Micro Drone 3.0



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MICRO DRONE 3.0: Flight in the Palm of Your Hand

The Micro Drone 3.0 is your personal Drone, bringing together sophisticated technology in a small size Device. Whether you're an expert pilot or first timer, it gives users a taste of features you would normally find in a larger system, which is safe, fun, easy to use, that anyone can fly.



Inverted flying requires Inverted Blades. Be sure to install these before attempting to Invert.

Always set the Home Point when activating Return Home and Smart Orientation.

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QUICK START GUIDE

1. DOWNLOAD THE APP

www.microdrone.co.uk/app

MICRO DRONE 3.0



Watch training videos

2. CHECK / INSTALL BLADES

Watch training videos



Check you have the correct blades attached, Inverted flying Blades or Regular Blades (default)

▲ Do not mix Inverted and Regular blades. Check the clockwise and counter clockwise blade has been correctly installed on the corresponding motor arm.

3. SET UP TRANSMITTER

Power on the handset (4 x AA Batteries required).

Place the Drone on a flat, open ground with front facing away from you.



4. CHOOSE SPEED SETTING



Slow – ideal for beginners

Fast – highly responsive



5. POWER ON DRONE

Insert the battery by sliding into position and attach the Camera with magnetic connection.



6. SYNC THE DRONE

Wait until the blinking LEDs turn solid, then push the throttle stick up and down once.

A Check blades spin freely by applying a little power.

7. LAUNCH THE APP

Search and connect to Micro Drone 3.0 WiFi Enter the Fly Screen Select Handset or Phone in App Settings







A Place Smartphone into Flight Mode to prevent notifications and incoming calls causing disruptions

8. SET GYRO HOME POINT

Place Drone in the direction you intend to fly.

When Drone and Handset is Synced, hold both control sticks to the bottom right corner for 5 seconds.



Essential for Smart Orientation and Return Home functionality.

9. SET TRIM SETTINGS

Trim settings should be set to the centre point for balanced flying, indicated by long beep.



10. TAKE OFF

Push the left throttle stick up slowly to take off



Gently toggle the left right control sticks to learn basic navigation

Keep low altitude and use wide open space for first flight

11. PHOTOS AND VIDEOS

Shoot photos or videos using the Micro Drone App, or Handset Function button.

Requires SD Card (Class 6 or above) to store footage on board the Drone. To use Handset for activating Camera, connect the camera module using Wired Connection Port.

12. LANDING

To land, hover over a level ground and gently lower the throttle to descend. After landing remove Camera and disconnect Battery.

- A Never approach or touch the Drone while blades are spinning. Always cut the power using Controller/App first.
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NOTES ON CHARGING

- Connect the USB charger to any USB plug such as a computer or wall charger.
- Disconnect the battery from Micro Drone then connect to the USB charger jack, the red light on the charger will flash to indicate charging.
- When charging is finished, the red light will turn solid green.
- Full charge takes about 60 mins.
 - 1.Batteries should be removed from the handset before storing.
 2.Always use new batteries in the handset to maintain a good connection. Functions may not work when less than 50% capacity.
 3.Never charge unattended.

OPERATING TIPS

- To ensure steady flight, set the 3 trimmers to fine tune the controls. The trim buttons are located aside to the left and right control sticks to set the turning, forward / backward pitch and side to side banking. Each time you click the trim button you will hear a beep, a long beep indicates that the trim is set to the centre. Note the trim buttons change depending on if it's in mode 2 or mode 4.
- Push the throttle up to around quater or half way and Micro Drone will take off.
- We recommend removing the propeller guards when attaching the Camera or Camera/Gimbal.
- We do not recommend using the Inverted Blades with the Camera.

MODE 2 AND MODE 4: Explanation

Once you've learned to fly Micro Drone or any kind of Helicopter on a certain transmitter Mode, the chances are that you'll stick with that same mode throughout your flying days. Re-learning to fly on a different mode is essentially the same as starting from sctatch, so we've made it with the two most common flight controls and outlined how these work for Micro Drone.

The transmitter modes for Micro Drone echo the ones for R/C Airplanes (in terms of turning). With that in mind we have designed Micro Drone with Mode 2 and Mode 4 industry standards making it user friendly for first time users or for Radio Control pilots accustomed to professional flying. The handset allows you to switch between Mode 2 and Mode 4. The slider is located at the bottom/left.



FLIGHT OPERATIONS

Direction	Drone	Mode 2	Mode 4	Notes
Up	1 F=J			For first flight power up to around 60% throttle then ease off to the hover position. Practice hovering at 1-2 metres
Down	FI			Avoid landing on surfaces that are hard, dusty or wet. Do not land near people or objects that could collide or cause damage to the aircraft.
Forward				Push the navigation stick slowly to prevent the Drone from sudden movements.
Backward				Aim to fly in a straight line, cross wind may alter the course, toggle the roll stick to maintain trajectory if necessary.
Turn Left	(26)			Look at the White LED lights as reference for the Front of the Drone as you turn.
Turn Right	(00)			If the front of the Drone rotates to face you (nose in), the navigational controls will feel opposite to your position.
Banking (roll) to the Left				The roll stick controls the Drone's Left and Right tilt. When filming, avoid roll to capture quality level footage.
Banking (roll) to the Right				The further you push the control stick, the further the Drone will tilt, up to a 40 degree angle.

FULLY-FEATURED ACCOMPANYING APP

Micro Drone 3.0 has a companion App that is feature rich and intuitively designed. It can be used for First Person View via the live streaming video as well as control of the Drone and collecting, managing and sharing your videos.



SMART ORIENTATION

Align the Drone and Smartphone controls to fly on a locked heading

MODE

Switch the flight screen touchpad between Mode 2 and Mode 4

SPEED SETTING

Slide the bar to adjust the speed setting to your preference

Hide the Trim bar from the flight screen

CONTROL

Tap Phone to control the Drone via Smartphone WiFi or Handset (default) to control via the 2.4ghz

RESET To the Default settings

Check periodically for new updates and features on the App Store and Google Play (iOS and Android)

iOS has some weird connection issue we couldn't figure out - when connecting iPhone to the Drone's WiFi, you might notice it connects, disconnects then reconnects again after 5 seconds (after that it's fine)

TRIMMER FUNCTIONS

Forward and Backwards Trim

Direction	Mode 2	Mode 4	Action Required
			If Micro Drone drifts forward, click the trim down until balanced.
			lf Micro Drone drifts backward, click trim up until balanced.

Banking Trim (roll side to side)



Turning Trim (rotating clockwise or counter-clockwise)



MOTOR DIAGRAM



Ensure the Correct Blade is fitted to correct Clockwise or Counterclockwise motor arm.

INVERTED FLYING

When fitting White and Grey Inverted blades: White A fits Arm A, White B fits Arm B, Grey B fits Arm C, Grey A fits Arm D.



To activate inverted mode in the air, flick the top right corner switch. The Drone will flip over and the motors will immediately go into reverse, to provide opposite thrust.

You can also place the Drone upside down to take off from the ground or by hand. Inverted mode will be activated automatically. Requires inverted blades (White/Grey) to use inverted mode. Blade must be correctly installed (White A / B at the front, Grey A / B at the back).

- We recommend having adequate flying experience before using this feature.
- Activating inverted with regular blades can result in serious damage to the Motors, Structure and Flight Board.
- When the Drone is upside down, the controls will be reversed with the Blue LEDs becoming the Front.
- A Take care to ensure blades do not hit the ground, always land the Drone in the correct non-inverted orientation.
- Activate inverted at least 3m from the ground with plenty of room.
- Using Inverted blades reduces lifting capacity and flight time, use regular blades for high performance.

SMART ORIENTATION

This feature unlocks the orientation so that the navigation is not determined by the direction which the Drone is facing.

In standard mode with Smart Orientation off, the drone has a front and a back, determined by the Black / Red blades or White / Blue LEDs, so when you navigate forwards, it moves in the direction that the front is facing (ie if the black blades are facing you, it moves towards you). This can be difficult to make out when the Drone is a long distance away. Smart orientation helps with this.

Setting up Smart Orientation

When pairing the Drone, you must position the quadcopter such that its front points away from you. Once paired it's forward position will be fixed, every direction Forward/Backward/Left/Right will be set from this. Activate by pressing the button once, the red light will indicate it is on.

When you take off with the Drone facing forward from you, the micro-controller continuously adjusts the navigation so that even when you turn the Drone 90 degrees to the left/right, it will still go forward/backward on the fixed axis you set at the beginning.

Smart orientation is useful for learning to fly the Drone, sending it out over long distance and more convenient for shooting video (as the Drone moves in fixed lines, allowing you to focus on the video and shoot panning shots while rotating the Drone at the same time).

RESET THE GYROS

In the event of the Gyro loosing orientation, unstable flight, or drifting, the Gyros may need resetting.

Together: push the left control stick to the bottom right corner and push the right stick to the bottom right corner. Hold for 5 seconds and the Drone's LEDs will flash rapidly to indicate recalibration.

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RETURN HOME

Users are advised to familiarise themselves with this feature before use. Unlike a GPS return home system, this uses a programmed method that memorises it's start heading and is designed to help pilots return the Drone on a straight axis when you have lost control.

For this to work correctly, when pairing the Drone, you must position the Drone on the ground such that its front points away from you on the line you wish it to return.

This function is based on the assumption that the user is flying the Drone in front of them. Hold down the Return home button and the Drone will fly back towards the pilot in a straight line on a fixed axis, let go of the button and the Drone will stop returning.



Use the roll stick depending on where the Drone is located in relation to you. The altitude stick must continue to be controlled while using return home. Select a faster Return speed by selecting one of the Speed Settings.

MID AIR FLIPS

Micro Drone can perform mid-air flips with a specially designed, preprogramned algorithm. To activate this, it must be switched into Stunt Mode, slide to the right.

WARNING: in Stunt Mode, moving the control sticks will perform aggressive maneuvers and could cause Micro Drone to crash if not controlled carefully. If doing for the first time, we suggest familiarising yourself with the controls before attempting this. Hover Micro Drone at least 3 metres from the ground then push the control sticks in the direction you want to flip. Switch back in to Standard Mode for regular flying.

Forward rolls	Push the throttle up then push the right stick up to roll forward. Gently ease off to recover to the hover position.
Backward rolls	Push the throttle up then push the right stick down to roll backwards. Gently ease off to recover to the hover position.
Left rolls	Push the throttle up then push the banking stick left to roll left. Gently ease off to recover to the hover position.
Right rolls	Push the throttle up then push the banking stick right to roll right. Gently ease off to recover to the hover position.

Aggressive Maneuvers and Flips

TROUBLESHOOTING / FAQ's



See our troubleshooting page on www.microdrone.co.uk/faq

GET INVOLVED

Drone technology is developing at a rapid pace and we encourage you to get involved as we continue building Micro Drone and this exciting hobby.

Find out about upcoming events, such as Battle of the Drones, Maker Events, First Person View racing meetups and other activities. Details and information will be posted on the Extreme Fliers Facebook page.

Happy Flying

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