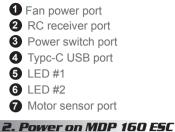




# Quick Installation Guide

### 1. MDP 160 Physical Diagram





battery is plugged in. It will then power off when the battery is unplugged.

#### 3. Throttle/ Radio Calibration

a. Power on your transmitter with the ESC off.



- **b**. Hold FULL BRAKE on your transmitter while powering on the ESC. You will get a confirmation tone. You will see a solid RED on LED #1 with flashing ORANGE LED #2. (The flashing ORANGE LED means the ESC is capturing the FULL BRAKE position)
- *c*. When the ORANGE LED turns solid, you will get a second confirmation tone. The LED #2 will begin flashing BLUE. Apply FULL THROTTLE now. (The flashing BLUE LED #2 means the ESC is capturing the FULL THROTTLE position)
- *d*. When the BLUE LED turns off with a third confirmation tone, release the throttle to neutral position. The ESC is now capturing the neutral position. **e**. You will get a power-on tone to confirm the calibration process is complete.

\*\*A complete radio calibration video could be found from Maclan Racing web site and its YouTube channel. Visit the web site to view the complete process.

#### 4. Programming MDP 160 ESC

There are some options to program your Maclan MDP 160 ESC.

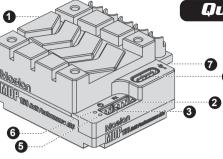
- 1. You can connect the MDP 160 ESC to Maclan ProLink (sold separately) via the USB port with a Maclan P/N MCL4188 cable.
- 2. You can connect MDP 160 ESC to a MS Windows 10 PC via its Type-C USB port to change settings with a Maclan P/N MCL4240 cable. You will need to download the latest Maclan Panel PC software from Maclan Racing web site.
- 3. You can connect MDP 160 ESC to an Android phone (Android OS version 5.0 or later) via its USB port with a Maclan P/N MCL4188 cable to change settings and view data log by Maclan Smart Link app.
- 4. You can connect MDP 160 ESC to an Android phone (Android OS version 5.0 or later) or an Apple iPhone (iOS 13 or later) via a Maclan Wireless Link device (sold separately, P/N MCL4220) to change settings and view data log by Maclan Smart Link app.

#### 5. Firmware update

- 6. Download the latest Maclan Panel software for Windows 10 from Maclan-Racing.com
- 7. Power on the ESC with battery, connect the MDP 160 ESC to a Windows 10 PC via its USB port with a Maclan P/N MCL4240 cable.
- 8. Run the Maclan Panel software and follow the instruction on the screen to update firmware.

#### 6. LED Indicators

|                                 | LED 1 | LED 2         | Actions   |
|---------------------------------|-------|---------------|---|
|                                 |       | D             |   |
| Power on & no receiver signal   | Red   | Blue          | LED 1 & 2 flash every sec simotaniously                                 |
| Power on & ROAR blinky mode     | Red   | Blue & Orange | LED 1 (solid) + LED 2 (alternating blue & orange)                       |
| Power on & race open mode       | Red   | Blue          | LED 1 (solid red) + LED 2 (solid blue)                                  |
| Power on & vehicle runs forward | Red   | Blue          | LED 1 (solid Red) + LED 2 flashes blue rapidly to solid (full throttle) |
| Power on & vehicle brakes       | Red   | Orange        | LED 1 (solid Red) + LED 2 flashes orange rapidly to solid (full brake)  |
| Low voltage cut off             | Red   | Blue          | LED 1 & 2 flash every sec alternatly with motor beeping                 |
| ESC temperature cut off         | Red   | Orange        | LED 1 & 2 flash twice every sec alternatly with motor beeping           |
| Motor temperature cut off       | Red   | Orange        | LED 1 & 2 flash 3 times every sec alternatly with motor beeping         |





User Manual

MDP 160 DRIFT FSF

#### 1. Introduction

It is purposely designed for 1/10th scale drift applications. The MDP 160 sensored Electronic Speed Controller is the ultimate in engineering design from Maclan Racing. Our commitment to quality and exhaustive track testing ensures that the MDP ESC gives you the smoothest power band and reliable performance in the most demanding R/C conditions.

#### Please read the following instructions carefully before installing your new MDP system.

#### 2. Precautions

- Please make sure to connect/solder motor wires in correct A/B/C sequence in between ESC and motor. Incorrect sequence will damage ESC permanently.
- MDP 160 ESC is a high-end racing product that offers many tuning parameters. If you are not well versed in ESC setup, we have numerous factory default profiles to get you started. If you need help with detailed settings, please contact Maclan directly online for assistance.
- MDP 160 ESC allows control of turbo timing set up in the ESC. However, it must to use with correct gearing and motor KV. Any ESC damage caused from excessive boost will not be covered under warranty. This method of tuning the ESC should be done with EXTREME caution and a good knowledge of boost profiles.
- Never "free rev" and "brake" the motor and ESC system with no load. It can cause extreme spikes that can damage both the motor and ESC, and moreover, will void the factory warranty.
- Do not connect reversed voltage. This will damage the ESC and void the factory warranty.
- Do not leave batteries plugged into the ESC when not in use. This will prevent short circuits and over discharging of the battery.
- Always monitor both the ESC and motor temperature after running them. Temperature should never exceed 180 degrees Fahrenheit.

#### 3. Features

- High performance 32-bit CPU for high speed and accurate processing.
- All new design firmware algorithms for the ultimate throttle and brake performance for drift applications.
- On board Type-C USB host for the ease of connectivity and unlimited extensibility.
- Dual 'power-on' options for ease of operation. (can be controlled by a switch or direct to battery)
- · All aluminum structure with omnidirectional heatsink for maximum airflow and optimum cooling performance.
- All detachable connectors with several optional length cables.
- · Adjustable throttle and brake PWM frequency for fine tuning.
- All new motor rev limit function.
- Motor/ESC temperature and low voltage protection.
- Android and iOS (Require a Bluetooth Link, sold separately) app for programming, data logging, and firmware
  updating.

## 4. Specifications

Scale: 1/10th Brushless Sensored/Sensorless ESC Continuous Current: 160A Peak Current: 800A Power input: 2S Li-Po BEC output: 6V to 7.4V, 4A Pre-soldered Wires: Black-13AWG-200mm\*5 Cooling Fan: 30x30x10mm Motor: Brushless Sensored Motor Dimension: 38x30x19mm (without cooling fan) Net Weight: 45g (without wires and cooling fan)

#### 5. MDP 160 ESC Programming Parameters

|                        | Parameters            | Values   |
|------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| General<br>Settings    | SBEC Voltage          | 6.0V to 7.4V   |
|                        | Forward Power         | 50% to 100%  |
|                        | Reverse Power         | 25% to 100%  |
|                        | Motor Rotation        | Normal/ Reverse  |
|                        | Reverse Mode          | No Reverse/ Stop Then Reverse/ Double Tap Then Reverse               |
|                        | Phase A/C Swap        | Disable/ Enable  |
| Protection<br>Settings | Battery Cut Off       | Disable/ 3.0V to 7.4V  |
|                        | Motor Temperature Cut | Disable/ 160 degrees F (71 degress C) to 220 degrees (104 degrees C) |
|                        | ESC Temperature Cut   | Disable/ 160 degrees F (71 degress C) to 220 degrees (104 degrees C) |
| Brake Setting          | Brake Strength        | 0% (disable) to 100%   |
|                        | Brake PWM             | 600Hz to 12KHz   |
|                        | Brake Curve           | 100% ~ 10% / Linear / -10% ~ -100%                                   |
|                        | Drag Brake            | 0% to 50%  |

| Throttle<br>Setting            | Throttle PWM          | 6.4KHz to 56KHz                           |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                | Throttle Punch        | 1% to 150%                                |
|                                | Throttle Curve        | 100% ~ 10% / Linear / -10% ~ -100%        |
|                                | Throttle Smooth Range | 1% to 75%                                 |
|                                | Throttle Smooth Value | Disable, Level 1 to 10                    |
|                                | Dead Band             | 1%~10%                                    |
| Advanced<br>Timing<br>Settings | Acceleration Boost    | 0 to 60 Degrees (1 degree incremental)    |
|                                | Boost Start RPM       | 500 to 30000 RPM (500 RPM incremental)    |
|                                | Boost Finish RPM      | 500 to 50000 RPM (500 RPM incremental)    |
|                                | Turbo Position        | 70 to 100% Throttle Position              |
|                                | Top Speed Turbo       | 0 to 60 Degrees (1 degree incremental)    |
|                                | Up Slew Rate          | 2 to 23 Degrees/0.1sec                    |
| Rev Limit<br>Effect            | Rev Limit             | Disable/ Enable                           |
|                                | Rev Limit Trigger     | 10000 to 127500 RPM (500 RPM incremental) |
|                                | Rev Limit Value       | 50 to 100%                                |
|                                | Rev Limit Sensitivity | 0.05 to 0.5 sec (0.01 sec incremental)    |

### Parameter 1: SBEC Voltage

Options are from 6.0V to 7.4V in 0.1V increments.

A higher voltage will make servos react faster at the expense of a shorter life span. However, do not set SBEC Voltage above the servo manufacturer's recommended voltage.

#### Parameter 2: Forward Power

Options are from 50% to 100% in 1% Increments. This setting allows you to limit the forward power.

#### Parameter 3: Reverse Power

Options are from 25% to 100% in 1% increments. This setting allows you to limit the reverse power.

#### Parameter 4: Motor Rotation

Options are normal and reverse.

This allows for the changing of motor rotation for some specific chassis that require to run a reversed motor rotation.

#### Parameter 5: Reverse Mode

Options are no reverse, stop then reverse, and double tap then reverse.

The stop then reverse requires the motor to a complete stop for one second then the ESC will engage reverse power. The double tap then reverse option requires double tapping brake then the ESC will engage reverse power.

#### Parameter 6: Phase A/C Swap

Options are disable and enable.

When this parameter is set to disable, the motor wiring is normal. The ESC A/B/C phases connect to motor A/B/C tabs. When this parameter is set to enable, the ESC allows phase A and C to swap for user's wiring needs.

Note: incorrect setup and wiring will cause ESC damage. Please ensure this setting and the actual ESC and motor wiring matches to avoid damage.

### Parameter 7: Battery Cut Off

Options are Disable, 3.0V~7.4V

This parameter monitors the Li-Po pack voltage. If the voltage drops to the setup value, the ESC will reduce the power output to the motor to avoid battery damage.

#### Parameter 8: Motor Temperature Cut

Options are Disable/ 160 degrees F (71 degrees C) to 230 degrees (110 degrees C).

This parameter displays both Fahrenheit and Celsius (°F and °C) for easier reading. When the motor reaches the setup temperature value, the ESC will reduce the power output to the motor to 30% to avoid overheat damage.

Note: This temperature is read from the sensor unit circuit inside the motor can. There can be discrepancies between the temperature that you capture on the outside of the motor can and what the sensor board is indicating.

### Parameter 9: ESC Temperature Cut

Options are Disable/ 160 degrees F (71 degrees C) to 230 degrees (110 degrees C).

This parameter displays both Fahrenheit and Celsius ( $^{\circ}F$  and  $^{\circ}C$ ) for easier reading. When the ESC reaches the setup temperature value, the ESC will reduce the power output to the motor to 30% to avoid overheat damage.

Note: This temperature is read from the CPU temperature sensor. It may be different from the temperature that you capture from the ESC heat sink.

### Parameter 10: Brake Strength

Options are 0% (Disabled) to 100%, in 1% increments. A lower Brake Strength percentage will have less powerful brakes, while a higher percentage will have stronger brakes.

### Parameter 11: Brake PWM

Options are 600Hz to 12KHz

PWM stands for Pulse Width Modulation and is rated in Hertz, meaning cycles per second. A lower frequency will have a more aggressive braking feel. A higher frequency results in smoother braking, is more precise, and increases the ESC temperature.

#### Parameter 12: Brake Curve

Options are 100% ~ 10% / Linear / -10% ~ -100%.

A negative % Brake Curve will have a softer brake feel at the beginning of the brakes being engaged and get more aggressive as the brake is fully engaged. A linear Brake Curve will be uniform throughout the whole brake range. A positive % Brake Curve has strong brakes initially and then becomes softer.

### Parameter 13: Drag Brake

Options are 0 (disable) to 100% in 1% increments. This function will provide a drag force when the throttle is released to the neutral position.

### Parameter 14: Throttle PWM

Options are 6.4KHz to 56KHz

PWM stands for Pulse Width Modulation and is rated in Hertz, meaning cycles per second. A lower frequency will have a more aggressive throttle feel and have less motor RPM. A higher frequency results in smoother throttle, is more precise, produces more motor RPM, but will increase ESC temperatures.

### Parameter 15: Throttle Punch

Options are 1% to 150% in 1% increments.

A lower Throttle Punch percentage will have a slower throttle response and feel softer initially. A higher Throttle Punch percentage will have a faster throttle response.

## Parameter 16: Throttle Curve

Options are 100% ~ 10% / Linear / -10% ~ -100%.

A negative % Throttle Curve will have a softer throttle feel at the beginning of the throttle being engaged and get more aggressive as it is fully engaged. A linear Throttle Curve will be uniform throughout the whole throttle range. A positive % Throttle Curve has strong throttle initially and then becomes softer.

### Parameter 17: Throttle Smooth Range

Options are 1 % to 75%

This parameter defines the effective range of the Throttle Smooth System. If it is set at 30%, the Throttle Smooth System will work at the first 30% of throttle range. The entire throttle will be remapping according to the setup.

### Parameter 18: Throttle Smooth Value

Options are Level 1 to 1 0

This parameter defines how much smoothen effect the system applies in the setup Throttle Smooth Range. The higher value will have smoother effect.

#### Parameter 19: Dead Band

Options are 1% to 10% in 1% increments

This is the amount of "play" when the throttle is engaged. A setting of lower % will make the throttle engage more instantaneously, while higher % would require more trigger movement.

## Parameter 20: Acceleration Boost

Options are 0 (Disable) to 60 degrees in 1-degree increments.

This sets the maximum advanced boost timing at the time the motor reaches the user's selected Finish RPM.

### Parameter 21: Boost Start RPM

Options are 500 to 30000 RPM in 500 RPM increments. This sets the start RPM that acceleration timing engages. This parameter should be based on the motor KV and the track condition.

### Parameter 22: Boost Finish RPM

Options are 500 to 50000 RPM in 500 RPM increments. This sets the start RPM that acceleration timing finishes.

#### Parameter 23: Turbo Position

Options are 70% to 100% in 1 % increments.

This sets when the Turbo Timing would kick in. It defines by the throttle position. The lower value will kick in sooner. It can affect the smoothness of the power and increase the temperature of ESC and motor.

### Parameter 24: Top Speed Turbo

Options are 0 (Disable) to 60 degrees in 1-degree increments. This sets the maximum advanced timing at the time of full throttle. It often is utilized on long straightaways to reach higher top speed.

### Parameter 25: Up Slew Rate

Options are 2 to 23 degrees/ 0.1 sec This sets how fast the ESC reaches the maximum advanced top speed timing. The larger number will have more aggressive top speed acceleration.

### Parameter 26: Rev Limit

Options are disable and enable This sets the RPM rev limit disable or enable.

### Parameter 27: Rev Limit Trigger

Options are 10000 to 127500 RPM in 500 RPM increments. This sets the rev limit trigger point. For example, if it was set to 50000 RPM, the ESC will top the RPM at 50000 RPM.

# Parameter 28: Rev Limit Value

Options are 50% to 100% in 1% increments.

This parameter is designed to mimic the rev limiter noise of a combustion engine. This value defines how much throttle would fall back when the rev limit RPM kicks in. For example, when Rev Limit is set to 50000 RPM with Rev Limit Value is set to 80%, the ESC will reach to top 50000 RPM then drop 20% throttle for the period that Rev Limit Sensitivity is set to.

# Parameter 29: Rev Limit Sensitivity

Options are 0.05 to 0.5 sec in 0.01 sec incremental

This sets how long the Rev Limit Value effect plays.

#### 6. Factory Profiles

The MDP 160 ESC provides 6 profiles. They are 10.5T Pro, 10.5T Expert, and 13.5T along with 3 reserve custom profiles. You can select a corresponding profile for your application. You can also reload factory default settings for each profile via the mobile app or Windows Panel software. You can also fine tune all parameters in each profile to meet your needs.

#### 7. Data Logging

The MDP 160 data logging function records major system info in the CPU memory. That includes throttle/ brake position, motor RPM, ESC and motor temperature. The ESC memory can record a total of 12 minutes of data (subject to change due to software management without notice). When viewing data through the Maclan ProLink or the Maclan Panel Windows software, it will show you the maximum and minimum of all values. When viewing data through the mobile Smart Link App, you will receive much more detailed information broken down into sessions.

#### 8. Service & Warranty

Your Maclan MDP 160 ESC is guaranteed to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of 30 days. It is counted by the date of purchase. Your **original receipt** showing the item and the date and place of purchase is required with your warranty service application. An ESC that is found to have been mishandled, abused or used incorrectly, including use in an application other than that for which the ESC is intended, will not be covered under the warranty. Maclan Racing has no control over the use of the ESC application with other electronic devices such as motors and batteries. Maclan Racing is not liable for any loss or damage, whether direct or indirect, incidental, or consequential, or any situation from the use, misuse or abuse of the product. Your MDP 160 ESC is not a toy. This product is not intended for use by a child under age of 14 without adult supervision. The MDP 160 ESC generates a lot of power that could result in physical injuries. By setting up, connecting or operating the product, the user accepts all related liabilities. Maclan Racing's liability shall never exceed the product's original cost.

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