

# Ignis v1.2 Operational Manual

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# 1 General

This manual covers the operation of the Ignis system with the following configuration:

- Hardware version v1.1.3
- Firmware version 570
- Android App version 2.6.0

Ensure that you are using the proper manual for the version of your system.

This section provides a general overview and discusses the requirements and limitations of the system. The following sections provide checklists for normal operation (Section 2) and emergency procedures (Section 4). The checklist items utilize a standard challenge-response type format with any special notes or warnings included after the checklist item, such as:

**1. Challenge:** RESPONSE

*WARNING: Location of warnings or notes*

In addition, Sections 3 and 5 provide amplified normal and emergency procedure checklists, respectively, with additional detail and instructions. These should be thoroughly read before operation. Finally, Section 7 discusses required service and maintenance and Section 8 discusses initial installation of Ignis on a DJI Matrice 600.

## 1.1 Overview



Figure 1: Overview of the Ignis system.

The Ignis system is shown in Figure 1. The top component of it is called the Hopper and holds the ignition spheres. The bottom component is called the Dropper and performs the puncturing and injection of the ignition spheres. The Dropper has a dual-mechanism with two sides, A and B, to allow dropping of ignition spheres at a maximum rate of approximately 30 ignition spheres per minute.

This manual covers the operation of the Ignis when used with a DJI Matrice 600 (M600). It connects to the mounting rails of the M600 and receives commands over communication link from the M600 controller. The Ignis system includes a number of safety systems. This includes onboard monitoring of the system status, onboard sensors, the ability to detach the Dropper remotely, and integrates camera feed for enhanced awareness. See the following sections for details on connecting and using the Ignis system. For first time installation of Ignis on the M600, see Section 8.

This manual provides standard checklists for typical operation and conditions. In addition to following the guidelines in this manual, we recommend:

- Integrating and modifying these checklists based on your specific operating setup and conditions.
- Setting up the drone operational area away from the ignition area, but at a location



that can easily be defended in case of fire.

- Have fire extinguishing and fire safety equipment and processes at the drone operational area.
- Be aware of where the drone may fly in case the drone loses communication and performs an automatic return to home (if configured to do so).
- Be aware of your surroundings and to maintain visual line of sight of both the drone and the ignition area.
- Abide by any and all recommendations from the drone manufacturer.
- Follow all fire and drone operational recommendations and best practices.
- Follow all federal, state, and local regulations.

## 1.2 Size and Weight

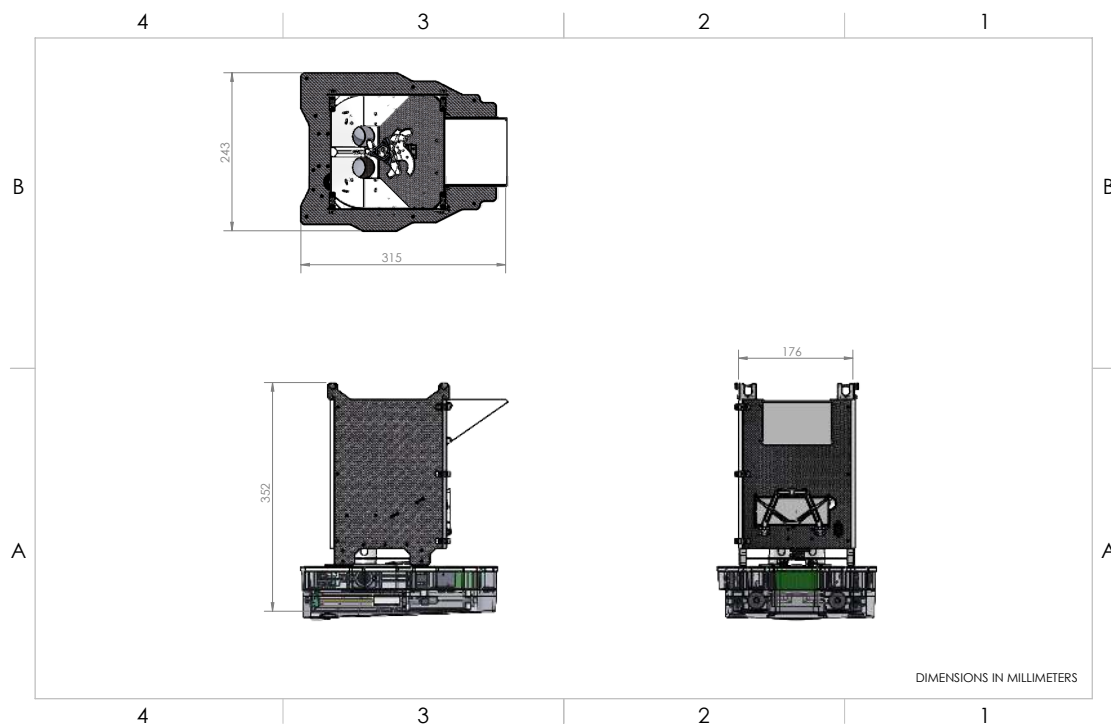


Figure 2: Dimensions of the Ignis system.

The Ignis system is approximately 24 x 32 x 35 cm as shown in Figure 2. With no ignition spheres or antifreeze, the system weighs 2.19kg. With a full load of 110 ignition spheres and antifreeze, the total weight is 3.53kg.

## 1.3 Battery and Power

The Ignis requires a separate 3 Cell LiPo battery (nominal voltage of 11.1V) with a standard XT60 connector<sup>1</sup>. The battery is held in a 10.4 x 2.3 x 3.3 cm enclosure. Smaller batteries are acceptable as well, although we recommend that the battery has a depth of about 2.3cm to ensure it is held tightly in place.

For best performance, the battery voltage should be above 12.0V during operation and we do not recommend operations below 11.4V. A fully charged 2000mAh battery should allow for over 900 injections before dropping below 11.4V. However, temperature and operational conditions can have a significant impact on the number of injections per battery charge. We always recommend checking the battery voltage before flights (see Section 3.1.15).

## 1.4 Safety Systems

Ignis contains numerous safety features to ensure safe and reliable operation and before delivery, each Ignis component undergoes rigorous individual tests and quality control, and every system is tested in the factory with over 1000 injections. Ignis contains more than a dozen sensors and independent processors to ensure that each operation, from the puncturing to the injection, is proceeding properly. We designed the hardware and software to ensure fault tolerance. For instance, before injecting a sphere to initiate an ignition, the lower hatch is opened and a hardware sensor verifies that it is open. This means that a sphere will not be injected unless the lower hatch is opened to enable easy ejection of the sphere. The system also continuously monitors motor speed, current, and temperatures to make sure that all systems are operating correctly. Custom designed needles, that are reinforced and supported at the injection point, reduce any risk of bent or clogged needles and software monitors quickly detect these conditions and notify the user. Finally, Ignis contains an ejection system that allows the detachment of the Dropper from the Hopper in the case of an emergency.

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<sup>1</sup>One such example is <https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B0072AEY5I>

## 1.5 Android App

Ignis is primarily controlled from a custom Android app we have developed. This app integrates software to control a DJI drone, online and offline satellite maps, and control of Ignis to allow safe and easy aerial ignitions anywhere. The app can be used to control Ignis over a convenient short-range Bluetooth connection that can be used without connecting Ignis to the drone. During flight, the app controls Ignis over the radio connection between the remote controller and the drone, which can transmit signals up to 5 km.

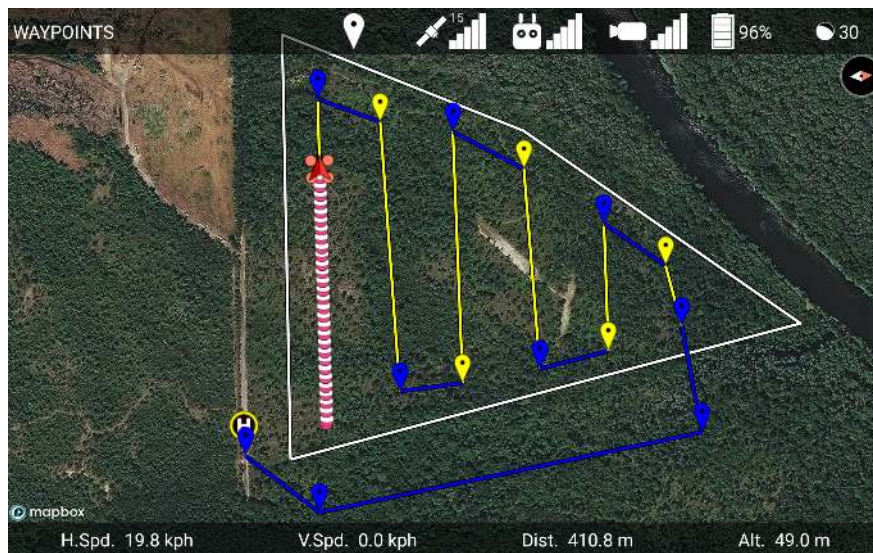


Figure 3: Android app being used to ignite burn lines.

The app displays the current status of Ignis and can be used to start and stop dropping, or trigger an emergency release if necessary. The app can be used to perform more precise ignition patterns by touching the map to place waypoints, and then specifying which portions of the path Ignis should drop along. The app will direct the drone to autonomously fly along the path, and the app will automatically start and stop Ignis's dropping. As a failsafe, if Ignis loses connection with the app, it will automatically stop dropping.

The app can also connect to Ignis through Bluetooth for easy setup and configuration while on the ground. The Bluetooth transmitter has a theoretical 300ft range, but in practice communication is limited beyond 50 ft.

See section 6 for a full description of the app.

## 1.6 Control Bar



Figure 4: Ignis control switches.

Physical safety switches are also incorporated onto a switch bar attached to the remote controller. This includes switches to manually trigger an emergency release, as well as an Arm/Disarm switch. While the Arm/Disarm switch is in the Disarm position, Ignis will not drop ignition spheres for any reason.

## 1.7 LEDs

Feedback on the current status of the system is provided through the app and by indicator LEDs on Ignis. On drones equipped with cameras, we recommend mounting them such that the Indicator LEDs can be observed by the camera. The three LEDs are individually mounted and labeled to allow easier differentiation over thermal or black and white cameras. Table 1 outlines the status information from the LEDs.

Table 1: LED Status Indicators

LED	Status
Green Slow Blink	Ready
Green Fast Blink	Dropping
Blue Blink	Injecting/Filling
Red Blink	Error

## 1.8 Error Messages

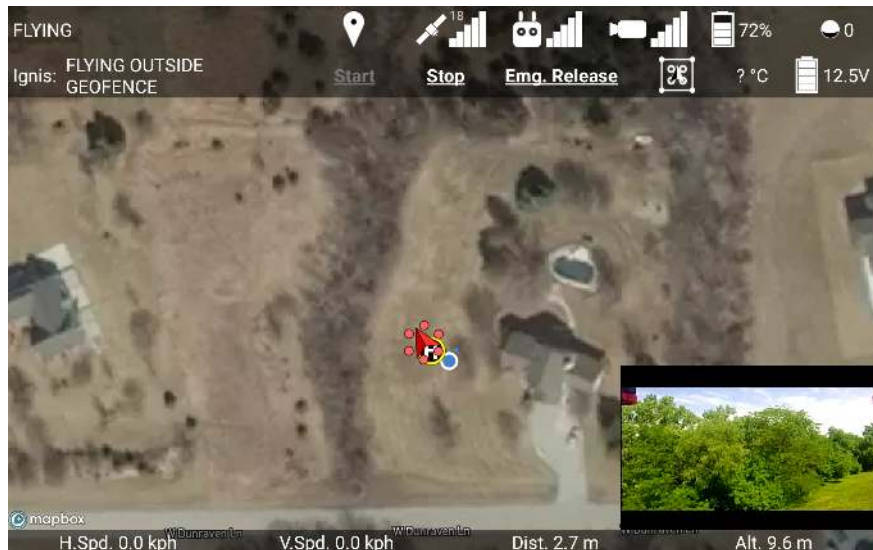


Figure 5: Ignis status display in app during flight, showing that Ignis is currently flying outside of a geofence.

When Ignis is connected to the app, it will display a message indicating its current state. If Ignis encounters an error, the red light on Ignis will blink. Check the app to identify the cause of the error.

If Ignis encounters an error, dropping will automatically stop and Ignis will perform recovery operations to return to a safe state. Dropping cannot be restarted until the error is resolved.

The following is a list of the status messages that can be displayed in the app:

**HIGH TEMP ...** Ignis's temperature sensor is detecting a high temperature above the injection chamber. An ignition sphere may have caught fire inside the dropper. Trigger an emergency release to separate the dropper from the rest of the aircraft. The ellipsis would display other information about Ignis's status.

**IDLE** Ignis is currently idle, and has no errors to report.

**IDLE (STOPPED B/C ...)** Ignis is currently idle, but stopped dropping because of an error. The ellipsis would display the reason why Ignis stopped. Try restarting dropping.

**FILLING** Ignis is currently filling, and has no errors to report.

**FILLING (STOPPED B/C ...)** Ignis is currently filling, but stopped dropping due to an error. The ellipsis would display the reason why Ignis stopped. Try restarting dropping.

**DROPPING** Ignis is dropping.

**DROPPING AND FILLING** Ignis is dropping, and one or two syringes are refilling. During this period, fewer ignition spheres will be dropped.

**DISARMED BY CONTROL BAR** The control bar Arm/Disarm switch is in the Disarm position. The switch must be moved to the Arm position in order to start dropping.

**FLYING OUTSIDE GEOFENCE** Dropping was disabled because the drone is flying in an area that is not enclosed by a geofence. Fly back inside the geofence, or modify the geofence to include the current flight area.

**LOW BATTERY** Ignis battery voltage dropped below 11.0 V. Use the app to check that the battery voltage is above 11.4 V. If it is, and you don't need to drop many more ignition spheres, attempt to restart dropping. Otherwise, land and replace the battery. If Ignis is idle and the battery is lower than 11.4 V, then dropping is not recommended, as the battery voltage will likely dip below 11.0 V while Ignis is puncturing an ignition sphere, which will trigger this error again.

**NO CONNECTION TO IGNIS** The app is not receiving messages from Ignis, and has disabled dropping. Reconnect the app to the controller. You will also see this message if you have not activated the Onboard SDK (See section 8.4).

**LOST CONNECTION TO APP** Ignis stopped receiving messages from the app, and disabled dropping. Reconnect the app to the controller.

**WRONG DRONE MODE** Remote controller was switched to mode A. Or, the drone lost connection to the remote controller. Switch the remote controller into mode P or F. Regain radio connection between the controller and the drone.

**LOST CONNECTION TO DRONE** Ignis is not receiving any signals or messages from the drone. Check that the USB cable from Ignis is connected to the drone.

**LOST DRONE PWM** Ignis is no longer receiving PWM signals from the drone. Check that the green-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller.

**LOST DRONE PWM 0** Ignis is no longer receiving one of the PWM signals from the drone. Check that the green-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller, and none of the wires are broken.

**LOST DRONE PWM 1** Ignis is no longer receiving one of the PWM signals from the drone. Check that the green-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller, and none of the wires are broken.

**LOST DRONE PWM 2** Ignis is no longer receiving one of the PWM signals from the drone. Check that the green-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller, and none of the wires are broken.

**LOST DRONE DATA** Ignis is no longer receiving messages from the drone's API port. Check that the blue-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller.

**LOST CONNECTION TO DROPPER** Ignis lost connection with one or all of its sub-boards on the dropper. Check that the USB cable between the hopper and the dropper is connected.

**INJECTION A COMMS TIMEOUT** Ignis lost connection with the A-side injection sub-boards on the dropper. Check that the USB cable between the hopper and the dropper is connected.

**INJECTION B COMMS TIMEOUT** Ignis lost connection with the B-side injection sub-boards on the dropper. Check that the USB cable between the hopper and the dropper is connected.

**PUNCTURE COMMS TIMEOUT** Ignis lost connection with the puncture sub-boards on the dropper. Check that the USB cable between the hopper and the dropper is connected.

**EMERGENCY RELEASE TRIGGERED** The emergency release has been triggered. Dropping is disabled until you power-cycle Ignis.

**S1 NOT CCW** Dropping is disabled because the knob on the control bar labeled "S1" is not twisted counter-clockwise all the way. This knob is used to trigger the emergency release, and Ignis will not allow dropping until this knob is ready. An emergency release is triggered when S1 and S2 are twisted all the way clockwise within 4 seconds of each other in order.

**S2 NOT CCW** Dropping is disabled because the knob on the control bar labeled “S2” is not twisted counter-clockwise all the way. This knob is used to trigger the emergency release, and Ignis will not allow dropping until this knob is ready. An emergency release is triggered when S1 and S2 are twisted all the way clockwise within 4 seconds of each other in order.

**HATCH MOTION ERROR** Dropping was stopped because one of the hatches had trouble moving. An ignition sphere may have jammed the hatch. Try restarting to see if the jam has been cleared. If the problem persists, land and inspect the hatches.

**MOVE TIMEOUT** Dropping was stopped and disabled because one of the injection or puncture motors had trouble moving. Dropping cannot restart until Ignis is power-cycled. Land and inspect the injection and puncture motors. This message will only appear on older versions of Ignis.

**INJECTION A MOTION ERROR** Dropping was stopped and disabled because the A-side injection motor had trouble moving. Dropping cannot restart until Ignis is power-cycled. Land and inspect the motor.

**INJECTION B MOTION ERROR** Dropping was stopped and disabled because the B-side injection motor had trouble moving. Dropping cannot restart until Ignis is power-cycled. Land and inspect the motor.

**PUNCTURE MOTION ERROR** Dropping was stopped and disabled because the puncture motor had trouble moving. Dropping cannot restart until Ignis is power-cycled. This error could lead to an in-flight fire if Ignis was not able to remove an injected sphere. Use the camera and temperature sensor to monitor for an in-flight fire and use the emergency release in that event. Land and inspect the motor.

**UNKNOWN ERROR** Dropping was stopped because of an error that the app did not understand. Try to restart dropping. Check that you are using the latest version of the app.

**UNKNOWN HARD ERROR** Dropping was stopped because of an error that the app did not understand, and cannot be restarted until Ignis is power-cycled. Land and inspect Ignis. Check that you are using the latest version of the app.

If these troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, contact Drone Amplified for support.



## 1.9 Environmental Limitations

The Ignis system has been designed to operate under the following conditions:

- System temperatures ranging from 5°C to 40°C.
- No precipitation.
- Humidity under 90% and non-condensing on the surface of Ignis.
- Winds within the operational limits of the drone carrying Ignis, but no greater than 15m/s.

Caution should be exercised when performing ignitions under high winds and/or at higher altitudes to ensure that the ignition spheres drop on target and are not blown out of the ignition area.

Operations outside of these limits are untested, add risk, and may endanger property and persons. Special care must be taken to ensure that temperatures are not inadvertently exceeded. For instance, leaving Ignis in its storage case in the sun can cause temperatures to be exceeded, even when the ambient temperature is significantly lower. Similarly, moisture and temperatures can vary significantly based on drone altitude.

## 1.10 Ignition Spheres and Fluid

The Ignis system is designed to use standard Premo spheres <http://www.sei-ind.com/products/premo-fire-balls>. The Ignis Hopper holds up to 110 ignition spheres. Do not overload the Hopper with more spheres as this can cause the hopper to jam and prevent continuous dispensing of the ignition spheres. Use with other ignition spheres is not supported and may cause damage to the equipment, drone, or uncontrolled fires.

The Ignis injects ethylene glycol (common automotive antifreeze) into the ignition spheres. We recommend using a 50% pre-diluted formula of antifreeze. We do not recommend using non-diluted antifreeze due to its higher viscosity in cold temperatures. After injection, the ignition spheres typically will ignite within 20-40 seconds, although this time is highly variable based on the ambient temperature (longer times at colder temperatures, sometimes as long as 2 minutes when near freezing).

The amount of antifreeze Ignis injects is fully customizable and can be configured in the app (see Section 3.1.16). Injection amounts between 0.5-1.0ml works well under most conditions, although variability in antifreeze composition can impact the results and require adjustment of this parameter. We recommend testing under controlled conditions to ensure

the results are as expected whenever changing antifreeze types or when there are significant changes to the ambient temperature.

Ignis holds 140ml of antifreeze. The syringes hold 70ml (35ml in each side), and the reservoir holds an additional 70ml. This allows the syringes to be refilled once while in flight. When the refilling occurs, dropping is temporarily paused on whichever side is filling.

## 1.11 Storage and Transport



Figure 6: Ignis storage container and parts.

Before storage and transport, the Ignis system should be prepared as outlined in Section 3.6. Figure 6 shows the storage container and parts as typically shipped. The system should always be stored and transported in its original transport case. Do not transport or store the Ignis system mounted on the drone, as this may result in damage to the drone or Ignis system.

The Ignis system should be stored in its transport case and under the following conditions:

- Temperatures such that the interior of the case will maintain a temperature range of  $-5^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $50^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- Out of direct sunlight to prevent excessive temperatures.
- Humidity under 90% and non-condensing on the surface of Ignis.

Particular care should be taken when transporting the system to ensure that it is stored in a location that is not excessively hot (e.g. the interior of a truck left parked in hot sun) and that it is handled with a similar level of care to that of the drone.

## 1.12 Warranty

See sales agreement for details of the warranty.

## 2 Normal Procedures

This section contains the normal procedure checklists. See the Amplified Normal Procedures in Section 3 for details.

## 2.1 Preflight Inspection Checklist

2. **Ignition, Flight Plan, and Emergency Procedures:** BRIEFED
3. **Environmental Conditions and Forecast:** WITHIN LIMITS
4. **Inspect for Visible Damage:** NO DAMAGE
5. **Bottom Hatches:** A AND B OPEN AND CLEAR
6. **Dropper Attached to Hopper:** SECURED
7. **Dropper Wires Connected to Hopper:** CONNECTED
8. **Disarm Ignis:** DISARMED
9. **Emergency Release Dials:**

ROTATED COUNTERCLOCKWISE, SAFE

10. **DJI Mode Set to P or F:** FLIGHT MODE SET
11. **Battery Install:** INSTALLED
12. **Battery Connect:** CONNECTED

*WARNING: ensure that fingers and other items are clear of all moving parts.*

13. **Verify Puncture Motion:** MOVING
14. **Start Ignis App:** OPEN
15. **Ignis App Ignis Setup:** CONNECTED
16. **Ignis Battery Level:** GREATER THAN 12.0V
17. **Injection Amount:** SET
18. **Reservoir and Syringes:** FILLED AND PURGED OF AIR
19. **Dropper Needle:** A AND B CLEAR AND INSTALLED
20. **Hopper Attached to Drone:** SECURED
21. **Hopper Cable Connected to Drone:** CONNECTED
22. **Cover:** SECURE
23. **(OPTIONAL) Ignis Safety Tethers:** FRONT AND BACK SECURED
24. **Drone Preflight Inspection:** COMPLETED
25. **(OPTIONAL) Start Test Ignitions:** INJECTING AND DROPPING

*WARNING: If ignition spheres are loaded in the hopper, this will cause them to be injected and poses a fire risk. If performing this step, do so under controlled conditions.*

26. **Stop Dropping:** DISARMED, IGNIS STOPPED
27. **Check Ignis Status in App:** DISARMED BY CONTROL BAR
28. **Create Geofence:** CREATED
29. **Fill Hopper:** FILLED

*Note: Use the app "AGITATE" button when filling to ensure chutes are filled*

30. **Ready for Takeoff:** READY

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31. **Inspect Remote Controller for Visible Damage:** NONE
32. **Check Remote Controller Battery Charge Level:** AT LEAST TWO SOLID LIGHTS
33. **Check Tablet is Clamped Securely by the Remote Controller:** SECURE
34. **Connect USB cable from Remote Controller to Tablet:** CONNECTED
35. **Check Flight Mode Switch is set to P or F:** P OR F

*Note: F mode allows for autonomous flight operations, such as following waypoints*

36. **Check Tablet for Visible Damage:** NONE
37. **Check Tablet Battery Charge Level:** AT LEAST 25%
38. **Check Ignis Control Bar is plugged into Remote Controller:** CONNECTED
39. **Check 6 Flight Batteries for Visible Damage:** NO DAMAGE
40. **Check 6 Flight Batteries are of the Same Set:** SAME SET
41. **Check 6 Flight Batteries Charge Level:** AT LEAST THREE SOLID LIGHTS
42. **Check 6 Flight Batteries Charge Level Similarity:** SIMILAR

*Note: No battery should be more than one blinking light different than any other*

43. **Check Vehicle Camera for Visible Damage:** NO DAMAGE
44. **Check Vehicle Camera Configuration:** CORRECT
45. **Check Vehicle Camera Battery Charge Level:** AT LEAST 25%
46. **Check Vehicle Camera Securely Mounted to Vehicle:** SECURE
47. **Check Vehicle Camera Connection to Vehicle:** CONNECTED
48. **Carry Vehicle to Takeoff Point:** DONE
49. **Face Vehicle away from Piloting Position:** DONE
50. **Clear Takeoff Point of Obstacles in 10 foot Radius:** CLEAR
51. **Clear Takeoff Point of Bystanders in 20 foot Radius:** CLEAR
52. **Raise GPS:** DONE
53. **Raise and Lock Arms:** DONE
54. **Remove and Store Propeller Covers:** DONE
55. **Expand Propellers:** DONE
56. **Insert Batteries:** DONE
57. **Check Propellers for Damage:** NONE

*Note: Run your fingers along the blades to feel for nicks, cracks, and flexing*

58. **Check Arms are Locked:** LOCKED
59. **Check Arms for Visible Damage:** NONE
60. **Check 6 Flight Batteries are Fully Inserted:** SECURE
61. **Check GPS are Fully Raised:** RAISED

**62. Check GPS Orientation:** FORWARD

*Note: the red arrow on top of the GPS should point towards the front of the vehicle*

**63. Check Body for Visible Damage:** NONE

**64. Check Landing Gear for Visible Damage:** NONE

**65. Check Landing Gear Clearance:** CLEAR

*Note: Check for any dangling cables that could snag the landing gear and prevent it from raising or lowering*

**66. Start Flight App on Tablet:** STARTED

**67. Turn on Controller:** ON

**68. Select App for USB Connection:** SELECTED

*Note: If this screen does not appear, disconnect and reconnect the USB cable. If another app automatically starts, you need to clear the Open by default settings for that app.*

**69. Verify Connection to Controller in App:** CONNECTED

**70. Turn on Vehicle Camera:** ON

**71. Turn on Vehicle and Move Back:** ON

**72. Verify Connection to Vehicle in App:** CONNECTED

**73. Check App for Radio Uplink Signal Strength:** AT LEAST 4 BARS

**74. Check App for Video Downlink Signal Strength:** AT LEAST 4 BARS

**75. Check App for Vehicle Battery Level:** AT LEAST 60%

**76. Check App for GPS Signal:** AT LEAST 4 BARS AND 9 SATELLITES

*Note: It may take a while to acquire GPS Lock*

**77. Check App for Other Errors:** NONE

**78. Verify Camera Feed to App:** STREAMING

## 2.3 Starting Dropping and Ignitions Checklist

**79. Arm Ignis:** ARMED

**80. Check Ignis Status:** IDLE

**81. Ensure Drop Area Clear and Safe:** CLEAR AND SAFE

**82. Press Start Dropping button in App:** PRESSED

**83. Check Ignis Status:** DROPPING

## 2.4 Stopping Ignitions Checklist

84. **Press Stop Dropping button in App:** PRESSED
85. **Check Ignis Status:** IDLE
86. **Disarm Ignis:** DISARMED

## 2.5 Reloading Between Flights Checklist

87. **Disarm Ignis:** DISARMED
88. **Emergency Release Dials:**  
ROTATED COUNTERCLOCKWISE, SAFE
89. **Ignis App Ignis Setup:** CONNECTED
90. **Ignis Battery Level:** GREATER THAN 12.0V
91. **Remove Cover:** REMOVED
92. **Reservoir and Syringes:** FILLED AND PURGED OF AIR
93. **Attach Cover:** SECURE
94. **Drone Preflight Inspection:** COMPLETED
95. **(OPTIONAL) Start Test Ignitions:** INJECTING AND DROPPING  
*WARNING: If ignition spheres are loaded in the hopper, this will cause them to be injected and poses a fire risk. If performing this step, do so under controlled conditions.*
96. **Stop Dropping:** DISARMED, IGNIS STOPPED
97. **Fill Hopper:** FILLED  
*Note: Use the app “AGITATE” button when filling to ensure chutes are filled*
98. **Ready for Takeoff:** READY

## 2.6 Post Flight Inspection Checklist

99. **Drone Safe:** SAFE
100. **Bottom Hatches:** A AND B OPEN AND CLEAR
101. **Ignis Battery:** DISCONNECTED
102. **Inspect for Visible Damage:** NO DAMAGE



## 2.7 Preparing for Storage Checklist

103. **Perform Preflight Inspection Steps “Inspect for Visible Damage” (3.1.3) through “Ignis Battery Level” (3.1.15): COMPLETE**
104. **Remove Cover: REMOVED**
105. **Empty Syringes and Reservoir: EMPTY**
106. **Flush With Water: FLUSHED AND EMPTIED**
107. **Check Needles: CLEAR**
108. **Disconnect Battery: DISCONNECTED**
109. **Remove Battery: REMOVED**
110. **Dropper Wires Disconnect: DISCONNECTED**
111. **Disconnect Dropper from Hopper: DISCONNECTED**
112. **Disconnect Hopper Wires from Drone: DISCONNECTED**
113. **Disconnect Hopper from Drone: DISCONNECTED**
114. **Empty Hopper: EMPTIED**
115. **Clean Hatch Tracks and Chutes: CLEANED AND DRIED**
116. **Clean System: CLEAN**
117. **Inspect for Visible Damage: NO DAMAGE**
118. **Store in Case: STORED**

## 3 Amplified Normal Procedures

### 3.1 Preflight Inspection Checklist

#### 3.1.1 Ignition, Flight Plan, and Emergency Procedures

##### **Ignition, Flight Plan, and Emergency Procedures:** BRIEFED

Ensure that all personnel that are both directly and indirectly involved in the flight and ignition operations are briefed on the drone ignition and flight plan. In addition, all personnel must be briefed on safety procedures and emergency procedures.

The PIC is also responsible for ensuring that all regulatory requirements are met, including, but not limited to, filling a flight plan as needed, ensuring that personnel are clear of the operating area, ensuring no unintended property will be damaged by ignitions, filling ignition plans as needed, etc.

#### 3.1.2 Environmental Conditions and Forecast

##### **Environmental Conditions and Forecast:** WITHIN LIMITS

Ensure that the weather and the forecasted conditions are within limits for both the Ignis system and the drone. See 1.9 for detailed specifications.

In addition, storage in hot conditions or leaving the system exposed to direct sunlight may cause the system to exceed its operational temperature even if the air temperature is within limits.

#### 3.1.3 Inspect for Visible Damage

##### **Inspect for Visible Damage:** NO DAMAGE

Perform a visual inspection to ensure that there is no damage to the system and that all cables, connectors, and screws are secure and clean. In particular, check:

- That the cover is not damaged and that it can be easily put on, removed, and that it is secure when in place.
- The limit switches on either end of the lead screws by the syringes to make sure that the arms are not bent or damaged.
- That the hatches can move freely and smoothly in their tracks.

Do not fly it with any worn or damaged parts.

### 3.1.4 Bottom Hatches

**Bottom Hatches: A AND B OPEN AND CLEAR**



Figure 7: Hatches open and puncture area clear.

Ensure that the bottom hatches are in the open position as shown in Figure 7. If they are not, the hatches can be opened by hand with minimal force. Ensure that the puncture area is clear and that there are not ignition spheres in this area. If there is a ignition sphere in this area, see the Emergency Procedures Section 5.3, for the clearing procedure.

### 3.1.5 Dropper Attached to Hopper

**Dropper Attached to Hopper: SECURED**



Figure 8: Attaching the Dropper to the Hopper.

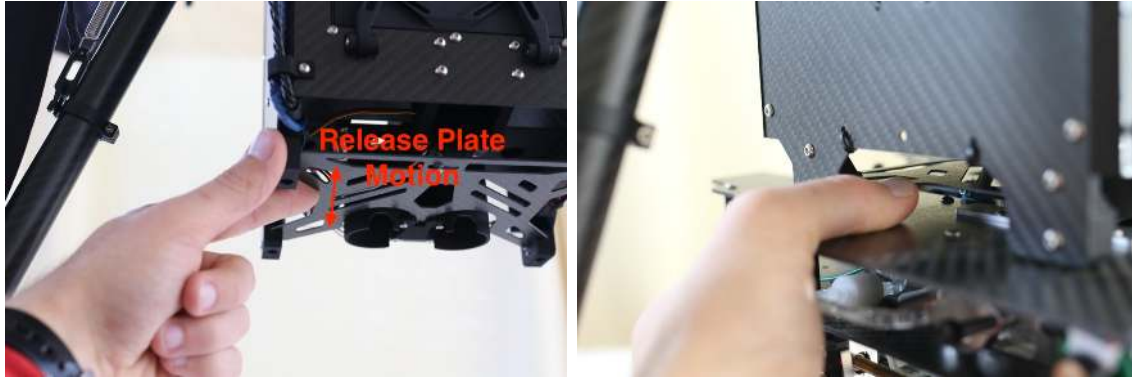


Figure 9: To lock the Dropper in place, push the plate away from the chutes when the Dropper is mounted.

Figure 8 shows the process for attaching the Dropper to the Hopper. Start by aligning the pins on the Dropper to the holes on the Hopper, Figure 8(left). Then gently push the Hopper up until it is completely flush as shown in Figure 8(right). Then manually secure the dropper by pushing the release plate away from the chutes as shown in Figure 9.

Note: For some applications it is easier to attach the Dropper to the Hopper right before Step 3.1.26 since this allows easier manipulation of the Dropper to purge air from the syringes.

### 3.1.6 Dropper Wires Connected to Hopper

**Dropper Wires Connected to Hopper:** CONNECTED

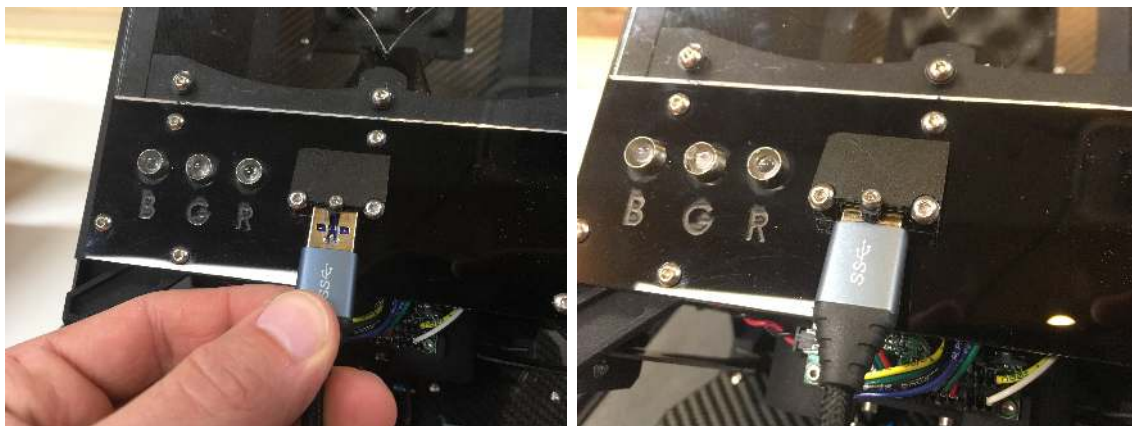


Figure 10: Left: Location to connect the wires from the Dropper to the Hopper. Right: Connected wires.

Figure 10 shows the process for attaching the Dropper wires to the Hopper. There is only a single cable that must be attached in the leftmost receptacle as shown in Figure 10(left)

and fully attached in Figure 10(right). It can only be inserted in one orientation, do not force it in and do not remove the middle screw which prevents plugging in other cables<sup>2</sup>.

### 3.1.7 Disarm Ignis

**Disarm Ignis:** DISARMED



Figure 11: Ignis control switches.

Ensure the Ignis Arm/Disarm switch (S3) is pushed down and away from the user to disable dropping with Ignis.

### 3.1.8 Emergency Release Dials

**Emergency Release Dials:**

ROTATED COUNTERCLOCKWISE, SAFE

Ensure that the emergency release dials (S1 and S2) shown in Figure 33 are rotated fully counterclockwise. Rotating both dials fully clockwise within 2 seconds of each other will trigger the emergency release. We recommend regularly testing that the emergency release works properly while on the ground, see Section 5.2, while ensuring the cables are not overly stretched.

<sup>2</sup>While the connectors are similar to USB connectors, they are not compatible. Do not plug in USB devices or attempt to plug it into a computer as damage may occur.

### 3.1.9 DJI Mode Set to P or F

#### DJI Mode Set to P or F: FLIGHT MODE SET

The DJI flight mode selection switch must be set to P or F for operation of the Ignis System.

### 3.1.10 Battery Install

#### Battery Install: INSTALLED

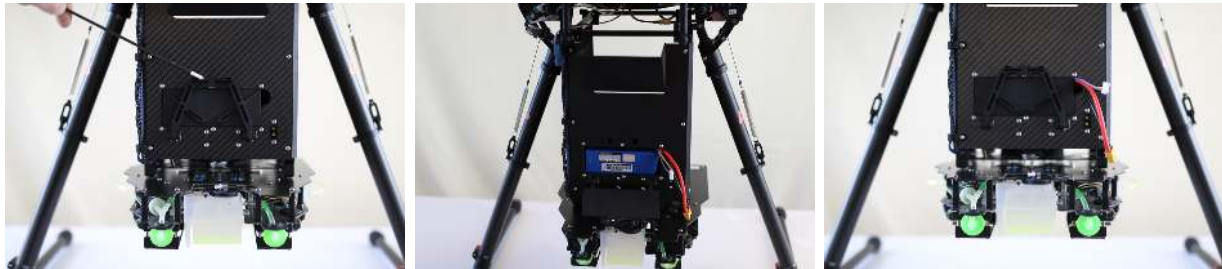


Figure 12: Left: Battery cover pull location. Center: Loading battery. Right: Battery installed with cover closed.

Figure 12 shows the process for installing the battery. Start by opening the battery bay by pulling at the location indicated in Figure 12(left). Insert the battery into the compartment, Figure 12(center). The foam at the back of the battery compartment should be compressed such that when the compartment is closed the battery is not able to move around while in flight. Figure 12(right) shows the battery installed with the compartment cover closed. Ensure that the wires are not pinched and that they are protected from rubbing on the edges of the hatch and surrounding areas. Note, only use appropriate batteries as specified in Section 1.3.

### 3.1.11 Battery Connect

#### Battery Connect: CONNECTED

*WARNING: ensure that fingers and other items are clear of all moving parts.*

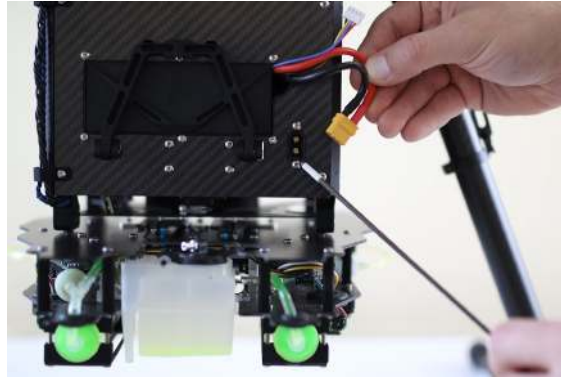


Figure 13: Connecting the battery.

Figure 13 shows where to connect the battery. This will immediately power on the system. Ensure that all fingers and other items are clear of all moving parts.

### 3.1.12 Verify Puncture Motion

**Verify Puncture Motion:** MOVING

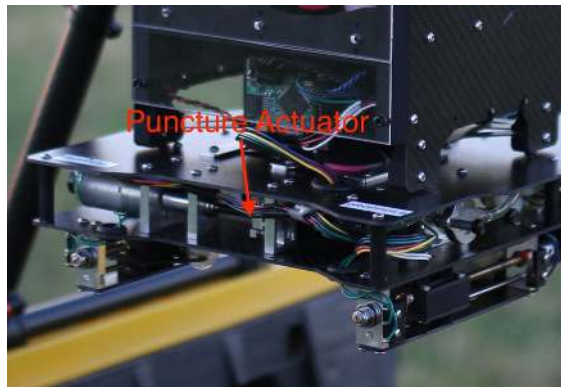


Figure 14: Puncture actuator location.

Once power is applied, the puncture actuator, shown in Figure 14, should travel back and forth across most of the length of the lead screw a couple of times as the calibration procedure is performed. Verify that it moves smoothly along the full length.

### 3.1.13 Start Ignis App

**Start Ignis App:** OPEN

Open the Ignis app on your tablet or phone. On start the app will show a main menu as shown in Figure 15.



Figure 15: Main Menu of Ignis app.

### 3.1.14 Ignis App Ignis Setup

Ignis App Ignis Setup: CONNECTED

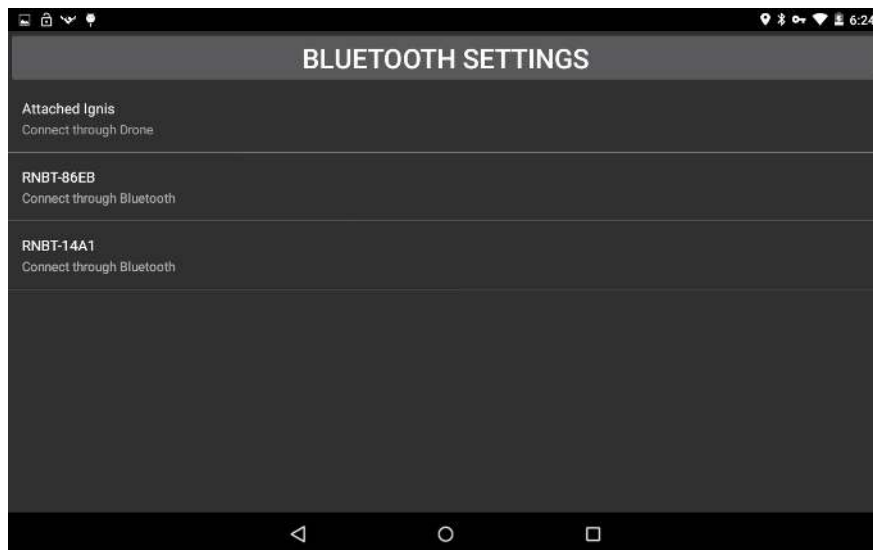


Figure 16: Ignis Setup Menu for choosing how to connect to Ignis.

Press the IGNIS SETUP button to see the connection options screen as shown in Figure 16. On this screen you will see a list of all the Bluetooth devices your tablet is paired to. You can touch one of these to connect to that Ignis via Bluetooth. Alternatively, if the controller and drone are on and there is a connection from the app to Ignis through the drone, you will see an option to connect to Ignis through the drone. If your tablet is



not paired to the Ignis's Bluetooth, you can press the BLUETOOTH SETTINGS button to open up your Android device's Bluetooth settings. This will scan for nearby Bluetooth devices and allow you to pair with them. The password to pair with Ignis is 1234.



Figure 17: App when connected to Ignis.

Touch the connection option corresponding to the Ignis's Bluetooth Address, which is shown inside the battery compartment, to begin connecting to Ignis over Bluetooth. This will open a screen similar to Figure 17. The status will initially show "Bluetooth Disconnected" while the app is attempting to connect. Once it successfully connects, which may take up to 10 seconds, the status will change to "Bluetooth Connected". Ignis's status will be displayed once the app begins to receive messages from Ignis.

### 3.1.15 Ignis Battery Level

**Ignis Battery Level:** GREATER THAN 12.0V

Verify that the battery voltage is above 12.0V in the app (Figure 17). See Section 1.3 for more information about the battery and power information.

### 3.1.16 Injection Amount

**Injection Amount:** SET

Use the "INJECT +" and "INJECT -" buttons to set the injection amount in milliliters (ml), the default setting of 0.8 mL works under most conditions. Verify that the status message indicates that the injection amount has been set as shown in Figure 17. See Section 1.10 for additional details.

### 3.1.17 Reservoir and Syringes

#### Reservoir and Syringes: FILLED AND PURGED OF AIR

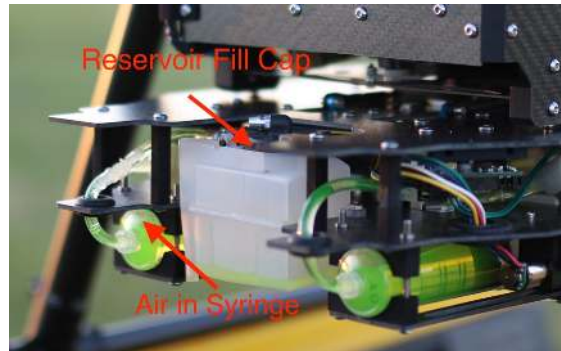


Figure 18: Reservoir fill location.

Fill the reservoir by opening the reservoir lid (see Figure 36) and filling the reservoir. In the app click the “FILL A” and “FILL B” buttons, as shown in Figure 17, to fill the syringes. Next, check to see if there is any air located in the syringes, as shown in Figure 36.

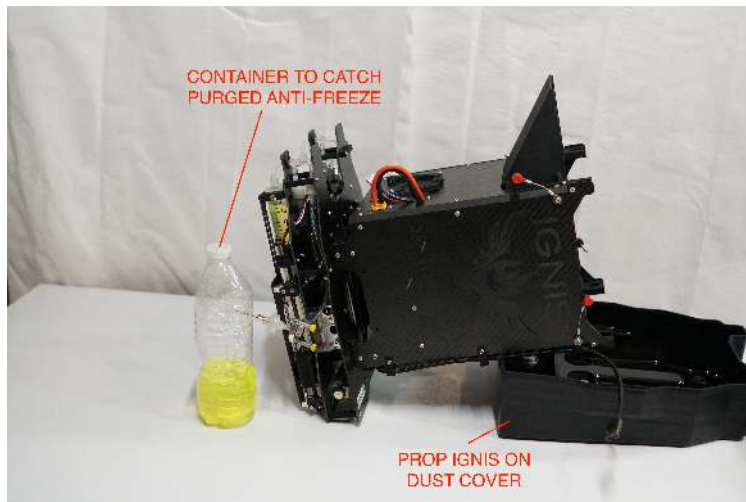


Figure 19: Propping Ignis so that air can be purged from the syringes.

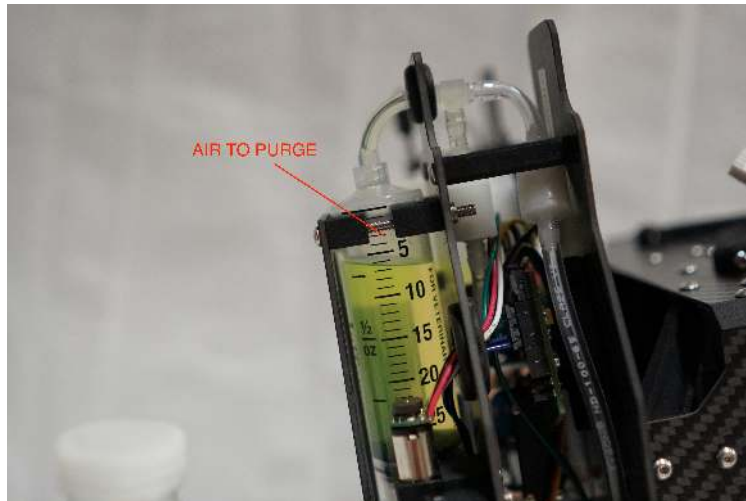


Figure 20: Ignis should be tilted so that the air in the syringes is near the tubes.

If there is air, tip Ignis so that the reservoir is tilted up, as shown in Figure 19. The cover can be used to help prop Ignis up, and we recommend removing the needles assembly and directing the flow of any purged liquid into containers that allow easy disposal of the antifreeze. Click the “PURGE A” and “PURGE B” buttons in the app until most of the air is eliminated and antifreeze comes out of both needles<sup>3</sup>. Having 1-2ml of air remaining typically does not impact operations. Click the “FILL A” and “FILL B” buttons again in the app to refill the syringes.

Finally, refill the reservoir to ensure sufficient liquid for all injections.

### 3.1.18 Dropper Needle

#### **Dropper Needle:** A AND B CLEAR AND INSTALLED

Before each flight the needle should be removed and it should be verified that it is clear of any foreign material and that it is sharp.

This process is identical for the Dropper A needle and the Dropper B needle.

*If your Ignis has the older needle assembly with thumbscrews, please see Section 9.1*

To remove the needle assembly, push in on the black knob labeled “IGNIS” on the needle assembly, twist it counter-clockwise until it stops, and pull it out.

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<sup>3</sup> Collect and safely dispose of any antifreeze purged during this phase. Do not reuse it in Ignis.

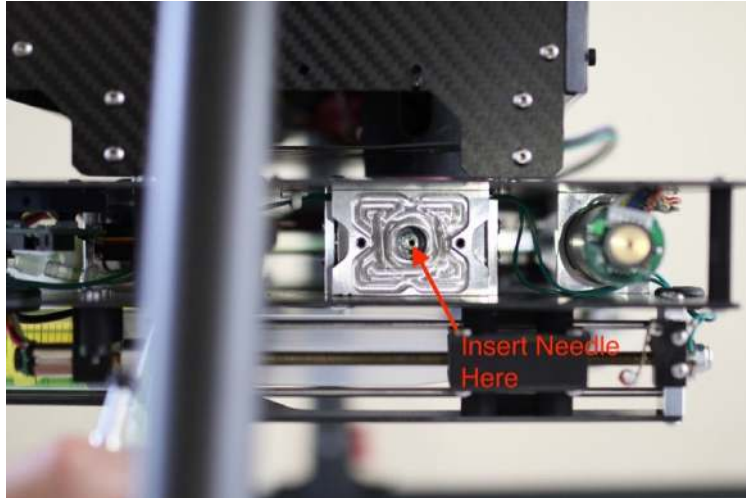


Figure 21: Location to insert the needle.

To insert the needle assembly, slide the needle into the hole in Figure 21. You may need to rotate the needle assembly in order to fully insert the needle.

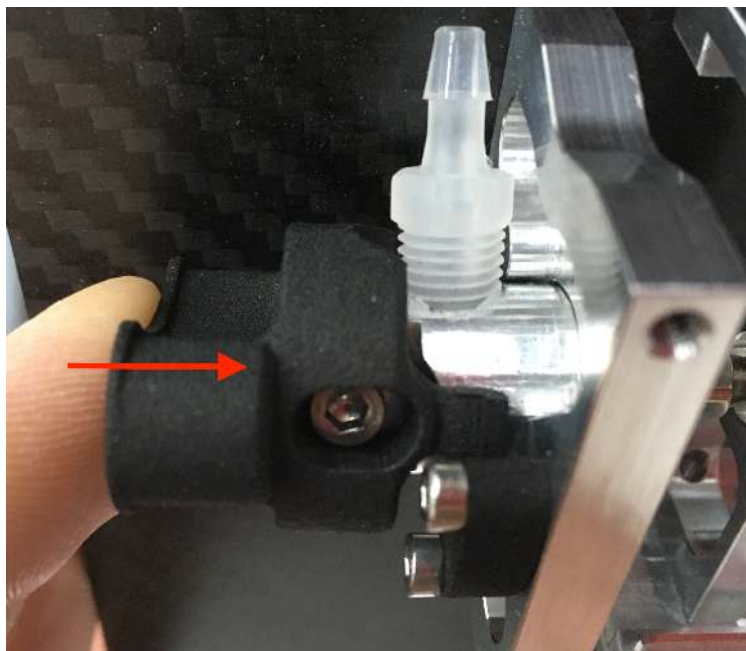


Figure 22: Locking the needle assembly.

To lock the needle assembly in place, push inward on the black knob labeled “IGNIS” (as shown in Figure 22), and twist the knob clockwise until it stops, then pull back on the knob to click it in place. Verify the needle assembly is locked by attempting to twist the knob counter-clockwise. It should not be able to rotate.

### 3.1.19 Hopper Attached to Drone

Hopper Attached to Drone: SECURED

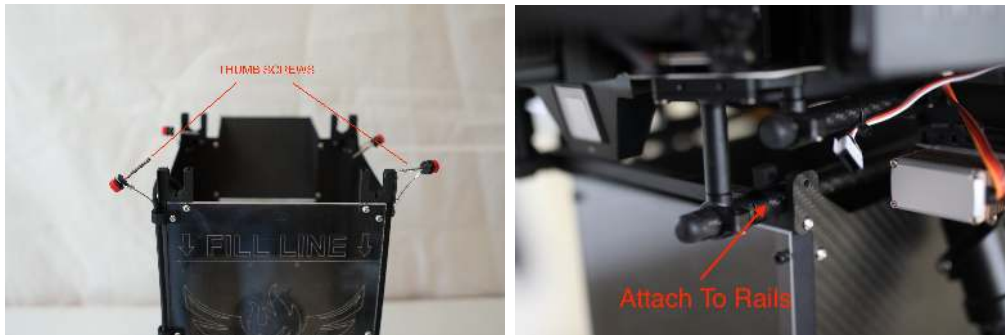


Figure 23: Attaching hopper to Drone. Left: Remove thumb screws. Right: Attach to drone.

Figure 23 shows the process for attaching the Hopper to the drone. Start by removing the red thumb screws from the top of the Hopper as shown in Figure 23(left). Snap the Hopper onto the rails of the drone, as shown in Figure 23(right), and slide it along the rails to ensure that the Hopper is aligned with the center mass of the drone. Finally, reinstall and lightly tighten the red thumb screws to secure the Hopper to the drone.

Note that the Hopper should be oriented such that the transparent window is facing towards the front of the drone.

### 3.1.20 Hopper Cable Connected to Drone

Hopper Cable Connected to Drone: CONNECTED



Figure 24: Attaching cable from the Hopper to the Drone.

Attach the cable between the Hopper and the drone as shown in Figure 24.

### 3.1.21 Cover

**Cover:** SECURE

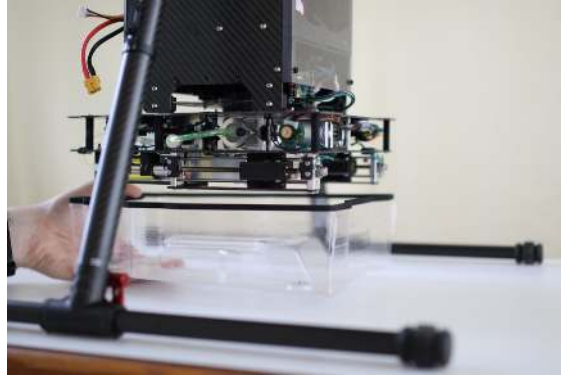


Figure 25: Placing the cover on the Dropper.

Place the cover on the Dropper as shown in Figure 25. While putting it on, make sure that no wires or tubes are pinched between the top of the cover and plate. Place the back of the cover on first (away from the clear side of the Hopper) and then rotate the front up for easy attachment. The cover should sit flush with the top plate of the dropper and be secure with the magnets on the cover and dropper touching.

### 3.1.22 (OPTIONAL) Ignis Safety Tethers

**(OPTIONAL) Ignis Safety Tethers:** FRONT AND BACK SECURED

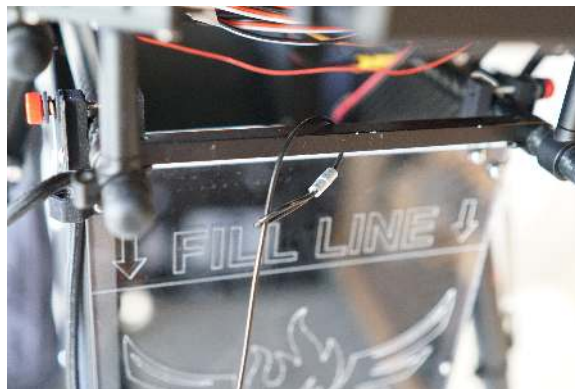


Figure 26: Attaching a tether to the frame under the front of the drone. Attach another tether to the frame in the back.



Figure 27: Ignis tether connection points.



Figure 28: Attaching the front tether to the front connection point on the dropper. Clip the back tether to the back connection point.

Use the provided pair of Safety Tethers to secure the Dropper to the drone by looping the tether around the frame, then threading the clip end through the end with the loop, as shown in Figure 26. Secure the tether first to the drone and then use the clips to secure them to the tether connection points at the front and back of the Dropper as shown in Figure 27, and Figure 28.

This will allow the Dropper to fall away from the Hopper if an emergency release is triggered, but it will not fall to the ground. This is the recommended operation as any onboard fire is unlikely to spread once separated. However, caution must be exercised as high winds, abrupt maneuvers, low drone battery, overloaded drones, or similar conditions that may cause flight instabilities with the Dropper hanging from the safety tether. In some operating environments and conditions, at the discretion of the PIC, operating without the Safety Tether may be preferable.

### 3.1.23 Drone Preflight Inspection

#### Drone Preflight Inspection: COMPLETED

Ensure that the drone's preflight inspection is complete.

See section 2.2 for the Matrice 600 Pro preflight inspection checklist.

### 3.1.24 (OPTIONAL) Start Test Ignitions

#### (OPTIONAL) Start Test Ignitions: INJECTING AND DROPPING

*WARNING: If ignition spheres are loaded in the hopper, this will cause them to be injected and poses a fire risk. If performing this step, do so under controlled conditions.*

This can be performed with or without ignition spheres. However, if ignition spheres are loaded, care must be taken as this will cause the ignition spheres to ignite, which poses a significant **fire risk**. In addition, the ignition spheres can “jump” a significant amount when igniting, so make sure a significant area is clear if performing live ignitions.

If you do not want to ignite ignition spheres, we recommend removing the needles for this test to make sure that the ignition spheres cannot be injected.

Start continuous drops by first moving S3 on the control bar into the upward position to arm Ignis. Then press the Start button in the Drone Amplified Android app.

During this process, verify the following:

- The puncture motor moves (see Section 3.1.12).
- The A and B hatches open and close without obstruction.
- Ignition spheres are loaded and punctured in both A and B (if performed with ignition spheres).
- Fluid is injected in both A and B.
- The app status indicates dropping.

This process will perform injections on both A and B sides until stopped.

### 3.1.25 Stop Dropping

#### Stop Dropping: DISARMED, IGNIS STOPPED

Press the Stop button in the app to stop dropping. To also disarm Ignis in order to prevent accidentally starting again, move the Arm/Disarm switch (S3) on the control bar into the disarm position (down and away from the user), as shown in Figure 33. Further,



make sure that all motions of the system stop and that the app indicates ready. Note that the stopping process can take 20-40 seconds while the system purges any additional ignition spheres and performs a calibration process.

### 3.1.26 Check Ignis Status in App

#### Check Ignis Status in App: DISARMED BY CONTROL BAR

Verify that the status message in the app's flying screen indicates Ignis has no errors.

### 3.1.27 Create Geofence

#### Create Geofence: CREATED



Figure 29: Creating a geofence for Ignis in the Ignis app.

Touch the ignition sphere icon in the top right corner of the flight screen to open the Ignis controls, then touch the Geofence icon (the boxed drone icon) to open the Geofence controls (see Figure 29). Touch the map to mark the corners of the burn area in a clockwise or counter-clockwise order. You can also undo, redo, or clear the geofence.

Once you've finished creating the geofence, touch the ignition sphere icon in the top right corner to close the Ignis controls.

### 3.1.28 Fill Hopper

#### Fill Hopper: FILLED

*Note: Use the app "AGITATE" button when filling to ensure chutes are filled*



Figure 30: Filling the Hopper with ignition spheres.

Fill the Hopper with the desired number of ignition spheres as shown in Figure 30. We recommend only filling to the fill line (approximately 110 spheres) as overfilling the Hopper with more spheres may cause the hopper to jam and prevent continuous dispensing of the ignition spheres.

It is important to make sure that the chutes at the bottom of the Hopper are filled with ignition spheres so that the first injections are not missed due to the lack of spheres. During the filling process, use the “AGITATE” button on the app to briefly move the agitator in the hopper with just a few initial spheres, as shown in Figure 17. Once the chutes are full, the remaining ignition spheres can be quickly added.

### 3.1.29 Ready for Takeoff

**Ready for Takeoff:** READY

Ignis is now ready for flight operations. Ensure that the area is clear and abide by all flight and takeoff recommendations of the drone manufacturer.

## 3.2 Starting Dropping and Ignitions Checklist

### 3.2.1 Arm Ignis

**Arm Ignis:** ARMED

Move S3 on the control bar into the armed position (up and towards the user).

### 3.2.2 Check Ignis Status

**Check Ignis Status:** IDLE

Check that Ignis’s status indicates it is idle, or a restartable error (see Section ??).

### 3.2.3 Ensure Drop Area Clear and Safe

#### Ensure Drop Area Clear and Safe: CLEAR AND SAFE

Ensure that the drone is currently over a safe area to perform ignitions and that the area is clear.

### 3.2.4 Press Start Dropping button in App

#### Press Start Dropping button in App: PRESSED

Press the Start button in the Drone Amplified Android app to start dropping.

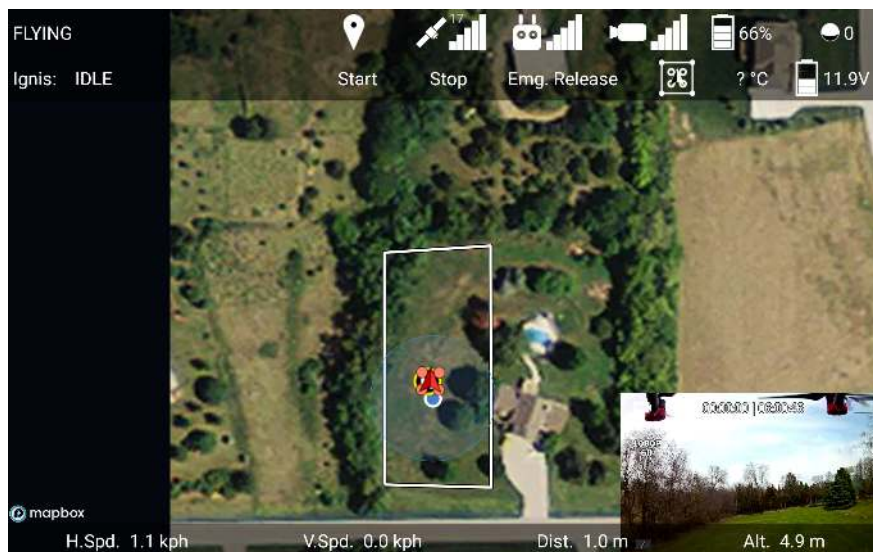


Figure 31: Starting drops with the Drone Amplified Android app.

The Start dropping button is located in the Ignis controls submenu, shown in Figure 31. This submenu will appear when the ignition sphere icon in the top-right corner is touched.

This process will start drops alternating between the A and B sides. The total number of continuous drops is capped at approximately 200 spheres, which is above the capacity of Hopper. However, if this number is exceeded, it will stop dropping. It can be reinitialized by stopping and starting the dropping again.

### 3.2.5 Check Ignis Status

#### Check Ignis Status: DROPPING

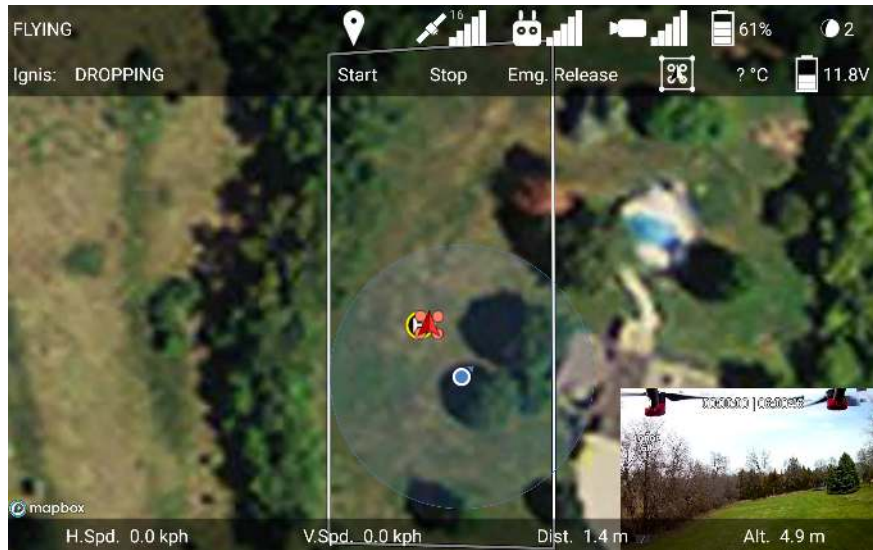


Figure 32: Ignis status while dropping.

Verify that Ignis's status has changed to DROPPING, as in Figure 32.

## 3.3 Stopping Ignitions Checklist

### 3.3.1 Press Stop Dropping button in App

**Press Stop Dropping button in App:** PRESSED

Press the Stop button in the Drone Amplified Android app to stop dropping. This will safely stop dropping at any point, although additional ignition spheres may be dispensed as they are cleared from the chutes.

The Stop dropping button is located in the Ignis controls submenu, shown in Figure 32. This submenu will appear when the ignition sphere icon in the top-right corner is touched.

### 3.3.2 Check Ignis Status

**Check Ignis Status:** IDLE

Verify that Ignis's status has changed to IDLE, as in Figure 31. Note that the stopping process can take 20-40 seconds while the system purges any additional ignition spheres and performs a calibration process.

### 3.3.3 Disarm Ignis

**Disarm Ignis:** DISARMED

Move S3 on the control bar into the disarmed position (down and away from the user).

## 3.4 Reloading Between Flights Checklist

### 3.4.1 Disarm Ignis

**Disarm Ignis:** DISARMED



Figure 33: Ignis control switches.

Ensure the Ignis Arm/Disarm switch (S3) is pushed down and away from the user to disable dropping with Ignis.

### 3.4.2 Emergency Release Dials

**Emergency Release Dials:**

ROTATED COUNTERCLOCKWISE, SAFE

Ensure that the emergency release dials (S1 and S2) shown in Figure 33 are rotated fully counterclockwise. Rotating both dials fully clockwise within 2 seconds of each other will trigger the emergency release.

### 3.4.3 Ignis App Ignis Setup

**Ignis App Ignis Setup:** CONNECTED

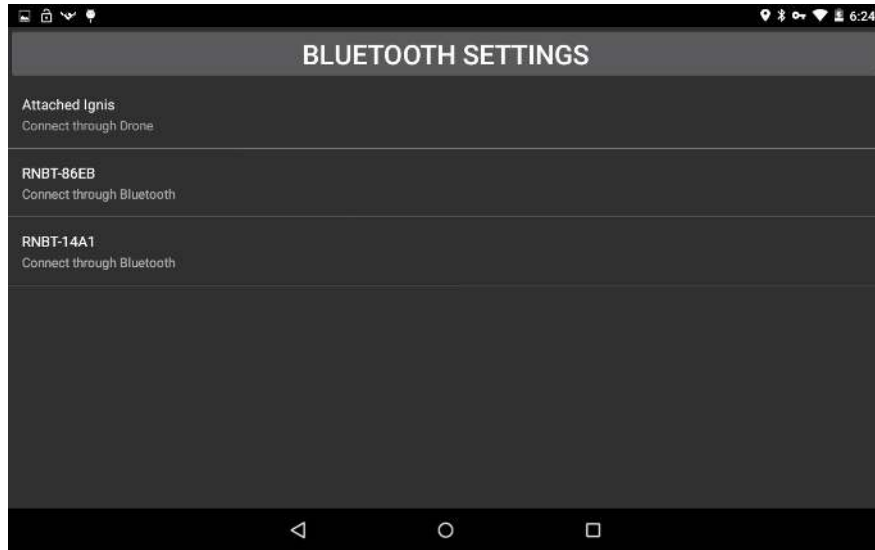


Figure 34: Ignis Setup Menu for choosing how to connect to Ignis.

Press the IGNIS SETUP button to see the connection options screen as shown in Figure 34. On this screen you will see a list of all the Bluetooth devices your tablet is paired to. You can touch one of these to connect to that Ignis via Bluetooth. Alternatively, if the controller and drone are on and there is a connection from the app to Ignis through the drone, you will see an option to connect to Ignis through the drone. If your tablet is not paired to the Ignis’s Bluetooth, you can press the BLUETOOTH SETTINGS button to open up your Android device’s Bluetooth settings. This will scan for nearby Bluetooth devices and allow you to pair with them. The password to pair with Ignis is 1234.



Figure 35: App when connected to Ignis.

Touch the connection option corresponding to the Ignis's Bluetooth Address, which is shown inside the battery compartment, to begin connecting to Ignis over Bluetooth. This will open a screen similar to Figure 35. The status will initially show "Bluetooth Disconnected" while the app is attempting to connect. Once it successfully connects, which may take up to 10 seconds, the status will change to "Bluetooth Connected". Ignis's status will be displayed once the app begins to receive messages from Ignis.

### 3.4.4 Ignis Battery Level

**Ignis Battery Level:** GREATER THAN 12.0V

Verify that the battery voltage is above 12.0V in the app (Figure 17). See Section 1.3 for more information about the battery and power information. If

### 3.4.5 Remove Cover

**Remove Cover:** REMOVED

Remove the cover over Ignis's Dropper. If any antifreeze has collected in the bottom, dump that out.

### 3.4.6 Reservoir and Syringes

**Reservoir and Syringes:** FILLED AND PURGED OF AIR

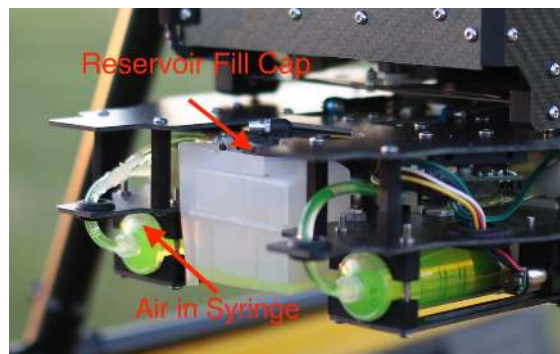


Figure 36: Reservoir fill location.

Fill the reservoir by opening the reservoir lid (see Figure 36) and filling the reservoir. In the app click the "FILL A" and "FILL B" buttons, as shown in Figure 17, to fill the syringes.

If the reservoir was emptied during the last flight, you may need to purge air from the syringes. Unclip the tethers and remove Ignis from the drone. Then follow the procedure in 3.1.17 to purge the air before remounting Ignis.

### 3.4.7 Attach Cover

#### **Attach Cover:** SECURE

Place the cover on the Dropper as shown in Figure 25. While putting it on, make sure that no wires or tubes are pinched between the top of the cover and plate. Place the back of the cover on first (away from the clear side of the Hopper) and then rotate the front up for easy attachment. The cover should sit flush with the top plate of the dropper and be secure with the magnets on the cover and dropper touching.

### 3.4.8 Drone Preflight Inspection

#### **Drone Preflight Inspection:** COMPLETED

Ensure that the drone's preflight inspection is complete.

See section 2.2 for the Matrice 600 Pro preflight inspection checklist.

### 3.4.9 (OPTIONAL) Start Test Ignitions

#### **(OPTIONAL) Start Test Ignitions:** INJECTING AND DROPPING

*WARNING: If ignition spheres are loaded in the hopper, this will cause them to be injected and poses a fire risk. If performing this step, do so under controlled conditions.*

This can be performed with or without ignition spheres. However, if ignition spheres are loaded, care must be taken as this will cause the ignition spheres to ignite, which poses a significant **fire risk**. In addition, the ignition spheres can “jump” a significant amount when igniting, so make sure a significant area is clear if performing live ignitions.

If you do not want to ignite ignition spheres, we recommend removing the needles for this test to make sure that the ignition spheres cannot be injected.

Start continuous drops by first moving S3 on the control bar into the upward position to arm Ignis. Then press the Start button in the Drone Amplified Android app.

During this process, verify the following:

- The puncture motor moves (see Section 3.1.12).
- The A and B hatches open and close without obstruction.
- Ignition spheres are loaded and punctured in both A and B (if performed with ignition spheres).
- Fluid is injected in both A and B.
- The app status indicates dropping.



This process will perform injections on both A and B sides until stopped.

### 3.4.10 Stop Dropping

**Stop Dropping:** DISARMED, IGNIS STOPPED

Press the Stop button in the app to stop dropping. To also disarm Ignis in order to prevent accidentally starting again, move the Arm/Disarm switch (S3) on the control bar into the disarm position (down and away from the user), as shown in Figure 33. Further, make sure that all motions of the system stop and that the app indicates ready. Note that the stopping process can take 20-40 seconds while the system purges any additional ignition spheres and performs a calibration process.

### 3.4.11 Fill Hopper

**Fill Hopper:** FILLED

*Note: Use the app “AGITATE” button when filling to ensure chutes are filled*

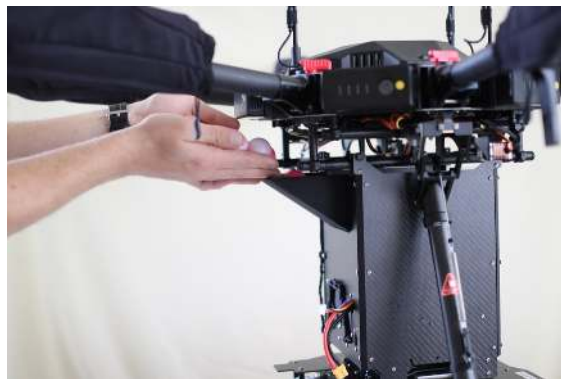


Figure 37: Filling the Hopper with ignition spheres.

Fill the Hopper with the desired number of ignition spheres as shown in Figure 37. We recommend only filling to the fill line (approximately 110 spheres) as overfilling the Hopper with more spheres may cause the hopper to jam and prevent continuous dispensing of the ignition spheres.

It is important to make sure that the chutes at the bottom of the Hopper are filled with ignition spheres so that the first injections are not missed due to the lack of spheres. During the filling process, use the “AGITATE” button on the app to briefly move the agitator in the hopper with just a few initial spheres, as shown in Figure 35. Once the chutes are full, the remaining ignition spheres can be quickly added.

### 3.4.12 Ready for Takeoff

**Ready for Takeoff:** READY

Ignis is now ready for flight operations. Ensure that the area is clear and abide by all flight and takeoff recommendations of the drone manufacturer.

## 3.5 Post Flight Inspection Checklist

### 3.5.1 Drone Safe

**Drone Safe:** SAFE

Ensure that the drone is safe before approaching as specified in the drone operational manual. We recommend turning off the power to the drone before inspecting the Ignis system and following all drone manufacturer guidelines on approaching the drone after landing.

### 3.5.2 Bottom Hatches

**Bottom Hatches:** A AND B OPEN AND CLEAR

Ensure that the bottom hatches are in the open position as shown in Figure 7. If they are not, they can be opened by hand with minimal force. Ensure that the puncture area is clear and that there are not ignition spheres in this area. If there is a ignition sphere in this area, see the Emergency Procedures Section 5.3, for the clearing procedure.

### 3.5.3 Ignis Battery

**Ignis Battery:** DISCONNECTED

Disconnect the Ignis battery.

### 3.5.4 Inspect for Visible Damage

**Inspect for Visible Damage:** NO DAMAGE

See Section 3.1.3

## 3.6 Preparing for Storage Checklist

### 3.6.1 Perform Preflight Inspection Steps “Inspect for Visible Damage” (3.1.3) through “Ignis Battery Level” (3.1.15)

**Perform Preflight Inspection Steps “Inspect for Visible Damage” (3.1.3) through “Ignis Battery Level” (3.1.15): COMPLETE**

Perform preflight inspection procedures “Inspect for Visible Damage” (Section 3.1.3) through “Ignis Battery Level” (Section 3.1.15) to power on the system and connect the app via bluetooth.

### 3.6.2 Remove Cover

**Remove Cover: REMOVED**

Remove the Dropper cover as shown in Figure 25.

### 3.6.3 Empty Syringes and Reservoir

**Empty Syringes and Reservoir: EMPTY**

Click the “EMPTY A” and “EMPTY B” buttons and verify that antifreeze is completely emptied from both syringes<sup>3</sup>. Next, click “FILL A” and “FILL B” to fill the syringes from the reservoir if there is any antifreeze remaining in the reservoir and then perform the emptying procedure again. Note, it is easier and cleaner to remove the needles from the system and place them in collection containers to better contain the purged antifreeze.

### 3.6.4 Flush With Water

**Flush With Water: FLUSHED AND EMPTIED**

Fill the reservoir with clean water (distilled water is preferred) and perform a cycle of filling and emptying to run the water through the system to clean out any remaining antifreeze. Ensure that all of the water is emptied out of the system before storage.

### 3.6.5 Check Needles

**Check Needles: CLEAR**

Remove the needle assembly holders using the thumbscrews and then remove the needle assembly (Figure 21). Check to ensure that the needles are clear and not obstructed.

### 3.6.6 Disconnect Battery

**Disconnect Battery:** DISCONNECTED

Unplug the power from Ignis (Figure 13).

### 3.6.7 Remove Battery

**Remove Battery:** REMOVED

Remove the battery from the battery compartment as shown in Figure 12.

### 3.6.8 Dropper Wires Disconnect

**Dropper Wires Disconnect:** DISCONNECTED

Disconnect the Dropper wires from the Hopper (Figure 10).

### 3.6.9 Disconnect Dropper from Hopper

**Disconnect Dropper from Hopper:** DISCONNECTED

Disconnect the Dropper from the Hopper by pushing the plate towards the chutes as shown in Figure 8.

### 3.6.10 Disconnect Hopper Wires from Drone

**Disconnect Hopper Wires from Drone:** DISCONNECTED

Disconnect the Hopper wires from the drone as shown in Figure 24.

### 3.6.11 Disconnect Hopper from Drone

**Disconnect Hopper from Drone:** DISCONNECTED

Remove the thumbscrews and disconnect the Hopper from the drone as shown in Figure 23. After it is removed, screw back in the thumbscrews for storage. Do not over-tighten the thumbscrews.

### 3.6.12 Empty Hopper

**Empty Hopper:** EMPTIED

Remove all ignition spheres from the Hopper.

### 3.6.13 Clean Hatch Tracks and Chutes

**Clean Hatch Tracks and Chutes:** CLEANED AND DRIED

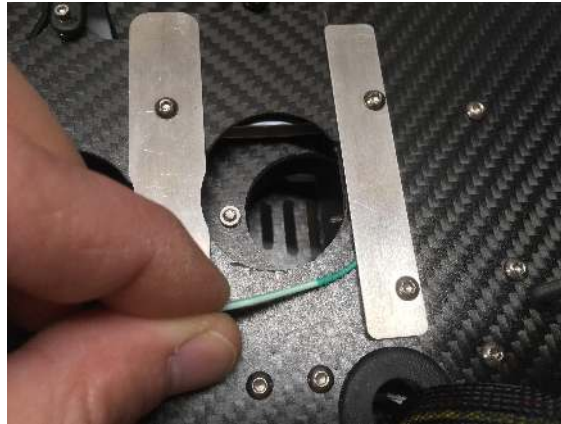


Figure 38: Cleaning hatch tracks.

Use the provided cleaners (which act as a small squeegee) or alternatively the edge of a small folded towel to clean each of the tracks as shown in Figure 38. Gently move the hatches back and forth to allow access to clean out the tracks where the hatches run on both the top and bottom of the Dropper. Pay careful attention and clean any spots where the hatches do not move smoothly, which can be caused by prior buildup of antifreeze and dirt.

In addition to cleaning the tracks, wipe out the interior of the chutes with a clean, lint-free cloth.

### 3.6.14 Clean System

**Clean System:** CLEAN

Wipe down the whole system with a clean, dry, and lint free cloth. Pay particularly close attention to remove any antifreeze buildup from both the cover and the Dropper. The cover can be rinsed with water and dried.

### 3.6.15 Inspect for Visible Damage

**Inspect for Visible Damage:** NO DAMAGE

See Section 3.1.3

### 3.6.16 Store in Case

**Store in Case:** STORED

Store all components in the storage case making sure to follow the storage guidelines in Section 1.11.

## 4 Emergency Procedures

This section contains the emergency procedure checklists. See the Amplified Emergency Procedures in Section 5 for details.

### 4.1 Communication Failure Checklist

1. **Stop Ignitions and Dropping:** SWITCHES OFF, SYSTEM STOPPED
2. **Alert Operators and Bystanders:** ALERTED
3. **Visually Verify Dropping Stopped:** DROPPING STOPPED

*If dropping does not stop and the drone is under control, keep the drone over an area where ignitions are safe before proceeding to next step.*

4. **Return Drone to Landing Zone and Land:** LANDED
5. **Perform Post Flight Inspection:** COMPLETE

### 4.2 In-Flight Fire Checklist

6. **Check for In-Flight Fire:** FIRE SUSPECTED
7. **Disarm Ignis:** DISARMED
8. **Fly Over Safe Ignition Area:** OVER SAFE IGNITION AREA
9. **Trigger Dropper Emergency Ejection:** BOTH ROTATED CLOCKWISE, EJECTED
10. **Return Drone to Landing Zone and Land:** LANDED
11. **Perform Post Flight Inspection:** COMPLETE

### 4.3 Stuck Ignition Sphere After Landing Checklist

12. **Bottom Hatches Open:** HATCHES OPEN
  13. **Ignis Power Cycle:** POWER CYCLED
- This will cause the puncture motor to move to attempt to eject any stuck ignition sphere.*
14. **Battery Disconnect:** DISCONNECTED
  15. **Remove Cover:** COVER REMOVED
  16. **Remove Needle Assemblies:** NEEDLES REMOVED
  17. **Dropper Wires Disconnect:** DISCONNECTED
  18. **Disconnect Dropper from Hopper:** DISCONNECTED
  19. **Manually Remove Stuck Ignition Sphere:** REMOVED

## 5 Amplified Emergency Procedures

### 5.1 Communication Failure Checklist

If there is a communication failure between Ignis and the drone or between the ground station and the Drone/Ignis the system should automatically stop ignitions.

#### 5.1.1 Stop Ignitions and Dropping

**Stop Ignitions and Dropping:** SWITCHES OFF, SYSTEM STOPPED

Press the Stop button in the app to stop dropping. To also disarm Ignis in order to prevent accidentally starting again, move the Arm/Disarm switch (S3) on the control bar into the disarm position (down and away from the user), as shown in Figure 33. This will safely stop dropping at any point, although additional ignition spheres may be dispensed as they are cleared from the chutes. Note that the stopping process can take 20-40 seconds while the system purges any additional ignition spheres and performs a calibration process.

#### 5.1.2 Alert Operators and Bystanders

**Alert Operators and Bystanders:** ALERTED

Alert all personnel in the area of the loss of communications.

#### 5.1.3 Visually Verify Dropping Stopped

**Visually Verify Dropping Stopped:** DROPPING STOPPED

*If dropping does not stop and the drone is under control, keep the drone over an area where ignitions are safe before proceeding to next step.*

Verify visually that dropping and ignitions have stopped. If it has not stopped and the drone is under control, keep the drone over an area where ignitions are safe before proceeding to next step. If it has not stopped and the drone is not under control, then prepare for potential fire ignitions along the route of flight.

#### 5.1.4 Return Drone to Landing Zone and Land

**Return Drone to Landing Zone and Land:** LANDED

Return the drone to the landing zone and land. During this process pay particular care to watch for any ignitions in the area.



## 5.1.5 Perform Post Flight Inspection

### Perform Post Flight Inspection: COMPLETE

Perform the steps in the post flight inspection in Section 3.5.

## 5.2 In-Flight Fire Checklist

### 5.2.1 Check for In-Flight Fire

#### Check for In-Flight Fire: FIRE SUSPECTED

Check for abnormally high Ignis temperature, or use the camera to look for smoke or flames coming out of Ignis. If a fire is suspected, continue this checklist. If not, continue with regular operations (if applicable) or return to land as soon as it is safe to do so.

### 5.2.2 Disarm Ignis

#### Disarm Ignis: DISARMED

Move S3 on the control bar into the disarmed position (down and away from the user). This will automatically cause Ignis to stop dropping.

### 5.2.3 Fly Over Safe Ignition Area

#### Fly Over Safe Ignition Area: OVER SAFE IGNITION AREA

Fly over an area where it is safe for there to be a ground fire to prevent unintended ignition of other areas.

### 5.2.4 Trigger Dropper Emergency Ejection

#### Trigger Dropper Emergency Ejection: BOTH ROTATED CLOCKWISE, EJECTED

Rotate both dials fully clockwise within 2 seconds of each other to trigger the emergency release as shown in Figure 33. Or, use the Emg. Release button in the App to trigger an emergency release.

This will cause the whole Dropper system to be ejected and dropped from the Hopper. If the Dropper is attached with the Safety Tether, it may be possible to recover the Dropper system, however, even with no fire damage an emergency ejection may require factory repairs. Without a safety tether, this will likely result in a complete loss of the Dropper system. In both cases, this should help prevent the spreading of any fire to the Hopper or drone.

## 5.2.5 Return Drone to Landing Zone and Land

### Return Drone to Landing Zone and Land: LANDED

Return the drone to the landing zone and land. During this process pay particular care to watch for any other inflight fires.

## 5.2.6 Perform Post Flight Inspection

### Perform Post Flight Inspection: COMPLETE

Perform the steps in the post flight inspection in Section 3.5.

## 5.3 Stuck Ignition Sphere After Landing Checklist

### 5.3.1 Bottom Hatches Open

#### Bottom Hatches Open: HATCHES OPEN

Ensure that the bottom hatches are in the open position as shown in Figure 7. If they are not, they can be opened by hand with minimal force. Only perform this step if it is easy and safe to access the hatches, if not, skip this step. Use caution, especially being aware of the potential for any fire.

### 5.3.2 Ignis Power Cycle

#### Ignis Power Cycle: POWER CYCLED

*This will cause the puncture motor to move to attempt to eject any stuck ignition sphere.*

Unplug and then plug back in the power connector for Ignis (shown in Figure 13). This will cause the puncture motor to move to attempt to eject any stuck ignition spheres.

If this ejects any stuck ignition sphere, then proceed to the post-flight inspection (Section 3.5).

### 5.3.3 Battery Disconnect

#### Battery Disconnect: DISCONNECTED

Unplug the power from Ignis (Figure 13).

### 5.3.4 Remove Cover

#### Remove Cover: COVER REMOVED

Remove the Dropper cover as shown in Figure 25.

### 5.3.5 Remove Needle Assemblies

**Remove Needle Assemblies:** NEEDLES REMOVED

Remove the needle assemblies (Section 3.1.18). This will ensure that no antifreeze can be injected into the ignition sphere.

### 5.3.6 Dropper Wires Disconnect

**Dropper Wires Disconnect:** DISCONNECTED

Disconnect the Dropper wires from the Hopper (Figure 10).

### 5.3.7 Disconnect Dropper from Hopper

**Disconnect Dropper from Hopper:** DISCONNECTED

Disconnect the Dropper from the Hopper by pushing the plate towards the chutes as shown in Figure 8.

### 5.3.8 Manually Remove Stuck Ignition Sphere

**Manually Remove Stuck Ignition Sphere:** REMOVED

Manually remove the stuck ignition sphere. Proceed to the post-flight inspection (Section 3.5).

## 6 Ignis Android App

### 6.1 System Requirements

The app is compatible with Android Lollipop (5.0) and above. The Android operating system can be upgraded by going to Settings, About, System update.

Minimum System Requirements:

**Operating System:** Android Lollipop (5.0)

**CPU:** Quad-Core, 1.2 GHz

**RAM:** 1GB

Recommended System Requirements:

**Operating System:** Android Nougat (7.0)

**CPU:** Quad-Core, 1.5 GHz

**RAM:** 2GB

The app is compatible with the following DJI™ drones:

- INSPIRE™ 1
- INSPIRE™ 1 Pro
- INSPIRE™ 1 RAW
- INSPIRE™ 2
- MATRICE™ 100
- MATRICE™ 600
- MATRICE™ 600 Pro
- PHANTOM™ 3 Standard
- PHANTOM™ 3 4K
- PHANTOM™ 3 Professional
- PHANTOM™ 3 Advanced
- PHANTOM™ 4
- PHANTOM™ 4 Pro
- PHANTOM™ 4 Advanced
- MAVIC™ Air
- MAVIC™ Pro
- MAVIC™ 2 Pro
- MAVIC™ 2 Zoom
- MAVIC™ 2 Enterprise
- MAVIC™ 2 Enterprise Dual

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## 6.2 Privacy and Versions

The Ignis app has two main versions: a general-purpose version, and a privacy-enhanced version. The DJI SDK that this app uses to control a DJI drone can potentially upload flight logs to DJI's servers. The privacy-enhanced version of this app implements a firewall to ensure that no flight data will leak over the internet. The general-purpose version is recommended for customers without this concern, and allows for an internet-connection during flight so maps can be automatically downloaded during flight. Besides this, there are only a few minor differences between the versions, and these will be pointed out in the following sections. See section 6.11 to learn more about the privacy-enhanced version.

## 6.3 Main Menu



Figure 39: Main Menu of Ignis app.

The first time you launch the app, you will be asked to agree to the End User License Agreement, and to give the app certain permissions. The app can function without the Location permission, but it will not be able to display your device's location on the map. The other permissions are necessary for the DJI Mobile SDK to operate, and to save files such as flight logs to an accessible location on your device.

When the app is launched, a screen similar to Figure 39 will be displayed. If you are using the privacy-enhanced version of the app, these menu options are split across two apps. Press the FLY button on the first screen to see the other options. Status and error messages

will display at the bottom of the screen, such as whether or not the app is connected to the remote controller or drone.

### **6.3.1 First Time Registration**

In order to use the app to fly a DJI drone, the DJI Mobile SDK used by the app must be registered. This process is automatic. However, for first-time registration, the app must be connected to the internet. After the app has successfully registered once, it can be used without an internet connection.

In the privacy-enhanced version of the app, the first-time registration process must be manually started, and will temporarily disable the firewall. Follow the instructions displayed on the main menu.

### **6.3.2 Connecting the Remote Controller**

When you connect the remote controller to your mobile device using a USB cable, you may see a prompt to pick which app should be opened when this USB accessory is connected. If you do see this prompt, select this app, and the status at the bottom of the main screen will change to either: "Connect to drone: Failure (Disconnected from drone)" if the drone is not on, or "Connect to drone: Success" if the drone is on.

If you do not see this pop-up and another app automatically opens, that app may have been selected as the default app to open. Go to your Android device's Settings, Apps, and click on that app. Next, to the Open by default setting for that app, and clear defaults. Now, reconnect the controller, and you should see the prompt.

## 6.4 Settings

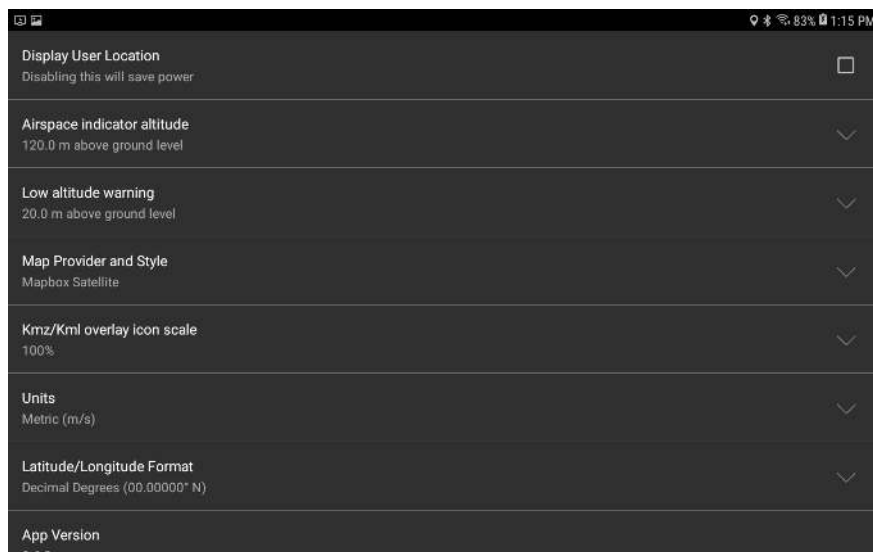


Figure 40: App Settings

Pressing the “SETTINGS” button from the main menu will open a screen where the app’s settings can be changed, shown in Figure 40. The following is a description of each setting:

**Display User Location** Enabling this makes the tablet’s location appear on the map. Location must also be enabled on the tablet for this to work. However, locating the device will consume a significant amount of the tablet’s battery power.

**Airspace indicator altitude** This is the height above ground level of a visual guide you can see when planning waypoint missions. This can be set to your aviation administration’s mandated maximum altitude above ground level that drones can fly at, which assists with compliance.

**Low altitude warning** This is the height above ground level of a visual guide you can see when planning waypoint missions. This can be set to the height of nearby trees or obstacles, which helps you fly at a safe altitude. If the drone flies below this altitude, a low altitude warning will be displayed on the screen, and a warning tone will play. The warning tone plays a low (440Hz) tone followed by a high (620Hz) tone four times.

**Map Provider and Style** Sets the map style to use. You can choose between Mapbox Satellite and Streets, Mapbox Outdoors (topographic map), Mapbox Satellite, and Mapbox Streets. When you download maps, they will be downloaded in this style. Make sure to

**Kmz/Kml overlay icon scale** Scales up or down icons that are part of Kmz and Kml overlays.

**Units** The app's units can be set to Metric (km/h), Metric (m/s), Imperial (mi/h), Imperial (ft/s), or Nautical (kn). Speeds are displayed in the units that are in the parenthesis. Other units are displayed in Metric (m, C, hectares) or Imperial units (ft, F, acres).

**Latitude/Longitude Format** Changes the format that latitudes and longitudes will be displayed in. Options are: Decimal Degrees; Degrees, Decimal Minutes; and Degrees, Minutes, Seconds.

**EULA and Privacy Policy** This will display the app's EULA and Privacy Policy at [https://droneamplified.com/agreements/EULA\\_beta.html](https://droneamplified.com/agreements/EULA_beta.html)

**Ignis Manual** Displays the latest Ignis manual at <https://droneamplified.com/downloads/IgnisManual.pdf>

## 6.5 Download Maps

This app uses Mapbox for its satellite imagery and maps. Mapbox provides high-resolution satellite imagery across the globe, and allows users to download maps for offline usage. This allows for flight in locations that have no internet connection.

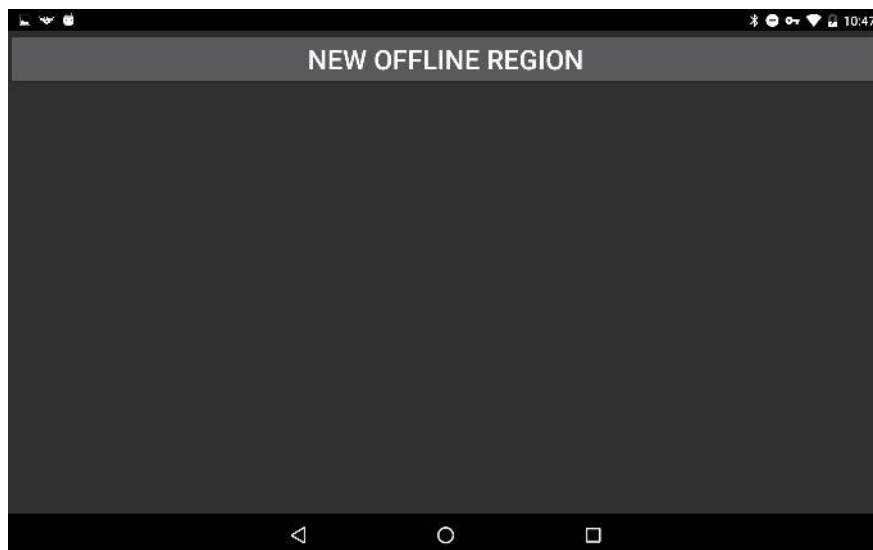


Figure 41: Offline Regions Screen



Pressing the “DOWNLOAD MAPS” button on the main menu will open a screen similar to Figure 41. This screen will display all of the maps you’ve downloaded, but it is currently empty in this Figure.

### 6.5.1 New Offline Region



Figure 42: Selecting a region to download

Pressing the “NEW OFFLINE REGION” will open a screen that shows a map of the world. Zoom in, translate, and rotate the map until the region that should be downloaded is displayed on the screen. Once the map has been zoomed in far enough, download buttons will appear in the bottom right corner of the screen, as shown in Figure 42. You have options to download "High Definition" imagery or "Standard Definition" imagery of the viewed region. The "High Definition" imagery is the most detailed imagery available for that region, but results in a large download. Touch one of the download buttons to start downloading all of the map tiles in that region in the current style. If Mapbox Satellite is selected, then this screen will display the style as Satellite and Streets to make it easier to locate regions to download, but it will only download the satellite images.

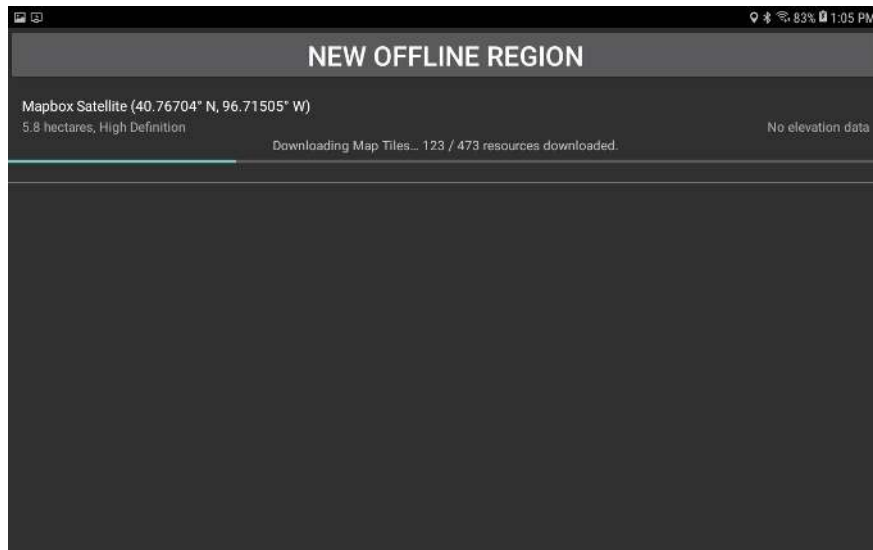


Figure 43: Downloading a region

After pressing the download button, the app will return to the previous screen, shown in Figure 43, where the download progress will be displayed. While the region is downloading, the app can be used to start downloading another region, or for other functions by navigating to other screens in the app. Don't close the app while a download is in progress, or the download may not complete. In the event the app was closed before a download was completed, the region should be deleted and re-downloaded, as it may not contain map tiles of the entire region.

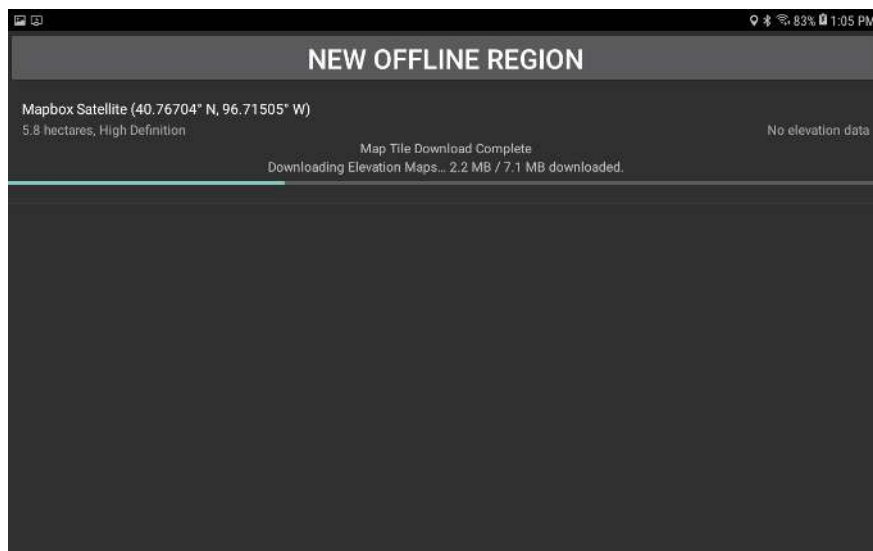


Figure 44: Downloading elevation maps

After the app has downloaded the map tiles for the region, it will download elevation

maps for the region as well, as shown in Figure 5. While this is downloading, you can leave this screen and use the app for other things. However, if the app is closed, then the download will fail. If the download fails for any reason, then the app will attempt to redownload the elevation maps once every minute. Once the elevation map download for the region completes, the "No elevation data" note on the right side of the screen will change to "Full elevation data".

Each elevation map file covers a large area of 1 degree of longitude by 1 degree of latitude, and requires between 1 and 15 Megabytes of storage space. These files are stored on your mobile device in the directory /Drone Amplified/Elevation Maps. You can free up storage space by deleting this directory or the individual elevation map files within it.

We would like to note that the ability of the app to download elevation map files from our servers will not be a free feature once the app leaves its open beta state, but it is provided for free during the open beta for testing.

### 6.5.2 Managing Regions

Each downloaded region appears in a list below the "NEW OFFLINE REGION" button. These entries give some basic information about the location, size, and zoom levels of the map. If an entry in the list in the list is touched, it will display a "VIEW" and a "DELETE" button.

Pressing the "DELETE" button will start the deletion process for that region. Please wait until the deletion is completed. This button can also be used to stop downloading satellite imagery for region.

Any number of regions can be downloaded, but there is a limit to the number of map tiles that are allowed to be saved by Mapbox. If the download fails because the Mapbox Tile Count limit was exceeded, try deleting a few other regions to free up space.



Figure 45: Viewing a downloaded region

Pressing the “VIEW” button will show the downloaded region, as in Figure 45. However, this isn’t an accurate representation of what tiles are saved for offline usage, as Mapbox will download tiles to fill this view in if the app is connected to the internet. Additionally, Mapbox will cache tiles that have been recently viewed, so it’s possible that tiles that haven’t been explicitly downloaded can be viewed offline. Disconnect from the internet, then view the region to get a better idea of what tiles are downloaded.

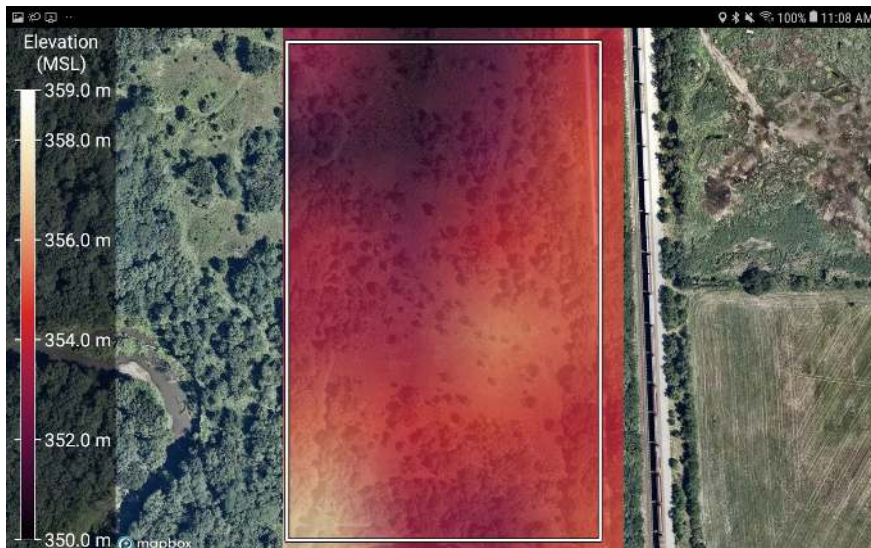


Figure 46: Viewing the elevation of a downloaded region

If you touch the map while viewing an offline region, it will show the elevation of the region above mean sea level, as shown in figure 46. Touch the map again to hide it.

### 6.5.3 Elevation Data

The elevation maps used in this app are from the Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM), which collected elevation data of the Earth's surface between 60 degrees north and 56 degrees south latitudes in February of 2000. The data points are posted every 1 arc-second (approximately 30 meters), with 1 meter of height resolution. Areas above 50 degrees north and below 50 degrees south are sampled at a resolution of 2 arc-second by 1 arc-second. Some map tiles may contain voids. For more information, see <https://www.usgs.gov/centers/eros/science/usgs-eros-archive-digital-elevation-shuttle-radar-topography-mission-srtm-1-arc>

Additional data sets may be incorporated in the future.

## 6.6 Map Overlays

PDF files with georeferenced maps (such as those created by Esri ArcMap), and KMZ and KML files can be displayed as an overlay on the map while flying.

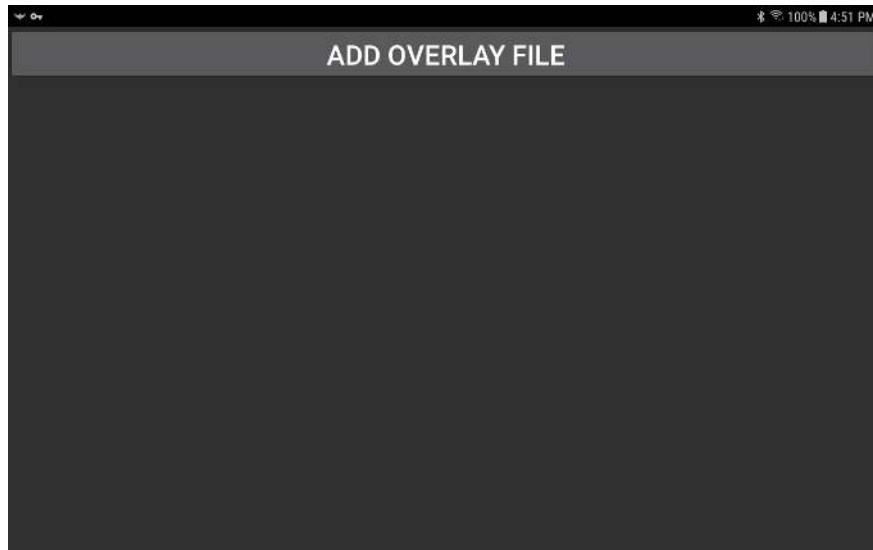


Figure 47: Map Overlays Screen

Pressing the “MAP OVERLAYS” button on the main menu will open a screen similar to Figure 47. This screen will display all of the map overlays loaded by the app, but it is currently empty in this figure.

If you've download some georeferenced pdf, kmz, kml files onto your mobile device, then you can load them by pressing the “ADD OVERLAY FILE” button. This opens a file browser so you can navigate to the file on your device, as shown in Figure 48.

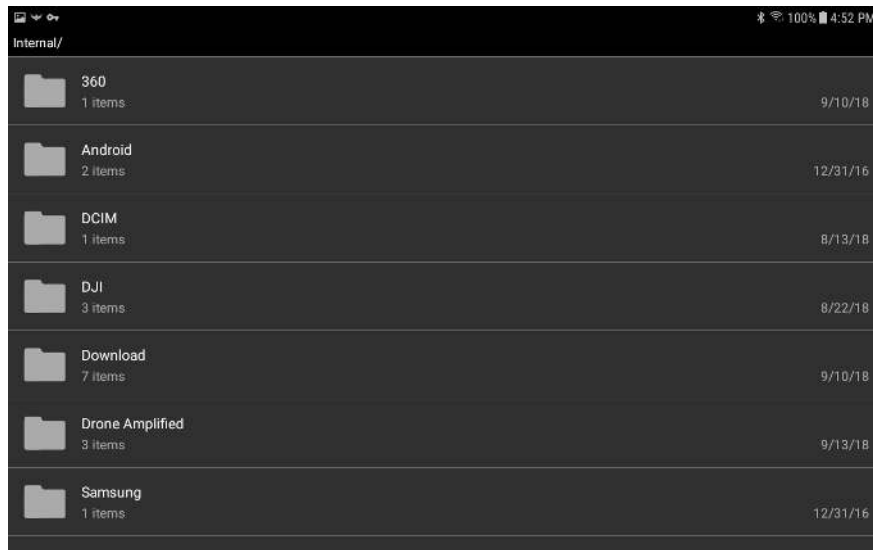


Figure 48: File browser for selecting a file to use as a map overlay

Touch a folder in the file browser to see its contents. Press the back button on your device's navigation bar to go back up a directory. If you downloaded the file, it is likely inside the Download folder.

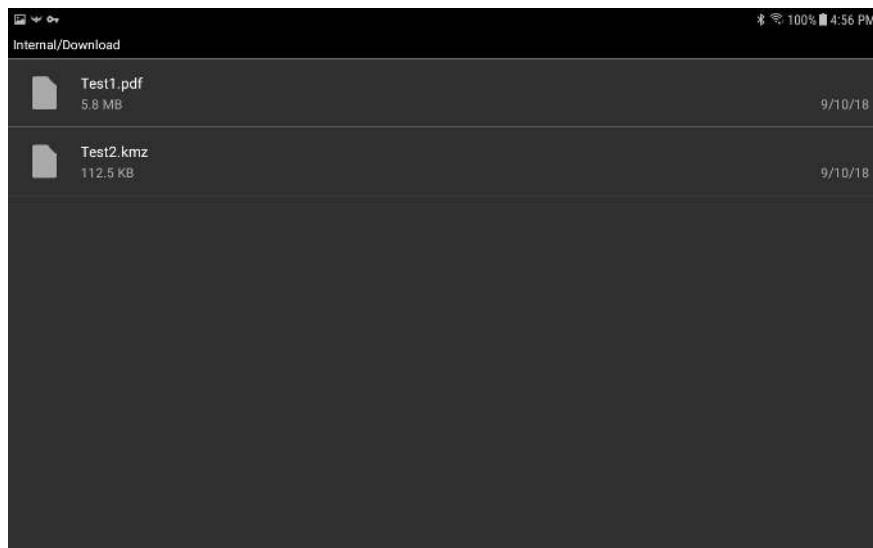


Figure 49: Browsing the Download folder for pdf and kmz files

Figure 49 shows a pdf and kmz file inside the Download folder. Touch a file to select it. This will return to the Map Overlays Screen, and the app will start processing that file, as shown in Figure 50. If an error occurs, it will be reported here. The app currently cannot process compressed pdf files, and will report an error if the pdf is compressed.

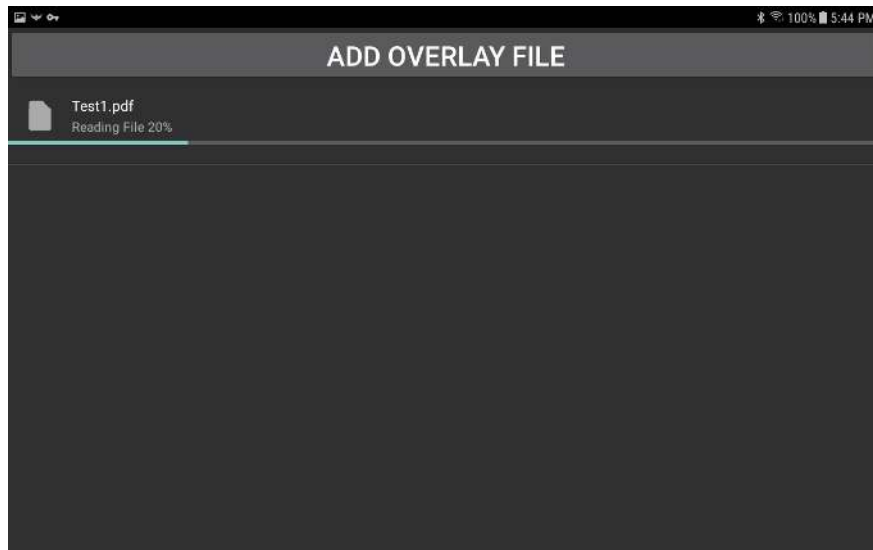


Figure 50: Processing a pdf file so it can be displayed as an overlay

Once the file is processed, it will appear in a list below the “ADD OVERLAY FILE” button, as shown in Figure 51. This list is persistent, and you do not need to re-process all of these overlays every time you start the app. When you fly, you will be able to see all of these kmz/kml overlays displayed on the map, and you’ll be able to see the nearest pdf overlay. The app will only display one pdf overlay at a time in order to conserve memory.

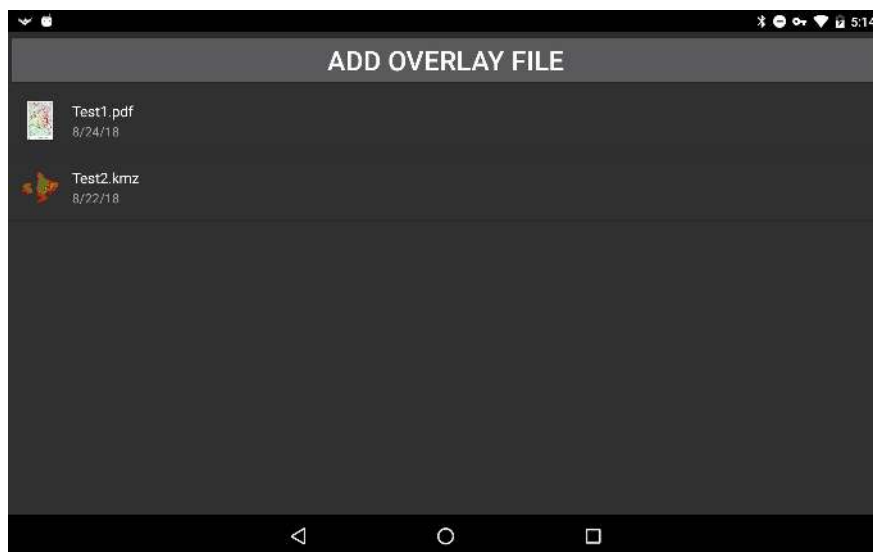


Figure 51: A pdf and kmz overlay that have been processed by the app

The list can also be used to manage the overlays. Clicking on an overlay will allow you to view it on a map, or remove it from the list, as shown in Figure 52.

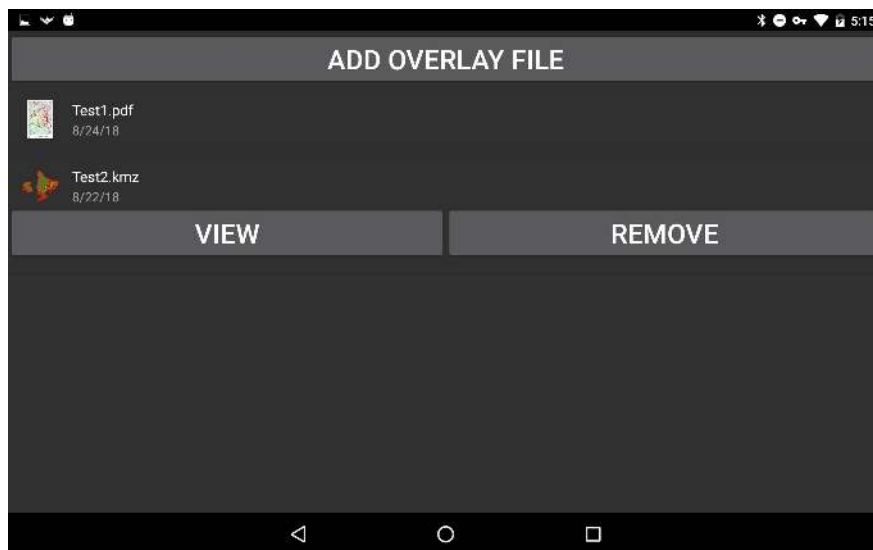


Figure 52: Touching an overlay will allow you to view it on a map or remove it from the list.

Viewing the overlay will allow you to see it on the map, as shown in Figure 53.



Figure 53: Viewing a kmz overlay

Remove overlays from the list when you have no further use for them.



## 6.7 Drone Setup

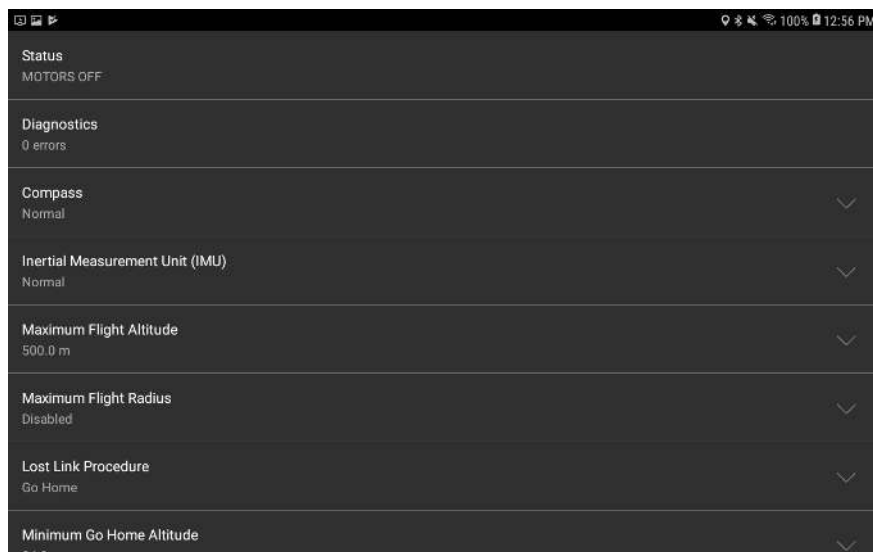


Figure 54: Drone Setup

Pressing the "DRONE SETUP" button from the main menu will open a screen where the drone's settings can be changed, and advanced information can be viewed. You must be connected to a drone in order to view this. The following is a description of each setting:

**Status** Displays the overall status of the drone, as you would see if you were flying.

**Diagnostics** Displays DJI errors and warnings produced by the drone.

**Camera** Indicates what model of DJI Camera is connected to the drone. Clicking on this will take you to settings for the camera.

**Remote Controller** Clicking on this will take you to settings for the remote controller.

**Compass** Displays information about the compass, and allows you to perform a compass calibration.

**Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU)** Displays information about the Accelerometer(s) and Gyroscope(s) on the aircraft. IMU calibration is currently under development.

**Maximum Flight Altitude** Allows you to adjust the drone's maximum allowed flight altitude above its takeoff point.

**Maximum Flight Radius** Allows you to adjust the drone's maximum allowed distance from home. Move the slider all the way to the right to disable this.

**Lost Link Procedure** Sets the procedure the drone will follow if it loses connection with the remote controller.

**Minimum Go Home Altitude** If the drone is below this altitude when the Go Home procedure is initiated, it will first ascend to this altitude before returning home.

**Video Feed Configuration** This setting is only available on the Matrice 600, and gives you 4 options to quickly configure which video feed gets streamed from the Lightbridge 2. You can select between "Zenmuse", "HDMI", "AV", and "HDMI & AV". Configuring the video feed on the Matrice 600 is quite buggy. If this quick configuration doesn't work, you can try the advanced controls, which are enabled by the checkbox at the bottom that says "Show advanced controls".

**Primary Video Feed Source and Bitrate** This is part of the advanced video feed configuration controls. This shows what source the primary video feed will display, as well as how many kilobytes per second are currently being received from this video feed.

**Secondary Video Feed Source and Bitrate** This is part of the advanced video feed configuration controls. This shows what source the secondary video feed will display, as well as how many kilobytes per second are currently being received from this video feed.

**EXT Video Input Port** This is part of the advanced video feed configuration controls. Enabling this will allow the use of a Zenmuse camera. Disabling this will only use the video feeds from the HDMI and AV sources.

**LB / EXT Video Bandwidth Allocation** This is part of the advanced video feed configuration controls. This adjusts the bandwidth allocation between the LB and EXT sources. If you are using a Zenmuse camera, and have enabled the EXT video input port and set a reasonable bandwidth allocation, but you still don't see any video feed from the Zenmuse camera, then lower this bandwidth allocation down to 0% LB and leave it there for a few seconds before raising it again. This seems to fix the issue, and is the procedure the app takes when selecting the Zenmuse quick configuration.

**HDMI / AV Video Bandwidth Allocation** This is part of the advanced video feed configuration controls. This adjusts the bandwidth allocation between the HDMI and AV sources.

**HDMI / AV Transmission Mode** This is part of the advanced video feed configuration controls. This changes the transmission mode of the HDMI/AV camera between high

quality, or low latency.

**Model** The model of the drone

**Drone Name** A user-settable name for the drone.

**Flight Controller Serial Number** The serial number of the drone's flight controller.

**Flight Controller Firmware Version** The flight controller's firmware version. This is not the same as the version number of the firmware package on DJI Assistant 2.

### 6.7.1 Camera Settings

If a DJI camera is connected to the drone, then you will see a Camera setting in the Drone setup menu that displays the model of the camera. If you touch this, you will go to a new screen with settings for that camera. Currently, these settings are implemented:

**Model** Displays the model of the camera

**Thermal Picture-in-picture position** This setting will appear if you are viewing the settings for a thermal camera (e.g. Zenmuse XT2 IR). This allows you to change the position of the thermal video feed in Picture-in-picture mode.

### 6.7.2 Remote Controller Settings

**Left Wheel Function** Changes which gimbal axis the left wheel on the remote controller controls. Roll may not be supported by your drone.

**Left Wheel Sensitivity** Adjusts the speed that the left wheel rotates the gimbal at.

**C1 Button Function** Pressing the C1 button on the controller will have this function while the app is connected. Note that these functions are implemented by the app and won't work if no app is connected to the remote controller.

**C2 Button Function** Pressing the C2 button on the controller will have this function while the app is connected. Note that these functions are implemented by the app and won't work if no app is connected to the remote controller.

**C1/C2 Button Gimbal Speed** When C1 or C2 is configured to rotate the gimbal, this is the speed the C button will rotate the gimbal at.

**Remote Controller Name** A user-settable name for the remote controller. Maximum 6 characters.

**Remote Controller Serial Number** The serial number of the remote controller.

**Remote Controller Firmware Version** The remote controller’s firmware version.

## 6.8 Flight Logs

Flight logs are generated in a csv format and are saved in:

Drone Amplified/Flight Logs

The specification of the flight log format is described in this document: [https://droneamplified.com/downloads/android/flight\\_log\\_specification.pdf](https://droneamplified.com/downloads/android/flight_log_specification.pdf)

More features involving flight logs are currently under development.

## 6.9 Ignis Setup

### 6.9.1 Connection Options

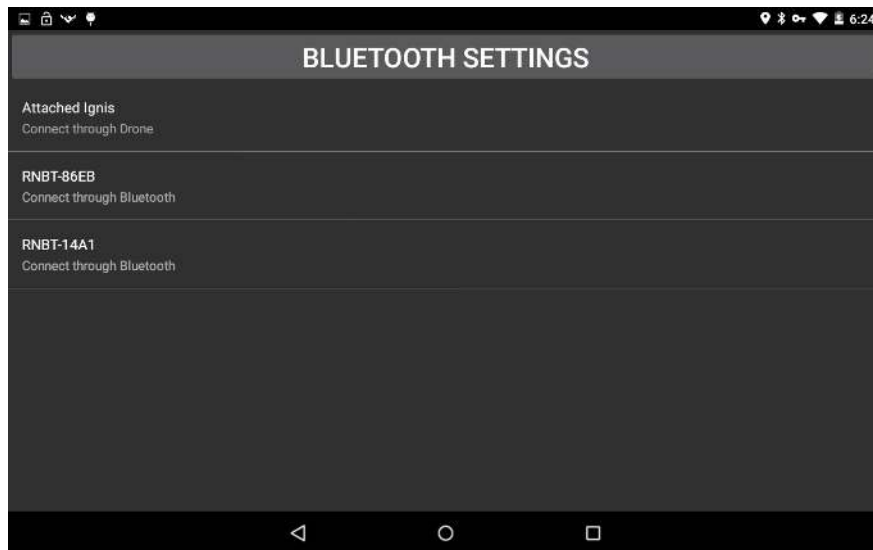


Figure 55: Ignis Setup connection options.

Press the “IGNIS SETUP” button on the main menu to open up the Ignis connection options screen, shown in Figure 55. Below the “BLUETOOTH SETTINGS” button is a list of the ways to connect to Ignis. Each bluetooth device the tablet is paired to is listed, as well as

an option to connect to Ignis through the drone, if there is a connection to Ignis through the drone.

## 6.9.2 Bluetooth Settings

Pressing the “BLUETOOTH SETTINGS” button will open up the Android device’s bluetooth settings. This screen can be used to enable Bluetooth, scan for nearby devices, and pair with them. The password to pair with Ignis is 1234. Ignis must be paired before it can be connected to through Bluetooth.

## 6.9.3 Connecting through Bluetooth



Figure 56: App when connected to Ignis through Bluetooth.

To setup Ignis through Bluetooth, check what its Bluetooth address is by opening the battery cover, then touch the corresponding name in the connection option screen shown in Figure 55. This will open a screen similar to Figure 56. While the app is attempting to connect to Ignis, the status will display “Bluetooth Disconnected”, and will change to “Bluetooth Connected” once it connects. This may take up to 10 seconds. Once the app begins to receive messages from Ignis, Ignis’s status will be displayed on the right, as shown in Figure 56. The following is a description of each button:

**EMPTY A** Completely empties syringe A

**EMPTY B** Completely empties syringe B

**FILL A** Completely fills syringe A

**FILL B** Completely fills syringe B

**PURGE A** Injects with syringe A. Use this repeatedly to clear any air out of the syringe.

**PURGE B** Injects with syringe B. Use this repeatedly to clear any air out of the syringe.

**INJECT -** Decreases the injection amount of A and B by 0.1 mL.

**INJECT +** Increases the injection amount of A and B by 0.1 mL.

**AGITATE** Spins the hopper motor for a short period. Use this to make sure ignition spheres get into the chutes before takeoff.

**START** Starts dropping. Use this to test dropping while on the ground.

**STOP** Stops dropping.

#### 6.9.4 Connecting through the Drone



Figure 57: App when connected to Ignis through the Drone.

In case Ignis cannot be connected through Bluetooth, there is the option to setup Ignis through the drone. Make sure Ignis is connected to the drone, the drone is on, the controller is on, the tablet is connected to the controller, and the app says it is connected to the drone. If the app is receiving messages from Ignis, then the option to connect through the drone

will appear as in Figure 55. Touch this option to connect to Ignis through the drone, which will open up a screen similar to 57. This screen may display the Ignis's status on the right slightly differently than the Bluetooth setup, but the buttons on the left have exactly the same functionality.

## 6.10 Flying

Touching the “FLY” button from the main menu will open the screen used to fly the drone and control Ignis. Figure 58 shows an example of this flight screen, and enumerates important interface elements.

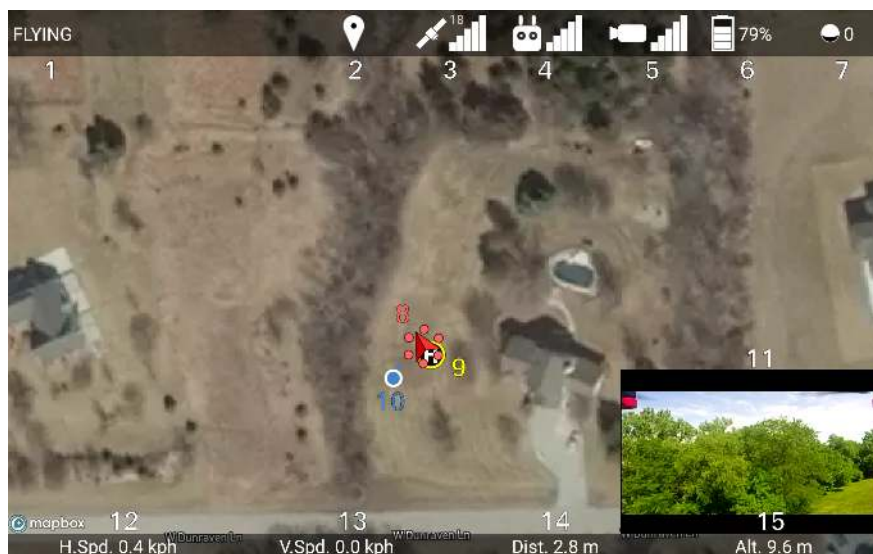


Figure 58: Main interface elements while flying.

This screen puts Android into Immersive mode, and hides the navigation and status bars. In order to back out of this screen, swipe down from the top to reveal the status and navigation bars, then press the back button.

The following is a description of the enumerated interface elements shown in Figure 58.

### 1. Overall Drone Status This can be one of several states:

**DISCONNECTED** The drone is not connected.

**IMU PREHEATING** The inertial measurement unit is preheating. Please wait for it to finish.

**COMPASS ERROR** The compass cannot accurately identify the drone's position.

**MOTORS OFF** The motors are off.

**MOTORS ON** The motors are on.

**GOING HOME** The drone is returning home or auto-landing. Use the go-home button on the controller to leave this state.

**FLYING** The drone is flying and is under the control of the remote controller.

**WAYPOINTS** The drone is following programmed waypoints. In this state, the remote controller can only yaw the vehicle, or use the pitch control to adjust the drone's velocity along the waypoint path. If a failure occurs in the DJI Mobile SDK while the vehicle is following waypoints, or waypoints are being uploaded to the vehicle, then there is a possibility that the app will report the state as WAYPOINTS when the drone is actually FLYING, or vice versa. Use the "Stop" button under the Waypoints Menu, or switch the controller into P mode to leave the WAYPOINTS state and regain manual control of the drone.

2. **Waypoints Menu Button** Touching this icon will open up the Waypoints Menu.
3. **Map Menu Button & GPS Signal Strength** Touching this icon will open the Map Recentering Menu. This icon also shows the strength of the GPS signal the drone is receiving, as well as the number of satellites it is receiving signal from.
4. **Auto Takeoff / Auto Landing Menu Button & Uplink Signal Strength** Touching this icon will open the Auto Takeoff / Auto Landing Menu. This icon also shows the strength of the radio signal from the remote controller to the drone.
5. **Camera Menu Button & Downlink Signal Strength** Touching this icon will open the Camera Menu. This icon also shows the strength of the radio signal from the drone to the remote controller, which primarily carries video signal.
6. **Battery Menu Button & Lowest Battery Level** Touching this icon will open the Battery Menu. This icon also displays the lowest energy percent remaining of all the batteries in the drone.
7. **Ignis Menu Button & Number of Ignition Spheres Dropped** Touching this icon will open the Ignis Menu. This icon will spin while Ignis is dropping. If Ignis is connected, the ? will display the number of ignition spheres that have been dropped.
8. **Drone Location and Attitude** This marks the location and orientation of the drone. The icon will also pitch and roll to reflect the attitude of the drone. Touching this will toggle Focus mode, which will center the drone in the screen, and is convenient for manually flying the drone with the controller.



9. **Home Location** This is the location that distance is measured relative to, and where the Drone will fly to if the Go Home procedure is initiated.
10. **User Location** This will display if the “Display User Location” setting is enabled, and Location enabled on the tablet. This blue and white dot displays the location of the user. A blue triangle adjacent to the dot indicates which direction the user is facing.
11. **Live Video Feed** This displays the video being streamed from a camera connected to the Drone’s HDMI or AV port. Touching this will maximize it. Touching this while it is maximized will return it to normal size.
12. **Drone Horizontal Speed** Displays the horizontal component of the speed of the drone.
13. **Drone Vertical Speed** Displays the vertical component of the velocity of the drone.
14. **Horizontal Distance between Drone and Home** Displays the horizontal component of the distance between the drone and the home point.
15. **Altitude of Drone** Displays the altitude of the drone above the takeoff location. If the app has elevation maps for this area, then it will also display the altitude above ground level in parenthesis.

You can zoom, rotate, and translate the map using touch gestures. When the map is rotated, a compass will appear in the top right corner. Touch the compass to reorient the map so that north is up.

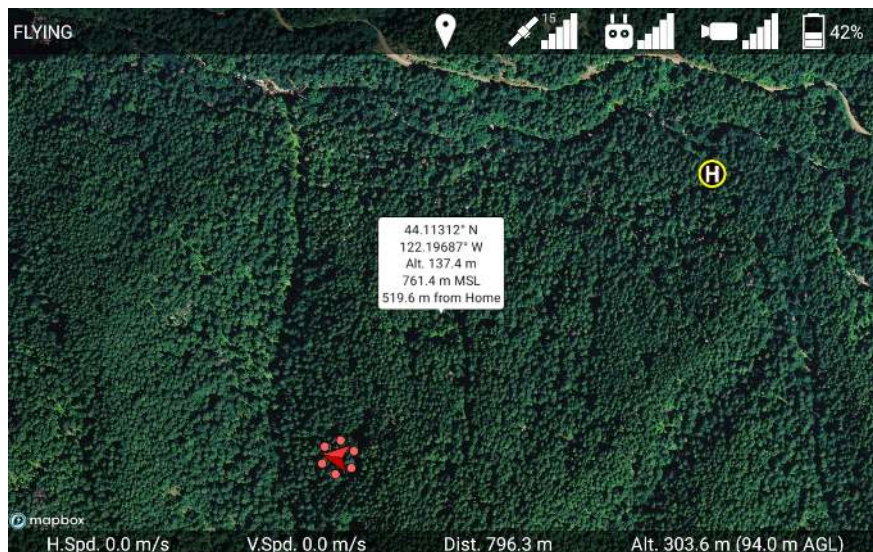


Figure 59: Touch a location on the map while no other menus are open, and an info bubble about that location will appear. Touch the info bubble to hide it.

If you tap a location on the map, information about that point will be displayed, as shown in Figure 59. This will show the latitude, longitude, altitude of the ground above the takeoff location, elevation above mean sea level, and horizontal distance from the home point. Some information will not be displayed if it cannot be calculated. Touch the info bubble again to hide it.

### 6.10.1 Map Menu

Touching the GPS satellite icon at the top of the screen will open the Map Menu, shown in Figure 60.

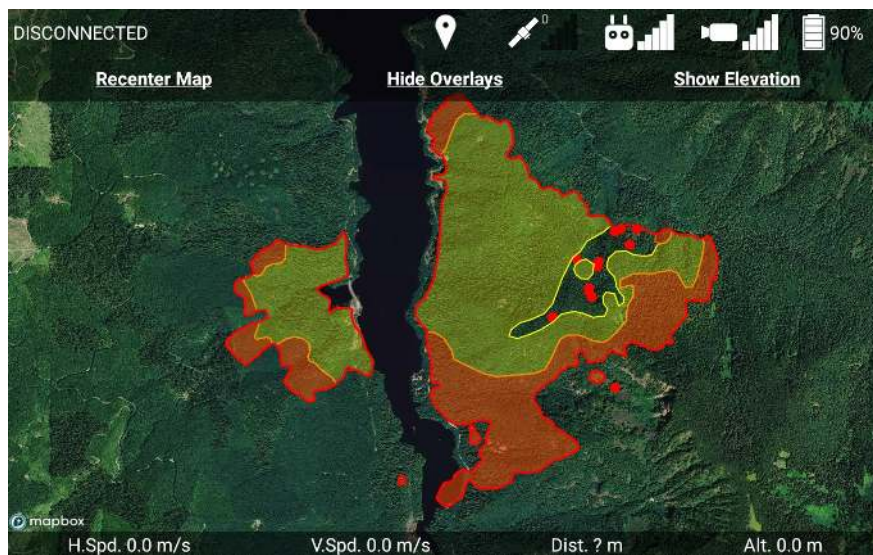


Figure 60: Map Menu

The “Hide Overlays” button will hide all pdf, kmz, and kml overlays, so they won’t be displayed on the map. Once they are hidden, the button will change to “Show Overlays”, which will allow you to toggle the display of overlays back on.

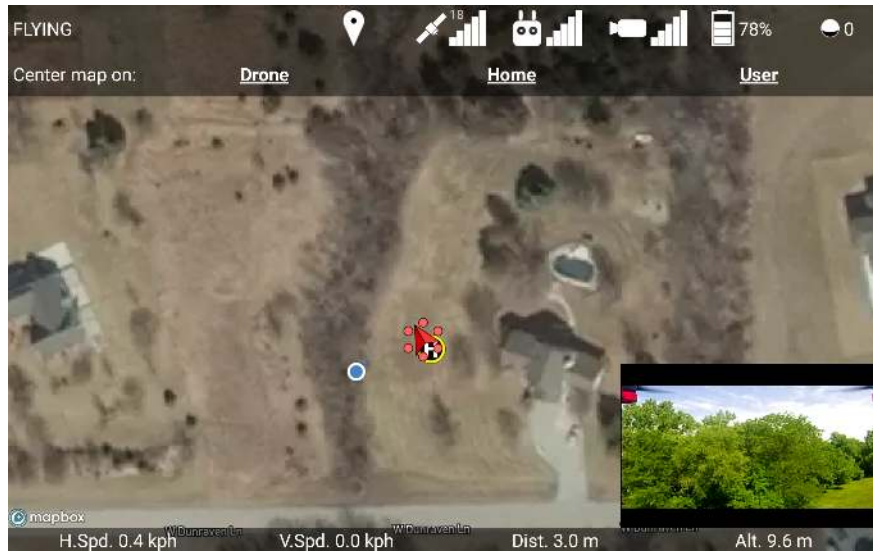


Figure 61: Map Recentering Menu

The “Recenter Map” button will open the Map Recentering Menu, shown in Figure 61. If you do not have any map overlays loaded, touching the GPS satellite icon will directly open the Map Recentering Menu. Touch either “Drone”, “Home” or “User” to recenter and rezoom the map on that. Touch the map or the menu button again to close this menu.

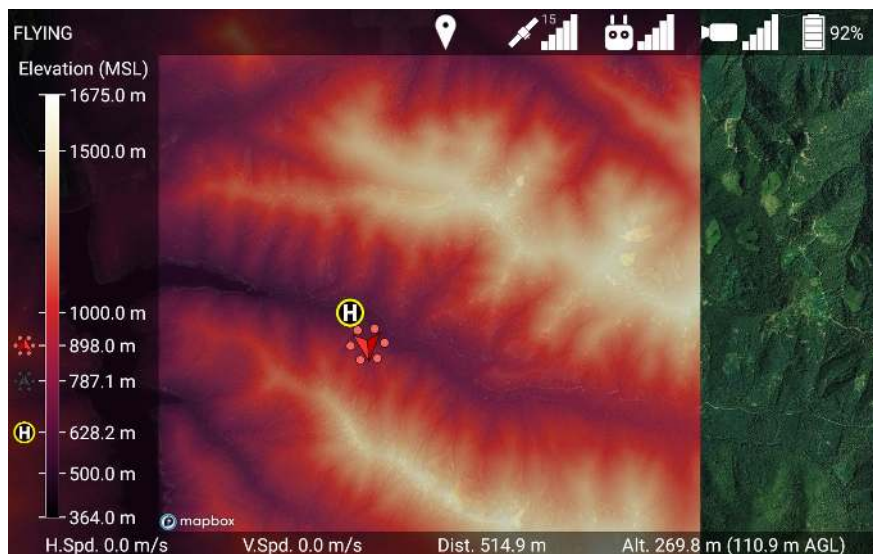


Figure 62: Viewing elevation maps while flying

The “Show Elevation” button will display an elevation map of the nearby region, as well as a legend that indicates what elevation above mean sea level the colors correspond to, as shown in Figure 62. If you are flying, then the legend will also display the elevation of the home point, the drone, and the terrain directly below the drone. In Figure 62, these are the

white “H” in a yellow circle at 628.2 m, the red drone icon at 898.0 m, and the black drone icon (representing the drone’s shadow) at 787.1 m, respectively.

The app will automatically reload a larger region of elevation maps if you fly too close to the edge of the currently loaded region, or place waypoints outside the current region. Additionally, the app will automatically attempt to download elevation maps for the region you are flying in if you have an internet connection, and have not already downloaded elevation maps for that region.

We would like to note that once the app leaves open beta, this automatic downloading of elevation maps from our servers will become a feature that must be paid for. It is provided for free during open beta for testing.

### 6.10.2 Auto Takeoff / Auto Landing Menu

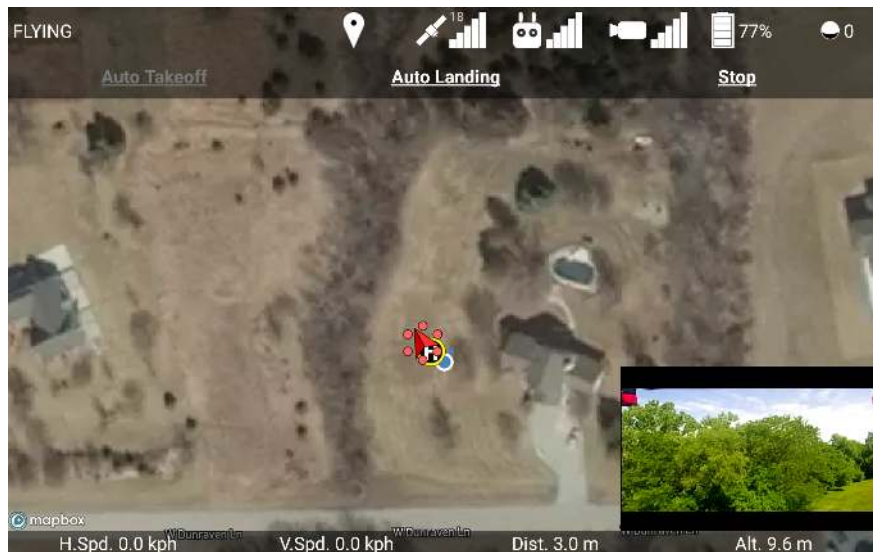


Figure 63: Auto Takeoff / Auto Landing Menu

Touching the controller icon at the top of the screen will open the Auto Takeoff / Auto Landing Menu, shown in Figure 63. Touch “Auto Takeoff” when it is white to initiate an automatic takeoff. This will make the drone hover 1 meter above the ground. Touch “Auto Landing” when it is white to initiate an automatic landing. This will make the drone slowly descend in-place until it reaches the ground, after which it will turn off its motors. The controller can also be used to guide the drone as it lands. The Go-Home button on the controller can also cancel the Auto Landing. Touch “Stop” to stop an automatic takeoff or landing. Touch the map or the menu button again to close this menu.

### 6.10.3 Camera Control

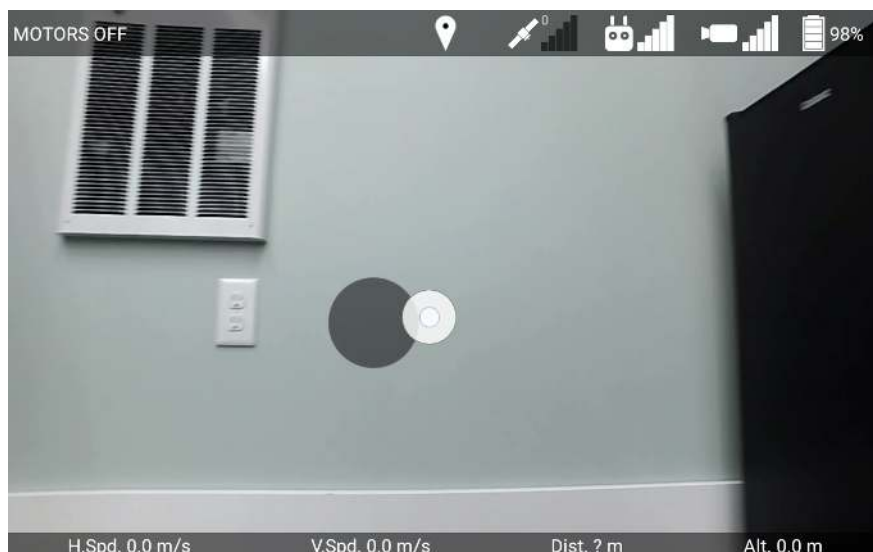


Figure 64: Moving the gimbal with a virtual joystick in the maximized camera view

Touching the minimized video feed in the corner of the screen will maximize the video feed so it fills the screen, as shown in Figure 64. Dragging your finger along the maximized camera view will create a virtual joystick that you can use to move the camera on the drone around with the gimbal.

Touching the camera view in two places and bringing them further apart will increase the digital zoom level (on cameras that support digital zoom). Bringing your fingers closer together will decrease the digital zoom level.

Touch the video feed once to minimize it again and reveal the map.

Touching the video camera icon at the top of the screen will open the Camera Menu, shown in Figure 65.

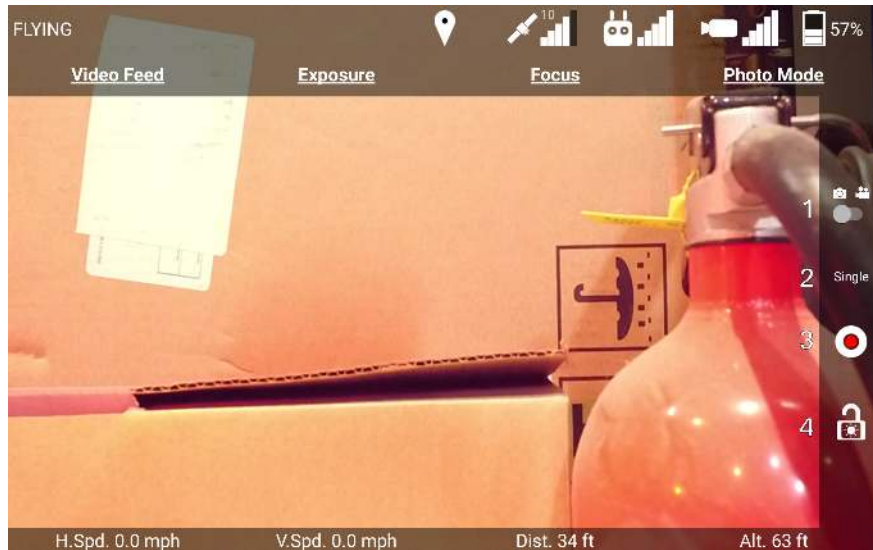


Figure 65: Camera menu

Additionally, if the drone has a DJI camera, a sidebar with some camera controls will appear. The sidebar's camera controls are enumerated in Figure ??, and a description of each button is below.

1. **Camera Mode Switch** Use this switch to change the camera between photo mode (left), and video mode (right).
2. **Photo Capture Mode / Recording Time** If the camera is in photo mode, this displays the capture mode (Single or Burst). If the camera is in video mode, this displays how many minutes and seconds have been recorded by the current recording.
3. **Start / Stop Capture Button** If the camera is in photo mode, press this button to take a picture. If the camera is in video mode, press this button to start recording. While recording, this button will change into a white circle around a red square. Press this button again to stop recording.
4. **Toggle Auto Exposure Lock Button** If this icon is unlocked, the camera can automatically adjust its exposure. If this icon is locked, the camera will not change its current ISO / shutter / aperture settings. Touch this button to toggle this state.

The camera menu shows options for changing the Video Feed, the Exposure, the Focus, and the Photo Mode. The exposure, focus, and photo mode can only be adjusted on DJI cameras. If no DJI camera is connected, the Camera Menu will instead show the Video Feed Menu.

If a thermal camera is connected, you will see an additional “Thermal” option, which will allow you to change between Visible, IR, Picture in Picture, or Multi-Spectral Dynamic Imaging (which enhances the IR view with edges detected by the visible camera).

Touching the Video Feed option from the Camera menu will show the Video Feed Menu, shown in Figure 66.

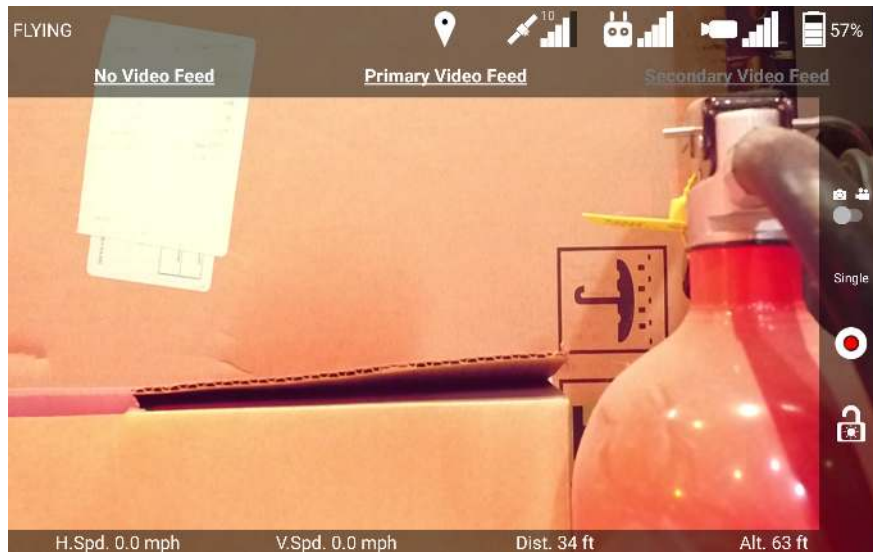


Figure 66: Video Feed Menu

Touch either “Primary Video Feed”, or “Secondary Video Feed” to display video from that source. If the app isn’t receiving any data from the Primary or Secondary, then that option will be grayed out. The “No Video Feed” option will remove the video display from the interface.

Touching the Photo Mode option from the Camera menu will show the Photo Mode Menu, shown in Figure 67.

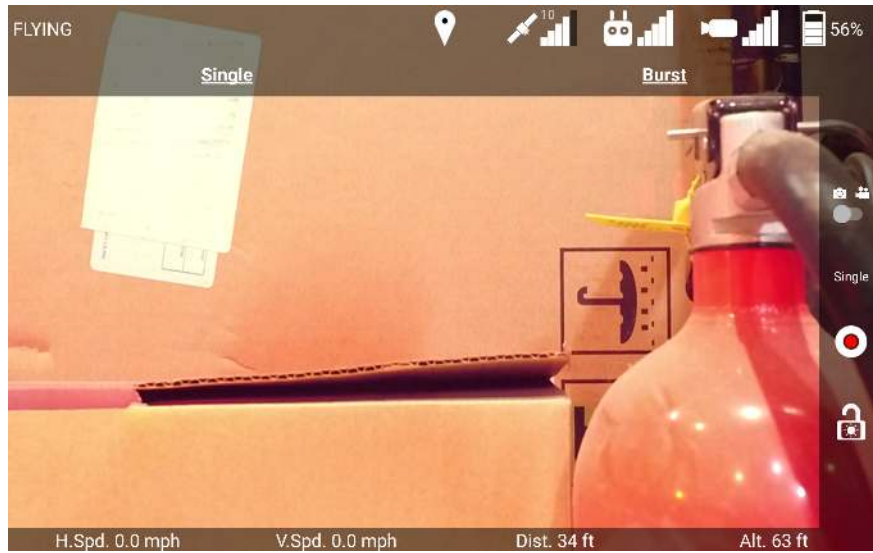


Figure 67: Photo Mode Menu

Touch either “Single”, or “Burst” to switch to that photo mode.

Touching the Focus option from the Camera menu will allow you to focus the camera, as shown in Figure 68.

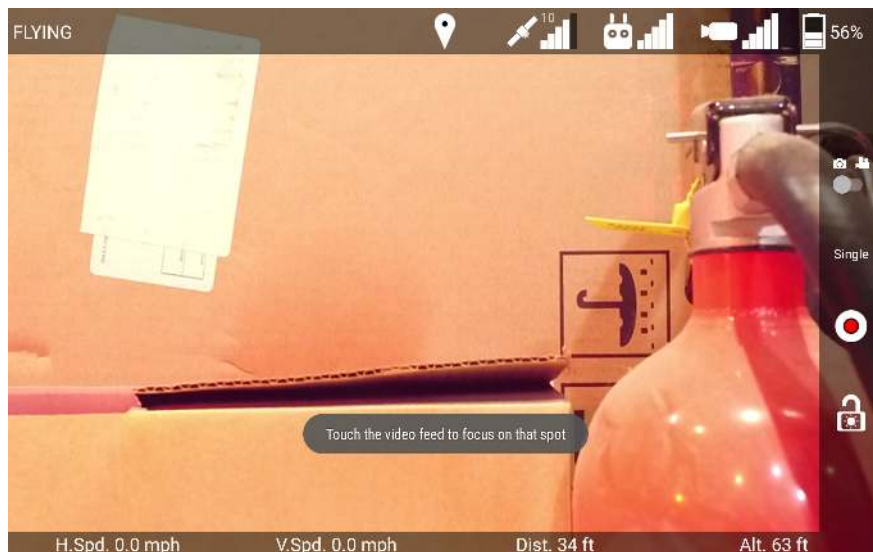


Figure 68: Instructions to focus the camera.

The video feed will automatically maximize when you choose to Focus the camera. The next time you touch the video feed, the camera will automatically focus on that point. Touching the video feed again will have the normal minimizing/maximizing functionality.

Touching the Exposure option from the Camera menu will show the Exposure Menu, shown in Figure 69.



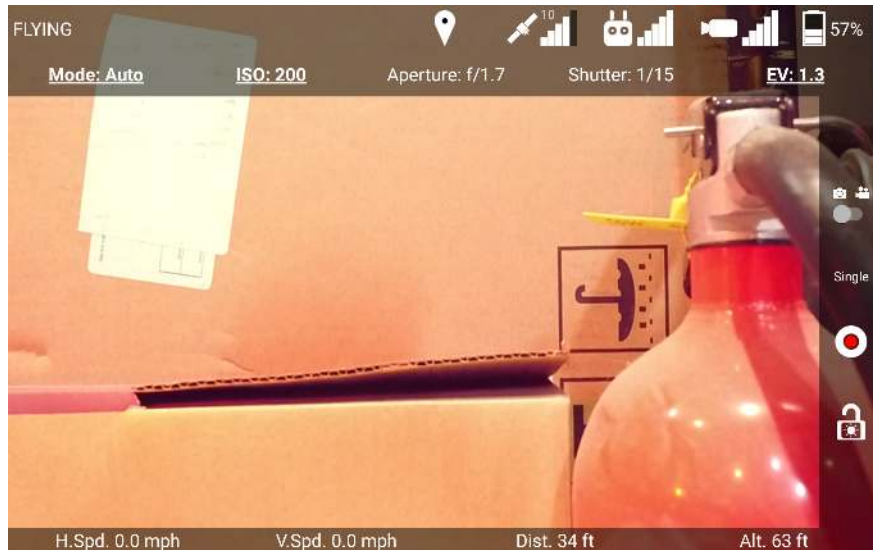


Figure 69: Exposure Menu

This menu shows the current mode, ISO, aperture, shutter, and exposure compensation settings. Depending on the current exposure mode, different settings are adjustable. The adjustable settings are indicated by being bolded and underlined. In Auto mode, as in Figure 69, the ISO and EV can be adjusted.

Touching the Mode option will open the Exposure Mode Menu, shown in Figure 70.

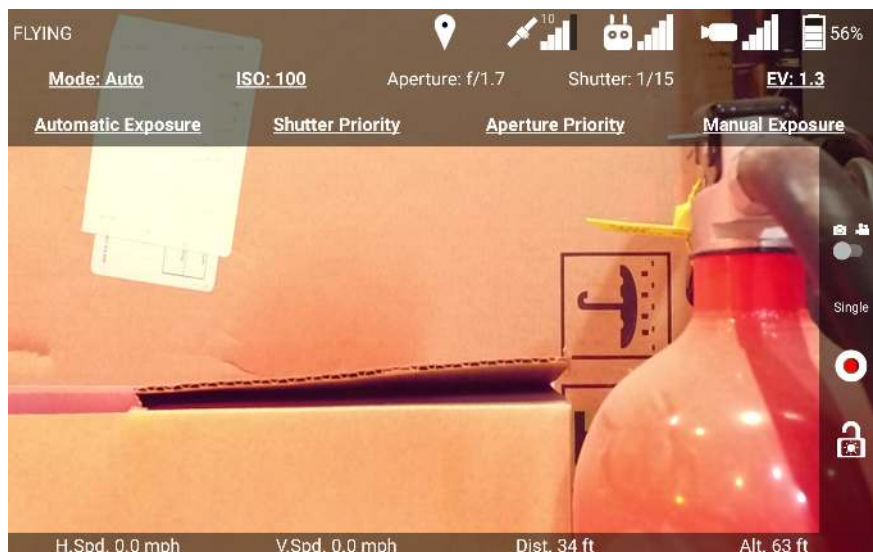


Figure 70: Exposure Mode Menu

This menu lets you change between the four exposure modes:

**Automatic Exposure** Allows you to manually adjust ISO and exposure compensation. Aperture and shutter are manually adjusted.

**Shutter Priority** Allows you to manually adjust ISO, shutter, and exposure compensation. Aperture is automatically adjusted.

**Aperture Priority** Allows you to manually adjust ISO, aperture, and exposure compensation. Shutter is automatically adjusted. Not all DJI cameras support Aperture Priority mode.

**Manual Exposure** Allows you to manually adjust ISO, aperture, and shutter. You cannot set ISO to Auto in this mode.

Touching the ISO option in the Exposure Menu will open the ISO setting selector, shown in Figure 71.

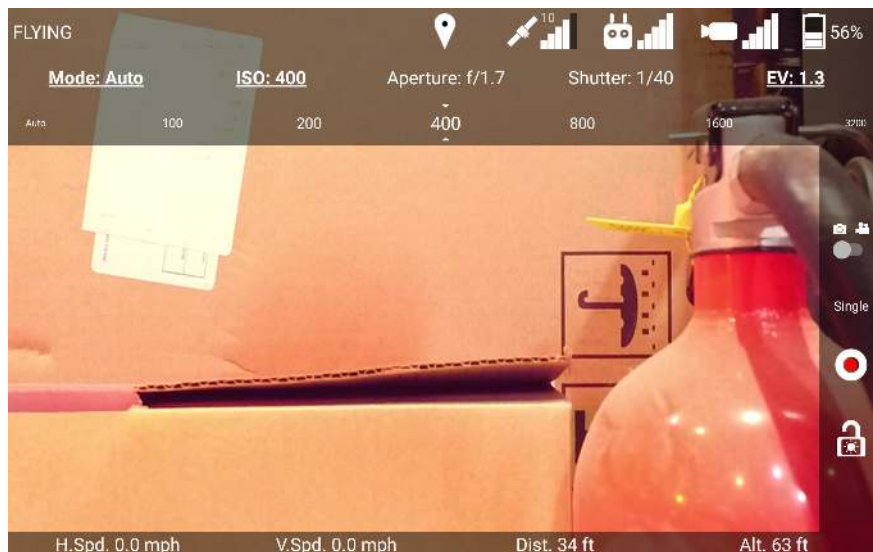


Figure 71: ISO Setting Selector

Swipe left and right along the ISO setting selector to scroll through the possible values. The ISO will be set to the center setting, which is contained within the two indicator triangles. In Automatic Exposure, Shutter Priority, and Aperture Priority modes, you also have the option to set ISO to Auto.

Aperture, Shutter, and EV can be set using a similar scrolling interface. However, not all cameras will support all aperture and shutter values.

### 6.10.4 Battery Menu

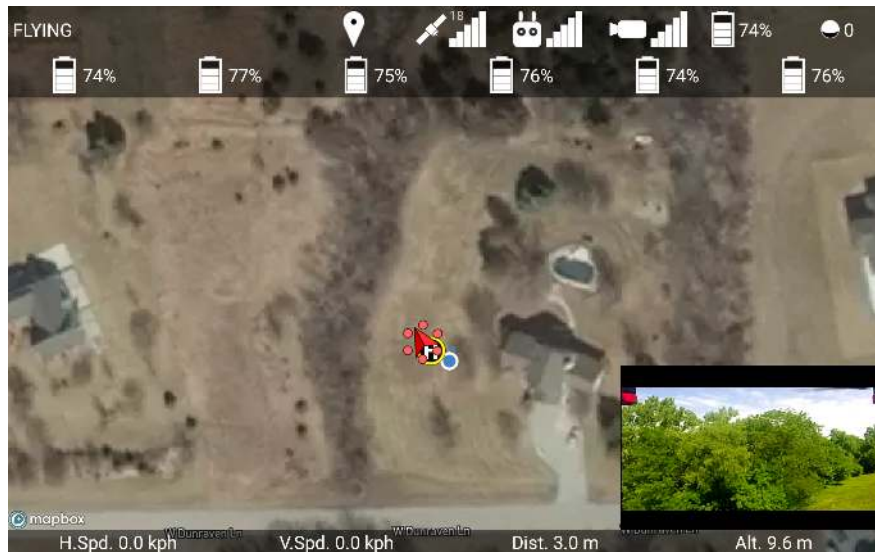


Figure 72: Battery Menu

If the drone has multiple batteries, then touching the battery icon at the top of the screen will open the Battery Menu, shown in Figure 72. This displays the energy percent remaining in each battery on the drone. Touch the map or the menu button again to close this menu.

### 6.10.5 Ignis Menu

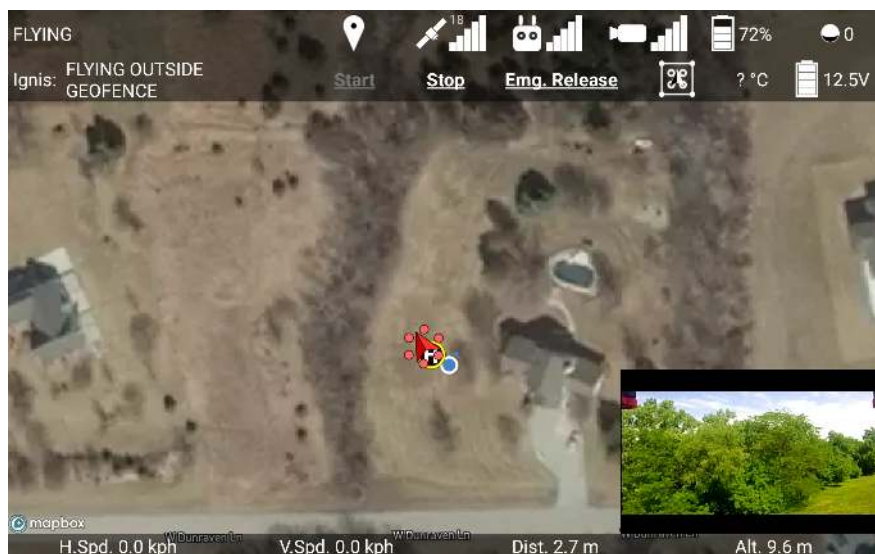


Figure 73: Ignis Menu

Touching the ignition sphere icon at the top right of the screen will open the Ignis Menu, shown in Figure 73. This displays the current status of Ignis, as well as the temperature sensor reading, and the battery voltage. The Ignis's status could display the following messages:

**HIGH TEMP ...** Ignis's temperature sensor is detecting a high temperature above the injection chamber. An ignition sphere may have caught fire inside the dropper. Trigger an emergency release to separate the dropper from the rest of the aircraft. The ellipsis would display other information about Ignis's status.

**IDLE** Ignis is currently idle, and has no errors to report.

**IDLE (STOPPED B/C ...)** Ignis is currently idle, but stopped dropping because of an error. The ellipsis would display the reason why Ignis stopped. Try restarting dropping.

**FILLING** Ignis is currently filling, and has no errors to report.

**FILLING (STOPPED B/C ...)** Ignis is currently filling, but stopped dropping due to an error. The ellipsis would display the reason why Ignis stopped. Try restarting dropping.

**DROPPING** Ignis is dropping.

**DROPPING AND FILLING** Ignis is dropping, and one or two syringes are refilling. During this period, fewer ignition spheres will be dropped.

**DISARMED BY CONTROL BAR** The control bar Arm/Disarm switch is in the Disarm position. The switch must be moved to the Arm position in order to start dropping.

**FLYING OUTSIDE GEOFENCE** Dropping was disabled because the drone is flying in an area that is not enclosed by a geofence. Fly back inside the geofence, or modify the geofence to include the current flight area.

**LOW BATTERY** Ignis battery voltage dropped below 11.0 V. Use the app to check that the battery voltage is above 11.4 V. If it is, and you don't need to drop many more ignition spheres, attempt to restart dropping. Otherwise, land and replace the battery. If Ignis is idle and the battery is lower than 11.4 V, then dropping is not recommended, as the battery voltage will likely dip below 11.0 V while Ignis is puncturing an ignition sphere, which will trigger this error again.

**NO CONNECTION TO IGNIS** The app is not receiving messages from Ignis, and has disabled dropping. Reconnect the app to the controller. You will also see this message if you have not activated the Onboard SDK (See section 8.4).

**LOST CONNECTION TO APP** Ignis stopped receiving messages from the app, and disabled dropping. Reconnect the app to the controller.

**WRONG DRONE MODE** Remote controller was switched to mode A. Or, the drone lost connection to the remote controller. Switch the remote controller into mode P or F. Regain radio connection between the controller and the drone.

**LOST CONNECTION TO DRONE** Ignis is not receiving any signals or messages from the drone. Check that the USB cable from Ignis is connected to the drone.

**LOST DRONE PWM** Ignis is no longer receiving PWM signals from the drone. Check that the green-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller.

**LOST DRONE PWM 0** Ignis is no longer receiving one of the PWM signals from the drone. Check that the green-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller, and none of the wires are broken.

**LOST DRONE PWM 1** Ignis is no longer receiving one of the PWM signals from the drone. Check that the green-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller, and none of the wires are broken.

**LOST DRONE PWM 2** Ignis is no longer receiving one of the PWM signals from the drone. Check that the green-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller, and none of the wires are broken.

**LOST DRONE DATA** Ignis is no longer receiving messages from the drone's API port. Check that the blue-wrapped cable is plugged into the flight controller.

**LOST CONNECTION TO DROPPER** Ignis lost connection with one or all of its sub-boards on the dropper. Check that the USB cable between the hopper and the dropper is connected.

**INJECTION A COMMS TIMEOUT** Ignis lost connection with the A-side injection sub-boards on the dropper. Check that the USB cable between the hopper and the dropper is connected.

**INJECTION B COMMS TIMEOUT** Ignis lost connection with the B-side injection sub-boards on the dropper. Check that the USB cable between the hopper and the dropper is connected.

**PUNCTURE COMMS TIMEOUT** Ignis lost connection with the puncture sub-boards on the dropper. Check that the USB cable between the hopper and the dropper is connected.

**EMERGENCY RELEASE TRIGGERED** The emergency release has been triggered. Dropping is disabled until you power-cycle Ignis.

**S1 NOT CCW** Dropping is disabled because the knob on the control bar labeled “S1” is not twisted counter-clockwise all the way. This knob is used to trigger the emergency release, and Ignis will not allow dropping until this knob is ready. An emergency release is triggered when S1 and S2 are twisted all the way clockwise within 4 seconds of each other in order.

**S2 NOT CCW** Dropping is disabled because the knob on the control bar labeled “S2” is not twisted counter-clockwise all the way. This knob is used to trigger the emergency release, and Ignis will not allow dropping until this knob is ready. An emergency release is triggered when S1 and S2 are twisted all the way clockwise within 4 seconds of each other in order.

**HATCH MOTION ERROR** Dropping was stopped because one of the hatches had trouble moving. An ignition sphere may have jammed the hatch. Try restarting to see if the jam has been cleared. If the problem persists, land and inspect the hatches.

**MOVE TIMEOUT** Dropping was stopped and disabled because one of the injection or puncture motors had trouble moving. Dropping cannot restart until Ignis is power-cycled. Land and inspect the injection and puncture motors. This message will only appear on older versions of Ignis.

**INJECTION A MOTION ERROR** Dropping was stopped and disabled because the A-side injection motor had trouble moving. Dropping cannot restart until Ignis is power-cycled. Land and inspect the motor.

**INJECTION B MOTION ERROR** Dropping was stopped and disabled because the B-side injection motor had trouble moving. Dropping cannot restart until Ignis is power-cycled. Land and inspect the motor.

**PUNCTURE MOTION ERROR** Dropping was stopped and disabled because the puncture motor had trouble moving. Dropping cannot restart until Ignis is power-cycled. This error could lead to an in-flight fire if Ignis was not able to remove an injected sphere. Use the camera and temperature sensor to monitor for an in-flight fire and use the emergency release in that event. Land and inspect the motor.

**UNKNOWN ERROR** Dropping was stopped because of an error that the app did not understand. Try to restart dropping. Check that you are using the latest version of the app.

**UNKNOWN HARD ERROR** Dropping was stopped because of an error that the app did not understand, and cannot be restarted until Ignis is power-cycled. Land and inspect Ignis. Check that you are using the latest version of the app.

If these troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, contact Drone Amplified for support.

The status is normally displayed with white text, but the status may become yellow or red to emphasize errors. If the status is yellow, then Ignis is unable to start dropping. If the status is red, then Ignis may have encountered a hard error that disables dropping until Ignis is power-cycled. The status can also turn red if the temperature sensor is reading a temperature above 60 degrees Celsius.

If Ignis is dropping and stops because of an error, or if the temperature sensor starts to read a high temperature, then this menu will automatically open in the app, and the app will make 3 short beeps.

There are three buttons to manually control Ignis during flight. Touch the “Start” button to start dropping. Touch the “Stop” button to stop dropping. Touch the “Emg. Release” button to open a confirmation menu. Then touch “Yes” to trigger Ignis’s emergency release.

Touch the map or the menu button again to close the Ignis menu.

## 6.10.6 Geofencing



Figure 74: Geofencing Menu

Touching the boxed drone icon in the Ignis menu opens the Geofencing Menu, shown in Figure 74. While this menu is open, touching spots on the map will mark that location as a corner of the area constrain Ignis to. Touch each corner of the burn area in a clockwise or counter-clockwise order to specify the burn area. You can use the Undo and Clear buttons to remove corners that have been added.

Ignis will not be allowed to drop if the drone is flying outside the geofenced area, or if the drone is flying and no geofenced area has been defined. If the drone leaves the geofenced area, Ignis will automatically stop dropping.

Touch the boxed drone icon again to close this menu.

## 6.10.7 Waypoints Menu

The remote controller must be in mode F in order for the drone to fly along waypoints.



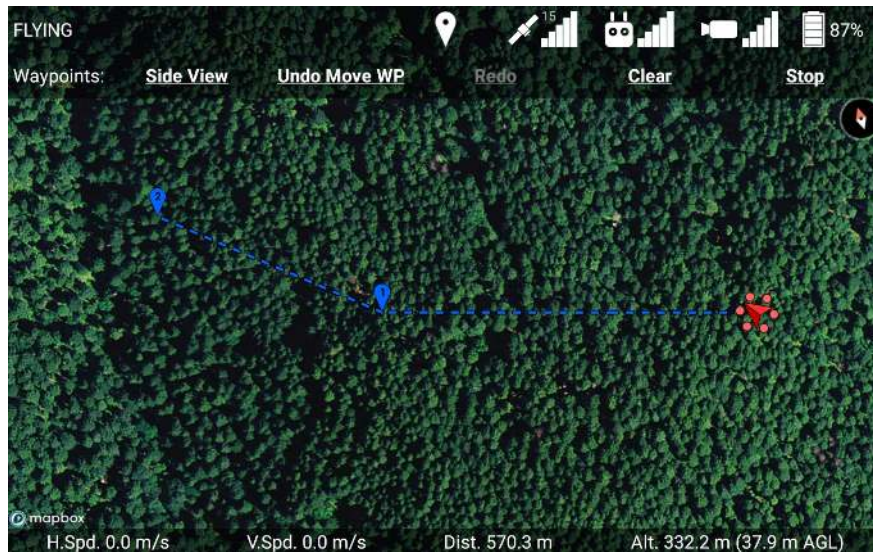


Figure 75: Waypoints Menu

Touch the Waypoint icon at the top of the screen to open the Waypoint Menu.

While the Waypoint Menu is open, touching the map will place a waypoint at the touched location. Figure 75 shows a sequence of 2 waypoints that have been placed. Touch the “Clear” button to remove all of the waypoints. The “Undo” and “Redo” buttons can be used to undo and redo adding, clearing, and moving waypoints. If the drone is flying along a waypoint mission, then the “Stop” button will stop the mission and give you manual control of the drone again. You can also regain manual control of the drone by switching to mode P on the controller.

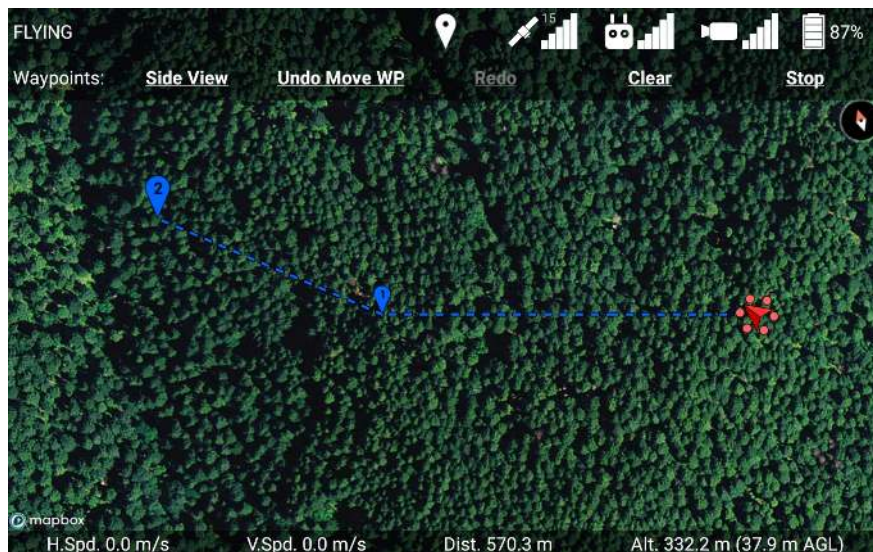


Figure 76: Touch a waypoint to select it. In this image, waypoint 2 is selected.

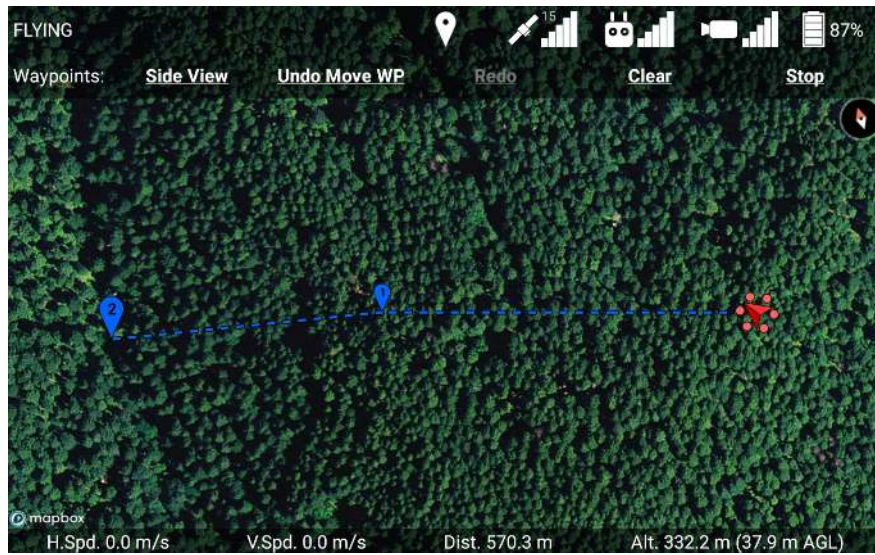


Figure 77: Touching somewhere on the map will move the selected waypoint to that location.

Touching a waypoint will select it, indicated by it becoming larger, as shown in Figure 76. If you touch a new location on the map, the selected waypoint will be moved to that location. Touch the waypoint again to deselect it.



Figure 78: Side view of waypoint mission.

Touch the “Side View” button to see a side view of the waypoint mission, as shown in Figure 78. This side view shows the elevation of the terrain below the waypoint mission, with the brown area representing the ground. If you do not have an elevation map for this terrain, then the terrain will appear flat and at the same altitude as the takeoff location. The

horizontal axis shows the distance along the waypoint mission, and the vertical axis shows the altitude above the takeoff location. The waypoint mission is “unrolled” in this view,

You can use your fingers to zoom and scroll around this view to get a better look at things. The light blue region above the ground is the airspace specified by the “Airspace indicator altitude” setting. The green zig-zag region is supposed to look like trees, and represents the airspace specified by the “Low altitude warning” setting. To go back to the waypoints menu, touch the “Back” button.



Figure 79: Drag waypoints in the side view to change their altitude.

You can drag the waypoints up and down in order to adjust their altitude, as shown in Figure 79. In this case, waypoint 2 was close to the airspace restriction, so we lowered it to be closer to the ground. If no snap settings are enabled, then the default altitude of waypoints is the altitude of the drone at the time the waypoint is placed, or the low altitude warning altitude above the ground, whichever is higher.



Figure 80: Touch the plus button in the middle of a waypoint path segment to create a new waypoint there.

If you touch the plus button in the middle of a waypoint segment, a new waypoint will be created there, as shown in Figure 80.



Figure 81: Waypoints that are colinear (or approximately colinear) with their neighboring waypoints can be dragged left and right as well as up and down.

Since this new waypoint was created in between two waypoints, it doesn't create a turn in the waypoint path, if viewed from above. Therefore, this side view allows you to move this waypoint left and right in addition to up and down. Moving the waypoint left and right will move it closer to the previous waypoint or closer to the following waypoint, but it will

stay along the line that connects the two.

The waypoints that mark a turn in the waypoint mission have a thin, gray, vertical line going through them, indicating that the side view is unfolding a bend in the path here, and the waypoint can only be moved up and down.



Figure 82: If you briefly touch a waypoint, it will give you the option to delete it. Touch the “Delete” bubble above the waypoint to confirm the deletion of it, or touch anywhere else to deselect it.

If you briefly touch a waypoint, you’ll have the option to delete it, as shown in Figure 82.

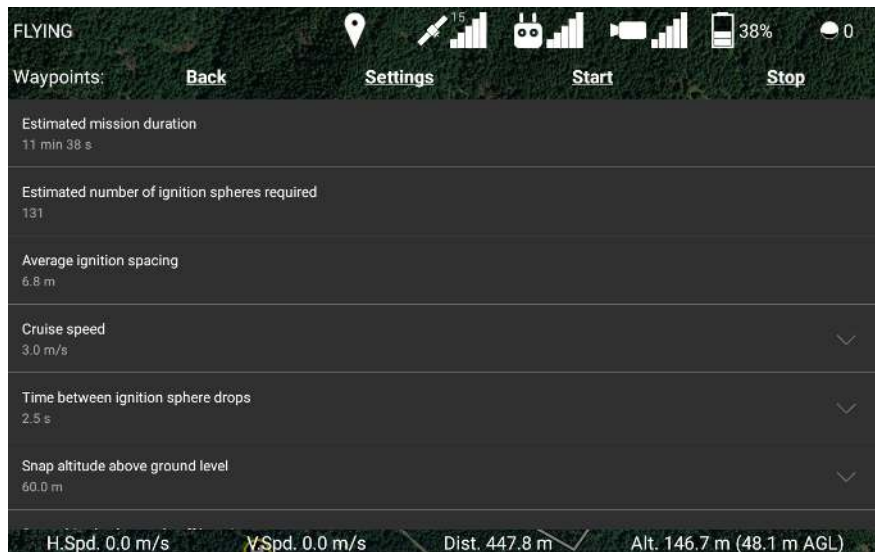


Figure 83: Waypoint mission settings.

Press the “Settings” button to configure other parameters of the waypoint mission, shown in Figure 83.

**Estimated Mission Duration** An estimate of how long it will take to fly the mission, given the current settings.

**Estimated number of ignition spheres required** An estimate of how many ignition spheres will be dropped during the mission.

**Average ignition spacing** An estimate of how far apart the ignition spheres will be spaced, on average.

**Cruise speed** The speed the drone will normally fly at on its way between waypoints. You can manually control the drone’s velocity during the waypoint mission by using the pitch joystick.

**Time between ignition sphere drops** How much time ignis should wait between ignition sphere drops. This requires Ignis firmware version 570 or higher.

**Snap altitude above ground level** Sets the altitude of a guideline above ground level that waypoints will snap to when their altitude is being modified. Slide this all the way to the left to disable this feature.

**Snap altitude above takeoff location** Sets the altitude of a guideline above the takeoff location that waypoints will snap to when their altitude is being modified. Slide this all the way to the left to disable this feature.

**Drone Heading** Sets the yawing behavior of the drone when it reaches a waypoint. If set to “Towards next waypoint”, the drone will turn to face the next waypoint whenever it reaches a waypoint. If set to “Controlled by remote controller”, the drone will turn to face the first waypoint upon starting the mission, but will not automatically turn afterward. In either setting, the yaw of the drone can be manually adjusted by the remote controller whenever the drone is not automatically yawing.

Press the “Settings” button again to return to the side view.



Figure 84: Snap altitudes are shown as dotted orange lines. Newly placed waypoints will be placed at the higher of the snap altitudes, and when you adjust the altitude of a waypoint, it will “snap” to the snap altitude lines if it is moved close to one of them.

When a snap altitude setting is enabled, the side view will show dotted orange lines, which represent the snap altitudes, as shown in Figure 84. Newly placed waypoints will be placed at the higher of the snap altitudes, and when you adjust the altitude of a waypoint, it will “snap” to the snap altitude lines if it is moved close enough to one of them. If you want to create a terrain following mission, it would be good to set the snap altitudes settings to your desired altitude, and then place your waypoints, so that all of your newly placed waypoints will already be at the correct altitude.

The snap altitude above ground level will not work without elevation maps.

If you adjust a snap altitude setting, it will not pull any snapped waypoints with it to the new altitude. You will have to manually adjust each waypoint’s altitude to snap them back at the snap altitude.

Once you are satisfied with the waypoint mission, press the “Start” button to upload the waypoint mission to the drone.

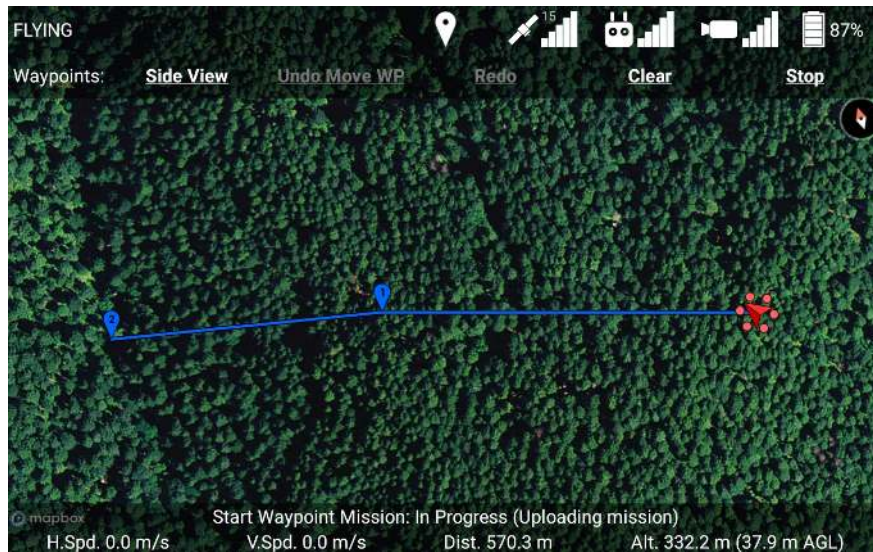


Figure 85: Uploading a waypoint mission.

The waypoint path will become solid instead of dashed to indicate it is being uploaded and executed, as shown in Figure 85. A status message will appear at the bottom of the screen to describe the status of the upload. If the upload fails, you can retry the upload by pressing the “Start” button again. Once the mission is done uploading, the drone will begin to fly along it, and its status will change from FLYING to WAYPOINTS.

You can press the “Stop” button to stop the drone from flying the waypoint mission and regain normal control.

You cannot modify the waypoint mission while it is uploading or executing. If you place new waypoints, the drone will not automatically fly to them unless you stop and restart the waypoint mission. Each waypoint will be automatically removed as the drone reaches it, allowing you to easily resume the waypoint mission if you stop it. The drone will hover in place once it reaches the last waypoint.

If you press the “Start” button while a waypoint mission is executing, the current mission will be stopped, and a new one will be started.

Due to limitations of the DJI Mobile SDK, the app can only infer that the drone is flying a waypoint mission based on the the success of the start and stop operations. It’s possible that a miscommunication could cause the app to display “WAYPOINTS” when the drone is not flying a waypoint mission. In this case, start a new waypoint mission and immediately stop it to make the app realize the drone is not flying a waypoint mission.

It’s also possible that the app could display “FLYING” even though the drone is following a waypoint mission. This could happen if the app is restarted while the drone is mid-mission. In this case, you can still use the “Stop” button to stop the mission.



## 6.10.8 Ignition Lines

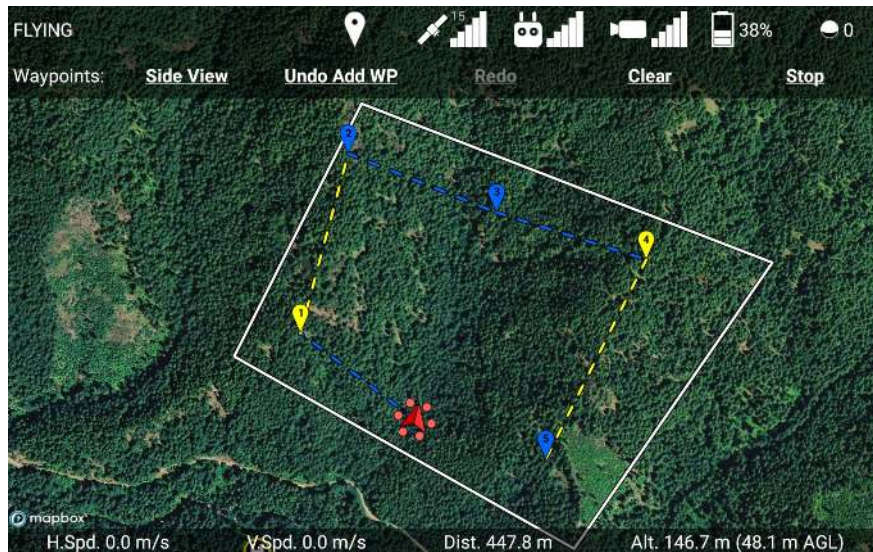


Figure 86: Touch dashed lines of the waypoint path to toggle dropping along that part. Ignis will drop ignition spheres along yellow lines.

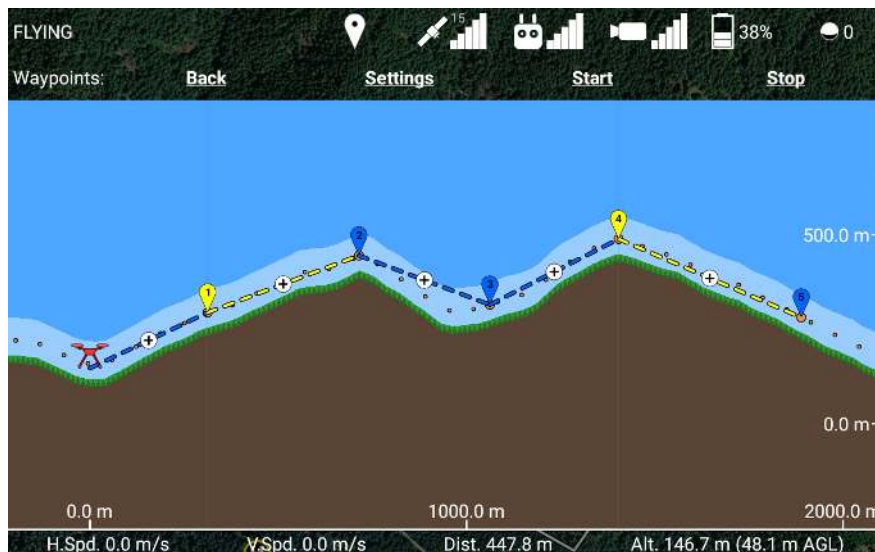


Figure 87: You can also toggle dropping along lines by touching them in the side view.

The waypoints can also be used to control Ignis's dropping. Touch a dashed line along a waypoint mission to toggle it between yellow and blue, as shown in Figure 86 and Figure 87. Ignis will automatically start dropping when it reaches a yellow portion of the waypoint path, and will stop dropping when it reaches a blue portion of the waypoint path. The last waypoint is always blue, indicating that Ignis will automatically stop dropping at the end

of the waypoints. You cannot activate/deactivate a part of a waypoint path after that part has been uploaded and turned solid.

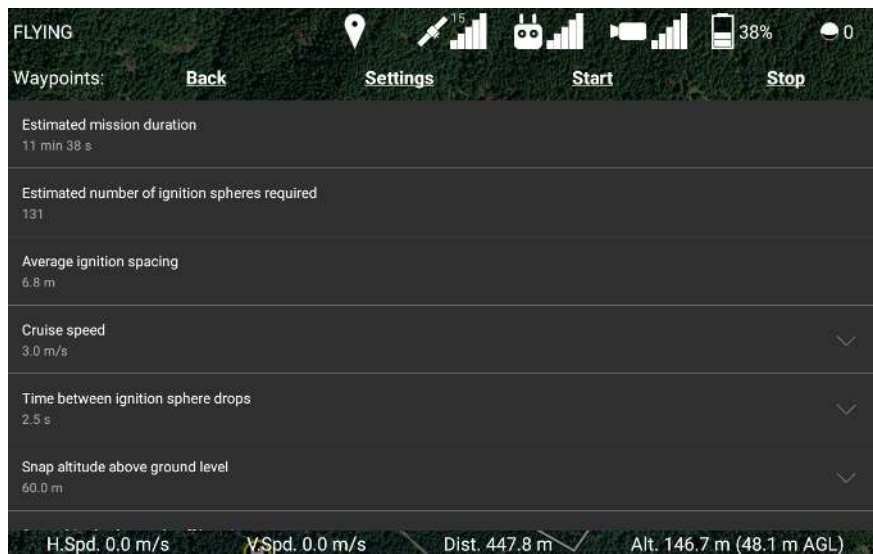


Figure 88: Setting up a waypoint mission with drop lines.

The waypoint settings menu in Figure 88 will display additional information about the planned mission, such as the estimated number of ignition spheres required for the mission, and the average spacing between each ignition sphere (primarily controlled by cruise speed).

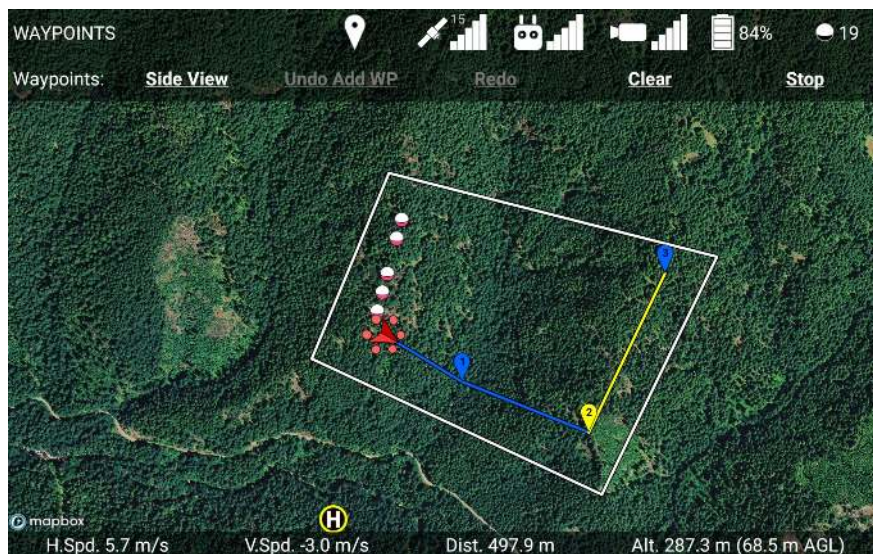


Figure 89: Dropping ignition spheres along a burn line.

Figure 89 shows the Ignis automatically dropping ignition spheres as the drone flies along these waypoints.

## 6.11 Privacy Mechanisms

The privacy-enhanced version of the app has two mechanisms that prevent data leakage.

The first mechanism is a firewall that blocks all internet traffic that could leak data. The privacy-enhanced version of the app is actually divided into two Android applications. The first application is the Launcher app, which does not include any DJI code, and is therefore safe to allow access to the internet. The second application is the Flight app, which is used to actually fly the drone, and therefore includes DJI code which could potentially leak data. The Launcher app creates a Virtual Private Network (VPN) service that blocks all internet traffic from the Flight app, effectively acting as a firewall. Since the Launcher creates a Virtual Private Network, this app is incompatible with other Virtual Private Network apps. Uninstall other VPN apps in order to ensure that the firewall functions properly. The firewall will automatically start after the device is booted, so the Flight app can be safely run even if the Launcher app hasn't been run first.

The second mechanism is a fail-safe in case the firewall is somehow compromised. This could happen if the DA Launcher app is uninstalled, or force-stopped. The Flight app makes a check 20 times a second that checks that the VPN is active, and checks that the app cannot connect to the internet. If the Flight app detects that the VPN is not active, or that it can connect to the internet, it will immediately kill its process. This immediately kills the Ignis application and all of the services started by the DJI Mobile SDK, preventing any leakage of data.

## 7 Service and Maintenance

The Ignis system was designed with minimal maintenance requirements. Key to the longevity of the system is to regularly clean any dust or other buildups from the system and flushing the fluid reservoir system with clean water as outlined in the Section 3.6. We also recommend inspecting the needles for clogs or other damage before and after each flight and replacing them as needed. This section outlines additional maintenance procedures. Please contact Drone Amplified with any questions.

### 7.1 Every Flight Maintenance

Before and after every flight the needles should be removed and inspected for blockage and debris as detailed in 3.1.18. The needles can be cleaned and reused after using a thin rigid wire to remove any blockage. Eventually the custom-cut of the needle that prevents blockage

may wear and the needle should be replaced. This should be done if a needle regularly collects debris buildup during flight.

## 7.2 Daily Maintenance

The post-flight checklist (Section 3.5) goes over all of the daily maintenance that is needed before storing. This includes:

- Flushing the fluid system with water and completely emptying it.
- Cleaning the cover and wiping down the system with a clean, dry cloth.
- Cleaning the hatch rail guides.
- Checking for damage.

## 7.3 Periodic Maintenance

### 7.3.1 Inspecting Screws



Figure 90: Replacement screws and drivers.

In addition to daily checks of the system when it is in use, we recommend a more detailed check of all screws and connections every 5-10 days of operation. During this more detailed inspection, look for any visibly loose or missing screws. In the screw kit provided with the system, shown in Figure 90, we provide the correct drivers and replacement screws for

most screws. We do *not* recommend tightening screws if they are not visibly loose as over tightening can cause damage and could increase the chances of a screw coming loose as they are locked in place with threadlock during production. If a screw is missing or loose, replace/tighten it. For screws inserted into plastic pieces, gently tighten until the parts are just snug. For screws inserted into aluminum pieces, we recommend applying medium strength threadlock, if available, and then tightening. If you have any questions or concerns on the length or type of screws please contact Drone Amplified.

### 7.3.2 Cleaning Lead Screws



Figure 91: Cleaning kit.

We provide a cleaning kit to clean the hatches and lead screws as shown in Figure 91. The frequency at which the lead screws should be cleaned will vary greatly based on the operational conditions. We recommend cleaning them whenever there is visible buildup of dirt/debris or every 5-10 days of operation.

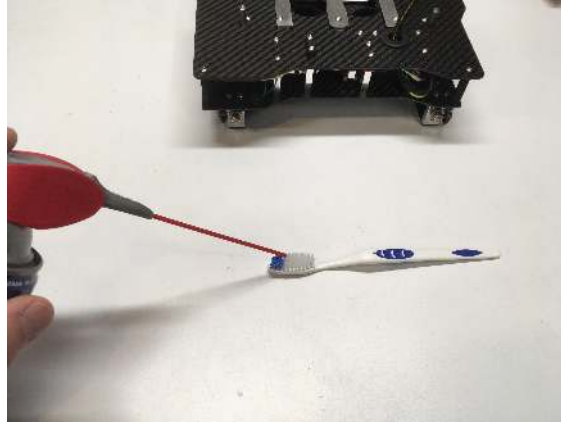


Figure 92: Apply a small amount of Graphite, Teflon or similar “dry” lubricant to the cleaning brush.

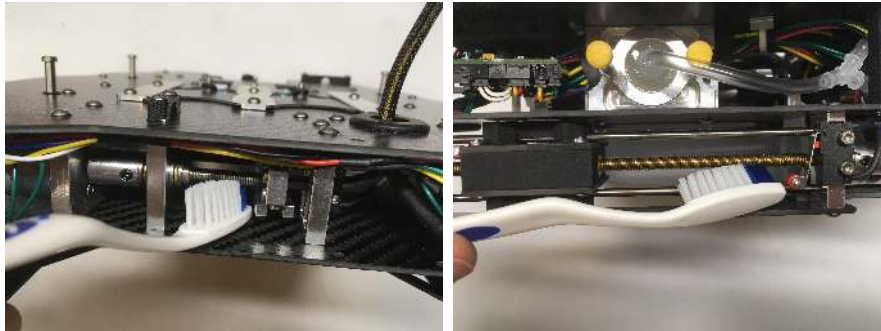


Figure 93: Left: Cleaning puncture leadscrew, located on the front of the system. Right: cleaning injection leadscrew, there are two of these one on each side of the system.

To clean, start by applying a small amount of Graphite, Teflon or similar “dry” lubricant on the supplied cleaning brush as shown in Figure 92. Do not spray directly on the lead screws as this can cause excessive splatter onto the electronics. Then clean all 3 lead screws as shown in Figure 93. There is one lead screw on the front of the unit that controls the puncturing and two others that control the injection. To clean, gently scrub the leadscrew with the brush. Then remove the brush and use the app to start the dropping sequence to move the motors. While in motion, carefully insert the brush to continue to clean the leadscrews taking care to not jam the system with the brush. Once complete, stop the system and use a dry, lint-free cloth to wipe off any splatters and excess from the lead screws.

### 7.3.3 Replacing A Needle

*If your Ignis has the older thumbscrew needle assembly, please see Section 9.1*

If a needle is broken or bent and needs to be replaced, you will need to remove the needle assembly to replace the needle. Unscrew the four screws that clamp the needle retainer over the needle, then remove the broken needle.



Figure 94: Slide the retainer over the new needle.

Slide the retainer over the new needle, as shown in Figure 94.



Figure 95: The needle can only fit through the rectangular hole in one orientation.

Slide the needle through the rectangular hole in the retainer, as shown in Figure 95.



Figure 96: Needle tabs aligned with the cutouts on the retainer.

Rotate the needle 45 degrees so that the tabs on the base of the needle fit in the cutouts on the needle retainer, as shown in Figure 96.



Figure 97: O-ring fully seated on needle mount.

Ensure the o-ring is fully seated on the needle mount and in good condition, as shown in Figure 97.



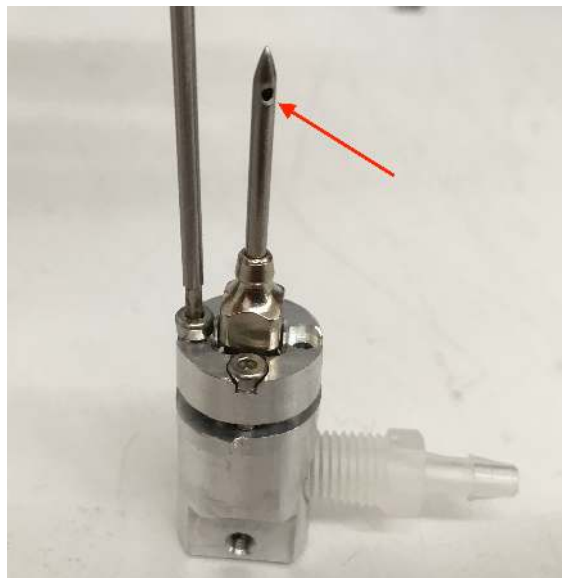


Figure 98: Needle hole oriented so that it will face downward when inserted in Ignis.

Place the needle and retainer on the needle mount and make sure that the side port hole of the needle will be oriented downward once installed in IGNIS, as shown in Figure 98. Incrementally tighten the screws until the retainer is fully seated on the needle mount.

## 8 Installation on DJI Matrice 600

Installing Ignis on a DJI Matrice 600 requires:

- Installing the external trigger on the DJI controller (Figure 33).
- Installing control cables to interface with the DJI system with Ignis.
- Configuring the DJI software to properly interface with Ignis.

Questions on the procedure or for guidance during the installation, please contact the Drone Amplified team.

### 8.1 DJI Channel Expansion Kit Installation

Ignis is controlled through a DJI Channel Expansion Kit, which is provided with the Ignis System. There are a variety of tutorials on how to install these onto the DJI controller. One such video can be found at <https://youtu.be/eyNJsgQTiMY>.

### 8.2 Interface Cables

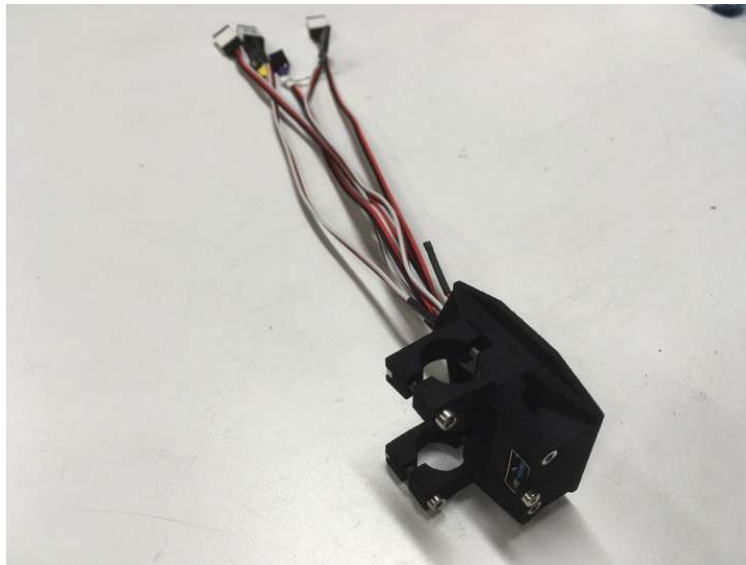


Figure 99: Interface cables for DJI.

Figure 99 shows the interface cables provided in the kit.



Figure 100: Unscrew top cover and remove bottom cover.

To install the control cables, start by removing the top and bottom cover on the Matrice 600 Pro as shown in Figure 100. The top cover requires the removal of six screws, while the bottom cover snaps on and can be removed by firmly pulling at the two labeled pull locations.

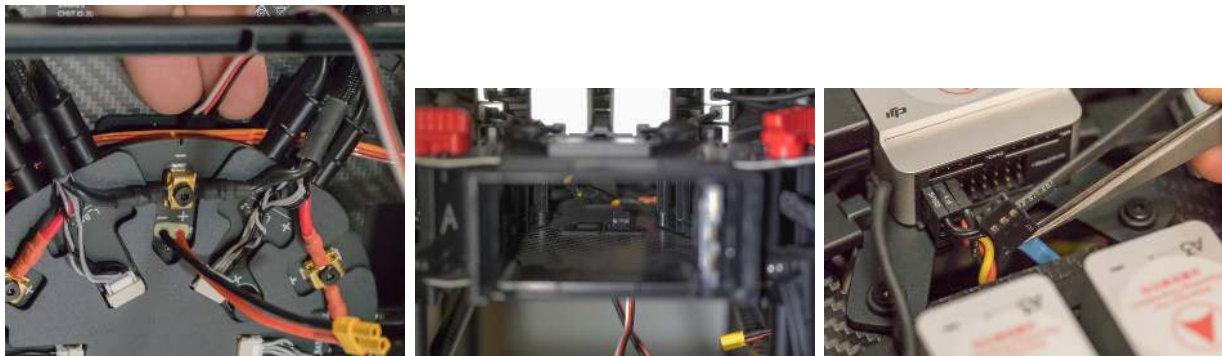


Figure 101: Inserting the yellow, green, and blue connectors through battery bay 1.

Next, locate the opening at the back of battery bay 1 and route the yellow, green, and blue 3-pin connectors from the bottom to the top of the Matrice as shown in Figure 101. It is easiest to use small tweezers to grab and manipulate the cables. Ensure that you do not push out the rubber grommets that protects the cables going through the carbon fiber.



Figure 102: Three connectors installed.

Next, plug in the three cables as shown in Figure 102. Make sure that the black wires on the connectors are all on the left. The yellow and green cables should be installed on the lower row of connectors labeled sBus (green on right, yellow on left). The blue cable should attach to the connector labeled API, with the white wire on the pin all the way right (note the 4th pin on the right if the header is unused). Incorrect connections could cause damage to the Matrice or Ignis.



Figure 103: Attach USB port to upper rail under battery bay 6.

Clamp the USB port attachment to the upper rail under battery bay 6 by unscrewing the four screws holding the tube clamps together, sliding the usb attachment into the proper place, and then screwing the tube clamps back together.



Figure 104: Ziptie the connectors in place.

Next, ziptie the connectors in place as shown in Figure 104. When doing so, we recommend first mounting the Ignis system to ensure that the connectors are in accessible locations. Make sure not to pinch the wires too tight with the zipties. The connectors to the Ignis should be on the front of the Matrice 600 between battery bays 1 and 6. We recommend securing the extra PWM connectors at the rear of the vehicle between battery bays 4 and 5.

Finally, put the top and bottom covers back on the Matrice 600. Pay special attention to not pinch any wires when replacing the covers. In particular, the new Ignis communication wires should be routed through existing openings in the bottom case.

### 8.3 DJI Software Configuration

Download and install DJI Assistant 2 (which is required to activate the DJI Matrice 600 before the first flight). Connect the vehicle to your computer using a USB cable, and turn it on. Then select the Matrice 600 in the “Connected Devices” screen of DJI Assistant 2.

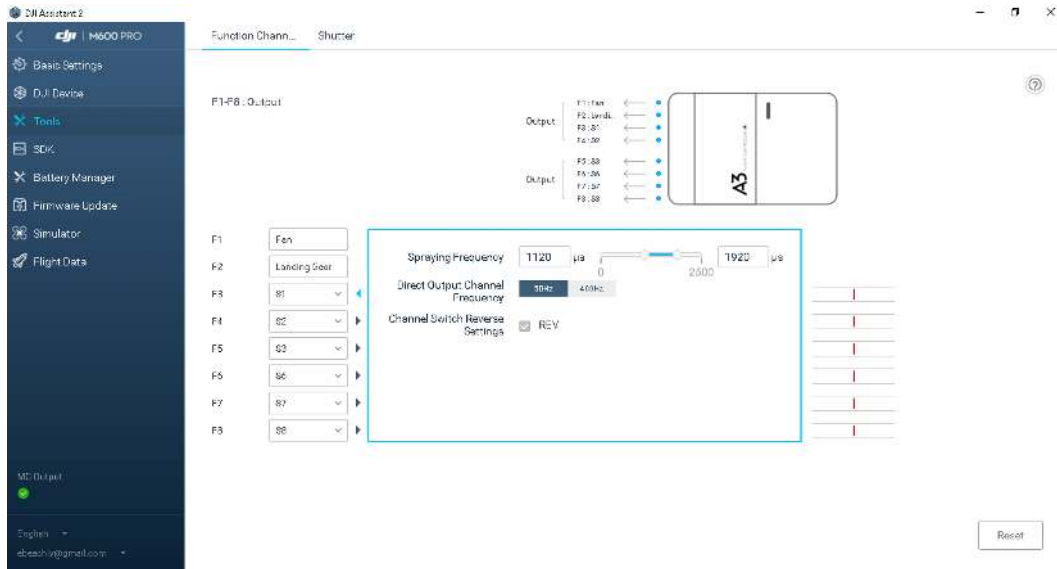


Figure 105: DJI Matrice 600 PWM Output Configuration.

Next, go to the Tools tab, shown in Figure 105. Using the dropdown boxes configure: F3 to connect to S1; F4 to connect to S2; F5 to connect to S3; F6 to connect to S6; F7 to connect to S7; F8 to connect to S8; The “Spraying Frequency” and “Output Channel Frequency” parameters should be configured to their defaults, as shown in the figure.

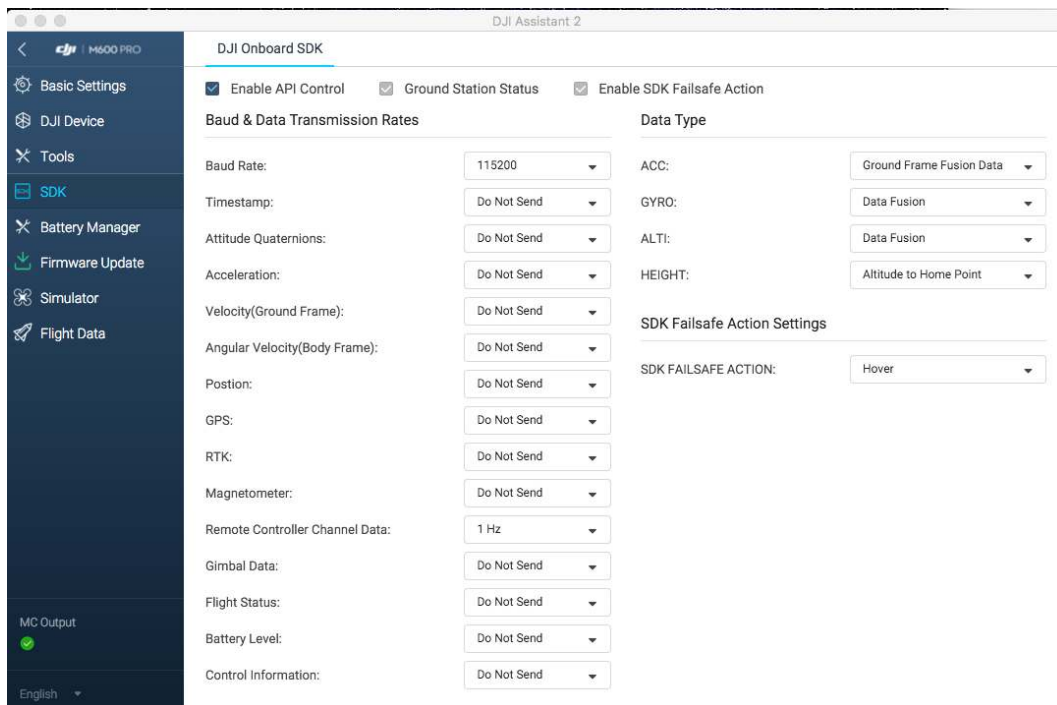


Figure 106: DJI Matrice 600 Onboard SDK Configuration.

Next, go to the SDK tab, shown in Figure 106. Select the “Enable API Control” box (Note, on some versions of the DJI software it is very hard to tell if this is selected or not, so try toggling it to select the on state). Configure the Baud Rate to 115200. Set the “Remote Controller Channel Data to 1Hz. The rest of the settings should be configured to “Do Not Send” as shown in the figure.

Restart the Matrice 600 to apply these changes.

## 8.4 DJI Onboard SDK Activation

Finally, the Matrice 600 needs to perform another activation in order to be able to forward messages from Ignis to the Android app. This procedure needs to be performed once with each vehicle that will be used to carry Ignis.

Power Ignis on and connect it to the Matrice 600, and turn the Matrice 600 on. Setup Ignis via Bluetooth in the app, and read the status on the right side of the screen.

If it says No OnboardSDK Activation Result, or doesn't show the Drone Protocol Version, double check that the drone is on and Ignis is connected to it.

If the Matrice 600 has not performed the Onboard SDK activation, you will see an error as in Figure 107. You'll see this error on drones you haven't used with Ignis before, or since their last firmware update.



Figure 107: Error message displayed when the Matrice 600 has not performed the DJI Onboard SDK Activation with Ignis

The error in Figure 107 tells you to connect the drone to DJI Assistant 2. Connect the Matrice 600 to DJI Assistant 2 again, and make sure your computer is connected to the internet. Ignis will automatically perform the activation. When it is successful, you will see a message as in Figure 108.



Figure 108: Message displayed when the DJI Onboard SDK is Successfully Activated

If it is unsuccessful, you will instead see an error message on this screen. If it says that DJI Assistant could not connect to the internet, check your computer's internet connection. If it says no response from DJI Assistant 2, check the connection between the drone and your computer, and your internet connection. If you are getting a different error, retry this processes, then contact Drone Amplified for support.

After the activation was successful, you won't need to do this again until you update the Matrice 600's firmware. You can verify the activation was successful by starting the Drone Amplified app and connecting it to the vehicle's remote controller. Make sure the app was able to connect to the drone, then press the FLY button to open up the flight activity, as shown in Figure 31. Touch the ignition sphere icon in the top right to view the Ignis's status. If it shows IDLE, then the activation was successful.

If the app shows DISCONNECTED, check that Ignis will not be damaged by an emergency release, then try to command an emergency release through the app. If Ignis did perform an emergency release, but you still see a DISCONNECTED status, then the Matrice was not successfully activated to use Ignis. If Ignis didn't do anything, double-check



that Ignis is powered-on and connected to the vehicle properly.

You have now completed the setup. Connect and test Ignis with the Matrice 600. You should test the configuration by going through the normal procedures without spheres to ensure that Ignis can be properly controlled from the DJI controller.

## 9 Older Ignis Material

### 9.1 Installing Dropper Needles with Thumbscrew Assembly

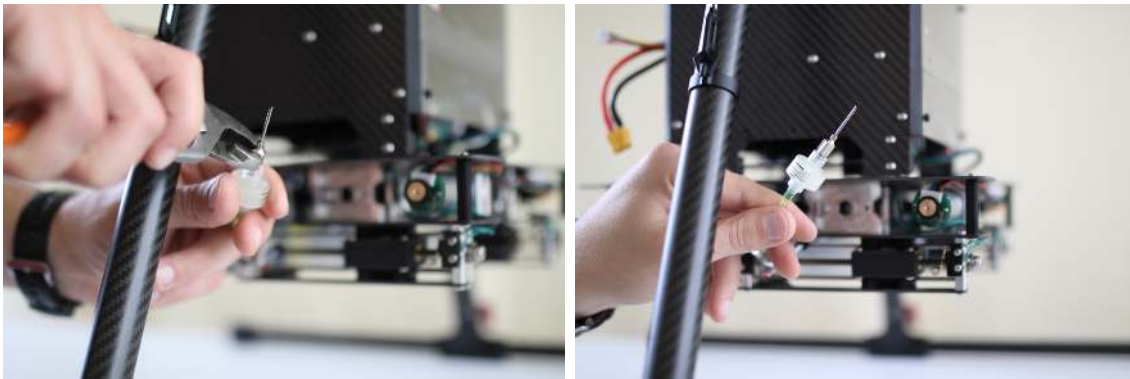


Figure 109: Attaching the needle to the needle assembly.

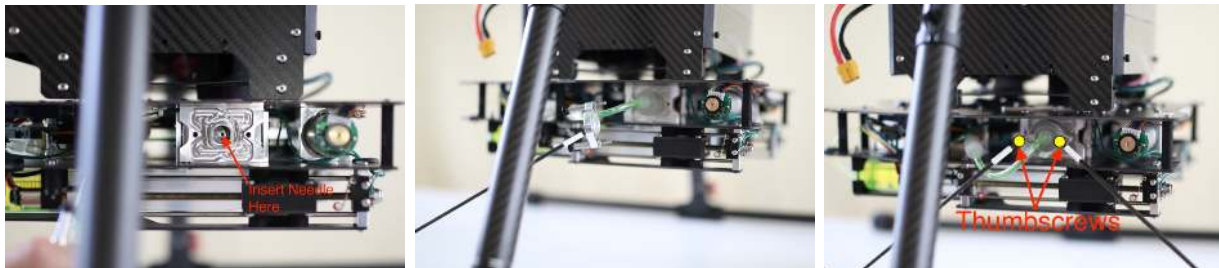


Figure 110: Left: Location to insert the needle. Center: Needle assembly holder. Right: Needle assembly holder in place.

This process is identical for Dropper A needle and Dropper B needle.

Before each flight the needle should be removed and it should be verified that it is clear of any foreign material and that it is sharp. Figure 109 shows how to attach the needle to the needle assembly. The needle should be hand tightened (removal may require pliers to remove).

Figure 110 (left) shows the location to insert the needle. Carefully insert the needle assembly, ensuring that it is inserted perpendicular to the aluminum plate. Gently push the needle assembly forward until it is fully seated. Slide the needle assembly holder, Figure 110 (center), forward and align the yellow thumb screws with the holes on the aluminum plate. Use an equal number of turns on each yellow thumb screw to securely tighten the thumb screws by hand.