

FrSky 2.4GHz ACCESS Taranis X9 Lite Manual

Introduction

As a portable radio, the FrSky Taranis X9 Lite is a remarkable fusion of traditional radio design with the innovations of the latest ACCESS protocol. The X9 Lite inherits its classic form factor from the FrSky Taranis X9D series remote control, along with completely preserving the comfort of the classic grip design, it also adds a scroll button adding convenience when navigating the menu further improving the user experience. For beginners, the wired training function is retained, allowing beginners to improve their skills with the security of an instructors input upon command.

Like the Taranis X-Lite Pro, the new Taranis X9 Lite also uses the latest ACCESS communication protocol, along with ErskyTX / OpenTX open source operating system, it boasts 24 channels with a faster baud rate and lower latency with a high-speed module digital interface. Additional ACCESS features like wireless firmware updates and wireless configurations will be gradually unlocked, providing a more reliable, more secure link between the remote and model. Making the X9 Lite a fully functioning remote control with tons of extra features.

Due to unforeseen changes in production, the information contained in this manual is subject to change without notice. Pay special attention to safety where indicated by the following marks:

Meanings of Special Markings

DANGER - procedures which may lead to dangerous conditions and cause death/serious injury if not carried out properly.

WARNING - Procedures which may lead to a dangerous condition or cause serious injury and even death to the user if not carried out properly or procedures where the probability of superficial injury or physical damage is high.

CAUTION - Procedures where the possibility of serious injury to the user is small, but there is a danger of injury or physical damage, if not carried out properly.

NOTE – Steps, Tips or information

WARNING - Always keep electrical components away from children.

Layout

Antenna

SD

SA

SB

Power

Digital Trim

MENU

PAGE

Exit

DSC Port (Training port)

Micro USB Port

Micro SD Card Port

Hook

SE

SC

S1

Stick

Scroll Button

LCD Display

Earphone Port

Smart Port

Antenna

Module Bay

Battery Cover

Switch

SA: 3 positions; Short lever

SB: 3 positions; Long lever

SC: 3 positions; Short lever

SD: 2 positions; Short lever

SE: 2 positions, Moment, Short lever

S1: Knob Switch

1. Micro SD card is not provided with shipment.

2. USB port is for upgrading, reading/ writing Micro SD card and internal memory of radio contents.

3. Smart Port is for firmware upgrade for all FrSky S.Port devices.

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Warnings for Battery

Do not remove the battery from the X9 Lite transmitter while the voltage warning is blinking as this could cause internal settings and memories to be destroyed.

Do not use the transmitter if a “Backup Error” warning occurs.

Specifications

- Dimension: 184*170*101mm (L*W*H)
- Weight: 505g (without battery)
- Operating system: ErskyTX / OpenTX
- Number of channels: 24 channels
- Operating voltage range: 6.0~8.4V
- Operating current: 190mA@7.4V
- Operating Temperature: -20°C ~ 60°C (-4°F ~ 140°F)
- Backlight LCD resolution: 128*64
- Model memories: 60 models (expandable by Micro SD card)
- Smart Port, Micro SD card slot, Micro USB Port and DSC Port

Features

- Ergonomic and compact design
- Installed with ACCESS protocol
- Supports spectrum analyzer function
- High-speed module digital interface
- G7 Noble potentiometer gimbal
- Supports wired training function
- Haptic vibration alerts and voice speech outputs
- Easily accessible battery compartment (*Batteries not included, adaptive with replaceable 18650 button top Li-ion batteries)

Comparison List

	Taranis X9D Plus	Taranis Q X7	Taranis X9 Lite
Operating System	OpenTX	OpenTX	ErskyTX/OpenTX
Communication Protocol	ACCST/ACCESS	ACCST/ACCESS	ACCESS
High-speed module digital interface	×	×	√
Wired Training System	√	√	√
Haptic Vibration Alerts	√	√	√
Voice Speech Outputs	√	√	√
Outdoor Legible Backlit LCD	√	√	√
Easily Accessible Battery Compartment	√	√	√
Potentiometer Gimbal	√	√	√
Battery Charging System	√	×	×

Navigate the Menu

To navigate the menus, Taranis X9 Lite has the following elements:

- Scroll Button
- MENU Button
- PAGE Button
- EXIT Button

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Scroll Button

To navigate menus or widgets, roll the button to left or right as navigation.

MENU Button

To go to the main menu, press the button, and hold for one second.

PAGE Button

To go to switch the page,press the button.

EXIT Button

To exit current page or operation widgets.

Where am I in the menu tree

System item

Model Select

Model Setup

Last Menu

Radio Setup

Statistics

Notes

Help

Run Script

To go to the other item, Scroll Button roll to the left or right.

Date-time

08-May-2019 14:23:02

Sec. 18

Min. 22

Hour 14

Date 08

Month May

Year 2019

Set

Cal 0

MENU LONG

RTC V 3.18

To change the data in other items, firstly roll Scroll Button to the left or right until the cursor stays at the needed item.

Secondly, press Scroll button and roll the button to the left or right.

Finally, you need to press the MENU button and hold for one second, and the time will be set.

Model Setup for Taranis X9 Lite Internal RF Module

Model Select

Model Setup

Last Menu

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MODEL SETUP

Mixer

Safety Sws

Heli

Globals

Telemetry

VoiceAudio

Timers

General

Protocol

Protocol

Internal

Enable

Proto Acces

Channels

Name

RxNum

Register

Receiver 1

OFF

24

frsky001

1

G-RX8

Enter the MODEL SETUP menu.

Step 1: Set the Mode for Taranis X9 Lite Internal RF.

Press Scroll button or MENU button and hold one second, go to the main menu, select [Model Setup], go to [Protocol], select the [Internal] [Enable], and select [Proto] [Acces].

Note:

Receivers with ACCST need to download and update the ACCESS protocol from www.frsky-rc.com.

Step 2: Set the Channel Range

The Internal RF module of X9 Lite supports up to 24 channels. The channel range is configurable, and needs to be confirmed before use.

Step 3: Set the Receiver Number

When you create a new model, the system will assign you a receiver number automatically, but this can be easily changed. The range of the receiver number is 00-63, with the default number being 01 (use 00 is not recommended). Once the receiver is set to desired number and is bound to the X9 Lite, the bind procedure will not need to be repeated unless the receiver number is changed. In this case, either set the receiver number to the previous one or repeat the bind procedure.

Step 4: Registration

Select [Register], press F/S button, and power it on, The display will show the RX xx and press the Menu button or the Scroll button to complete process. then power down the receiver.

Protocol

Internal

Enable

Proto Acces

Channels

Name

RxNum

Register

Receiver 1

Internal

24

frsky001

1

G-RX8

1

BIND

Register

Name

UID

Name

frsky001

0

G-RX8

Registration Ok

Ok

Note:

If two or three receivers are used at the same time, the UID should be set to different values.

Step 5: Automatic binding (Smart Match™)

Move the cursor to Receiver 1[Bind], and select it, power your receiver,The display will show the RX xx and press the Menu button or the Scroll button to complete process. the system will confirm "Bind ok". (You do not need to pree the "F/S" button in ACCESS Protocol to bind. Refer to the receivers manual for details.)

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Name

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Receiver 1

Internal

24

frsky001

1

G-RX8

1

BIND

Bind

Select

G-RX8

Bind Ok

Ok

Step 6: Set Failsafe mode

There are 4 failsafe modes: No pulse, Hold, Custom and receiver. No Pulse: on loss of signal the receiver produces no pulses on any channel. Hold: the receiver continues to output the last positions before signal was lost.

Custom: pre-set to required positions on lost signal.

Receiver: set the failsafe on the receiver (see receiver instructions) in ACCESS Protocol.

Step 7: Range

Range refers to Taranis X9 Lite range check mode. A pre-flight range check should be done before each flying session. Move the cursor to [Range Check] and press the Scroll Button. In range check mode, the effective distance will be decreased to 1/30. Press the EXIT to exit.

FCC

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device,pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules

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CE


The product may be used freely in these countries: Germany, UK, Italy, Spain, Belgium, Netherlands, Portugal, Greece, Ireland, Denmark, Luxembourg, Austria, Finland, Sweden, Norway, France and Iceland.

FLYING SAFETY




Warning:

To ensure the safety of yourself and others, please observe the following precautions.




Have regular maintenance performed. Although your X9 Lite protects the model memories with non-volatile EEPROM memory (which does not require periodic replacement) and of a battery, it still should have regular check-ups for wear and tear. We recommend sending your system to your FrSky Service Center annually during your non-flying-season for a complete check-up and service.

Battery




Using a fully charged battery (DC 6.0~8.4V). A low battery will soon die, causing loss of control and a crash. When you begin your flying session, reset your transmitter's built-in timer, and during the session pay attention to the duration of usage. Also, if your model used a separate receiver battery, make sure it is fully charged before each flying session.



Stop flying long before your batteries become over discharged. Do not rely on your radio's low battery warning systems, intended only as a precaution, to tell you when to recharge. Always check your transmitter and receiver batteries prior to each flight.


Where to Fly

We recommend that you fly at a recognized model airplane flying field. You can find model clubs and fields by asking your nearest hobby dealer.



Always pay particular attention to the flying field's rules, as well as the presence and location of spectators, the wind direction, and any obstacles on the field. Be very careful flying in areas near power lines, tall buildings, or communication facilities as there may be radio interference in their vicinity.

At the flying field



To prevent possible damage to your radio gear, turn the power switches on and off in the proper sequence:

1. Pull throttle stick to idle position, or otherwise disarm your motor/engine.

2. Turn on the transmitter power and allow your transmitter to reach its home screen.

3. Confirm the proper model memory has been selected.

4. Turn on your receiver power.


5. Test all controls. If a servo operates abnormally, don't attempt to fly until you determine the cause of the problem.

6. Start your engine.

7. Complete a full range check.

8. After flying, bring the throttle stick to idle position, engage any kill switches or otherwise disarm your motor/engine.

If you do not turn on your system on and off in this order, you may damage your servos or control surfaces, flood your engine, or in the case of electric-powered or gasoline-powered models, the engine may unexpectedly turn on and cause a severe injury.



Make sure your transmitter can't tip it over. If it is knocked over, the throttle stick may be accidentally moved, causing the engine to speed up. Also, damage to your transmitter may occur.


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In order to maintain complete control of your aircraft it is important that it remains visible at all times. Flying behind large objects such as buildings, grain bins, etc. must be avoided. Doing so may interrupt the radio frequency link to the model, resulting in loss of control.




Do not grasp the transmitter's antenna during flight. Doing so may degrade the quality of the radio frequency transmission and could result in loss of control.



As with all radio frequency transmissions, the strongest area of signal transmission is from the sides of the transmitter's antenna. As such, the antenna should not be pointed directly at the model. If your flying style creates this situation, easily move the antenna to correct this situation.




Before taxiing, be sure to extend the transmitter antenna to its full length.
A collapsed antenna will reduce your flying range and cause a loss of control. It is a good idea to avoid pointing the transmitter antenna directly at the model, since the signal is weakest in that direction.




Don't fly in the rain! Water or moisture may enter the transmitter through the antenna or stick openings and cause erratic operation or loss of control. If you must fly in wet weather during a contest, be sure to cover your transmitter with a plastic bag or waterproof barrier. Never fly if lightning is expected.

Secure Digital (SD) Memory Card Handling Instructions


The Micro SD card (not provided with X9 Lite) can store various files, such as model data, sound files, pictures and text. The card is locked when it is pushed in all the way in. To remove the card, push in on the card again, it will pop out allowing you to remove it.




Warning




Be sure to power off the transmitter before inserting or removing a Micro SD card.




As the Micro SD card is a precision device, do not use excessive force when inserting.




If model data generated by a transmitter with a new software version is copied to one with the older software, the transmitter may not operate correctly. Before copying the model data, update the destination transmitter to the new software version.




Do not expose the Micro SD card to dirt, moisture, water or fluids of any kind.




Never remove the Micro SD card or turn off power while entering data.



Never store the Micro SD card where it may be subject to strong static electricity or magnetic fields.



Do not expose the Micro SD card to direct sunlight, excessive humidity or corrosive environments.




Be certain to insert the Micro SD card in the correct direction.

Read data from a PC

Voice and image files edited by a PC can be transferred onto the Micro SD card and used on your X9 Lite transmitter. Equipment for reading and writing Micro SD card is available at most electronics stores.

Stored data

The life of the Micro SD card is limited due to the use of Flash memory. If you have a problem saving or reading data after a long period of use you may need to purchase a new Micro SD card.



We are not responsible for, and can not compensate for any failure to the data stored in the memory card for any reason. Be sure to keep a backup of your models and data on your Micro SD card.


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Taranis X9 Lite and Micro SD cards use non-volatile memory devices so that the data stored is retained, even without a backup battery. Nevertheless, it is good practice to backup the data in the transmitter to the Micro SD card.



The clock for the transmitter does depend on the internal battery, which may need to be replaced occasionally.

Updates

FrSky is continuously adding features and improvements to our radio systems. Updating (via USB Port or the Micro SD card) is easy and free. To get the most from your new transmitter, please check the download section of the FrSky website for the latest update firmware and guide for adjusting your sticks. (www.frsky-rc.com)

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