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AR631+ AS3X+ and SAFE Receiver

The Spektrum™ AR631+ Receiver is full range with fly-by telemetry, and is compatible with all Spektrum™ DSM2® and DSMX® technology transmitters. Perform the setup for the AR631+ receiver through a compatible Spektrum Transmitter with Forward Programming. The Spektrum PC Programmer can be used for firmware updates.

IMPORTANT: The AR631+ receiver only uses forward programming for the configuration, do not use the AS3X+ menu in the main transmitter menu.



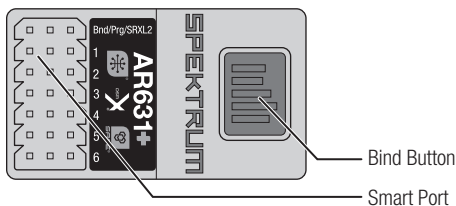
WARNING: If equipped, the propeller should not be installed on the motor during the setup procedure. Only install the propeller once the throttle has been confirmed to operate correctly and the failsafe has been set. As an additional safety feature, we recommend the throttle cut is enabled. Throttle cut should be engaged any time the aircraft is powered on and not in operation. The motor will not rotate when throttle cut is in the ON position.

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Specifications

AR631+	
Type	AS3X+/SAFE Receiver with Telemetry
Dimensions (L x W x H)	39mm x 24mm x 14mm
Antenna Length	230mm
Channels	6
Weight	8g
Band	2404 MHz – 2476 MHz
Voltage Range	3.5–9.6V



Smart Throttle

With Smart Technology the normal servo connector delivers the throttle signal to the ESC, plus the ESC can send telemetry data like voltage and current back to the receiver. The AR631+ receiver throttle port (Channel 1 port only) will automatically detect when a Smart compatible ESC is connected. ESCs with Smart and IC series connectors can also pass along battery data from compatible Spektrum Smart batteries. Spektrum Avian™ ESCs are compatible with the AR631+ receiver for Smart Technology features.

For Smart to function you must have a Smart ESC paired with a Smart telemetry receiver, and a Spektrum DSMX transmitter with telemetry. An update for your transmitter may be required for Smart features. See www.spektrumrc.com to register and update your transmitter.

If a standard ESC or servo is plugged into the throttle port on the AR631+ receiver, the throttle port will operate normally (PWM signal) like any conventional RC system.

Receiver Power System Requirements

Some of the power system components that affect the power supply to the receiver include:

- Receiver battery pack (number of cells, capacity, cell type, state of charge).
- The ESC's capability to deliver adequate voltage to the receiver when the servos demand high current
- The switch harness, battery leads, servo leads, regulators etc.

IMPORTANT: The AR631+ has a minimum operational voltage of 3.5 volts. It is highly recommended the power system be tested per the guidelines below.

Recommended Power System Test Guidelines

We recommend performing the following tests on any new setup to verify power system performance:

1. View the receiver voltage during this test on your transmitter's telemetry screen
2. Load the control surfaces (apply pressure with your hand) while monitoring the voltage at the receiver.
3. The voltage should remain above 4.8 volts even when all servos are loaded.

How QuickConnect™ Technology Works

- When the receiver voltage drops below 3.5 volts, the system ceases to operate.
- When power is restored, the receiver immediately attempts to reconnect.
- If the transmitter was left on, the system reconnects typically in about 4/100 of a second.

QuickConnect is designed to allow you to fly safely through most short duration power interruptions, however, the root cause of these interruptions must be corrected before the next flight to prevent a crash.

NOTICE: If a brownout occurs in flight it is vital that the cause of the brownout be determined and corrected.

Installing the AR631+ Receiver

1. Mount the receiver using double-sided servo tape. The receiver may be mounted upright, upside down or on its side, but it should be square with the fuselage in its mounting position. The receiver cannot be mounted at an odd angle.
2. Connect the servos to their respective receiver ports using the list below.



CAUTION: Incorrect installation of the receiver could cause a crash.

Always perform a control surface check and AS3X control surface response test before flying a new setup, or after any setup changes.

Default Receiver Port Assignments

Bind/Prog/SRXL2 = Bind, Aux Device Support, Program

1 = Throttle (Smart Throttle)

2 = Aileron

3 = Elevator

4 = Rudder

5 = Gear

6 = Aux 1

IMPORTANT: When using Y-harnesses or servo extensions with Spektrum equipment, do not use reversing harnesses. Using reversing Y-harnesses or servo extensions may cause servos to operate erratically or not function at all.

Telemetry

The AR631+ features fly-by range telemetry and will provide receiver battery voltage, and flight log data, plus Smart ESC telemetry when available. The AR631+ is compatible with the Spektrum SKY Remote ID module (SPMA9500), using the SRXL2 port, but is not compatible with other Spektrum telemetry sensors.

See www.spektrumrc.com for more information about Spektrum telemetry systems.

Transmitter and Receiver Binding

Programming the AR631+ receiver requires a Spektrum™ DSM2®/DSMX® compatible transmitter with Forward Programming. Forward programming is only available in DSMX.

Binding

The AR631+ receiver must be bound to your transmitter before it will operate. Binding is the process of teaching the receiver the specific code of the transmitter so it will only connect to that specific transmitter.

1. Push and hold the bind button on the receiver while powering the receiver on.

-OR-

1. Power the receiver on and then press the bind button.

IMPORTANT: The receiver will not enter bind mode if any previously bound transmitters are powered on before the receiver is powered on.

2. Release the bind button once the orange LED starts to flash continuously, indicating the receiver is in bind mode.

TIP: It is still possible to use a bind plug in the bind port if desired. This can come in handy if the receiver needs to be mounted in a location that is difficult to access, in which case a servo extension may be used for binding. If using a bind plug, remove after binding to prevent the system from entering bind mode the next time the power is turned on.

3. Put your transmitter in bind mode.
4. The bind process is complete when the orange LED on the receiver is solid.

Failsafe

In the unlikely event the radio link is lost during use, the receiver will enable the selected failsafe mode. Smart Safe + Hold Last is the default failsafe mode on the AR631+. Preset Failsafe and SAFE Failsafe modes are only available through Forward Programming.

SmartSafe + Hold Last

If loss of signal occurs, SmartSafe™ technology moves the throttle channel to the failsafe position (low throttle) set during binding. All other channels will hold their last position. When the receiver detects the signal from the transmitter, normal aircraft operation resumes.

Preset Failsafe

With preset failsafe, you can set the specific control surface positions you want to use if the signal is lost. When the receiver detects the signal from the transmitter, normal aircraft operation resumes.

Preset failsafe mode is only available through Forward Programming.

SAFE® Failsafe

SAFE Failsafe mode will work to automatically level your aircraft if the signal is lost. In the forward programming menu you can select the bank and pitch angles the aircraft will attempt to maintain during failsafe. We recommend setting bank and pitch angles so the aircraft flies a gentle gliding turn, preventing a flyaway. You must complete First Time SAFE Setup before this option is available.

SAFE Failsafe mode is only available through Forward Programming.

Testing Failsafe

Secure the aircraft on the ground and remove the propeller. Test Failsafe settings by turning the transmitter RF output off and noting how the receiver drives the control surfaces.

Receiver Power Only

- The servo ports will not have a control signal if the receiver is turned on when no transmitter signal is present.
- All channels have no output until the receiver has linked to the transmitter.

Initial Setup

1. Verify your transmitter is updated to the latest Spektrum AirWare™ software to take advantage of Forward Programming. See your transmitter manual for updating instructions.
2. Install the receiver in your airplane.
3. Bind the receiver to your transmitter.
4. Complete the airplane setup on your transmitter including wing type, tail type, channel assignments, mixing, sub trim and travel the same as you would for any other aircraft without AS3X+. Verify the center of gravity is correct and test fly your aircraft.

IMPORTANT: Do not use open mixes for flight control surfaces when setting up a model with the AR631+ for AS3X+ and SAFE. Only use wing and tail type options to configure flight controls, refer to your transmitter manual for more information about wing and tail type features.

Basic AS3X+ Setup

To use AS3X+ technology with the Spektrum AR631+ receiver, the receiver must be set up with a compatible, forward programming capable Spektrum transmitter.

- The model must be fully setup in the transmitter and flyable (actual flight testing/verification is preferable). Things like wing/tail type, subtrims, reversing, travel, absolute travel, etc should all be configured before continuing.
 - Ensure you have an empty channel to assign a gain channel.
1. With the receiver on and bound, in the transmitter, enter Forward Programming
iX series: Model Adjust > Forward Programming
NX series: Function List > Forward Programming)
 2. In **Forward Programming**, go to *Gyro Settings > First Time Setup*. Confirm the model configuration prompt in the first 2 pages.
 3. In the orientation setup screen there are two options:
 - a. Use the automatic orientation detection by levelling the model, select Continue, point the model nose down 90 degrees from its level position, and select Continue. Note that for this test, the model doesn't have to be perfectly level in the first step, or perfectly pointing down in the second step. A margin of +/- 30 degrees should still result in a proper capture.
- OR-**
- b. Manually set orientation. This is preferable on large models that are difficult to move/tilt while avoiding damage.

4. Confirm/Select the receiver/sensors orientation in relation to the model and select **Continue**.
5. Enter the **Gain Channel Select** menu:
 - a. For gain channel, choose the empty channel you wish to use for gain adjustment.
 - b. For switch, select the gain adjustment input (trimmer, knob/slider, or switch. Preferable in the provided order)
 - If using a trimmer, make sure to lower its value all the way to -100% before flying.
 - If using a switch, be aware that -100% is gain off. 0% is half gain, and 100% is full gain. "Switch" is not recommended until you've first found adequate values with a trimmer or knob.
6. Select **Next** and then **Apply**. The receiver will reboot and first time setup should be complete.
7. Select "Connect" to enter **Forward Programming** again, then go to *Gyro Settings > System Setup > Utilities > Gyro Response Test*.
8. While in this page, move the model in the roll, pitch, and yaw axes. Verify the surface responses counteract the movements. When standing behind the model:
 - a. Rolling left should make the left aileron move down, and right aileron move up.
 - b. Pitching down should make the elevator move up.
 - c. Yawing left should make the rudder move to the right.
9. Once responses are verified, the first time setup is complete!
 - If directions are incorrect, make sure the model's servo reversing on the radio was configured properly before setup. If corrections are made, go to *Forward Programming > System Setup > Relearn Servo Settings*, change **All** to **Primary**, and select **Apply**. This will retransfer the relevant transmitter model settings to the receiver.
10. Before flying, make sure the gain channel (switch, knob, trimmer, etc. . .) is currently set to -100% (-100% is gain off, 0% is half gain, and 100% is full gain).

Proceed to the Basic Tuning section, or optionally, go to the Advanced Tuning AS3X+ sections of the AS3X+ Setup Guide on the Spektrum Wiki page.

Scan the QR code to go to the Spektrum Wiki page for advanced tuning options



Basic Tuning (AS3X+ Normal Gain, No Flight Modes)

1. Follow the Basic AS3X+ Setup procedure to properly setup the gyro.
2. Before flying, verify the gyro response direction using the **Gyro Response Test** menu (*Forward Programming > Gyro Settings > System Setup > Utilities > Gyro Response Test*).
3. Use the gain channel to adjust gain in flight and evaluate the gyro response. Gain should be tuned while flying near or at max speed.
 - a. In most cases, the user will probably be able to find a gain channel value that offers improved performance without additional tuning of individual settings.
 - b. Due to the addition of the new parameter Stop Lock Rate delaying gain return from centering the stick, the gain might end up too high without the user noticing.
 - In initial flights, use short/quick stick inputs to induce movement in the model. Due to these delays, short/quick inputs will reduce gain much less, and will allow the model to stop more with the gyro as opposed to naturally.
 - An advanced method of addressing this is to temporarily increase Stop Lock Rate to 100% for all 3 axes. Then stick inputs can be used to evaluate the current gain. This will ensure having full or closer to full gain the moment the stick is released. Start with low gain and work up. If the model continuously oscillates/bounces more than once, then the AS3X+ gain is too high and needs to be reduced. One or two bounces are acceptable. Once the gain is set the Stop Lock Rate can be reset back to defaults to remove any small oscillations.
 - c. This may not be an issue on windy days as the turbulence should help induce oscillations when the gain is too high.
4. If any axis other than roll starts experiencing oscillations as gain is increased, pitch and yaw can be reduced in *Gyro Settings > AS3X Settings > AS3X Gain*.
5. If the gain channel is all the way up and no oscillations can be induced in the model, increase the multiplier (*Gyro Settings > AS3X Settings*).
6. If the gain channel is barely increased and oscillations occur, decrease the gain multiplier to provide a wider window of gain adjustment (*Gyro Settings > AS3X Settings*).
7. Once the desired gain is achieved, note the current value of the gain channel.
8. In the transmitter settings, change the gain channel assignment to a switch, and then using the radios **Digital Switch** setup menu, adjust the switch's channel outputs to -100% for gyro off, and then another position to XX% (whatever value was noted in the previous step) for gyro on.

TIP: There are other methods of gain changes/disabling the gyro in flight.

See the Advanced Tuning AS3X+ sections of the AS3X+ Setup Guide on the Spektrum Wiki page for more advanced tuning information.



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SAFE Setup

Setting up SAFE® Technology on the AR631+ Receiver takes place in Forward Programming.

1. Complete the AS3X+ setup and verify operation in flight.
2. **Forward Programming Setup:** To add SAFE flight stabilization the Flight Modes on the receiver need to be configured.
 - a. In your transmitter's menu select *Forward Programming -> Gyro Settings -> First Time SAFE Setup*.
IMPORTANT: Before proceeding with setup, read every information screen that will appear on your transmitter screen.
 Select **NEXT** at the bottom of each page to continue.
 - b. Select **FM Channel->** Select the channel and switch you want to use for flight mode selection. You can select any channel that is not a control surface, throttle or gain. Select Continue.
 - c. Position the model in a level flight attitude, then select **Level Model and Capture Attitude** to teach the receiver the baseline setting. For taildragger aircraft be sure to raise the tail so the fuselage is level.
 - d. Assign SAFE to the desired flight modes. You can enable or disable SAFE for each flight mode. Take into account your flight mode switch position, and set the **SAFE Mode** as desired for the first switch position.
 - **Envelope (Intermediate)** mode does not use self leveling. The aircraft will fly like a normal AS3X+ setup, but it will be bank and pitch angle limited.
 - **Self Leveling/Angle Demand** will make the airplane return to level flight when the control stick is centered.
 - e. Set the **Angle Limits** as desired for the first switch position. These values determine how far the aircraft will be allowed to pitch or bank.
 - f. Move the Flight Mode switch to the other positions, a setup screen for SAFE Mode and Angle Limits will appear for each mode. Set the SAFE Mode and Angle Limits as desired for every mode.
 - g. After all the Flight Modes are configured as desired for SAFE Modes and Angle Limits, press **Apply**.
 - h. Test fly the airplane to verify the configuration.
3. **Tuning SAFE Basics:**
 - a. Perform a control surface direction test, and AS3X+ reaction test. You can verify which modes have SAFE enabled by performing the AS3X+ test, starting at the level flight attitude.
 - AS3X+ reaction will move the control surfaces in response to rotational movement, and then return to center when the rotation stops.
 - SAFE (Self Leveling) will cause the control surfaces to stay deflected as long as the aircraft is banked or pitched.
 - b. Test fly the airplane to verify the configuration in every flight mode.
 - c. If the airplane oscillates, immediately slow it down and reduce gain. Take note of which flight mode you are in and which axis the aircraft oscillates around. You can increase or decrease the base gain values of each axis separately for each flight mode within the Forward Programming menu after landing.
 - d. Tune gain values for each axis within each flight mode.

Other Settings (Forward Programming)

System Setup

Select *Forward Programming* -> *Other Settings* ->

- a. **Failsafe:** Select each channel and assign it to Preset or Hold Last. When you select a different channel for Output, a new group of settings appears.
Capture Failsafe Positions: Hold the control sticks in the desired failsafe positions and select **Apply**.
 Channel selections must be individually set in *Forward Programming* to apply the preset positions or each channel will default to Hold Last. The value captured will be reflected in the position shown for each channel.
- b. **Initiate Receiver Bind Mode:** Gives you the option of putting the receiver into Bind mode from this menu.
- c. **Factory Reset:** Select this option to reset the receiver to factory defaults. All settings will be wiped with this selection.
- d. **Restore From Backup:** Select this option to restore the model file from the backup.
- e. **Save to Backup:** The AR631+ can store a second model setup file for backup. Use this option if you want to store the settings you have while you test setup changes.

SAFE (Self Leveling) Flying Tips

When flying in SAFE Self Leveling/Angle Demand mode, the aircraft will return to level flight any time the aileron and elevator controls are at neutral. Applying aileron or elevator control will cause the airplane to bank, climb or dive. The amount the stick is moved will determine the attitude the airplane flies. Holding full control will push the aircraft to the pre-determined bank and roll limits, but it will not go past those angles.

When flying with **Self Leveling/Angle Demand:**

- It is normal to hold the control stick deflected with moderate to full aileron input when flying through a turn.
- To fly smoothly, avoid making frequent control changes. Don't attempt to correct for minor deviations. Holding deliberate control inputs will command the aircraft to fly at a specific angle, and the model will make all corrections to maintain that flight attitude.
- You have the option to enable throttle to pitch angle demand. Throttle to pitch will make throttle dictate climb angle.
 - Full throttle will cause the aircraft to pitch up and climb slightly.
 - Mid throttle will keep the airplane flying level.
 - Low throttle will cause the airplane to descend slightly nose-down.

IMPORTANT: Return the elevator and aileron controls to neutral before switching from Self Leveling/Angle Demand mode to AS3X+ mode. If you do not neutralize controls when switching into AS3X+ mode, the control inputs used for Self Leveling/Angle Demand mode will be excessive for AS3X+ mode and the aircraft will react immediately.

Differences between Self Leveling/Angle Demand and AS3X modes

This section is generally accurate but does not take into account flight speed, battery charge status, and other limiting factors.

		Self Leveling Angle Demand	Envelope
Control Input	Control stick is neutralized	Aircraft will self level	Aircraft will continue to fly at its present attitude
	Holding a small amount of control	Aircraft will bank or pitch to a moderate angle and maintain the attitude	Aircraft will continue to pitch or roll slowly, and stop at the predetermined bank angle limits
	Holding full control	Aircraft will bank or pitch to the predetermined limits and maintain the attitude	Aircraft will continue to roll or pitch rapidly, and stop at the predetermined bank angle limits
	Throttle (Optional: Thr to Pitch)	Full throttle: Climb Mid throttle: Level flight Low throttle: Descend nose-down	Throttle will not affect flight response

		AS3X+
Control Input	Control stick is neutralized	Aircraft will continue to fly at its present attitude
	Holding a small amount of control	Aircraft will continue to pitch or roll slowly
	Holding full control	Aircraft will continue to roll or pitch rapidly
	Throttle (Optional: Thr to Pitch)	Throttle will not affect flight response

Channel Limitations

The AR631+ can use up to seven extra channels for AS3X+ and SAFE functions; one for Flight Mode selection, one for Panic Mode, and up to five for Gain. You may use any channel up to 20 that is not a control surface or throttle for these functions, and you do not need to use channels 5 and 6, keeping those channels and ports on the receiver open for normal servo operation. However, you may run into channel limitations depending on the number of channels on your transmitter and the number of channels you are using on the receiver.

TIP: If you are experiencing limitations because of channel count, here are a few options:

- You can operate the AR631+ without a channel assigned to Flight Mode, but you will only have access to AS3X+ options, not SAFE.
- You can set up one self-leveling mode to serve as Panic Mode so you don't need to dedicate a separate channel for Panic Mode.
- You can operate the AR631+ without a gain channel assigned, and just use fixed gain values throughout the configuration. To do this, first assign flight mode to a channel, then change all gain values to fixed for flight mode 1, then you can unassign the flight mode channel and it will remain in fixed.

Flight Log

Flight Log data can help you optimize the control link for your aircraft. Flight Log data is displayed on telemetry capable Spektrum transmitters.

Using the Flight Log

A - Fades on receiver

B - Not available on AR631+

L - Not available on AR631

R - Not available on AR631+

F - Frame losses

H - Holds

Fades

Represents the loss of one bit of information on one receiver. Fades are used to evaluate the performance of the receiver (Each individual receiver on a MultiLink receiver). If a fade value is showing higher than the others, inspect or reposition the receiver to optimize the RF link.

Frame Loss

A frame loss occurs when one complete data packet is missed. A single frame loss does not represent a loss of control, but frame losses should be monitored. In the air it is normal to experience as many as 100 frame losses per minute of flight. On the ground the number of frame losses will be higher because the signal is hampered by the dirt and moisture.

Hold

A hold occurs when 45 consecutive frame losses occur. This takes about one second, and in this event the receiver moves the channel outputs to the failsafe settings. If a hold ever occurs, it's important to re-evaluate the system and check every component. If your system displays a hold, diagnose the cause and resolve the issue before flying again.

It is normal to see a hold logged if you power OFF your transmitter and back ON.

IMPORTANT: The Spektrum Flight Log (SPM9540) is not compatible with the AR631+ receiver.

Range Testing

Before each flying session, and especially with a new model, it's important to perform a range check. All Spektrum aircraft transmitters incorporate a range testing system, which reduces the output power to allow a range check.

1. With the model resting on the ground, stand approximately 100 feet (30 meters) away from the model.
2. Face the model with the transmitter in your normal flying position and put your transmitter into range test mode.
3. You should have total control of the model in range test mode at 100 feet.
4. If you have control issues, review the flight log data to help reposition your receiver, and repeat the range test.
5. If control issues persist, call Horizon Product Support for further assistance.

Advanced Range Testing

A telemetry-equipped Spektrum Transmitter is required for the advanced range test. This test will confirm if the AR631+ is sufficient for your application. This advanced range check allows the RF performance of the receiver to be evaluated in different orientations to search for reflections or shadows affecting the control signal.

1. Stand approximately 100 feet away from the model.
2. Face the model with the transmitter in your normal flying position and put your transmitter into range test mode.
3. Have a helper position the model in various orientations (nose up, nose down, nose toward the transmitter, nose away from the transmitter, etc.).
4. Test every possible orientation the aircraft could encounter during flight for approximately one minute.
5. Observe the telemetry on your transmitter. Note any orientations that cause higher fades or frame loss values.
6. Reposition the receiver further away from conductive materials as necessary.
7. Retest to verify satisfactory results.
8. Repeat as necessary.

After one minute, advanced testing should yield:

H - 0 holds

F - Fewer than 10 frame losses

A - Fades will typically be fewer than 100

For sophisticated aircraft that contain significant amounts of conductive materials (e.g. turbine powered jets, scale aircraft with metalized finishes, aircraft with Large Li-Po batteries, aircraft with carbon fiber fuselages, etc.), we recommend a different Spektrum receiver with longer antennas and/or a receiver that supports remote receivers (MultiLink technology).

Hand Launch Assist (HLA) Setup

The following prerequisites are required for HLA setup:

- Complete the First Time Setup
- Complete the First Time SAFE Setup
- Configure a flight mode tuned with SAFE angle demand

Setup Procedure

1. With the receiver on and bound, enter **Forward Programming**.

2. In **Forward Programming**, go to *Gyro Settings > System Setup > Hand Launch Assist*.
3. Configure the parameters on this page as follows. Aside from the HLA flight mode, most defaults are typically a good starting point.
 - a. **HLA Flight Mode:** Assign a flight mode which has been configured and tuned with SAFE Angle Demand mode enabled. Having the highest SAFE gains as possible for this flight mode will yield the best results regarding the model properly achieving the desired climb angle as well as leveling itself from prop torque or poor launches.
 - b. **Threshold G's:** The default of 1.5 G's is a good starting point. If hand launching is not activating HLA properly, reduce this value. Increase this value if less sensitivity is desired. The max X axis G's value listed on the transmitter telemetry is a good way to gauge acceleration being reached on launch.
 - c. **Threshold Throttle:** Required throttle input % when launching the model to allow HLA to activate. Value should be the minimum throttle that is typically applied before hand launching the model.
 - d. **Duration (S):** Duration in seconds for HLA to remain active after hand launch is detected. 2 seconds is an adequate starting point to give the model time to climb and allow the pilot to put their hands back on the sticks.
 - e. **Pitch Offset:** Pitch up angle in degrees which will be applied when HLA is activated.
4. When the HLA configuration is done, go back to the *Gyro Settings* menu.
5. Enter the **F-Mode Setup** and select the **Next** page option.
6. The **Hand Launch Assist** option determines in which flight modes HLA is activated. Set this option to **Act** for any flight modes where hand launching may be desired.

Hand Launch Assist Testing and Operation

To use the hand launch assist, the following conditions must be met:

- The model must be freshly booted. HLA will always be ready after the first boot.
- Once the model has activated HLA during flight, it can return to a ready state if the following conditions are met:
 - Throttle is less than 5%
 - The model remains totally still for 2 seconds (the throttle must remain below 5% during this time)

Follow these steps to activate hand launch assist:

1. Set the flight mode to a flight mode with the HLA active.
2. Increase the throttle above the threshold throttle value entered in the HLA setup.
3. Launch the model.

If HLA activates properly, the model should autolevel on the roll axis and climb at the **Pitch Offset** angle for the configured **Duration**.

When this duration ends, the model should go back to normal operation of the currently selected flight mode.

If HLA does not activate, reduce the **Threshold G's** value in the HLA setup.

Glossary

Angle Limits: Only available in SAFE modes, these values define the limits for the bank and pitch angles.

AS3X+: Stabilization technology that dampens wind and turbulence. Designed to support advanced flyers, AS3X+ does not include self-leveling technology.

Brownout: If the receiver power supply drops below 3.5volts, the receiver will not have sufficient power for operation and the resulting loss of control is call a brownout. A brownout results from an inadequate power supply to the reciever, it is a failure outside of the receiver.

Flight Modes in Receiver: Determine what stabilization modes the aircraft operates in. All the associated stabilization features to tune the flight stabilization can be adjusted per Flight Mode in the receiver (Base Gain, Priority, Heading, etc).

Flight Modes in Transmitter: Manage rates, expo, voice/sound output, and other transmitter based configurations.

Forward Programming: Programming directly on the receiver from the transmitter. The receiver has all screens, menus and settings in its internal memory. The receiver is using the telemetry link to the transmitter for the interface, the screen and buttons.

Gain: Value given to the strength of the gyro response in relation to model movements due to external forces. The lower the value, the less the gyro responds. The higher the value the more the gyro responds. Increasing the value too high will cause oscillations in the given flight axis.

Gain Sensitivity: Multiplies the AS3X+ gain value, allowing a higher or lower gain range in case the initial 0 to 100% gain range isn't adequate for the model. Values available are 0.25x, 0.5x, 1x, 2x, and 4x.

Heading: An optional feature of AS3X+, heading will make the airplane try to hold its attitude when the control is relaxed. This is not a self-leveling feature, it only makes the aircraft track accurately.

High Thr to Pitch: This setting defines the angle the airplane will climb at when the throttle is raised above half. This is only available in Self Leveling modes.

Low Thr to Pitch: This setting defines the angle the airplane will descend at when the throttle is lowered below half. This is only available in Self Leveling modes.

Oscillation: Sometimes called a wag, this is a back and forth movement similar to a vibration that may appear like a wobble. It may occur around any axis, roll, pitch or yaw. It is most likely to occur on one axis, not all three.

Overshoot: When the stability system makes corrections it is a balancing act, if the response is too strong the system will go past where it should stop, this is called an overshoot.

Panic Mode: Sometimes called a bailout mode, Panic is a SAFE stabilization mode that can return an airplane to level flight from any attitude. It is usually assigned to a momentary button.

Priority: Causes a reduction in gain based on the user stick input. The more stick input applied, the less gain there is. This prevents AS3X+ from interfering with user inputs. Values range from 0 to 200, with the default value being 140.

SAFE Envelope: (Intermediate Mode) Stabilization technology that uses AS3X+ to deliver normal flight performance, but with limited bank and pitch angles to prevent the airplane from getting into extreme attitudes.

SAFE Self Level/Angle Demand: Stabilization technology that will make the airplane return to level flight when the control stick is centered.

SRXL2: A Bi-Directional data communication protocol that enables digital devices to communicate over a single signal wire.

Stop Lock Rate: Allows the user to tune the stop response of the model without the need to reduce gyro gains/performance. Low values reduce the stop induced by the gyro when re-centering the stick. Higher values increases the gyro's effect on stops. Too high of a value can cause bounces/oscillations when re-centering the stick, even with low gyro gains.

Stop Release Rate: Retains the gyro response/performance when quick minor stick inputs are made. Too low of a value can induce an expo effect as a stick input wont immediately reduce the gyro's effect. Too high of a value can cause the gain to go away quickly on a short/quick stick movement and increase overall delay on the model getting gains back when re-centering the stick from a quick movement.

Throttle Cut: Disables throttle function

Troubleshooting Guide AS3X

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Oscillation	Damaged propeller or spinner	Replace propeller or spinner
	Imbalanced propeller	Balance the propeller
	Motor vibration	Replace parts or correctly align propeller or other parts and tighten fasteners as needed
	Loose receiver	Align and secure receiver in fuselage
	Loose aircraft controls	Tighten or otherwise secure parts (servo, arm, linkage, horn and control surface)
	Worn parts	Replace worn parts (especially propeller, spinner, or servo)
	Irregular servo movement	Replace servo and/or servo extension(s)
	Gain too high	Reduce Gain
	Travel or Rates reduced causing reduced servo resolution	Move pushrod in on servo horn, or move pushrod out on control horn, and increase travel and/or rates. Use the full servo travel to achieve the desired throw.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Inconsistent flight performance	Trim changes after initial setup	If you adjust trim more than 8 clicks, select Relearn Servo Settings in the Forward Programming menu after landing
	Changes to Sub-Trim after initial setup	If you need to trim the aircraft during test flights, select Relearn Servo Settings in the Forward Programming menu after landing
	Aircraft was not kept immobile for 5 seconds after battery connection	With the throttle stick in lowest position. Disconnect battery, then reconnect battery and keep the aircraft still for 5 seconds.
Incorrect response to the AS3X Control Direction Test	Incorrect direction settings in the receiver, which can cause a crash	DO NOT fly. Correct the direction settings, then fly.

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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Aircraft will not respond to throttle but responds to other controls	Throttle not at idle and/or throttle trim too high	Reset controls with throttle stick and throttle trim at lowest setting
	Throttle servo travel is lower than 100%	Make sure throttle servo travel is 100% or greater
	Throttle channel is reversed	(With battery disconnected from aircraft) Reverse throttle channel on transmitter
	Motor disconnected from ESC	Make sure motor is connected to the ESC
Aircraft will not Bind (during binding) to transmitter	Transmitter too near aircraft during binding process	Move powered transmitter a few feet from aircraft, disconnect and reconnect flight battery to aircraft
	Aircraft or transmitter is too close to large metal object, wireless source or another transmitter	Move aircraft and transmitter to another location and attempt binding again
	The bind plug is not installed correctly in the bind port	Install bind plug in bind port and bind the aircraft to the transmitter
	Flight battery/transmitter battery charge is too low	Replace/recharge batteries
	Bind button not held long enough during bind process	Power off and repeat bind process.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Aircraft will not connect (after binding) to transmitter	Transmitter too near aircraft during connecting process	Move powered transmitter a few feet from aircraft, disconnect and reconnect flight battery to aircraft
	Aircraft or transmitter is too close to large metal object, wireless source or another transmitter	Move aircraft and transmitter to another location and attempt connecting again
	Bind plug left installed in bind port	Rebind transmitter to the aircraft and remove the bind plug before cycling power
	Aircraft bound to different model memory.	Select correct model memory on transmitter
	Flight battery/Transmitter battery charge is too low	Replace/recharge batteries
	Transmitter may have been bound to a different aircraft using different DSM protocol	Rebind aircraft to transmitter
Control surface does not move	Control surface, control horn, linkage or servo damage	Replace or repair damaged parts and adjust controls
	Wire damaged or connections loose	Perform a check of wires and connections, connect or replace as needed
	Transmitter is not bound correctly or the incorrect model was selected	Rebind or select correct airplanes in transmitter
	Flight battery charge is low	Fully recharge flight battery
	BEC (Battery Elimination Circuit) of the ESC is damaged	Replace ESC

Optional Accessories

Optional Accessories	
SPMA3065	USB Programming Cable

1-Year Limited Warranty

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Non-Warranty Service

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

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Warranty and Service Contact Information

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	Sales	websales@horizonhobby. com 800-338-4639	
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FCC Information

FCC ID: BRWSPMSR6200A

This product contains a radio transmitter with wireless technology which has been tested and found to be compliant with the applicable regulations governing a radio transmitter in the 2.400GHz to 2.4835GHz frequency range. When operating your Spektrum receiver, please be sure to maintain a separation distance of at least 20 cm between your body (excluding fingers, hands, wrists, ankles and feet) and the antenna to meet RF exposure safety requirements as determined by FCC regulations.

Supplier's Declaration of Conformity

Spektrum AR631+ AS3X+ and SAFE 6 CH Receiver (SPM-1031)

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



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

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by

turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

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

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IC Information

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IC: 6157A-SPMSR6200A

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Compliance Information for the European Union



EU Compliance Statement:

Spektrum AR631+ AS3X+ and SAFE 6 CH Receiver (SPM-1031);

Hereby, Horizon Hobby, LLC declares that the device is in compliance with the following: EU Radio Equipment Directive 2014/53/EU; RoHS 2 Directive 2011/65/EU; RoHS 3 Directive - Amending 2011/65/EU Annex II 2015/863.

A copy of the EU Declaration of Conformity is available online at: <http://www.horizonhobby.com/content/support-render-compliance>

Wireless Frequency Range and Wireless Output Power:

Frequency Band: 2402 - 2476 MHz

Max EIRP: 5.58dBm

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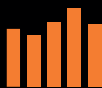
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