DX450

Ready to Run 1/5-Scale Brushless EP Motorcycle

DURATRAX
INCLUDED TOOLS

- 2mm Wrench
- Cleaning Brush

REQUIRED TOOLS

- Needle Nose Pliers
  - DTXR0300
- Phillips Screwdriver
  - DTXR0124
- Flat Blade Screwdriver
  - DTXR0102
- Hex Wrenches
  - DTXR0288 (1.5mm)
  - DTXR0291 (3mm)
- Threadlocker
  - DTXR0288

ITEMS REQUIRED FOR OPERATION

- 6-Cell Battery
  - DTXC2054
- Onyx™ 200 Peak Charger
  - DTXP4200
- Charge Adapter
  - DTXC2209
- 4xAA batteries
SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

When these safety precautions are followed, the DX450 will provide years of enjoyment. Use care and good sense at all times when operating this radio controlled motorcycle. Failure to use this vehicle in a safe, sensible manner can result in injury or damage to property. You and you alone must ensure that the instructions are carefully followed and all safety precautions are obeyed.

- Do not operate the DX450 near people. Spectators should be behind the driver or at a safe distance away from the bike.
- Make sure to read the instructions included with the battery and charger before charging the battery.
- Do not leave any charger unattended during charging. If the battery or charger become hot at any time, disconnect the battery from the charger immediately! Failure to do so may cause permanent damage to the charger and battery and may cause bodily harm or property damage.
- Do not cover the air intake holes on the charger during charging. This may cause the charger to overheat.
- Do not allow the electronic speed control (ESC) or other radio equipment to come into contact with moisture. Water can cause electronics to short out and can cause permanent damage.
- Always turn on the transmitter before turning on the ESC.
- Always turn off the ESC before turning off the transmitter.
- Allow the motor and ESC to cool before each run.

SPECIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION CHANGES

All pictures, descriptions and specifications found in this instruction manual are subject to change without notice. DuraTrax maintains no responsibility for inadvertent errors in this manual. Visit duratrax.com for the latest updates and information for your model.

HELPFUL HINTS

- Avoid working over a deep pile carpet. If you drop a small part or screw, it may be difficult to find.
- Place a mat or towel over your work area. This will prevent parts from rolling off and protect the work surface.
- Avoid running the motorcycle in cold weather. The plastic and metal parts can become brittle at low temperatures. In addition, grease and oil become thick, causing premature wear and poor performance.
- Test fit all parts before attaching them permanently.

STRESS-TECH™ PARTS GUARANTEE

We have engineered the DX450 to take the rough and tumble abuse that makes R/C fun. We are so confident of the quality and durability of the Stress-Tech plastic parts that we will replace any Stress-Tech plastic part you break during the first 12 months you own the motorcycle. Just send the part to us and we will send you a FREE replacement. Please see the parts list for the items covered under the Stress-Tech guarantee.

To receive your free replacement part please send the following to the Hobby Services address listed under the warranty.

- 1. The broken part must be included.
- 2. The part number and description of the broken part.
- 3. Copy of the dated invoice or purchase receipt.
- 4. Your name, phone number and shipping address.

WARRANTY

- DuraTrax® guarantees this kit to be free from defects in both material and workmanship at the date of purchase. DuraTrax will warranty this kit for 90 days after the purchase date. DuraTrax will repair or replace, at no charge, the incorrectly made part.
- Make sure you save the receipt or invoice you were given when you bought your model! It is your proof of purchase and we must see it before we can honor the warranty. Further, DuraTrax reserves the right to change or modify this warranty without notice.
- In that DuraTrax has no control over the final user assembly or material used for final user assembly, no liability shall be assumed nor accepted for any damage resulting from the use by the user of the final user-assembled product. By the act of using the user-assembled product, the user accepts all resulting liability.

To return your DX450 for repairs covered under warranty, you should send your motorcycle to:

Hobby Services
3002 N. Apollo Drive Suite 1
Champaign, Illinois 61822
Attn: Service Department
Phone: (217) 398-0007
9:00 am–5:00 pm Central Time M-F
E-mail: hobbyservices@hobbico.com

If you are not prepared to accept the liability associated with the use of this product, you are advised to return this kit immediately in new and unused condition to the place of purchase.

REPAIR SERVICE

Repair service is available anytime.

- After the 90 day warranty, you can still have your DX450 repaired for a small charge by the experts at DuraTrax’s authorized repair facility, Hobby Services.
- To speed up the repair process, please follow the instructions listed below.

1. Under most circumstances return the ENTIRE vehicle. The exception would be sending in a Stress-Tech part. See the instruction under the Stress-Tech Guarantee.
2. Make sure the transmitter is turned off, and all of the batteries are removed.
3. Send written instructions which include: a list of all items returned, a THOROUGH explanation of the problem, the service needed and your phone number during the day. If you expect the repair to be covered under warranty, be sure to include a proof of date of purchase (your store receipt or purchase invoice).
TRANSMITTER PREPARATION

• Slide off the battery tray door and install four “AA” batteries. Make sure the polarity is correct.

• Raise the antenna at the top of the transmitter.

• Turn on the transmitter and check the battery light. If the red light glows steadily, the batteries have enough voltage. If the red light blinks, the batteries are low and should be replaced.

• The receiver should be factory bound to the transmitter. However, if you ever need to bind, follow these steps:
  1. Turn on the transmitter.
  2. Turn on the receiver via the switch on the ESC. If the receiver is not bound, the LED light will not be on.
  3. Push and hold the bind button on the receiver until the light glows red.
  4. Release the bind button.
  5. If the binding is successful, the LED will flash once and then remain ON.

STABILIZER BAR INSTALLATION

1. Slide the metal collar onto the stabilizer bar.

2. Make sure the collar is mounted on the center of the bar and tighten the set screw.

3. Bend the rod and insert the ends into the bike.

4. Secure the bar to the bike using set screws.

ASSEMBLE THE BIKE STAND

3x8mm BH Screws

4x4mm Set Screw (use threadlock)

3x3mm Set Screw (use threadlock)
Note: Rider assembly requires a screw, washer and nut in all locations. Insert screw through both halves from the outside. Install the washer and nut from the inside.

Note: Assemble the rider figure in the correct order.

Position chestplate “inside” the rider.
**BATTERY INSTALLATION**

- Remove the body clips from the battery door posts and open the door.
- With the ESC "off", plug the battery into the ESC lead.
- Tuck the battery/ESC leads into the pocket in the battery holder.
- Install the battery into the battery holder, close the battery door and secure it in place with the body clips.

**STEERING SETUP**

The Dirt Bike comes with a CG Steering System (counter-steering) where the direction between the transmitter steering wheel and the Dirt Bike's front wheel are opposite.
IMPORTANT OPERATION NOTES

The best place to operate your dirt bike is on an parking lot, baseball diamond or at your local R/C track. For better stability, be sure to get the gyro spinning before launching the dirt bike.

- Always turn the transmitter on BEFORE the cycle. Always turn the cycle off before the transmitter.
- Hold the cycle in the air and hold the transmitter at full throttle for 3 seconds. This spools up the gyro, making the cycle more stable at low speeds.
- Place the cycle into the stand or gently roll the bike forward and drive.
- Start off driving in large, figure-8 patterns to learn how to steer the cycle. Go slow in the turns until you get used to the way the cycle handles.
- Use smooth throttle input while learning to drive. This will make the cycle more controllable.

To start a right turn, gently turn the transmitter to the right. The bike will lean to the right.

If the stabilizer bar touches the ground, the bike will not turn well. Return the transmitter wheel to neutral to lift the bike and improve turning.

When you want to go straight again, turn the transmitter wheel in the opposite direction of the turn.

STABILIZER BAR ADJUSTMENT

Longer stabilizer bars (250mm) are better for beginners and for off-road. Shorter stabilizers (200mm) will give you more steering.
**ADJUSTABLE GYRO**

The weight can be adjusted by adding or removing weights in the flywheel:
- More weight gives more stability.
- Less weight gives more response and more power.

**IMPORTANT!** The weights must be evenly distributed to keep the gyro balanced.

**SHOCK OIL**

- You can adjust the dampening of the DX450 by using different weight shock oil in the rear shock.

  - Thinner oil ➡️ Softer Dampening
  - Thicker oil ➡️ Stiffer Dampening

**DX450 MAINTENANCE**

- Use the included cleaning brush to clean the drive chain of any dirt or debris. After cleaning the chain, re-oil it to prevent rusting.

- Check all of the screws to make sure they are all properly tightened. Replace any screws that have fallen out during running.

- Check for any broken or missing parts so they can be replaced before the next use.

- Check for damage or wear on the gears.

- Periodically check that the rear oil shock is full of oil.
The following section is provided to help you with maintenance and repairs to your DX450. Pay extra attention to the notes and tips for proper assembly.

1. Note: The direction of the one-way bearing.
   - 3x8mm FH Screws

2. 6x13mm Ball Bearing
   - 2.5x8mm FH Screws

3. 5mm E-clip
   - 6x10mm Ball Bearings
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Note the direction of the clutch shoes.

IMPORTANT! The gyro weights must always be evenly distributed in the gyro to keep it balanced.

3x6mm FH Screws (use threadlock)

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5mm E-clip

6x13mm Ball Bearing

6x9mm Metal Bushing

3x6mm BH Screws
NOTE: Make sure the left and right are the same.

Keep chain clean & oiled!

NOTE: Make sure the left and right chain adjustment are the same.
12mm SHC Screw (use threadlock)

8mm O-Ring

4x12mm SHC Screw (use threadlock)

3x12mm SHC Screw (use threadlock)

3x6mm BH Screws

3mm Nut (use threadlock)

5x10mm Ball Bearing

4mm E-clip

2mm O-Ring

5x10mm Ball Bearing

4mm E-clip
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- 4mm Locknuts
- 4x12mm SHC Screw (use threadlock)
- 6x13mm Ball Bearing
- 6x13mm Ball Bearing
- 4x25mm SHC Screws

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- 4x12mm SHC Screw (use threadlock)
- 4x10mm Washer
- 3x6mm BH Screws

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- 4mm Locknuts
- 3x12mm BH Screws
- 3x8mm Washers
- 4x25mm SHC Screws

*Note the orientation of the servo.*

**NOTE:** Do not overtighten!
Remove 3 arms.

3x6mm BH Screws

3x8mm BH Screws

3x10mm BH Screw

3x8mm BH Screw

3x16mm Set Screw
(use threadlock)

3x8mm BH Screw
(use threadlock)

3x16mm Set Screw
(use threadlock)

3x8mm BH Screw
(use threadlock)

3x8mm BH Screws
(use threadlock)

2.5x12mm BH Screw

3x3mm Set Screw
(use threadlock)

2.5mm Locknut

Screw included with servo.

Approximately 27°
Fill the shock body with shock oil. Work the shock shaft up and down in the shock.

Install the shock cap. Push the shock shaft to the top of the shock body. Slowly tighten the shock cap. Wipe off any excess oil.
**3x20mm Screws**

**3x8mm Screws**

**3x16mm Set Screws (use threadlock)**

**3x8mm BH Screws**

**3x10mm BH Screw**

**3x8mm BH Screws**

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**5mm E-clip**

**2x12mm Pin**

**Double-sided Tape**

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**ESC**

**Receiver**
3x8mm BH Screws (use threadlock)

Motor

ESC

Red (+) Black (–) Blue

Red (+) Black (–) Blue

3x3mm Set Screw (use threadlock)

Tightly the screw with one sheet of paper inserted between both gears.

3x8mm Washers

Use threadlock

3x8mm BH Screws (use threadlock)

3x8mm Washer

Use threadlock

3x8mm BH Screw

3x8mm Washer

Use threadlock

3x8mm BH Screw

3x8mm Washer
NOTE: Make sure the collar is mounted in the center of the rod.

3x12mm BH Screw
(Do NOT overtighten!)

2.5x20mm BH Screw

3mm Nut

2.5x20mm BH Screw

3x8mm BH Screws

3x8mm Washer

3x8mm BH Screws

3x8mm Washers

4x4mm Set Screw
(use threadlock)

3x3mm Set Screw
(use threadlock)

4x4mm Set Screw
(use threadlock)

3x8mm BH Screws

4x4mm Set Screw
(use threadlock)
OTHER ITEMS AVAILABLE

DuraTrax 1/18 Vendetta SC RTR
DTXD17**

duratrace.com

DuraTrax Evader EXT EP ST RTR
DTXD29**

duratrace.com

Heli-Max Novus CX 2.4GHz
Nano Sized Coaxial RTF Heli
HMXE0803

helimax-rc.com