

# Eddie Riekenbaeker's SPAD S.XIII Quick-Start Guide (RTF & PTF)



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## **QUICK-START GUIDE**

# RTF

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This first half of the Quick Start Guide is written for the RTF (Ready to Fly) version of the SPAD S.XIII. A full instruction manual is available to download from www.ares-rc.com.

Carefully remove the transit tape and the foam retainers, then gently lift your SPAD S.XIII and the other components from the box.

Ensure you have the following parts:

- 100% Factory assembled SPAD S.XIII
- 4-channel transmitter with integral 100mA charger
- 70mAh 3.7V 1S Li-Po battery
- 4 x AA cells

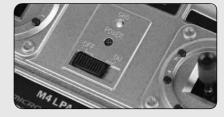
Remove the transmitter battery 2 cover and insert the four AA cells.

3 Open the hatch on the lower left corner of the transmitter. locate the charge lead and connect it to the 70mAh Li-Po, making sure to align the red dots.

With the battery correctly 4 connected the CHG (charge) light on the transmitter will glow solid yellow indicating that the LiPo is charging. Note that it is not necessary to switch the transmitter on to initiate charging.





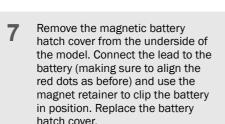




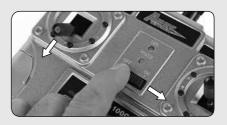
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A fully discharged battery will be charged in under an hour, at which point the yellow light will stop glowing. The battery is now ready to use and can be disconnected from the charge lead.

6 Pull the throttle stick back to its lowest point and switch ON the transmitter.







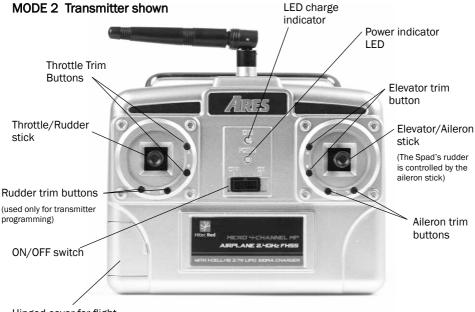


8 Having plugged in the Li-Po the rudder and elevator control surfaces will move, indicating that the 3-in-1 control unit has initialized and that the motor is armed. Raising the throttle stick will now start the motor. In the unlikely event that the initialization process fails, please see the pairing instructions that follow these steps.



You should now check the control surfaces, as detailed overleaf, noting that instructions for servo reversing are available in the full online instruction manual at www.ares-rc.com. On this 3 channel airplane the rudder function is controlled by the aileron stick on the transmitter.

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Hinged cover for flight battery charge cord

> 9 With the model in front of you, facing away, move the aileron stick to the left and check that the rudder moves left in response. Right aileron stick will move the rudder to the right.



**10** Pull the elevator stick back and check that the elevator moves in an upward direction. Push the elevator stick forward and check that the elevator moves in a downward direction.



11 With the propeller clear of obstructions and the model restrained, open the throttle slowly and check that it turns in an anticlockwise direction when viewed from the front.



# **12** Check that the elevator and rudder are centered and adjust as necessary using the transmitter's trim buttons.



**13** Your SPAD S.XIII is now ready to fly. Choose a flat-calm day for the first flight or use a suitable indoor venue (a sports hall is ideal) that's free of obstructions. Note that it's not necessary to fly the SPAD at full throttle, indeed scale flight and extended duration are performed at much lower throttle settings. We hope you have many enjoyable flights with with your model.



# **Transmitter Pairing**

Having followed Steps 1 to 8, in the unlikely event that your SPAD does not operate please follow the 3 stage pairing process detailed here:

Switch the transmitter ON and connect the flight battery as detailed in Step 7.



- 2 Simultaneously press the two throttle trim buttons. The transmitter will emit a series of beeps/tones indicating that it has entered pairing mode. Release the buttons.
- 3 The pairing process is complete when the servos (and the rudder/ elevator) move back and forth briefly and the transmitter stops emitting the beeps/tones. You should now have full control of the airplane. Return to Step 9 to complete the set-up of your model.





## QUICK-START GUIDE

# PTF

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This half of the Quick Start Guide is written for the PTF (Pair to Fly) version of the SPAD S.XIII. A full instruction manual is available to download from www.ares-rc.com.

- Carefully remove the transit tape and the foam retainers, gently lift the components from the box and ensure you have the following:
  - 100% Factory assembled SPAD S.XIII
  - 70mAh 3.7V 1S Li-Po battery
  - USB charger



2 Plug the supplied USB charger into a suitable port noting that the LED on the charger will flash red when connected.



Connect the battery to the charge lead making sure to align the red dots. Note that the flashing LED will now glow solid bright red. Note that a discharged battery will be charged in 30 to 50 minutes and can be seen to be fully charged when the red LED dims significantly. When this happens the battery is ready to use and can be diacompared from the observed.



and can be disconnected from the charge lead.

4 Pair your chosen Hitec air transmitter to the SPAD's 3-in-1 control unit. Start by following the pair/binding instructions supplied with your Hitec air transmitter making sure to select the Minima receiver option when prompted. Having put your transmitter into



pair/bind mode, connect the battery to your SPAD to power it ON. Pairing will now commence, the process being complete when the rudder and elevator move back and forth briefly. Follow your transmitter's instruction manual for guidance on exiting the pairing process.

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With the model in front of you, facing away, move the aileron rudder stick to the left and check that the rudder moves left in response. Right aileron stick will move the rudder to the right.



Mode 2 Transmitter Shown

6 Pull the elevator stick back and check that the elevator moves in an upward direction. Push the elevator stick forward and check that the elevator moves in a downward direction.



Mode 2 Transmitter Shown

7 With the propeller clear of obstructions and the model restrained, open the throttle slowly and check that it turns in an anticlockwise direction when viewed from the front.



8 Check that the elevator and rudder are centered and adjust as necessary using the trim buttons or the subtrim function on your computer radio.



9 Your SPAD is now ready to fly. Choose a flat-calm day for the first flight or use a suitable indoor venue (a sports hall is ideal) that's free of obstructions. Note that it's not necessary to fly the SPAD at full throttle, indeed scale flight and extended duration are possible at much lower throttle settings. We



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#### PARTS LIST

- AZS1509 Motor with Pinion Gear
- AZS1511 Gearbox with Shaft
- AZS1512 Propeller Shaft with Gear
- AZSB1803 70mAh 1-Cell / 1S 3.7V 10C LiPo Battery, Ultra-Micro Connector
- AZSA1806 3-Channel, 3-in-1 Control Unit; Rx / 2 Servo / ESC
- AZSA1838 Hitec Red 4-Ch Tx with 100mA Charger
- AZSA3202 Wing Set with Decals
- AZSA3203 Tail Set with Decals
- AZSA3204 Fuselage with Decals
- AZSA3205 Main Landing Gear Set
- AZSA3206 Pushrod Set
- AZSA3207 Wing Strut Set
- AZSA3208 Decal Set
- AZSA3209 4.7 x 2.75 (120 x 70mm) Micro Scale Propeller with Logo