a particular function when the mixer is triggered by operating a switch. This means that Offset mixers do not require a Master channel.

To activate this function simply change the mode from MIXER to OFFSET.

PRO	G.	MIXE	s	NORM	AL	(7.6U 1/3
1	MIXIN	łG		MODE	Gl	ROUP
1	IN	HIBI	T	OFFSE	TS	INGLE
2	IN	HIBI	T	MIXIN	IG S	INGLE
3	IN	HIBI	Т	MIXIN	IG S	INGLE
4	IN	HIBI	T	MIXIN	IG S	INGLE
PRO	G.	MIX	1	COND	IT1	(7.4U 1/5
OFF	SET	1/4	MODE	NORM		ED-MIX
FUNCT	TON	AIL	FINE	TUNING-	0	O SU
OFFSE	T				DEL	
ON	+0).0%	1		STA	RT 0.0
10000000						



First determine the 'Slave' channel or channels, i.e. the channel into which a fixed value is to be mixed. Up to four functions can be operated in this way. The functions can be selected once you have marked the corresponding field in the Function Select menu which now appears. Mark the desired function, and leave the sub-menu by selecting 'End'.

Your selection is displayed in the 'Slave' column.

After this the mode of the Offset mixer can be changed if required. Two modes are available;

Manual control:

When you operate the switch, the servo runs to the Offset position selected under 'ON', at the set speed and with the set delay, and remains there as long as the switch is in the 'On' position. The servo only moves again when the switch is moved back to the 'Off' position; it then returns to the starting point - as set under 'OFF' - using the selected speed and delay.

Timer control:

in this mode the servo runs to the prescribed 'On' position, as described for manual control, when the switch is operated. However - in contrast to manual control - it does not stay in this position, but automatically returns to the starting point when the pre-set dwell time (duration) has elapsed.

This Offset mixer is very convenient, and can be used to implement sequences involving up to four functions, either under manual or automatic control. Typical practical applications include the sequential retraction and extension of a scale retractable undercarriage, whose functions can be controlled very accurately using an Offset mixer. By setting the times carefully, you can arrange for various wheel doors to open in turn, after which the wheels then extend.

The Offset value can be entered as a percentage figure in the 'Offset' fields, separately for the 'On' and 'Off' states: mark the appropriate field, and adjust the settings in the familiar way using the arrow buttons. The adjustment range is +300% to - 300%. The default setting is 0%; marking the 'Reset' button restores the defaults.

Fine-tuning is also available for the Offset mixers. The first step is to define a transmitter control in the appropriate column, using the Transmitter Control Select menu as previously described. After this you must set the effect range in the 'Rate' field using the arrow buttons; the adjustment range is +100% to -100%. The default setting is 0%; marking the 'Reset' button restores the defaults.

The transmitter control you select for fine-tuning an Offset mixer also has four operating modes; they are absolutely identical to those of a normal mixer.

You may also wish to optimise the servo transit speed for the task in hand: the speed of the servo can be adjusted in small increments, separately for the 'there' and 'back' directions. The adjustment range is 0 to 27 increments. Please note: the higher the number, the more slowly the servo moves. The maximum value (27 increments) corresponds to a duration of nine seconds. The default setting is always '0'. When you mark one of the fields 'THERE' or 'BACK', the button fields for the arrows appear at the right margin. It is possible to make adjustments in steps of one increment or ten increments. Pressing the 'Reset' button restores the default setting.

A delay time can be programmed using virtually the same procedure.

Delays in the range 0.0 to 9.0 seconds can be set, separately for the 'Start' and 'Stop' phases.

Pressing the double-arrow buttons increases or reduces the delay by one second; operating the single-arrow buttons produces increments of 0.1 second.

The programming of an Offset mixer is concluded by activating a switch using the standard procedure: mark the corresponding button field in the bottom line, and define the switch in the Switch Select menu which then appears. The direction of effect of the switch can also be set in the usual way. The status of the mixer is displayed as 'On' or 'Off' - according to the position of the switch - in the left field in the bottom line.

OFFSET MIXER AS MOTOR-CUT SWITCH

Offset mixers also offer the possibility of mixing a fixed value into the primary channel. This value can be up to 300%, as shown in the screen shot.

PROG. MIX	1	CONDI	T1	(7.4U 1/5
OFFSET 1/4	MODE	NORM	[SPEE	D MIX
FUNCTION THR	FINE	TUNING-	0	O SU
OFFSET	CIRL		DELA	
0N +300.0%			STAR	T U.U
OFF +0.0%	RATE	+0%	STOP	0.0

This facility can be used, for example, to make absolutely certain that the motor of an electric-powered model cannot burst into life unexpectedly, even if you move the throttle stick by mistake; this is a very useful safety feature.

If you program an Offset mixer, and set the Offset value to -300%, the throttle stick can be moved to any position without the motor starting, because it is impossible for the stick travel to override the value set by the Offset mixer.

The motor can then only be controlled in the normal way if you first disable the Offset mixer by operating the associated switch. This switch is not interrogated during the safety switch query when the transmitter is switched on.



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14. MODEL MENU (FIXED-WING MODEL AIRCRAFT)

In this Section we analyse the settings which are specific to fixed-wing model aircraft. The options covered here are those which have not already been discussed in Section 13 (see page 41). The model must be marked in the HOME menu, and confirmed with 'EDIT'. This calls up an overview of the Model menus for fixed-wing model aircraft.

MODEL MENU	CONDIT1 (8.0U1/3
SERVO MONITOR	PROG. MIXES
COND. SELECT	AIL DIFF.
AFR	FLAP SETTING
DUAL RATE	AIL+CAMB.FLP

MODEL MENU	CONDIT1 8.002/
AIL→RUD	CAMB.FLP+ELE
AIRBRAKE+ELE	RUD+AIL
CAMBER MIX	RUD+ELE
ELE+CAMBER	SNAP ROLL

MODEL MENU AIRBRAKE GYRO MOTOR	CONDIT1 (8.00)3/3			
AIL. DIFF:	Aileron differential			
FLAP SETTINGS:	Flap settings			
SPOILER:	Aileron -> spoiler mixer			
AIL->BRAKEFL:	Aileron -> brake flap mixer			
AIL->RUD:	Aileron -> rudder mixer			
AIRBRAKE->ELE:	Airbrake -> elevator mixer			
RUDDER->AIL:	Rudder -> aileron mixer			
CAMBER MIX:	Flap mixer			
ELE->FLAP:	Elevator -> flap mixer			
FLAP->ELE:	Flap -> elevator mixer			
BUTTERFLY:	Crow (butterfly) mixer			
TRIM MIX 1/2:	Trim mixer 1 and 2			
AIRBRAKE:	Brake flap mixer			
GYRO:	Gyro settings			
V-TAIL:	V-tail settings			

Elevator with aileron function

Settings for electric motors

Rudder -> elevator mixer

Winglet rudder settings

- V-TAIL:
- AILVATOR:
- WINGLET:
- MOTOR:
- RUDDER->ELE:
- SNAP ROLL: Snap-roll function

14.1 AILERON DIFFERENTIAL

Differential aileron travel is often required on fixed-wing model aircraft in order to compensate for the phenomenon known as adverse yaw. When an aeroplane is turning, the outboard wing moves through the air more quickly, which means that the drag generated by the down-going aileron (on the outside of the turn) is greater than that of the up-going aileron. The result is a yawing moment which tends to turn the model's nose away from the turn, swinging the aeroplane around its vertical axis.

The effect of aileron differential is to reduce the travel of the down-going aileron relative to that of the up-going aileron, with the aim of generating equal amounts of drag on both wing panels. This eliminates the adverse yaw problem.



This function acts as a mixer for two separate aileron servos, enabling you to adjust travels for 'aileron up' and 'aileron down' individually for each aileron. One of the auxiliary transmitter controls can be set up as a means of fine-tuning the degree of differential.



Α separate servo must be used for each control surface. The FX-30 software allows you to assign transmitter controls in any way you like.

The diagram above shows a typical fixed-wing model with two ailerons on each wing panel.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'AIL DIFF.' option in the Model menu and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen now looks like this:

AIL DI	FF.	CO	NDIT1	8.001/1
AILERON	LEFT 100%	RIGHT 100%	GROUP	GROUP
AILERON2	100%	100%	FINE	CURVE
			•	AIL-AFR



These are the individual steps for programming aileron differential:

• Enter the differential travels

Mark the appropriate adjustment field for the left and right side of the aileron servos (max. four). The '3-D hot-key' is used to enter the settings, followed by confirmation with the 'EDIT' button; note that you have to move the stick to the right or left end-point in each case.

• Set up a curve

On this page of the menu it is possible to program a curve for the effect of the aileron differential function. A percentage value can be entered in addition to your preferred curve type for each side (Rate A and Rate B). The exact procedure for programming a curve has already been described in full in Section 13.2 on page 44.

• Select the 'fine-tuning' settings

It is possible to program a switch or transmitter control which can be used for fine adjustments to the aileron differential settings (fine-tuning); changes are carried out in the 'Fine-tuning' line. Mark the appropriate field and confirm with the 'EDIT' button. Select your preferred transmitter control in the Transmitter Control / Switch Select menu which then appears. A curve can also be set up for the finetuning option.

• Define the basic settings

In the 'Global' field you can select 'Separate' or 'Global' mode using the procedure already described, with the results previously explained.

Selecting the 'Ail-AFR' field takes you directly to the AFR settings for the ailerons.

All the aileron mixer functions are shown in graphic form in the centre of the second page of this menu.

14.2 FLAP SETTINGS



This menu is used for entering the settings for all the inboard wing flaps. If your model features two pairs of inboard flaps (the most com-

plex available - see diagram above) this menu applies to the inboard brake flaps and camber-changing flaps, which are located adjacent to each other. The 'up' and 'down' travel of each control surface can be set individually at this point, while the Offset function allows you to fine-tune the travels. As with many functions, it is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to the currently activated flight mode (Separate). If you wish, you can program a mixer which causes the camber-changing flaps to be deployed when the brake flaps are operated.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Flap settings' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. This menu has three levels (pages) which look like this:

FLAP	SETTI	G CONDIT	1 (8.00 1/1
CAMB	ER FLAP	>	
2000 CAL 44 197	FLAP	FLP2	
UP	+100%	+100%	
DOWN	+100%	+100% GROUP	GROUP
OFFSET	+0%	+0%	

FLAP	SETTI E FLAP	IG CONDIT	1 (8.00)2/3
UP DOWN OFFSET	FLP3 +100% +100% +0%	FLP4 +100% +100% GROUP +0%	GROUP
FLAP BRAK	setti E Flap	NG CONDIT → CAMBER	1 (8.00)3/3 FLAP
11P	+100%	ect/1	

OFFSET+0%SWITCHYou can adjust the travel individually for each control surface
and each direction of movement, using the method already
described repeatedly in this manual. The same applies to the
Offset function; the value is simply entered as a percentage

GROUP

GROUP

using the '3-D hot-key'. The effects and methods of setting the 'Global' and 'Separate' modes have already been described several times. The brake flap mixer (BrFI -> flap) causes the camber-changing flaps to follow the movement when the brake flaps are deployed. You can also set the degree of following for each direction of travel separately, program an Offset, set the flight mode and program a switch.

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14.3 AILERON -> FLAP MIXER



This menu is used to set the values for a mixer which causes the inboard flaps to move in the same direction as the ailerons when an aileron

command is given. This mixer improves the roll rate of a model glider, because the flaps deflect to support the ailerons, thereby generating a greater roll moment. At the same time the induced drag of the wing is reduced when the model is turning.

The mixer rate can be adjusted in the usual way, but it is also possible to set up a curve in order to obtain the exact control surface travel you require. The function can be activated using a switch which is user-selectable; it can also be connected to other mixers via a Link.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Aileron -> flap' mixer in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has two levels (pages) which look like this:



Start by activating this function in the 'ACT / INA' line using the familiar method, then enter the mixer values for both flaps as percentages using the '3-D hot-key' in the standard way, in each case for left and right aileron deflections. If you need to reverse the direction of travel, this is achieved by changing the prefix.

The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described. If you wish to link this mixer to the aileron -> brake flap mixer, the appropriate settings should be entered in the 'LINK' line. You must first activate this option, then select a switch to be able to switch this function on and off. A mixer curve can also be defined and programmed on the first screen page.

14.4 AILERON -> BRAKE FLAP MIXER



This menu is used for setting up a mixer which causes the brake flaps to move in the same direction as the ailerons when an aileron command is

given. This mixer helps to improve the manoeuvrability of a model aircraft around the longitudinal (roll) axis, because the flaps deflect to support the ailerons, thereby generating a greater roll moment. At the same time the induced drag of the wing is reduced when the model is turning.

The mixer rate can be adjusted in the usual way, but it is also possible to set up a curve in order to obtain the exact control surface travel you require. The function can be activated using a switch which you can select; it can also be connected to other mixers via a Link.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Aileron -> brake flap' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has two levels (pages) which look like this:



Start by activating this function in the 'ACT / INA' line using the familiar method, then enter the mixer values for both brake flaps as percentages using the '3-D hot-key' in the standard way, in each case for left and right aileron deflections. If you need to reverse the direction of travel, this is achieved by changing the prefix.

The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described. A switch can be selected to trigger the mixer, using the standard procedure; define its direction of operation in the usual way.

If you wish to link this mixer to another mixer, the appropriate settings should be entered in the 'LINK' line. You must first activate this option, then define the mixer to which a link is to be created.

A mixer curve can also be defined and programmed on the first screen page.



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14.5 AILERON -> RUDDER MIXER



This menu is used for setting up а mixer which causes the rudder (and the winglet rudders, if present) to move in the same direction when an aileron command iq given.

When this function is activated, the ailerons and

rudder(s) are coupled, so that only one stick has to be operated in order to turn the model effectively. This function is particularly useful for controlling large-scale model aeroplanes, as it eliminates adverse yaw completely when set up correctly.

It is possible to set up a curve in order to obtain the exact mixer rates required for a particular model. The function can be activated using a switch which you can select. As with many functions, it is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to the currently activated flight mode (Separate). An auxiliary transmitter control can be assigned to the function for fine-tuning.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Aileron -> rudder' mixer in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has two levels (pages), which look like this:



The function must first be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line, as previously described: first mark the field, enter the settings using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. You will now see 'ON' or 'OFF' in the field, according to the position of the switch.

The effects and settings for the programming of 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described repeatedly; they are altered in the 'Mode' line. In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the familiar manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on. A mixer curve can be set up and programmed on the first page of the menu using the usual procedure.

This mixer curve determines the rate of following, i.e. the extent to which the rudder moves (in the same direction) when an aileron command is given.

On the second page of the menu the fine-tuning settings can be carried out in the separate frame marked 'Fine Trim'. It is possible to assign a transmitter control to the task of finetuning the mixer setting. First select the transmitter control you wish to use for this purpose; this is carried out in the 'Transmitter control' field: mark the corresponding field and use the '3-D hot-key' to make your selection in the Switch / Transmitter Control Select menu. Any of the auxiliary transmitter controls can be selected for this purpose.

The next step is to define the operating mode for the transmitter control you have chosen; this is carried out using the now familiar procedure: use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Mode' field, then make your selection. Four modes are available in total, and their method of working is displayed in schematic form on the screen. This is the key to the symbols:



The mixer rate is 0% when the transmitter control is in the centre position. Moving the transmitter control to right or left increases and reduces the value respectively.



The mixer rate is 0% at the left end-point of the transmitter control. Moving the transmitter control to the right increases the value.



The mixer rate is 0% at the right end-point of the transmitter control. Moving the transmitter control to the left increases the value.



The mixer rate is 0% when the transmitter control is in the centre position. Moving the transmitter control to right or left always increases the value.



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14.6 AIRBRAKE -> ELEVATOR MIXER



This menu is used to set up a mixer which causes the elevator to deflect when the airbrakes are extended.

When airbrakes are deployed, a pitch trim change often occurs - this applies to

many models. Without a suitable mixer, the pilot then has to compensate for this by applying down-elevator manually. The FX-30 includes a mixer which carries out this pitch trim correction automatically.

The exact mixer values for the elevator servo(s) can be adjusted separately. The function can be activated using a switch which is user-selectable. As with many functions, it is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to the currently activated flight mode (Separate). It is possible to assign an auxiliary control for fine-tuning the function.

This mixer is only available if you have already programmed a wing type which features airbrakes; this is carried out in the Model Type Select section of the Base menu.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Airbrake -> elevator' mixer in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has three levels (pages), which look like this:

AIRBR	AKE→EI	E CON	DIT1 (8.0U1/3
+150	· · · · /	MODE	OFFSET INH
+100		EXP 1	+0.0
+50		RATE A	RATE B
0-	X	+100.0	+100.0
-50		FXP 0	EXP B
-100		+0.0	+0.0
POS +0.1	RATE	+0.0	





As ever, this mixer function must first be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line: first mark the field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The screen will now display 'On' or 'OFF', according to the current position of the switch.

The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; the function is programmed in the 'Mode' line. In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the familiar manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on.

On the second page of the menu the fine-tuning settings can be carried out in the separate frame marked 'Fine Trim'. It is possible to assign a transmitter control to the task of finetuning the mixer setting. First select the transmitter control you wish to use for this purpose; this is accomplished in the 'Transmitter control' field: mark the corresponding field and use the '3-D hot-key' to make your selection in the Switch / Transmitter Control Select menu. Any of the auxiliary transmitter controls can be selected for the task.

The next step is to define the operating mode for the transmitter control you have chosen; this is carried out using the now familiar procedure: use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Mode' field, then make your selection. Four modes are available in total, and their method of working is displayed onscreen in schematic form. This is the key to the symbols:



The mixer rate is 0% when the transmitter control is in the centre position. Moving the transmitter control to right or left increases and reduces the value respectively.



The mixer rate is 0% at the left end-point of the transmitter control. Moving the transmitter control to the right increases the value.



The mixer rate is 0% at the right end-point of the transmitter control. Moving the transmitter control to the left increases the value.



The mixer rate is 0% when the transmitter control is in the centre position. Moving the transmitter control to right or left always increases the value.

A mixer curve can be programmed using the by now familiar method, separately for each side of travel. The actual mixer rates for the elevators are entered on the third page of the menu: for each control surface the mixer rate can be entered as a % value. The method is exactly the same as previously described.



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14.7 RUDDER -> AILERON MIXER



This menu is used for setting up a mixer which causes the ailerons to move in the direction of the turn when a rudder command is given.

This function is employed primarily with large-scale model aircraft

where a scale control system is required, i.e. emulating a fullsize aircraft. However, the same mixer can also be useful when flying particular manoeuvres in a 3-D aerobatic schedule.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Rudder -> aileron' mixer in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has two levels (pages), which look like this:

RUD→AIL	CONDIT1 (8.0U)1/2
+150 +100 +50 +50 +50 +50 +50 +50 +50 +50 +50 +	MODE OFFSET INH EXP 1 +0.0
0 -50 -100 -150 POS +0-0 RATE -	+0.0 +0.0 EXP A EXP B +0.0 +0.0
RUD+AIL	CONDIT1 (8.00) 2/2
ACT/INH INH GROUP GROUP	CONTROL
SWITCH LINK INH	RATE +0% (+0%)

The function must first be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line, as previously described: first mark the field, enter the settings using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. In the field you will see 'ON' or 'OFF' according to the position of the switch.

The effects and settings for the programming of 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described repeatedly; they are altered in the 'Mode' line. In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the familiar manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on.

A mixer curve can be set up and programmed on the first page of the menu in the usual manner. This mixer curve determines the rate of following, i.e. the extent to which the ailerons move when a rudder command is given.

On the second page of the menu the fine-tuning settings can be carried out in the separate frame marked 'Fine Trim'. The fine-tuning settings are entered using the method described for the aileron - rudder mixer on page 49.

14.8 SPOILER



The purpose of this menu is to set up a mixer which causes all the wing flaps to be lowered to increase wing camber and thereby maximise lift.

The travels for all the control surfaces can be set in the 'up' or 'down' direction

as required, to ensure that the mixer can generate the optimum wing geometry for all flight tasks. The servo travels and directions of rotation can be set accurately using a mixer curve. It is also possible to program a delay time, define the servo transit speed and select a mixer trigger switch.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Spoiler' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has four levels (pages), which look like this:



The adjustment facilities are extremely comprehensive, but they are arranged in just as logical a manner as all the other menus described up to this point.



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The function must first be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line, as previously described: first mark the field, enter the settings using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The field will now display 'ON' or 'OFF' according to the position of the switch.

The effects and settings for the programming of 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described repeatedly; they are altered in the 'Mode' line. In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the accustomed manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on. You can program a delay time for each channel, so that there is a smooth transition when you switch modes, rather than an abrupt change. The first step here is to mark the 'DELAY' line. You can now enter a setting using the '3-D hot-key', and confirm your choice with EDIT.

On the second page of the menu the AFR settings are entered for the camber-changing flap mixer. This sub-menu is accessed by marking the 'Flap AFR' field, and pressing the 'EDIT' button. The AFR curve is programmed exactly as described in Section 14.2 on page 47.

The mixer curves can be set up and the servo travels entered individually for the ailerons, the inner and outer brake flaps and also for the elevators. In the separate 'Curve and Rate' field the appropriate line must be marked and confirmed with EDIT. On the next screen the mixer curve can be set up in the usual manner, working separately for the left and right sides of the curve. A vertical shift of the curve (Offset) is also possible.

The servo travels can be entered individually as percentage values in a separate frame, e.g. for all four aileron servos separately. In the same display the servo transit speed can also be programmed; you can enter a speed separately for the 'there' and 'back' directions. The adjustment range is 0 to 27 increments. Please note: the higher the number, the more slowly the servo moves. The maximum value (27 increments) corresponds to a duration of nine seconds. The '3-D hot-key' is used to make any adjustments. The default value is always '0'. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

Please note that the programming options and the actual appearance of the screen display may vary slightly according to the model type and wing type you have selected.

14.9 CAMBER-CHANGING FLAP -> ELEVATOR MIXER

This menu is used for setting up a mixer which causes all the wing flaps to be lowered or raised to change the wing camber when an elevator command is given. This amplifies the elevator effect, and enables the aircraft to turn more tightly and perform "square" manoeuvres.



A mixer curve can be programmed for this function, and it can be activated using a switch which is user-selectable. As with many functions, it is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to the currently activated flight mode (Separate). You can define an auxiliary transmitter control which is used to fine-tune the function.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Flap -> Ele' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has three levels (pages), which look as shown below.

The function must first be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line, as previously described: first mark the field, enter the settings using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The field will now display 'ON' or 'OFF' according to the position of the switch.

CAMB.FLP→ELE +150 +190 +50 -50 -50 +10 RA	CONDIT1 (8.00)1/3 DE OFFSET INH (P 1 +0.0 TE A RATE B LOO.0 +100.0
-100 -150 POS +0.0 RATE +0.1	PA EXP B +0.0 +0.0
ACT/INH INH GROUP GROUP SWITCH	CONDITI (8.00/273 FINE TUNING CONTROL RATE +0% (+0%)
CAMB.FLP→ELE INH RATE1 RATE2 ELE +0% +1 (+0%) (CONDIT1 (8.00)3/3 0% 3%)





The effects and settings for the programming of 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described repeatedly; they are altered in the 'Mode' line.

In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the familiar manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on.

On the fourth page of the menu the fine-tuning settings can be carried out. A transmitter control can be defined which is used to fine-tune the mixer setting. The first step is to define the desired transmitter control in the 'Transmitter control' field: mark the appropriate field and make your choice in the Switch / Transmitter Control Select menu using the '3-D hot-key'. Any of the auxiliary transmitter controls can be used for this purpose. Your selected control and its direction of effect are displayed on-screen.

A mixer curve can be set up using the conventional technique, separately for each side of travel. The actual mixer rates for the elevators are entered on the third page of the menu display. For each control surface the mixer rate can be entered as a % value; the method has already been described many times.

The actual settings for the travels of the (max.) four aileron servos and four flap servos are entered in separate sub-menus. For each servo the servo travels can be entered separately for each side of centre in the form of percentage values. The values are entered using the familiar method: mark the field, confirm it, then set the percentage value using the '3-D hotkey'.

Please note that the programming options and the actual appearance of the screen display may vary slightly according to the model type and wing type you have selected.

14.11 CROW (BUTTERFLY) MIXER



The purpose of this menu is to set up a mixer which produces а verv powerful braking effect on the model by deflecting the ailerons up and the camberchanging brake flaps down. The function is particularly useful landing for

high-speed models at restricted flying sites. If your model features a four-flap wing, it is a straightforward matter to program this mixer in such a way that all the wing control surfaces contribute to the braking effect.

A mixer curve can be programmed for the Crow function, and it is triggered by a switch which you can select. As with many functions, it is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to the currently activated flight mode (Separate). The transit speed of the aileron and flap servos can be adjusted individually. A delay time can be selected, and an Offset point programmed. It is also possible to adjust the degree of aileron differential in this menu.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the button field for the 'BUTTER-FLY' mixer in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has five displays (pages) which look like this:

BUTTER	RFLY	CONDIT1	(8.0U1/3
AIL3	AIL AI	L2 AIL4	
10/8	FLAP	P2	
BUTTE	RFLY AF	R ELE SE	TTING
01/2010/001			
BUTTER	RELY	CONDIT1	(8.0U2/3
ACT/INH	INH	SPEED IN	OUT
GROUP	GROUP	AIL O	<u>o</u>
SWITCH		FLAP U	U
UFFSET	15%		
BUTTER	FLY	CONDIT1	8.003/3
INH			
DIFFERENT	IAL RATE	CONDITION	DELAY
RATE	+0%	DELAY	0
		CUT-SW -	•



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The mixer rates are set in the main Crow menu for the (max.) four aileron and flap servos, according to the selected model or wing type, using the familiar method. Starting from this main menu, you can use the switch fields at the bottom of the screen to move to the set-up menu for Butterfly AFR (D/R) curve for this mixer (screen 4) and to the programming menu for the associated elevator travels (screen 5). Pressing the S1 button takes you to the two sub-menus (screens 2 and 3).



The Crow mixer must first be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line on the second screen: first mark the field, enter the settings using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The field will now display 'ON' or 'OFF' according to the position of the switch.

The effects and settings for the programming of 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described repeatedly; they are entered in the 'Mode' line. In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the familiar manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on. In the 'Offset' line a reference point can be entered as a % value. Select the reference point for this mixer, and confirm your choice with the 'EDIT' button.

On this second page you can also set the servo speed individually for the aileron and flap servos, using the now familiar method, in each case separately for the 'there' and 'back' directions. On the third menu screen you can set the % value for aileron differential, and program a delay time.

The AFR or D/R mixer curve can be selected in the usual manner, and the mixer rates entered separately for both sides (see screen 4). The last menu page includes a point for programming a suitable elevator travel; this is intended for pitch trim compensation. The servo speed can also be entered for up to two elevator servos.

Please note that the programming options and the actual appearance of the screen displays may vary slightly according to the model type and wing type you have selected.

14.12 TRIM MIXER 1 AND 2

This menu is used to set up mixers which apply to all the wing control surfaces and the elevators, separately for particular



phases. flight The software of the FX-30 provides two flight mixers phase (TRIM MIX 1 and 2); both mixers are programmed in exactly the same way, so this section only describes the proceset-up dure for the first mixer.

A typical application would be for a model glider, with TRIM MIX 1 set up to provide the optimum control surface settings for the winch launch phase of the flight. These settings would lower the ailerons and the flaps in order to maximise the model's lift on the winch line. To ensure a stable pitch attitude on tow, the mixer includes an option for entering an elevator Offset to provide pitch trim compensation (i.e. around the lateral axis).

In our example the second mixer (TRIM MIX 2) might be used to set up the optimum control surface settings for the speed phase of the flight, with ailerons and flaps raised slightly in order to minimise the aircraft's drag.

These options are designed to ensure that reliable, reproducible control surface travels can be recalled again and again when you select these flight phases. You can assign any switch you like for calling up the settings.

An Offset can be entered for each of the wing control surfaces - up to four ailerons and four flaps - in order to fine-tune the individual wing flap neutral positions (screens 1 to 3). You can also assign one of the auxiliary transmitter controls for fine-tuning the system. This allows you to select pre-set positions for all the control surfaces prior to fine-tuning in flight. As with all mixers, you can select 'Global' or 'Separate' mode as required.

You can also define a trigger switch which activates the settings for the flight phase. At the same time you can determine whether the function is triggered by a switch (manual mode) or by the position of a transmitter stick (automatic mode).

It is possible to set the required transit speed individually for the aileron servos, flap servos and elevator servos, with separate settings for the 'there' and 'back' directions. If you wish, you can program a delay time for this mixer function, so that the transition is smooth rather than abrupt.

Start by using the 3-D hot-key to mark the desired 'TRIM MIX 1' or 'TRIM MIX 2' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has five levels (pages), which look like this:



TRIM MIX 1 INH AIL3 AIL OFFSET +0% + TUNING +0% + (+0%) (+	CONDIT1 (8.00)1/5 AIL2 AIL4 -0% +0% +0% -0% +0% +0% -0% +0% +0% a%) (+0%) (+0%)
TRIM MIX 1 INH FLAP OFFSET + TUNING + (+)	CONDIT1 (8.00)2/5 FLP2 5 O% +0% O% +0% 8%) (+8%)
TRIM MIX 1 INH ELE OFFSET + TUNING + (+	CONDIT1 (8.00)3/5 •0% •0%
TRIM MIX 1 ACT/INH INH GROUP GROUP SWITCH MODE MANUAL	CONDIT1 (8.00)4/5 45 SPEED IN OUT AIL 0 0 FLAP 0 0 ELE 0 0
TRIM MIX 1 INH FINE TUNING CONTROL	CONDIT1 (8.00)5/5 CONDITION DELAY DELAY O CUT-SW

The page indicator on the right-hand side indicates that there are additional menu levels. In the first three menus the settings are virtually identical; the difference between them is that the topmost level contains the settings for the ailerons, the second page those for the camber-changing and brake flaps, and the third screen the settings for the elevators.

An Offset value can be entered separately for each control surface, by marking the appropriate field and then entering the required value using the '3-D hot-key', and confirming your choice with EDIT. The same technique is employed to set the fine-tuning values.

The mixer must be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line on the fourth screen: first mark the field, enter the settings using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The field will now display 'ON' or 'OFF' according to the position of the switch.

The effects and settings for the programming of 'Global' or 'Separate' mode are entered in the 'Mode' line. In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the familiar manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on. You can also determine whether the 'TRIM' mixer is to be activated using the selected switch, or automatically by the position of one of the sticks. If you prefer the latter automatic mode, first mark the field and confirm with EDIT. This calls up a menu in which you can set the desired stick and trigger point, using the familiar methods.

The servo transit speed for all three control surface types (ailerons, flaps and elevator) can be programmed on the fourth page of the menu, in each case separately for the servo directions 'there' and 'back'.

In the final menu display you can select a transmitter control or switch for fine-tuning the function: mark the field and confirm with EDIT to call up the Switch Select menu. You can now define your preferred transmitter control in the time-honoured fashion.

Finally it is possible to program a delay time using the technique which has already been described repeatedly. One new feature here is that a switch can be defined which is used to switch the delay from active to disabled. This means that both types of transition between flight modes are available according to switch position, i.e. abrupt or smooth. The method of selecting the switch is identical to the usual switch select method.

Please note that the programming options and the actual appearance of the screen displays may vary slightly according to the model type and the wing type you have selected.

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14.13 BRAKE FLAP MIXER

(only available if suitable model type is selected)



The purpose of this menu is to set the travels for all wing and tail control surfaces in such a way that the model's airspeed is reduced, but at the same time the wing geometry generates the required high lift for slow flving. In basic terms

all the wing control surfaces deflect down, while a corresponding elevator travel compensates for the pitch trim change (around the lateral axis), which generally accompanies such a configuration.

An Offset value can be entered separately for all the wingmounted control surfaces, i.e. up to four ailerons and four flaps (screens 1 to 3). You can also assign one of the auxiliary transmitter controls for fine-tuning the system. This allows you to set up a pre-set position for all the control surfaces prior to fine-tuning in flight. As with all mixers, you can select 'Global' or 'Separate' mode as desired.

A trigger switch can be defined which is used to activate the settings for the flight phase. You can also determine whether the mixer is to be activated using the selected switch, or automatically by the position of one of the sticks.

It is possible to set the required transit speed individually for the aileron servos, flap servos and elevator servos, with separate settings for the 'there' and 'back' directions. If you wish, you can program a delay time for this mixer function, so that the transition is smooth rather than abrupt.

Start by marking the 'Brake flap' option in the Model menu using the 3-D hot-key, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has several levels (pages), which look like this:

	SETTIN R FLAP	NG CO	NDIT1	(7.4U 1∕1
UP DOWN OFFSET	FLAP +100% +100% +0%	FLP2 +100% +100% +0%	GROUP	GROUP
FLAP	SETTI	NG CO	NDIT1	(7.4U)2/3
BRAKE	: FLAP		INH	

B	lap Rake	SELLIN FLAP	€ +	CONDIT CAMBER	'1 Fl	(7.403∕3 _ AP
UI Di OI	P DWN FFSET	+100% +100% +0%		ACT∕I) GROUP SWITC)	NH H	INH GROUP

The page indicator on the right-hand side indicates the menu level in which you are currently working. In the first three menus the settings are virtually identical; the difference between them is that the topmost level contains the settings for the ailerons, the second page those for the camber-changing and brake flaps, and the third screen the settings for the elevators.

The brake flap mixer must first be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line on the fourth screen. The effects and settings for the programming of 'Global' or 'Separate' mode are entered in the 'Mode' line. In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the familiar manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on.

You can also determine whether the 'Brake flap' mixer is to be activated using the selected switch, or by the position of a stick. The servo transit speed for all three control surface types (ailerons, flaps and elevator) can be programmed on the fourth page of the menu, in each case separately for the servo directions 'there' and 'back'.

In the last menu display you can select a transmitter control for fine-tuning the function. It is also possible to program a delay time. For the brake flap mixer a switch can be defined which, like the two Trim mixers, is used to switch the delay from active to disabled. The complete procedure for programming this mixer is almost identical to that for setting the two Trim mixers, so please read about this menu for a fully detailed description: see Section 14.12 on page 54.

Please note that the programming options and the actual appearance of the screen displays may vary slightly according to the model type and the wing type you have selected.



14.14 GYRO SETTINGS

Gyros are often used in modern fixed-wing model aircraft in order to stabilise one flight axis, and this is the menu to use for entering the settings for the gyro. The basic purpose of this facility is to allow the pilot to set three different modes (Normal - AVCS) and the corresponding gyro gain (sensitivity) for a

maximum of three gyros, which can then be called up simply by operating a switch at the transmitter.

Gyro gain can be programmed as a percentage value, and it is also possible to select the gyro type. You can assign a switch which is used to set the gain to any of three values from the transmitter.

It is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to the currently activated flight mode (Separate).

Use the 3-D hotkey to mark the 'Gyro' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen now looks like this:

GYRO	RAT	E123 N	ORMAL	(8.0U1/3
RATE ACT/INH	1 IS ON	MODE AVCS	RATE 50%	(+50%)
TYPE	GY	FINE TU	JNING	
SWITCH		CONTROL		
GROUP	SNGL	RATE	+0%	(+0%)

The menu features three identical levels (pages) which can be used for three different settings per flight mode, which can be called up when required.

Start by activating this function in the 'ACT / INA' line by marking the field, then set the values using the '3-D hot-key'. Conclude the activation process with EDIT. The field will then switch to 'ON' or 'OFF', according to the position of the switch.

In the 'Type' column you should enter the type of gyro installed in the model. For AVCS or 'heading hold' gyros enter 'GY' as the type; for others select the 'NORMAL' type. In the 'Switch' column you can select a switch and its direction of operation using the familiar procedure. The default setting is 'NONE', i.e. the function is constantly switched on. The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; the setting is adjusted in the 'Mode' line.

In the 'MODE' column you have the option of choosing whether the gyro is to work in 'AVCS' mode (heading hold) or normal mode. For more information on this, please refer to the instructions supplied with the gyro you have installed in the model. The gain for the three (possible) gyros is entered in the usual way as a percentage value.

Note:

If you wish to be able to use a transmitter control to adjust gyro gain from the transmitter, Gyro 2 or Gyro 3 mode must be activated under 'Functions' in the Base menu.

14.15 V-TAIL MIXER



This menu presents all the mixer functions required for controlling a V-tail, which involves superimposing the signals from the rudder and elevator controls at the transmitter. The travels of the elevator function (same-sense

movement) and of the rudder function (opposite-sense movement) can be adjusted independently of each other. The sketch shows the arrangement of the functions for a typical Vtail.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'V-tail' option in the Model menu, then confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display now looks like this:

V-TAIL	CON	DIT1 8.0U1/1
GROUP	GROUP	
FUNCTION	ELEVATOR DOWN UP	RUDDER LEFT RIGHT
ELE (RUD2)	+50% +50%	+50% +50%
RUD (ELE2)	+50× +50×	+50% +50%

The first step is to define the mode ('Global' or 'Separate') in the 'Mode' line in the usual way.

The servo travels for both control surfaces of the V-tail can now be set separately for the elevator and rudder functions in the form of percentage figures. The same applies to the directions of movement; this procedure has already been described in full many times in these instructions: first mark and confirm the appropriate field, then enter the percentage value using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the procedure with EDIT.

The default setting in each case is 50%. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

Once you have entered the data, it is essential to carry out a check using the model itself, to ensure that the V-tail mixer is operating correctly, and that all the settings are as required. Check also that the total travel is not excessive, i.e. that the system is not restricted or obstructed mechanically in any way.



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14.16 ELEVATORS WITH AILERON FUNCTION



This menu presents all the mixer functions required for controlling a pair of elevators which are also used to generate a rolling moment (around the longitudinal axis) to amplify the effect of the wing-mounted ailerons, i.e. both elevator panels deflect in parallel

with the ailerons.

The purpose of this option is to provide an effective increase in the roll rate of a fixed-wing model aircraft. The mixer can only be used if the model is fitted with two elevator servos, each connected to a separate receiver output. The function is sometimes called an 'Ailvator' system. It can be used with normal tails and also for models with a V-tail (ruddervator). The drawing shows the arrangement of the functions in the case of a conventional tail.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Aileron differential' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen now looks like this:

AIL DI	FF.	CO	NDIT1	8.001/1
AILERON	LEFT 100%	RIGHT 100%	GROUP	GROUP
AILERON2	100%	100%	FINE	
AILERON3	100%	100%	TUNING	CURVE
AILERON4	100%	100%	F	IL-AFR

The first step is to define the mode ('Global' or 'Separate') in the usual way

The servo travels for both control surfaces of the V-tail can be set separately for the elevator and aileron functions in the form of percentage figures. The same applies to the directions of movement; this procedure has been described in full many times: first mark and confirm the appropriate field, then enter the percentage values using the '3-D hot-key' before concluding the procedure with EDIT.

The default setting in each case is 100%. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

Once you have entered the data, it is essential to carry out a check using the model itself, to ensure that the AILVATOR mixer is operating correctly, and that all the settings are as required. Check also that the total travel of the aileron and elevator functions is not excessive, i.e. that the system is not restricted or binds mechanically at any point.

Note:

If the second elevator function is only required to work as a simple elevator, i.e. without superimposed aileron travel, we recommend that you set the aileron value to 0%.

14.17 WINGLET RUDDER SETTINGS



This menu presents all the mixer functions required for controlling rudder panels in the winglets of a fixed-wing model aircraft.

These control surfaces have the same effect as a conventional rudder, but tend to be more effective since they are not located in the turbulent airflow from the propeller. This reduces drag, and therefore helps to improve flight performance.

The function is primarily employed on flying wing models with tip-mounted winglets. The sketch shows the arrangement of the functions.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Winglet' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display now looks like this:

WINGLE	CONDIT1	8.001/1
GROUP	GROUP	
FUNCTION	RUDDER LEFT RIGHT	
RUDDER	+100 × +100 ×	
RUDDER2	+100×+100×	

The first step is to define the mode ('Global' or 'Separate') in the usual way.

The servo travels for both winglet rudders can now be set separately for Rudder and Rudder 2, in the form of percentage figures. The same applies to the directions of movement; this procedure has already been described in full several times: first mark and confirm the appropriate field, then enter the percentage value using the '3-D hot-key'; conclude the procedure with EDIT.

The default setting in each case is 100%. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

Please note that this function is only available if you have already selected the appropriate model type (flying wing / delta).



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14.18 ELECTRIC MOTOR SETTINGS

The purpose of this menu is to enter the settings for switching an electric motor on and off; it is of particular interest if you wish to control the electric motor of a hot-line model using a simple switch. It is possible to program two different motor speeds for slow and fast flight (Speed1 / Speed2). In this case you will need to assign a three-position switch to the function.

It is important to check that the propeller fitted to the motor is capable of absorbing the loads, especially for the 'Speed2' setting. A 'Once mode' is provided; when this option is selected, the settings can only be changed within the menu.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'MOTOR' option in the Model menu, then confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has two levels (pages), which are shown below.

The function first has to be activated in the usual manner in the 'ACT / INA' line.



The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; the function is programmed in the 'Mode' line.

A switch can be defined to trigger the mixer, using the standard procedure. The default setting is switch 'G'. Move to the 'Motor off' line, where you can define the switch position at which the motor is to be switched off. Mark the field and move the switch to the 'OFF' position, then confirm the security query by pressing the 'EDIT' button. The setting is now stored, and is displayed in the field in graphic form.

The speed settings are entered on the second page of the menu; this sub-menu must first be activated in the 'ACT / INA' line. You can then decide whether to activate 'Once mode': the setting is selected using exactly the same procedure as for activating a mixer.

The next step is to define the settings for 'SPEED1' and 'SPEED2'. Mark the appropriate field, and use the '3-D hot-key' to enter the percentage value.

Finally you should ensure that the 'Motor stopped' settings coincide with the Fail-Safe settings for the motor control function.

14.19 RUDDER -> ELEVATOR MIXER (for power models only)

The purpose of this mixer is to cause the elevator to deflect up when a rudder command is given. This option is required in order to counter the tendency of many models to dive slightly when a rudder command is given. This function may also be of interest to pilots who enjoy extreme 3-D aerobatics.

The mixer rate can be set up accurately using a curve. The function can be activated by a switch which you can select, and can be connected to other mixers by setting up a Link. As with many functions, it is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to the currently activated flight mode (Separate). An auxiliary transmitter control can be assigned for fine-tuning the settings.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Rudder -> elevator' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display has two levels (pages), which look like this:



The function first has to be activated in the usual manner in the 'ACT / INA' line. You can now set the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode.

In the 'Switch' line a switch can be selected in the customary manner, and its direction of operation determined. The default setting here is 'NONE'.

On the first page of the menu you can define and program a mixer curve. This mixer curve determines the rate of following, i.e. the extent to which the elevator moves when a rudder command is given.

In contrast to all the other compensation mixers, this mixer requires a V-shaped curve; i.e. regardless of the direction of the rudder command, the elevator compensation is always in the same direction, i.e. 'up'.

On the second page of the menu the fine-tuning settings can be carried out in a separate frame. It is possible to assign a transmitter control to the task of fine-tuning the mixer setting. The direction of effect of this control can also be defined (see page 54 for an example).

Finally it is possible to define a Link in order to connect the mixer to other mixers. This is accomplished by marking the 'Link' field and setting it to 'ON'.



14.20 SNAP ROLL FUNCTION

The snap roll function enables you to define transmitter control positions which cause the aeroplane to carry out a particular flight manoeuvre. The model then flies this manoeuvre when you operate a switch. The servo settings cannot be overridden while the switch is in the 'ON' position.

For each flight manoeuvre it is possible to define four settings (right / up; right / down; left / up; left / down) for each of the three primary control surfaces (aileron, elevator and rudder). A mode (Master or Single) can also be defined, which determines whether a Master switch or any other switch is to be used to initiate and conclude the manoeuvre. If you select Master mode, a safety switch must be defined in addition to the trigger switch (Master switch). The Master switch is then only active when the 'safety switch' is in the 'ON' position. The purpose of this precaution is to ensure that you never trigger the snap roll manoeuvre accidentally.

The servo speed of all three control surfaces can be set individually, separately for the 'there' and 'back' directions.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'SNAP ROLL' option in the Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display has four levels (pages), which look like this:

SNAP ROL	L	CONDIT1	(7.4U)1/4
RATE	AIL	ELE	RUD
RIGHT/UP	+100%	+100%	+100%
RIGHT/DOWN	+100%	-100%	-100%
LEFT/UP	-100%	+100%	-100%
LEFT/DOWN	-100%	-100%	+100%



The servo travel can be entered as a percentage value for all three control surfaces (aileron, elevator and rudder); this is carried out in the first menu level, and is available for each direction of travel separately.

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0

0

0

0

LEFT/DOWN

The familiar method is employed: first mark the field, then change the value using the '3-D hot-key' before concluding the process with EDIT.

On the second display page you can define the mode - 'Master' or 'Single' - for the trigger process. As already mentioned, selecting 'Master' mode requires you to define a safety switch in addition to the main trigger switch. Both switches can be programmed on this page of the menu using the normal procedure. In the bottom line of the second page you can also set the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode as already described, i.e. whether the function is to be available in all flight modes or only one flight mode.

At the third menu level you can define a switch for each of the four directions, again using the normal method: mark the appropriate field and select the values using the '3-D hot-key'. The activation state in the 'ACT' column will now display 'ON' or 'OFF' according to the position of the switch.

In the final menu level you can set the servo speed for each direction of movement, separately for the 'there' and 'back' direction of the servos. As with all servo speed adjustment facilities, the available range of values is from 0 to 27.

Please be particularly careful when programming this function, and take care not to enter any settings which could lead to uncontrollable flight situations. Check everything very carefully!



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15. MODEL MENU (MODEL HELICOPTER)

This Section analyses the settings which are specific to model helicopters, i.e. it only covers those options which have not already been described in Section 13. All the options of the Model menu can be activated in the top-level menu screens illustrated below, but some options have already been described in the earlier Model menu; see pages 41 to 47. Activate the menu by selecting the 'Heli' model type in the Base menu using the 3-D hot-key, and confirm your choice with 'EDIT'. This action calls up the overview of Model menus for helicopters.

MODEL MENU	NORMAL (8.001/2
SERVO MONITO	R PROG. MIXES
COND. SELECT	PIT CURVE
AFR	THR CURVE
DUAL RATE	ACCELERATION
COND HOLD TO DEE	

COND. HOLD IS UFF

MODEL MENU	NORMAL (8.00) 2/2
THR HOLD	PIT+RUD
SWASH MIX	GYRO
THROTTLE MIX	GOVERNOR
PIT+NEEDLE	COND. HOLD
COND. HOLD IS OFF	

The following section describes the options which have not already been analysed in these instructions:

PIT CURVE:	Collective pitch curve settings
THR CURVE:	Throttle curve settings
ACCELERATION:	Acceleration function
AUTO-ROTATION:	Auto-rotation settings
SWASH MIX:	Swashplate mixer
THROTTLE MIX:	Swashplate -> throttle mixer
PIT -> NEEDLE:	Collective pitch -> needle valve
	mixer
PIT -> RUD:	Collective pitch -> tail rotor mixer
GYRO:	Gyro settings
SPEED GOVERNOR:	Speed governor settings
OOND HOLD	Electric contraction in a faile service

COND. HOLD: Flight mode hold; see description on page 39

15.1 COLLECTIVE PITCH CURVE SETTINGS

Operating the collective pitch stick moves the collective pitch servo or servos, but also automatically operates the throttle servo. The interaction between collective pitch and throttle is very important, and for this purpose the collective pitch function can be assigned one of three possible curve types, each of which can be allocated a maximum of seventeen variable points. The FX-30 also offers switchable flight modes which enable the pilot to set up the optimum collective pitch curve for each flight mode individually.

Use the 3-D hot-key to select the 'COLLECTIVE PITCH CURVE' in the Helicopter model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT.

This menu has four levels (pages), which look like this:



PIT CURVE	NORM	AL	(8.0U)2/4
HOVER ACT/INH ON GROUP SINGLE CONTROL LD RATE +30% (+1%)	MODE RANGE	CTI 10(RM D%

PIT CURVE	NORMAL (8.00 3/4
RATE +30% (+0%)	RATE +30% (+0%)



In this menu you can set up collective pitch curves for the following flight modes:

- Normal: For starting and stopping the motor
- Idle up1 = Throttle pre-select 1: for hovering
- Idle up2 = Throttle pre-select 2: for cruising
- Idle up3 = Throttle pre-select 3: for aerobatics
 - HOLD = Auto-rotation: auto-rotation landing
- Condit 6 8 = Flight modes 6 to 8: freely selectable

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To be able to set different collective pitch curves it is essential to switch each flight mode from group mode (GLOBAL) to single mode (SEPARATE).

Switching between these curves (flight modes) is carried out using the (flight mode-) switch assigned to the flight mode in question (see Section 13.1, page 40). When you switch the system on, the 'Normal' flight mode must be selected, otherwise you will hear an audible mixer alarm. It is only possible to switch RF transmission on when the transmitter is set to 'Normal' mode.

Example of a collective pitch curve for the 'NORMAL' flight mode. The base curve is a straight line. The curve should be programmed in such a way that the motor speed remains as nearly constant as possible over the full range of travel. For most purposes five-point curves are perfectly adequate for this.



Example of a curve for the flight mode 'Idle up 1': the base curve is linear, but the values have been optimised for the hover, so that the motor maintains the correct rotational speed (rpm) at all collective pitch settings. For most purposes three-point curves are adequate for this.



Example of a curve for the flight mode 'Idle up 2': the base curve is linear, but the values have been optimised for cruising (circuits), so that the motor maintains the correct rotational speed (rpm) at all collective pitch settings. For most purposes three-point curves are adequate for this.



Example of a curve for the flight mode 'Auto-rotation': the base curve is linear. For a 'HOLD' curve the motor is switched off, or set to Idle; see the 'THR-HOLD' menu (Section 15.4).



The bottom collective pitch value has been reduced in order to maintain as high a rotor head speed as possible as the helicopter falls. The minimum value has been increased in order to flare and land the model as smoothly as possible at a high pitch angle.

The curves shown above are just examples. It is essential to optimise them to suit your specific model by carrying out a test-flight programme.

The programming procedure is as follows for all flight modes: • Programming collective pitch curves

The curve is programmed in the usual way in the first menu level: first you have to determine the curve type. Mark the 'MODE' field in the topmost display, and make your selection using the '3-D hot-key'. The settings are entered in exactly the same way as for programming the Dual Rate curves; please read Section 15.1 on page 62 for more details.

- Trimming the collective pitch function The collective pitch trim can be optimised in the two screen levels 2 and 3. On the second page just the trims for hovering (HOVER) are adjusted. The first step as always is to mark this option and activate it: mark the field with the cursor, activate the function with the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the procedure with EDIT. You can now define whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to individual flight modes (Separate).
- At this point you should define a transmitter control for varying the trim. Mark the 'Transmitter control' field using the 3-D hot-key and activate it with EDIT; this action calls up the Transmitter Control Select menu; you can now choose your preferred transmitter control using the procedure already described many times.
- Next you define the collective pitch trim mode in the 'MODE' field. The options here are 'NORM' and 'CTRM'. If you select the Normal trim type, the trim range lies symmetrically around the centre position, and the servo endpoints are affected when the trim value is changed. The Centre trim type also works around the centre position of the transmitter control, but does not affect the end-points, i.e. the trim travels become asymmetrical when you offset the trim.
- It is also possible to adjust the trim range (Range). If you select a small range, the trim only affects the area around the centre of the stick travel. The final point to adjust is the trim rate (RATE) or trim travel: the adjustment range is infinitely variable between -30% and +30% of transmitter control travel; the default setting is +30%. Mark and activate this option, then turn the '3-D hot-key' to set your preferred percentage value. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting (+30%).
- On the third page of the menu the trims for 'Collective pitch minimum' and 'Collective pitch maximum' can be set, i.e. the end-points of the collective pitch servo travel. The programming procedure is exactly the same as that for defining the hover trim settings, although in this case the trim mode and trim range are not variable.
- Collective pitch servo settings
- In the fourth level of the menu the most important point to note is that you can determine the speed and mode of the collective pitch servo, as well as define whether the curve is to apply only to the current flight mode (Separate) or to all flight modes (Global).
- The first facility is for programming a mode: linear mode is used for controlling non-self-neutralising functions, whereas symmetrical mode is employed for self-neutralising functions. A transit speed can be entered separately for both directions of running, i.e. 'there' and 'back'. The adjustment range is 0 to 27 increments: the higher the number, the more slowly the servo moves. The maximum delay time (27 increments) corresponds to a servo transit time of nine seconds. The settings are changed using the '3-D hot-key'. The default setting is always '0'; holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.



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15.2 THROTTLE CURVE SETTINGS

Operating the throttle stick moves the throttle servo, but also automatically operates the collective pitch servos. The interaction between collective pitch and throttle is very important, and for this purpose the throttle function can be assigned one of six possible curve types, each of which can be allocated a maximum of seventeen variable points. The FX-30 also offers switchable flight modes which enable the pilot to set up the optimum throttle curve for each individual flight mode.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'THROTTLE CURVE' function in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen has three levels (pages), which look like this:



In this menu you can set up collective pitch curves for the following flight modes:

- Normal: For starting and stopping the motor
- Idle up1 = Throttle pre-select 1: for hovering
- Idle up2 = Throttle pre-select 2: for cruising
- Idle up3 = Throttle pre-select 3: for aerobatics
- HOLD = Auto-rotation: auto-rotation landing
- Condit 6 8 = Flight modes 6 to 8: freely selectable

To be able to set different throttle curves it is essential to switch each flight mode from group mode (GLOBAL) to single mode (SEPARATE).

Switching between these curves (flight modes) is carried out using the (flight mode-) switch assigned to the flight mode in question (see Section 13.1, page 40). When you switch the system on, the 'Normal' flight mode must be selected, otherwise you will hear an audible mixer alarm. It is only possible to switch RF transmission on when the transmitter is set to 'Normal' mode.



Example of a throttle curve for the 'NORMAL' flight mode. The curve should be programmed in such a way that motor speed remains as nearly constant as possible over the full range of travel when the collective pitch stick is operated. For most purposes five-point curves are perfectly adequate for this.



Example of a curve for the flight mode 'Idle up 1': the values have been optimised for the hover, so that the motor maintains the correct rotational speed (rpm) at all collective pitch settings. For most purposes five-point curves are adequate are this.



Example of a curve for the flight mode 'Idle up 2': the base curve is linear, but the values have been optimised for cruising (circuits), so that the motor maintains the correct rotational speed (rpm) at all collective pitch settings. For most purposes five-point curves are adequate for this.

The curves shown above are just examples. It is essential to optimise them to suit your specific model by carrying out a test-flight programme.

The procedure for programming a throttle curve for the individual flight modes is absolutely identical to that for setting up the collective pitch curves. Please read the previous section on page 62 for a full description.

The same applies to programming the settings for throttle servo trim in hover mode on the second display page.

The settings for the throttle servo in the third display level are also completely identical; full details are to be found on page 62.



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15.3 ACCELERATION FUNCTION

The purpose of this function is to prevent unwanted changes in the helicopter's attitude when you alter the throttle setting or the collective pitch function. The action of the Acceleration function is as follows: when you alter the throttle setting, the software superimposes a temporary compensatory effect. The result is that rotor speed does not collapse if you suddenly increase the blade pitch angle, and rotor speed does not increase if you suddenly reduce collective pitch. This option has proved to be extremely useful for general flying, and for 3-D aerobatic flying in particular.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'ACCELERATION' option in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen has two levels (pages), which look like this:



You will now find two strictly separated pages for the collective pitch and throttle settings. On the first page you enter a setting for the collective pitch function, and on the second page a setting for the throttle function. Both settings are entered using the identical procedure, with the exception that the terms 'Min.' and 'Max.' on the collective pitch settings page are replaced by 'END' (idle) and 'OPEN' (carburettor open) on the throttle page, referring to the state of the carburettor. The following description therefore covers both menu pages, but we will concentrate on the collective pitch settings in our example.

The first step is to activate this option in the 'ACT / INA' line in the standard fashion. After this you can select 'Global' or 'Separate' mode.

You can now enter separate percentage values (Rate) for the positions 'Min.' and 'Max.', and 'END' and 'OPEN'. Mark the field and enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', then conclude the procedure with EDIT. The selected setting is displayed as a percentage value in the field, and also in graphic bar-form. You can enter a percentage value (actually a time period) in the 'Damping' field; this determines how long the function is to remain active once the change in setting has been carried out. In the bottom line 'ACT-POS' you can define a point for both sides which represents the position from which the function is to take effect.

If you decide to make use of this facility, please ensure that the throttle and collective pitch linkages have sufficient freedom of movement, i.e. that they are not mechanically restricted or obstructed at any point. If necessary, adjust the mechanical linkages until this is the case.

15.4 AUTO-ROTATION SETTINGS

This option is used for entering the settings for auto-rotation, so that the motor either stops or idles when the 'Auto-rotation' flight mode (HOLD) is selected, regardless of the position of the throttle stick. Two independent settings - idle (IDLE mode) and motor off (OFF mode) - can be entered. It is advisable to use the 'Idle' mode for practising auto-rotation landings. Either of the auto-rotation modes can be activated using switches which you can select without restriction.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'AUTO-ROTATION' option in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen has two levels (pages), which look like this:



You will now find two separate pages for the auto-rotation settings, i.e. 'motor stopped' and 'idle'. On the first page you can enter the settings for a cut (stopped) motor, while the second page contains those for the motor at idle. Both sets of values are entered in exactly the same way. The only item which differs is the term 'Auro POS.' for motor cut, which changes to 'Idle OFS.' for the idle option; the first screen also displays the Offset point for automatic mode in graphic bar-form. The following description therefore covers both menu levels, but we will concentrate on the 'Motor off' mode in the following example.

The first step is to activate this option in the familiar fashion in the 'ACT / INA' line. After this you can select 'Global' or 'Separate' mode.

You can now enter the Auto-rotation mode in the second line. Two different modes are available:

- Manual: Manual mode
- Auto: Automatic mode

In manual mode the auto-rotation flight mode is only triggered when you operate a (freely selectable) switch. In automatic mode, the auto-rotation flight mode is triggered by the position of the throttle stick. In the latter case it is necessary to define the trigger point: move the throttle stick to the desired position, then press the 'EDIT' button. The trigger position is displayed in bar-form on the right of the screen.



The next step is to set the carburettor position for auto-rotation, in the form of a percentage figure in the bottom line. In 'Motor off' mode the motor must be stopped completely; a corresponding servo travel must be set in order to ensure this. In 'Idle' mode the carburettor setting should be selected to move the motor to idle at a reliable but not excessively high speed. In either case you must first mark the field, and enter the required setting using the '3-D hot-key'; conclude the procedure with EDIT.

In the 'Switch' line you can set your preferred switch: mark the field and confirm with EDIT. This action calls up the Switch Select menu, where you can define your preferred switch and set the correct direction of operation.

Finally you should mark the 'Speed' field in order to define the speed at which the throttle servo is to move to its auto-rotation position. Use the '3-D hot-key' to enter the setting as a numerical value. Please note: the higher the figure, the slower the servo takes up the selected position.

Please ensure that the Auto-rotation function is switched off before you attempt to start the motor.

15.5 SWASHPLATE MIXER

This function is used to set up the swashplate accurately over its full travel. All the basic functions (roll-axis (aileron), pitchaxis (elevator) and collective pitch) can be superimposed on each other. Four mixers are required for this, and for each one a mixer curve can be activated and a trigger switch defined. Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'SWASH MIX' option in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen has a single level (page), but for each mixer it includes a graphic display for programming the mixer curve. The screen looks like this:

SWASH M	IX	NO	RMAL	8.001/1
MIXING	ACT	SWITCH	TRIM	GROUP
AIL+ELE	INH	-	OFF	SINGLE
ELE+AIL	INH		OFF	SINGLE
PIT+AIL	INH			SINGLE
PIT+ELE	INH			SINGLE

AIL+THR	NORMAL (8.00)1/2
+150	MODE OFFSET INH
+100	EXP 1 +0.0
+50	RATE A RATE B
-50	+0.0 +0.0
-199	EXP A EXP B
-150	+0.0 +0.0
POS -1.0 RATE	+0.0

The first requirement is to activate each mixer you wish to use in the 'ACT' column: mark the field, then enter your settings using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The same field then displays 'On' or 'Off' according to the position of the switch.

The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; select your preference in the 'Mode' column. Move to the 'Switch' column and select a switch and its direction of operation in the usual way.

The mixer function itself is actually set up with the help of the associated curve in the sub-menu: mark the appropriate line in the 'MIXER' column and confirm with EDIT; the curve display now appears, and can be programmed using the familiar procedure: the first step is to select the curve type: mark the 'MODE' field in the topmost display and use the '3-D hot-key' to make your selection. The method of programming the mixer curve is exactly as described in Section 15.5 on page 64; please refer back to that section if you are not sure.

Virtual swashplate rotation (range 0 - 90°)

Virtual swashplate rotation of 45° is required, and for this we need to activate the first two mixers 'Roll -> pitch-axis' and 'Pitch-axis -> roll' with trim 'On', in each case with a mixer rate of 100%.

If you find there are minor discrepancies in the swashplate linkage, preventing the helicopter from flying in a straight line, it is possible to correct this by setting up slightly different settings in the individual mixer functions.

A fixed virtual swashplate rotation of 45° is available if you select the model type H4X.



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15.6 THROTTLE / MOTOR MIXER

This function is used to program a mixer which affects the position of the throttle servo when a 'pitch-axis' (elevator), 'roll-axis' (alleron) or 'tail rotor' command is applied at the transmitter. The settings are adjusted separately. Once set up correctly, this mixer ensures that motor speed is not affected when you operate any of the three functions mentioned above. In addition to the mixer it is possible to program an acceleration function for the throttle servo to obtain the optimum corrective setting.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'THROTTLE MIX' option in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display has one level (page), but two submenus are present for each mixer: in each case a separate graphic display for programming the mixer curve, and one for setting the acceleration function. The two lower screen shots are typical displays for the 'Roll -> throttle' mixer.



The first step is to move to the second column and follow the standard procedure to activate each mixer which is to be used: mark the field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The field now displays 'ON' or 'OFF', according to the position of the switch.

+50%

-50%

ACT POS

The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; the function is programmed using the 'Mode' column. Define a switch and its direction of operation in the usual way, using the 'SWITCH' column. The default setting is '--', i.e. the mixer is permanently switched on. The mixer function itself is actually set up in the sub-menu, with the help of the associated curve: mark the appropriate line in the 'MIXER' column, confirm with EDIT, and the curve display appears. The curve can then be programmed using the familiar procedure: first select the curve type: mark the 'MODE' field in the topmost display, and select the settings using the '3-D hot-key'. The method of programming a mixer curve is exactly as described in Section 15.2 on page 63; please refer back to that section if you are not sure.

The acceleration function is set up on the third menu page; please refer to Section 15.3 on page 64 for details. For each mixer a percentage value (Rate) can be entered separately for both maximum travels of the stick (Left and Right): mark the field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the programming with EDIT. The setting is displayed in the field as a % value. You can also enter a percentage value (actually a time period) in the 'Damping' field; this determines how long the function is to remain active once the change in setting has been carried out.

In the bottom line - 'ACT-POS' - you can define a point for both sides which represents the position from which the function is to take effect: mark the appropriate field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', then conclude the procedure with EDIT. The default settings are 50% for left, and +50% for right. Holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the defaults.



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15.7 COLLECTIVE PITCH -> NEEDLE VALVE MIXER

This function is used to program an automatic needle valve adjustment which follows the movement of the collective pitch stick. It enables you to set the optimum fuel mixture at the carburettor (by adjusting the needle valve) whenever the load on the motor alters due to changes in the pitch angle of the rotor blades. An acceleration option can also be programmed to optimise this function.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'COLLECTIVE PITCH -> NEEDLE VALVE' option in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The screen display has two levels (pages), which look like this:



The mixer must first be activated in the second display in the standard manner: mark the field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The field will now show 'ON' or 'OFF', according to the switch position.

The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; the function is programmed in the 'MODE' line. A switch and its direction of operation can be defined in the 'SWITCH' column. The default setting is 'NONE', i.e. the mixer is always switched on.

The mixer function itself is actually set up with the help of the associated curve, which is set up in the familiar way: the first step is to define the curve type: mark the 'MODE' field in the topmost display, and make your selection using the '3-D hot-key'. The method of programming the mixer curve is exactly as described in Section 15.7 on page 67; please refer back to that section if you are not sure.

An acceleration function can be programmed on the second page of the menu (see also Section 15.3 on page 64). You can enter a separate percentage value (Rate) for both maximum travels of the collective pitch stick (Min. and Max.): mark the field, enter the values required using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the programming with EDIT. The setting is displayed in the field as a percentage value. It is also possible to enter a percentage value in the 'Damping' field; this determines how long the function is to remain active once the change in setting has been carried out. In the bottom line - 'ACT-POS' - you can define a point for both sides which represents the position from which the function is to take effect: mark the appropriate field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', then conclude the procedure with EDIT.

15.8 COLLECTIVE PITCH -> TAIL ROTOR (REVOLUTION) MIXER

The purpose of this function is to detect torque fluctuations at the main rotor, caused by changes to the throttle or collective pitch settings, and pass that information to a mixer which controls the tail rotor servo, so that the tail rotor always generates the appropriate corrective torque, thereby more or less eliminating unwanted moments around the vertical (yaw) axis. If this mixer is set up accurately, it greatly eases the task of the tail rotor gyro system. However, an incorrectly set mixer of this type (also known as a Revo mixer) will interfere with the gyro's proper function. For this reason it is particularly important to set up this mixer as accurately as possible. An acceleration function can be programmed to optimise the function.

If a modern gyro is installed, and operated in heading-hold / AVCS mode, the revolution mixer must always be switched off.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the COLLECTIVE PITCH -> TAIL ROTOR option in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has two levels (pages), which look like this:



The mixer must first be activated on the second page of the menu: simply mark the field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The field now displays 'ON' or 'OFF', according to the position of the switch. The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; the function is programmed in the 'Mode' field.

The mixer function itself is actually set up in the usual way with the help of the associated curve: the first step is to define the curve type: mark the 'MODE' field in the topmost display, and make your selection using the '3-D hot-key'. In most cases a linear curve is ideal for the Revolution mixer. The method of programming the mixer curve is exactly as described in Section 15.2 on page 63; kindly refer back to that section if you are not sure.

Please be extremely cautious when making these adjustments, and carry out any changes in small steps. Check all the settings very carefully before eventually moving on to very careful test-flights. From a stable hover the helicopter should exhibit no tendency to rotate around the vertical (yaw) axis when you open the throttle or increase the collective pitch setting - whether you make the change quickly or slowly. The reverse also applies: the helicopter must not rotate around the



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vertical (yaw) axis when you reduce motor torque or the collective pitch setting.

An acceleration function can be programmed on the second page of the menu (see also Section 15.3 on page 64). You can enter a separate percentage value (Rate) for both maximum travels of the collective pitch stick (Min. and Max.): mark the field, enter the values required using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the programming with EDIT. The setting is displayed in the field as a percentage value.

It is also possible to enter a percentage value in the 'Damping' field; this determines how long the function is to remain active once the change in setting has been carried out. In the bottom line at 'ACT-POS' you can define a point for both sides which represents the position from which the function is to take effect: mark the appropriate field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', then conclude the procedure with EDIT.

15.9 GYRO SETTINGS

This function is used for adjusting gyro gain (sensitivity) from the transmitter. Gyro gain can be entered as a percentage, and it is also possible to select the gyro type. You can assign a switch for changing gyro gain to any of three settings (Rate 1, 2 or 3) for each flight mode. As with many functions, it is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes or only to one mode (Global or Separate mode).

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'Gyro' function in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The display looks like this:

GYRO	RAT	E123 N	ORMAL	8.0U1/
RATE ACT/INH	1 IS ON	AVCS	RATE 50%	(+50%)
TYPE SWITCH	GY	FINE TU	JNING	1
GROUP	SNGL	RATE	+0%	(+0%)

The menu has three identical levels (pages) for setting three different gyro gain values (Rate 1 to 3).

This mixer must first be activated in the 'ACT' line: first mark the field, enter the setting using the '3-D hot-key', and conclude the activation with EDIT. The field will then display 'ON' or 'OFF', according to the position of the switch.

In the 'Type' column you should enter the type of gyro fitted to the model. For AVCS or 'heading hold' gyros enter 'GY' as the type; for others select the 'NORM' type. In the 'SWITCH' column you can select a gyro gain switch and its direction of operation using the familiar procedure.

The default setting is 'NONE', i.e. the function is constantly switched on. The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; the settings are adjusted in the 'Mode' line.

In the 'MODE' column you have the option of choosing whether the gyro is to work in 'AVCS' mode (heading hold) or normal mode. For more information on this, please refer to the instructions supplied with the gyro you are using. Under 'FINE Trim' you can enter the fine-tuning settings. A transmitter control can be defined which is used as a means of fine-tuning the mixer settings: first select your preferred transmitter control in the 'Transmitter control' field. Mark the appropriate field, then use the '3-D hot-key' to make your selection in the Switch / Transmitter Control Select menu. Any of the auxiliary transmitter controls can be selected. The current setting and direction of operation are displayed on-screen.

Three different gyro settings can be called up for each flight mode in this menu. If you have assigned a separate transmitter control (linear slider) to the 'Gyro' function in the Functions menu, so that you can override the set values, then this transmitter control has no function; this arrangement avoids the settings in the menu counteracting the transmitter control positions.

However, if you still wish to be able to adjust gyro gain in the usual way using a slider, select the Gyro 2 function.

This function allows you to adjust gyro gain using a linear slider.

Caution:

In this case we recommend that you enter no settings in the Gyro menu, as the functions may interact, either by a cumulative effect or by cancelling each other out.



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15.10 SPEED GOVERNOR (REGULATOR) SETTINGS

This function enables you to adjust the settings of a speed governor (regulator) from the transmitter, and / or call up preset values. The nominal value of the governor can be entered in the form of a percentage value, and a switch can be programmed for selecting any of three values (Rate 1, 2 or 3) as the nominal rotational speed when set to Separate mode. As with many functions, it is also possible to determine whether the settings are to apply to all flight modes (Global) or only to the currently active flight mode (Separate). A transmitter control can be assigned for fine-tuning this function.

Use the 3-D hot-key to mark the 'GOVERNOR' option in the Helicopter Model menu, and confirm your choice with EDIT. The menu has three levels (pages), which look like this:

GOVER	NORRAT	E 1 23	NORMAL	(7.4U 1∕3
ACT/INH	INH	RATE	50.0%	(50.0%)
SWITCH		CTRL	TUNING	
GROUP	SNGL	RATE	+0×	(+0%)
GOVER	NOR	E1 2 3	NORMAL	(7.40)2∕3
ACT∕INH	INH	RATE	50.0%	(50.0%)
UNIT	%	FINE	TUNING	
GROUP	SNGL	RATE	+0×	(+0%)
GOVER	NOR RAT	E 12 3	NORMAL	(7.40]3∕3
ACT/INH	INH	RATE	50.0%	(50.0%)
UNIT	%	FINE	TUNING	
SWITCH GROUP	SNGL	CTRL RATE	 +0×	(+0%)

The menu features three identical levels which are used to enter three different gain levels (RATE 1 - 3).

This function must first be activated in the 'ACT' line in the usual way by marking the appropriate field, changing the setting with the '3-D hot-key', and concluding the activation with EDIT. The field then displays 'OFF' or 'ON', according to the physical position of the switch.

A switch can be defined in the 'SWITCH' column using the standard procedure: mark the appropriate field and define the desired switch and its direction of operation for changing the pre-set rotor speed. The default setting is 'NONE'; at this setting the governor operates at the nominal rotational speed set on the unit itself. The effects and method of setting the 'Global' or 'Separate' mode have already been described; the function is programmed in the 'Mode' line.

In the 'Rate' column you can enter the percentage value for the nominal rotational speeds 1, 2 and 3 by marking the field and entering the setting using the '3-D hot-key'. The default setting is 50%; holding the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least one second restores the default setting.

If you wish, you can change the unit for rotational speed displayed on the screen; this is carried out in the 'UNIT' field. The two options are a percentage value and a direct rotational speed in rpm.

To change this, simply mark the field, carry out the change using the 3-D hot-key, and conclude the procedure with EDIT. In the 'FINE Trim' field you can carry out fine-tuning to the settings. A transmitter control can be defined for fine-tuning the pre-set governor speed. The first step is to select a transmitter control in the 'Transmitter Control' field: mark the appropriate field and define the transmitter control or switch of your choice using the '3-D hot-key' in the Switch / Transmitter Control Select menu which subsequently appears. Any of the auxiliary transmitter controls can be selected; the current setting and the direction of operation are displayed on-screen.

In this menu you can call up three different speed settings for each flight mode. If you have assigned a separate transmitter control (linear slider) to the 'Speed governor' function in the Functions menu, so that you can override the set values, then this transmitter control has no function; this arrangement avoids the settings in the menu counteracting the transmitter control positions. However, if you still wish to be able to adjust the pre-set speed in the usual way using a slider, select the Speed 2 function. This function allows you to adjust the speed setting using a separate transmitter control (e.g. linear slider). **Caution:**

In this case we recommend that you enter no settings in the Governor menu, as the functions may interact, either by a cumulative effect or by cancelling each other out.

15.11 FLIGHT MODE HOLD (CND HOLD)

The purpose of this function is to enable you to carry out adjustments in another flight mode. The motor is held at idle to prevent the possibility of opening the throttle accidentally. The 'Flight mode hold' function can only be activated in 'Normal' flight mode, and even then only if the throttle stick is at the idle position.

A warning signal sounds as soon as you activate 'Flight mode hold'. In this way the transmitter alerts you to the fact that the motor will not respond if you move the throttle stick. You can now change to a different flight mode by operating the appropriate flight mode switch, and make changes to the settings in that flight mode. When you activate this function, the throttle servo is fixed at a pre-set position. If you wish to change the settings for the channel which operates the throttle servo, you must first disable the 'Flight mode hold' function.

Note that the 'Flight mode hold' function cannot be activated or disabled if:

- a flight mode switch is switched on, or
- the throttle stick is at a value higher than 1/3 of full stick travel.

This option is controlled from the Base display for model helicopters. To define the pre-set value, mark the field and move the throttle stick to the desired position. Note that the stick must be positioned at a point lower than 1/3 of full travel.

The Base, Model and Main menu displays show the status of this option in the following way:

'ON': Flight mode hold switched on

'INA': Flight mode hold switched off (inactive)





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TRANSMITTER CONTROL / SWITCH SELECT MENU 16. The software of the FX-30 includes a comprehensive Transmitter Control Select menu, which allows you to select any transmitter control you like for virtually all the functions whether to act as a control for a switched function, or for a proportional control function.

The Select menu always looks the same, and the description presented here relates to both options.

As soon as you mark a field for selecting a transmitter control or switch for a particular function, and confirm your choice with EDIT, the following Select menu appears. Please note at this point that the menu differs from function to function, i.e. the display and selectable options vary according to the application.

Our example shows the Switch Select menu for the 'Programmable Mixer' function. All the transmitter controls, switches and rotary trimmers are listed and named.

HARDWARE SEL. NORM	AL (8.001/1
J1 SA SE SI LD T3	1
J2 SB SF SJ RD T4	
J3 SC SG LS T1 T5	
J4 SD SH RS T2 T6	

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SA SH	= Switch A H
SI SJ	= Stick switch, right / left
LD RD	 Left / right rotary knob
LS RS	 Left / right linear slider
ON / OFF	 Switch position
T1 T6	= Rotary trimmer

Mark the desired switch or control, and confirm your choice with the 'EDIT' button.

When you have selected a switch, move the cursor to the ON / OFF field, and define the switch position.



A sub-menu now appears in which you can define the switch position; in our example for switch 'G'.

- The arrows indicates the current mechanical position of the switch. Use the 3-D hot-key to change the ON or OFF position in order to set the desired direction of switching.
- In the bottom part of the display the switch type is determined: press-button (Memory) or ratchet switch (NOR-MAL).
- The upper part of the screen display shows the current flight mode. If the function is to be controlled by different switches or transmitter controls in different flight modes, the mode must be changed to Separate. It will then be necessary to switch the flight mode in this menu, and select another switch or control for the current flight mode.

If you choose a primary stick or other proportional control, you can set the switching point in the following screen.

SET

To set the trigger point, move the selected transmitter control to the desired switching point, move the cursor to SET, and press the EDIT button. The switching point is displayed as a % value and in bar-graph form.

ON / OFF

At this menu point you can define the direction of switching: NORMAL or REVERSE.

ON/OFF		NORMAL (8.00) 1/1	
J2]	-100%	POSITION	SET
ON/OFF	- 92	ON/OFF	NORMAL
	- 04	MODE	LINEAR
	+100%	ALTERNATE	NORMAL

MODE

LINEAR

At this setting the transmitter control travel is divided up into an ON zone and an OFF zone (see screen shot above). The function is then switched on or off according to the position of the transmitter control.

SYMMETRICAL

The two switching points at this setting are located symmetrically relative to the stick's neutral position. A switched function is triggered as soon as the value exceeds the switching point at the top or bottom end of the stick travel.



MEMORY

The switch type - push-button (Memory) or ratchet switch (NORMAL) - is selected in the bottom part of the screen.

Logic functions

Particular functions and flight modes can also be switched on and off using a logical link between two switches; this is known as a logic function.

Select the switch MODE (SINGLE) or a logic link (LOGIC). The following functions are available:

- AND: Serial link between switches
- OR: Parallel link between switches
- EX-OR: Links and connects particular switches.

SWITCH	CONDIT1 MODE SINGLE SWITCH SE	<u>(7.40</u> 1∕1
SWITCH	CONDIT1	(7.4 ∪1∕1

LOGIC

AND

SWITCH B

SG

SWITCH A SF	

SUITCH O



17. UPDATING THE TRANSMITTER SOFTWARE

The user can replace the FX-30 software with the current version at any time. Update files are stored on the robbe website ready for downloading. We recommend that you register at http://support.robbe.com, so that you will be informed by email newsletter of the availability of new updates. You will also have access to the protected Support area of the site.

This file must then be copied onto the SD card using a card reader. The procedure for transferring the software to the transmitter's working memory is as follows:

Software Update:

- 1) Download the compressed software file from the robbe Support Server.
- 2) De-compress (unzip) the file.
- 3) A folder entitled 'T12FG update' is generated.
- 4) Open the folder, and double-click on the file T12FG update.exe.
- 5) The 'Futaba File System Utility' opens.
- 6) Select the drive in which the SD card is located, and click on 'OK'.
- 7) You will now see a query:'Data Copy on the SD-card. OK?'Click on OK to confirm this
- 8) The following message then appears:'The copy to the SD-card ended normally'
- Insert the SD card in the transmitter: Fit the SD card containing the Update file in the card slot on the left-hand side of the transmitter.
- 10) Move the 'Update' switch to the 'Update' position using a screwdriver with a very fine tip.



11) Switch the transmitter on. After about ten seconds you will see the following message on the transmitter screen:



Follow the instructions, and hold the 'EDIT' button pressed in for at least three seconds.

If no card is present, if the card contains no Update file, or if the Update file is corrupt, the following error message will be displayed on-screen:

> T12 PROGRAM UPDATE No memory card

Switch the transmitter off and check the card and / or the file.

12) Press the 'EDIT' button to initiate the data transfer.

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13) As soon as the data transfer is completed, the following display appears:



14) Switch the transmitter off, and move the Update switch back to the 'Normal' position.
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18. TIPS ON INSTALLING THE RECEIVING SYSTEM

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In the last few years the technical equipment carried in our models has undergone enormous changes. These include brushless motors and controllers, Lithium flight batteries, telemetry systems, GPS systems etc. etc., to mention just a few broad categories.

At the same the materials used in our models have altered, with the widespread introduction of carbon fibre into the modelling world. More and more carbon parts, Lithium batteries and brushless motors are now employed, with the aim of producing strong, lightweight, high-performance models.

In model helicopters the toothed-belt drive system for the tail rotor has virtually become standard.

At the design stage the installation of the servos, motor and flight battery is generally laid down, but the receiver is often left to last, and has to be squeezed into whatever space remains. At the same time we all assume that the RC system will provide completely reliable control of the final model / power system configuration.

However, this is not a safe assumption on its own, as there are vast numbers of possible combinations of metal, plastic and carbon components, and many of them - especially in conjunction with toothed-belt drive systems - can have a more or less pronounced adverse effect on quality of reception. Combining the various electrically conductive and non-conductive materials can cause potential spark points where static charges build up at the junction between different materials, and these can have a massive effect on reception.

Although the receiver position is very important to reception quality, it is not the only problem area: another crucial aspect is the deployment of the aerial. Neither is it true that all receivers are the same: small, slim, lightweight types are required for some applications, whereas top priority for other types of model might be a large number of channels. The result is that the range of receivers available commercially is extremely broad, and every type of receiver features its individual characteristics in respect of sensitivity to the transmitter signal and rejection of potential interference (electro-smog).

Reception quality is also affected by the number of servos in the model, and the length and position of their cables. In some aircraft large parts of the fuselage or fuselage reinforcements are manufactured from conductive materials (carbon fibre, aluminium foil, metal), and these substances shield the transmitter signal, resulting in a significant loss of reception quality. The same applies to fuselages which are finished in heavily pigmented or metallic paints.

Pushrods, carbon rovings and servo leads running parallel to the receiver aerial affect the electrical field around the aerial, and also tend to absorb the transmitter energy. This has the overall effect of markedly reducing the energy of the transmitter signal which the receiver aerial is able to exploit.

Even the weather has its part to play: in fine, dry weather conditions air humidity is reduced, and this tends to produce more electro-static charge in the model than in damp conditions. On humid days, on the other hand, the ground reflects a greater proportion of the transmitted energy.

This can have the effect of generating "reception dead-spots" - varying according to the aerial angle and the distance to the model - because the transmitted signals broadcast via the air and reflected from the ground tend to cancel each other out or

amplify each other (timing differences between the two waves). Indoor flying - in sports halls, for example - often takes place in buildings of steel or steel-reinforced concrete construction, where multiple reflections (roof - floor - walls) can very often generate "reception dead-spots".

It is impossible for radio manufacturers to test out all these combinations of models, materials, aerial angles, aerial positions etc., especially since the errors are cumulative: several minor "imperfections" can add up, generating serious interference. Only the individual modeller or model flyer can test and eradicate these conditions for himself.

The following list contains a few elementary notes on methods of obtaining optimum reception characteristics:

Receiver aerial:

- If possible deploy the aerial in an L-shape to avoid attitudedependent problems.
- Do not deploy the aerial parallel to electrically conductive materials, such as cables, metal "snakes", control cables, carbon pushrods etc., or along the inside or outside of electrically conductive fuselages.
- Cables connected to the receiver (servos, batteries etc.) should not be the same length as the aerial, nor half its length, nor whole-number multiples of it. For example: receiver aerial length 1 m; avoid the following cable lengths: 0.5 m, 1 m, 2 m, 3 m etc.
- Keep the aerial as far away as possible from:
- High-current speed controller cables and motor cables;
- Sparkplugs and glowplugs, ignition units and onboard glowplug energizers;
- Locations where static charges are likely to build up, such as toothed belts, turbines etc.;
- If the fuselage is made of a material with shielding qualities, run the aerial directly out of the fuselage;
- Do not attach the end of the aerial to an electrically conductive material (metal, carbon fibre);

Receiver:

- When positioning the receiver, please apply the same principles as described above.
- Wherever possible, do not position any other electronic components in the immediate vicinity of the receiver.
- We strongly recommend the use of low-resistance NC or NiMH batteries as the receiver power supply.
- Avoid using switch-mode BEC systems as the receiver power supply; these are natural "frequency generators", producing a powerful, constantly changing spectrum of interference which is then passed directly to the receiver via the connecting lead. As the load and voltage of these systems are constantly fluctuating, they often do not constitute an adequate receiver power supply in any case. The current drain of synthesizer receivers is generally high, and they are affected particularly badly by this problem.
- Speed controllers for relatively high cell-count batteries usually do not feature a BEC system for the receiver power supply. However, they still incorporate an "internal" BEC system for powering the speed controller electronics, and this operates on the same principle; it just works at lower power. Once again the receiver connection is the direct route from the power source to the receiver. We recommend using a suppressor filter, No. F 1413, to keep this form of interference away from the receiver.

Some other filters only feature a ferrite ring, but the Futaba suppressor unit also filters the input signal.

Different receiver types also tend to respond unpredictably



when connected to auxiliary electronic modules such as glowplug energizers, turbine control units, telemetry systems, GPS, etc. If you experience problems, once again we recommend that you try using the suppressor filter, No. F 1413, as a de-coupling measure.

Model:

To avoid the build-up of static charges in your model, please take the following measures:

- Helicopters:
 - Connect the tail boom to the chassis using an earthing strap. If your model features a toothed-belt tail rotor drive, attach a "copper brush" in order to dissipate the charged energy from the toothed belt. You may also find it necessary to connect the toothed-belt pulleys to the chassis using an electrically conductive link.
 - In most electric helicopters it is necessary to connect the tail boom electrically to the motor case.
- Turbines:
 - Connect the turbine to the shielding plate using an earth strap to avoid the build-up of static charges.

Range checking:

We strongly advise that you make it a matter of routine to carry out a range-check before you operate any new model, and whenever you have fitted a new receiver. Note that the model should not rest on the ground for this; instead position it at a height of about 1 - 1.5 m. A good idea is to use a plastic or wooden table as a support, with the model further raised on a cardboard or wooden box.

Never use a metal support such as a camping table. There should not be any conductive materials close by (metal fences etc.).

- First switch the model on, but with the motor not running.
- Walk slowly away from the model holding the transmitter, operating one control surface slowly but constantly.
- While you move away, watch the associated control surface and observe whether it deflects or stays still. If possible, ask a friend to help you; he or she should be able to see the model clearly, and observe the control surface you are operating.
- As you increase ground range, rotate the transmitter to left and right occasionally in order to simulate different aerial positions relative to the model.
- To avoid 'hold-mode moments', the effective range of the FX-30 under these conditions should be around 80 to 120 metres with the transmitter aerial collapsed, assuming a PCM 1024 PPM receiver.
- With PCM G3, R5014 and R5114 receivers the ground-range should be about fifty metres with the aerial removed.
- If this part of the range check is successful, repeat it with the motor running (caution: the model must be held securely for this test).
- The range you now obtain should only be slightly lower than the previous figure (approx. 20%). If it is significantly reduced, then the power system is causing interference to the receiver. You should be able to minimise this effect by running through all the measures outlined above, and optimising them as far as the model allows.
- The final step should be a range check with the transmitter aerial fully extended and the motor running: the ground-range should now be at least 500 metres.

18.1 RECEIVER AERIAL



The receiver aerial is connected permanently to the receiver. Never shorten or extend the aerial.

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35 MHz: F 8042

40 MHz: F 8043 41 MHz: F 8044

If this is not possible, we recommend that you deploy the aerial in an S-shape by winding the wire onto a small plate made of card, plywood or plastic, as shown in the sketch here, and locate it as close to the receiver as possible.

Avoid aerial damage by fitting a tension relief and guide, e.g. a short piece of fuel tubing, where the wire exits the fuselage. It is essential to ensure that the aerial cannot foul the propeller.

18.2 SWITCH HARNESS

It must be possible to operate the receiving system switch easily, without mechanical restriction, i.e. the cut-out in the fuselage side must be large enough to avoid obstructing the mechanism. In powered models with internal-combustion engines, the switch should be mounted on the opposite side to the exhaust, to avoid the danger of oil penetrating the housing and soiling the contacts. If your model is fitted with a large number of high-power digital servos, we recommend the use of a standard commercial dual-battery power supply system.

18.3 SERVO LEADS

When deploying servo leads, please ensure that they are not under any mechanical strain and are not kinked or bent tightly, as this might cause them to fracture over time. Make sure there are no sharp edges which might damage the cable insulation. All connectors must be firmly fitted and secure. When disconnecting servo plugs, pull on the plastic housings - not on the wires.

Servo leads should not just be left trailing loosely inside the fuselage; it is far better to attach them neatly to, say, the fuselage side or the chassis using adhesive tape or cable ties. It is not permissible for modifications of any nature to be made to the receiving system components. Avoid reversed polarity and short-circuits of all kinds, as the electronics are not protected against such errors.

18.4 SERVO SUPPRESSOR FILTERS

If you wish to use long servo leads or extension leads, please note that interference may be picked up via the overlength cables. Where servo cables are longer than two normal leads (approx. 50 cm), you should at least use twisted cables (No. F 1452).

Even better: use suppressor filters, No. F 1413.





18.5 INSTALLING SERVOS

When installing servos in a model, always use the rubber grommets and tubular brass spacers (eyelets) supplied. When you fit the servo retaining screws, ensure that they are not tightened beyond the point where the brass eyelets make contact top and bottom; if the rubber grommets are compressed to this point, they are no longer capable of absorbing vibration.

The following diagram shows two typical methods of mounting servos.

Diagram "A" shows a wooden servo plate. Diagram "B" shows the use of a plastic or aluminium plate.



In RC model cars the servos are usually fitted in the openings provided for them in the RC installation plate. Robbe quickrelease servo mounts are a good choice for model boats. Please take great care over mounting servos, as they are sensitive to vibration.

18.6 SERVO TRAVEL / SERVO OUTPUT LEVERS

Each servo must be able to move through its full arc of travel without being mechanically obstructed by the control surface or its linkage. This applies in particular to the carburettor linkage: the "full throttle" and "idle" settings must be determined by the stick positions; never by the throttle's mechanical endstop. If you ignore this warning, the servo motor will constantly be under almost full load, and will consume an extremely high current.



A range of different servo output arms is available for robbe servos, and they are illustrated in the picture at the bottom of the page. The drawing also shows the angular change per individual spline segment.

Servos with splined output shafts permit fine mechanical adjustment of the servo neutral position. The position is adjusted as follows: first undo the retaining screw and lift off the output device. Position the output device in the appropriate neutral position, push it down onto the splined output shaft, and re-tighten the retaining screw. The diagram below shows a servo with pushrod connected.

18.7 INSTALLING LINKAGES

The basic rule when installing mechanical linkages and control surfaces is that they must be extremely free-moving, otherwise the servos will draw excessive currents, and the effective operating time per battery charge will be greatly reduced. At the same time the centring accuracy of the control system will be worse, which in turn has a negative influence on the model's flying characteristics.





19. THE SYSTEM IN USE

All robbe-Futaba receivers continue to work with full range at reduced voltage, down to the point where the supply voltage falls to 3 V. The advantage of this feature is that the receiving system will normally continue to work even if one cell fails completely (short-circuit), since robbe-Futaba servos still work down to 3.6V, albeit at slightly lower speed and with reduced power. This is very important in Winter, when ambient temperatures are very low, otherwise any momentary voltage collapse could cause the loss of a model.

However, there is a drawback: under certain circumstances the user may not even notice the failure of a battery cell. For this reason it is important to check the receiver battery from time to time.

We especially recommend the use of robbe battery monitors, No. 8409, which indicate the condition of the battery by means of a chain of LEDs.

19.1 POWER-ON SEQUENCE

Always switch the transmitter on first, and only then the receiver; reverse the sequence when switching off. When you switch the receiver on, the servos run to the neutral position. We recommend that you check each function in turn by operating the associated stick or other transmitter control. Check that each control surface operates in the correct "sense" (direction) relative to the stick movement. If any control surface moves in the wrong direction, that servo must be reversed at the transmitter.

19.2 'ELECTRICAL NOISE' INTERFERENCE

If your radio control system is to operate safely and reliably, it is essential to avoid what is known as electrical 'noise' interference. This problem is due to metal parts - such as pushrods rubbing against each other intermittently as a result of vibration. For this reason the linkage to the engine's carburettor must always terminate in a plastic clevis - never connect a metal linkage directly to the carburettor arm without an insulator between them.

19.3 ELECTRIC MOTORS

All conventional electric motors in RC models must be effectively suppressed, otherwise the sparks which are generated between the armature and the carbon brushes when the motor is running will have a serious adverse effect on the radio control system, i.e.



they cause interference. We recommend robbe suppressor filters, No. 8306, 8307 or a set of suppressor capacitors, No. 4008. Each electric motor in the model must be suppressed individually as shown in the diagram.

19.4 ELECTRONIC IGNITION SYSTEMS

The ignition systems of spark-ignition petrol engines can also generate interference, which has an adverse effect on the radio control system. Never power an ignition system from the recei-

ver battery; a separate battery is essential. Be sure to use properly suppressed spark plugs, plug caps and shielded ignition cables. Keep the receiving system as far away as possible from any ignition system.

19.5 RECEIVER BATTERY CAPACITY / OPERATING TIMES This rule applies to all types of battery: at low temperatures battery capacity is severely reduced, i.e. safe operating times are shorter in cold weather.

The safe operating time varies greatly according to the number of servos connected to the receiver, the stiffness of the linkages, and the frequency of control commands generated by the pilot or operator. A standard servo draws between 150 mA and 600 mA when the motor is running, and about 8 mA at idle. Super-servos and powerful digital units can draw peak currents of up to 1300 mA at full power.

Be sure to select a receiver battery with ample capacity, bearing in mind the likely current drain and the number of servos in the model.

Ensure that all mechanical linkages are free-moving, and that the servo is not obstructed in its travel. A servo running constantly against a mechanical stop or limit draws a very high current, and will also inevitably suffer damage in the long-term.

You will notice the point where the receiver battery is almost discharged, because the servos will respond much more slowly than normal. The moment you realise this, land the model immediately and recharge the battery.

We recommend the use of a battery controller to monitor the receiver pack during a session, as this gives you a useful idea of the state of charge of the battery between flights.



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20. GUARANTEE

All our products, including this radio control system, are guaranteed for the full statutory period of 24 months. If you wish to make a valid claim under guarantee, please contact your dealer, who is responsible for the guarantee and the processing of any guarantee claim.

During the guarantee period any material defects or faults in operation or manufacture will be corrected by us at no cost to you. All other claims, e.g. in the case of consequent damage, are excluded from the guarantee.

The system must be returned to us carriage-paid; we will pay the cost of transport back to you. We will not accept shipments sent C.O.D.

We accept no liability for damage in transit or loss of your shipment; we recommend that you take out suitable insurance to cover this.

Send your equipment to the robbe Service Centre for the country in which you live.

To process your guarantee claims the following conditions must be fulfilled:

- The purchase receipt must be included with your shipment.
- The units must have been operated in accordance with the operating instructions.
- Recommended batteries and genuine robbe accessories must have been used exclusively.
- Damage due to damp, tampering, reversed polarity, overloading and mechanical damage are not covered.
- Please be sure to include a succinct description of the problem to help us locate the fault or defect.

21. LIABILITY EXCLUSION

We at robbe Modellsport are not in a position to ensure that you observe the operating instructions, and have no influence on the way you install, operate and maintain the radio control system components. For this reason we are obliged to deny all liability for loss, damage or costs which are incurred due to the incompetent or incorrect use and operation of our products, or which are connected with such operation in any way.

22. POST OFFICE REGULATIONS

The R&TTE (Radio Equipment & Telecommunications Terminal Equipment) Directive is the new European regulation which applies to radio systems and telecommunications apparatus, and is applicable to all such equipment which has general conformity approval in the EC.

One section of the R&TTE Directive regulates the setting up and operation of radio systems in the European Community.

An important change compared with earlier regulations is the abolition of approval procedures. The manufacturer or importer must submit the radio system to a conformity assessment procedure before marketing the equipment, and is obliged to notify the appropriate authority (register) when the process is completed.

The CE symbol is applied to all such equipment, and indicates

that it fulfils the currently valid European norms. An exclamation mark is also applied to radio transmitting equipment as an indication that the approved frequencies are not uniform throughout Europe.



This symbol is used in all the countries of the European Union. Other nations such as Switzerland, Norway, Estonia and Sweden have also adopted this directive. Your radio control system is registered (i.e. approved) in all these countries, and can legally be sold and operated in all of them.

Please note that this radio control system may only be operated on the frequencies approved for use in your country. A frequency table is supplied with your system.

We are obliged to point out that the responsibility for this, and also for operating a radio system which fulfils the requirements of the directives, rests with you, the user. In Germany radio control systems for models operating in the frequency bands of 27 MHz, 35 MHz and 40 MHz do not need to be registered or licensed, and no fee is payable, but this may not apply in the country in which you live and operate the system. In Germany a 'General Licence' to use these frequencies is granted by right, anda copy of this General Licence is supplied with your system.

Before using the system please check whether you need to register or license your radio control equipment in the country where you intend to operate it.

23. CONFORMITY DECLARATION

robbe Modellsport GmbH & Co. KG hereby declares that this product satisfies the fundamental requirements and other relevant regulations contained in the following Directives:

- Regulation relating to radio equipment and telecommunications transmitting apparatus (FTEG) and Directive 1999/5/EG (R&TTE)
- Directive RL 2004/108/EG (electro-magnetic compatibility)
- Directive LVD 73-23/93/68 EWG (low voltage directive)

The original Conformity Declaration can be viewed on the Internet under www.robbe.com: click on the logo button marked "Conform" which is included in each device description.

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24. ACCESSORIES



Trainer lead No. F 1591 Skysport T4YF, T4EX, FF9, T12Z, T14MZ, FX-40



Adaptor lead for use with flight simulators No. 8239 Skysport T4YF, T4EX, FF9, T12Z, T14MZ, FX-40





Receiver battery charge lead T12FG transmitter battery No. F 1416 charge lead No. 8260



Y-lead No. F 1423 For connecting two servos in parallel to one receiver output socket.



Switch harness with charge socket No. F 1407 Required for connecting the battery to the receiver. Features a separate charge socket for recharging the receiver battery.



6 VOLT LIMITER, LITHIUM

No. 8476 Stabiliser module, generating a stable voltage of 5.7 V from a 5-cell NC battery. Maximum continuous load: 5 A (NC / NiMH); peak current higher. Continuous current with Lithium batteries: approx. 3 A.



Power Peak Infinity 3

No. 8429

The ultimate intelligent home charging station incorporating convenient battery management. For charging and discharging NC, NiMH, Lead and Lithium batteries.

Jell counts	
NC batteries:	1 30 cells
NiMH batteries:	1 30 cells
_ead-acid batteries:	1 6 cells
_ithium batteries:	1 12 cells
Charge / discharge current	0.1 10 A

This 12 V charger features two completely independent, user-variable charge outputs, which are processed in accordance with the selected settings.



Replacement transmitter battery, FX-30 No. 4846 LiPo 7.4 V / 3.4 Ah





25. Programming sequence - fixed-wing model aircraft

Set the model type:

- Select MODEL SELECT in the Base menu.
- Select New Model.
- Select the model type (Power model / Glider).
- Select the model type to suit your aircraft (fuselage model / normal / flying wing - delta).
- Select the wing type, e.g. 2Ail 2Flap (two ailerons and two camber-changing flaps).
- Select the tail type Normal / V-tail / Ailvator.
- Confirm your selections by pressing the EDIT button.

Set the frequency:

- Select FREQUENCY in the Base menu.
- Select the appropriate spot frequency.

Set the modulation:

- Select FREQUENCY in the Base menu.
- Select the modulation, e.g. PCM 1024.

Set the model name:

- Select MODEL SELECT in the Base menu.
- When confirmed, the newly set-up model is assigned a default name of NEW 1, NEW 2 etc.
- Select the model, confirm with EDIT.
- Select NEW NAME.
- You can now assign a name to your model in the field.
- After entering the name, select ENTER and confirm with EDIT.

Function sequence, assigning transmitter controls

The transmitter automatically allocates the appropriate function sequence and transmitter control assignment when you select the model and type.

Important: if you change the function sequence, any existing AFR curves will be erased. For this reason you should always select the channel sequence first, and only then select the transmitter control settings.

TIP: if it should prove necessary to interchange functions, we recommend that you initially select the functions to be moved, then 'park' them on a free channel before reconfiguring the model in the correct sequence.

- Select FUNCTION in the Base menu.
- Re-configure the function sequence if necessary.
- Now assign the transmitter controls and trim controls, and determine whether they are to affect all flight modes (Global) or only one flight mode (Separate).
- Select SERVO REVERSE in the Base menu.
- Set the direction of servo rotation: Normal / Reverse.
- Important: it is essential to set the correct servo directions before you adjust the servo centre offset values.
- Select SERVO CENTRE in the Base menu.
- Adjust the servo centre settings if necessary.
- Select END-POINT ATV in the Base menu. Adjust the servo travels in such a way that the maximum mechanical travel is available, but without the servos binding or being stalled.
- In the interests of safety, we recommend that you invoke the Limit function to restrict maximum travel, so that mixed functions do not exceed the set travel.
- Adjust the servo transit speed if necessary.

- Select FAILSAFE in the Base menu.
- Enter your preferred settings for Fail-Safe and Hold mode, plus Battery Fail-Safe.

Power models: fail-safe is automatically set on the throttle channel; check the settings and adjust them if necessary.

- Select MOTOR CUT in the Base menu.
- Assign a switch, and set the 'motor stopped' position in order to be able to cut the motor (if present) reliably.
- Select TRIM DISPLAY in the Base menu.
- Set the trim increment size (STEP) for the individual rotary trims.
- Select TRANSMITTER CONTROL AFR in the MODEL menu.
- Adjust the travels and curves for the individual transmitter controls to suit the requirements of the model.
- Select DUAL RATE in the MODEL menu.
- If required, set up a second, switchable curve or travel for individual transmitter controls.
- Select FLIGHT MODE in the MODEL menu.
- Activate and set up additional flight modes if necessary.
- If you wish to use multiple flight modes with different settings or assignments, you must ensure that the SEPARATE function is selected.
- In the MODEL menu, activate and adjust the individual model-specific mixer functions, and configure the switches and transmitter controls appropriately.



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26. Programming sequence - model helicopters

Set the model type:

- Select MODEL SELECT in the Base menu.
- Select New Model.
- Select the model type (Heli).
- Select the swashplate type to suit your model.

Set the frequency:

- Select FREQUENCY in the Base menu.
- Select the appropriate spot frequency.

Set the modulation:

- Select FREQUENCY in the Base menu.
- Select the modulation, e.g. PCM 1024

Set the model name:

- Select MODEL SELECT in the Base menu.
- When confirmed, the newly set-up model is assigned a default name of NEW 1, NEW 2 etc.
- Select the model, confirm with EDIT.
- Select NEW NAME.
- You can now assign a name to your model in the field.
- After entering the name, select ENTER and confirm with EDIT.

Function sequence, assigning transmitter controls

The transmitter automatically allocates the appropriate function sequence and transmitter control assignment when you select the model and type.

Important: if you change the function sequence, any existing AFR curves will be erased. For this reason you should always select the sequence first, and only then select the transmitter control settings.

TIP: if it should prove necessary to interchange functions, we recommend that you initially select the functions to be moved, then 'park' them on a free channel before reconfiguring the model in the correct sequence.

- Select FUNCTION in the Base menu.
- Re-configure the function sequence if necessary.
- Now assign the transmitter controls and trim controls, and determine whether they are to affect all flight modes (Global) or only one flight mode (Separate).
- Select SERVO REVERSE in the Base menu.
- Set the direction of servo rotation: Normal / Reverse.
- Important: it is essential to set the correct servo directions before you adjust the servo centre offset values.
- Select SERVO CENTRE in the Base menu.
- Adjust the servo centre setting if necessary.
- Select END-POINT ATV in the Base menu

Adjust the servo travels in such a way that the maximum mechanical travel is available, but without the servos binding or being stalled.

- In the interests of safety, we recommend that you invoke the Limit function to restrict maximum travel, so that mixed functions do not exceed the set travel.
- Adjust the servo transit speed if necessary.
- Select FAILSAFE in the Base menu.
- Enter your preferred settings for Fail-Safe and Hold mode, plus Battery Fail-Safe.

Power models: fail-safe is automatically set on the throttle channel; check the settings and adjust them if necessary.

- Select MOTOR CUT in the Base menu.
- Assign a switch, and set the 'motor stopped' position in order to be able to cut the motor reliably.
- Select TRIM DISPLAY in the Base menu.
- Set the trim increment size (STEP) for the individual rotary trims.
- Select SWASHPLATE in the Base menu.
- Swashplates operated by mixers: adjust the travels for ROLL-AXIS, PITCH-AXIS and COLLECTIVE PITCH to suit the requirements of your model.
- Adjust the values for the swashplate end-points and linkage compensation.
- Select TRANSMITTER CONTROL AFR in the MODEL menu.
- Adjust the travels and curves for the individual transmitter controls to suit the requirements of the model.
- Select DUAL RATE in the MODEL menu.
- If required, set up a second, switchable curve or travel for individual transmitter controls.
- Select FLIGHT MODE in the MODEL menu.
- Activate and set up additional flight modes if necessary.
- If you wish to use multiple flight modes with different settings or assignments, you must ensure that the SEPARATE function is selected.
- In the MODEL menu, activate and adjust the individual model-specific mixer functions, and configure the switches and transmitter controls appropriately.
- Select THROTTLE CURVE in the MODEL menu.
- Set up the desired throttle curve. If you are using multiple flight modes, ensure that the individual curves are set to SEPARATE, to enable different settings to be used for each flight mode.
- Select COLLECTIVE PITCH CURVE in the MODEL menu
- Set up the desired collective pitch curve. If you are using multiple flight modes, ensure that the individual curves are set to SEPARATE, to enable different settings to be used for each flight mode.
- Select GYRO in the MODEL menu.
- Enter the settings for gyro gain and mode.
- Select SPEED GOVERNOR in the MODEL menu.
- Enter the settings for the speed governor, if fitted to your model.

You may wish to activate and set up additional functions such as auto-rotation, plus other model-specific mixers such as collective pitch -> tail rotor.

On the next page you will find a detailed description of how the swashplate mixer is set up in a professional manner.

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Setting up the swashplate mixer

If you have selected a model with an electronic three-point swashplate linkage (120° ECCPM), click on Swashplate in the Base menu.

Look at Swashplate AFR in the Swashplate menu, and you will see that all values for roll-axis, pitch-axis and collective pitch are set to +50%. These are the default values, which are suitable for most model helicopters. When you have installed the servos in the helicopter and fitted the control linkages, the settings will need to be fine-tuned to match each other and the model.

A good tip at this stage is to use the Servo Monitor in the Base menu. In the top part of the menu display you will find the Servo Test function. Set this to Neutral Test, and all servos will move to the neutral position and stay there. This procedure is ideal for setting up an ECCPM helicopter.

An alternative is to centre the collective pitch stick with the help of the collective pitch display in the transmitter's Start screen. This screen is an excellent means of centring collective pitch accurately, as the value is displayed in tenths of a percentage point.

Fix the output discs on the servos as stated in the building instructions provided by the model helicopter manufacturer, with the aim of setting the linkage point exactly at right-angles to the pushrod. Adjust the pushrods in such a way that the linkage arms are at right-angles (i.e. neutral position) to the helicopter's chassis.

Adjust the pushrods from the linkage arms to the swashplate so that the swashplate is at precisely the correct height, and exactly at right-angles to the main rotor shaft (rotor mast). Now check whether the swashplate moves in the correct directions when you apply collective pitch and cyclic commands.

If the collective pitch system works in the wrong direction, change the value for Swashplate AFR to -50%: this reverses the direction of movement of the swashplate. The next step is to check the roll and pitch-axis systems and reverse them if necessary by changing the prefix to - (minus). If one or more servos now run in the opposite direction when you operate the collective pitch stick, you need to move to the Servo Reverse menu and change the direction of rotation of the servo or servos concerned. Repeat the check of the swashplate AFR directions. Please move the collective pitch cautiously to the endpoints, to avoid the servos striking their end-stops if the travels are not correct. If the servo travels are too great, select the Swashplate AFR menu, and reduce the set value for AFR until the swashplate's maximum travels are just short of the limits dictated by the mechanical system. With the rotor blades fitted and a pitch gauge to hand, you can now read off the necessary main blade pitch angles, and set them accordingly in the Swashplate AFR menu.

Swashplate Detail settings Caution:

For this adjustment procedure it is very important that the ballend bolts on the inner ring of the swashplate line up exactly with the ball-end bolts on the outer ring of the swashplate. If this is not the case, the rotor head will move in the 'pitchaxis' direction when you apply a roll-axis command, and vice versa. In the same way, check carefully that a roll-axis or pitchaxis command has no effect on the other function.

At this point you should fine-tune the servo travels in order to maintain the swashplate orientation at right-angles throughout the collective pitch range; accurate work here will eliminate any interaction with the cyclic commands. In the Base menu select the Swashplate menu, then the submenu Swashplate Detail.

In the Mix Rate window you will see the first two mixers 'Collective pitch to roll-axis', and 'Collective pitch to pitch-axis'. The purpose of these two mixers is to align the swashplate accurately at both ends of the collective pitch travel.

When you move the collective pitch stick, you will see that the input fields are marked accordingly. To alter a value, move the cursor to an input field and use the 3-D hot-key to set that point. Move the collective pitch stick to maximum collective, and look at the swashplate from the nose of the model: adjust the collective pitch to roll mixer until the swashplate is exactly horizontal. Move the collective pitch stick to minimum collective, and repeat the above adjustment.

Tip: set your blade pitch gauge to 0 degrees, and attach it to one flybar paddle. Taking the top edge of the rotor head as the reference plane, you will be able to perceive even the slightest movement in the swashplate.

Now turn the rotor head through 90 degrees, so that you see the flybar paddle with the blade pitch gauge attached from the side of the model. Now adjust the collective pitch to pitch-axis mixer until the swashplate is exactly horizontal at minimum and maximum collective pitch.

The next three mixers are used to eliminate interactions in the swashplate when the collective pitch stick is located at 50%, i.e. at centre. Set up the roll to collective pitch mixer in such a way that at full roll to right and left the swashplate remains orientated correctly in the direction of the pitch-axis; this is most clearly visible if you observe the model from one side.

The next adjustment concerns the 'pitch-axis to roll-axis' mixer and the 'pitch-axis to collective pitch' mixer; now the swashplate must remain aligned correctly in the direction of the roll-axis at full forward-pitch and back-pitch; this is most clearly visible if you observe the model from the nose.

The next step is to adjust the linkage compensation. This setting compensates for unwanted interactive swashplate deviations at extreme collective pitch settings.

There are four adjustment facilities for high collective pitch values, and a further four adjustment facilities for low collective pitch values. With the collective pitch stick at maximum, observe the swashplate from one side, and adjust the value for the roll mixer so that no pitch-axis deviation takes place when full right-roll and left-roll commands are applied.

Now turn the rotor through 90 degrees, and adjust the pitchaxis mixer analogously. Finally you should repeat the whole procedure at minimum collective pitch.

Speed compensation

This setting is only required for 120° ECCPM rotor heads, and its purpose is to compensate for the mechanical advantage of the roll-axis and collective pitch servos, which are faster working together than the single pitch-axis servo when the pilot applies a pitch-axis command. This problem only manifests itself if you move the pitch-axis stick forward and back at high speed. Adjust the speed compensation in such a way that the ball-link in the centre of the swashplate does not jump up or down when you apply rapid pitch-axis movements. This setting will be in the range 15 to 20.





27. DISPOSAL

Disposal of equipment: this symbol attached to an item of electrical and electronic equipment means that you are required to dispose of it separately from the general household waste when it reaches the end of its useful life. Take your unwanted equipment to your local specialist waste collection point or recycling centre. This applies to all countries of the European Union, and to other European countries with a separate waste collection system.

Note: (applies to Germany only)

On 1 October 1998 a new Battery Regulation came into force which regulates the return and disposal of exhausted batteries. This regulation creates an obligation to return, recycle and dispose of all types of battery. We comply with this regulation by participating in the Common Battery Return System (GRS - Batteries), which provides for the return and disposal of every type of battery. You, dear customer, can return your batteries to the following collection points for disposal at no charge to you.

- Communal collection points
- Your dealer
- Any battery retail outlet (regardless of where the battery was originally purchased)

When the Lithium battery in your radio control transmitter reaches the end of its useful life, please return it to any of the collection points listed above.

28. SERVICE CENTRE ADDRESSES

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France	S.A.V Messe	BP 12	F-57730 Folschviller	0033-387-94 6258	0033-387-94 6258
Greece	TAG Models Hellas		143 41 Nea Philadelfia	0030-1-25 84 380	0030-1-25 33 533
Italy	MC-Electronic	Via del Progresso 25	I-36010 Cavazeale (Vi)	00390-0444-94 5992	00390-0444-94 5991
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Norway	Norwegian Modellers		3101 TØNSBERG	0047-333-78-000	0047-333-78-001
Austria	Robbe Service	Hosnedlgasse 25	A-1220 Wien	0043-01259-65 5214	0043-01259-1179
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Switzerland	Spahr Elektronik	Gotthelfstrasse 12	CH-2543 Legnau	0041-032-65 22 3 68	0041-032-65 37 364
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