

# Skydio X10D INTL Operator Manual

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**WARNING:** Please read all documentation provided with your Skydio X10D, including but not limited to the X10D Safety Guidelines in the Safety and Operating Guide: <u>www.skydio.com/safety</u>. Failure to follow any instructions or recommendations in our documentation may void the Skydio Limited Warranty.

# Change Log

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1.0	25 March 2024	All	Initial software release vehicle 31.6.121 / controller 31.6.88

# **Additional Resources**

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Scan the QR codes to view more information about flying with Skydio X10D.



For legal, warranty and intellectual property information, visit: www.skydio.com/legal

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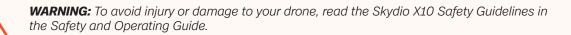
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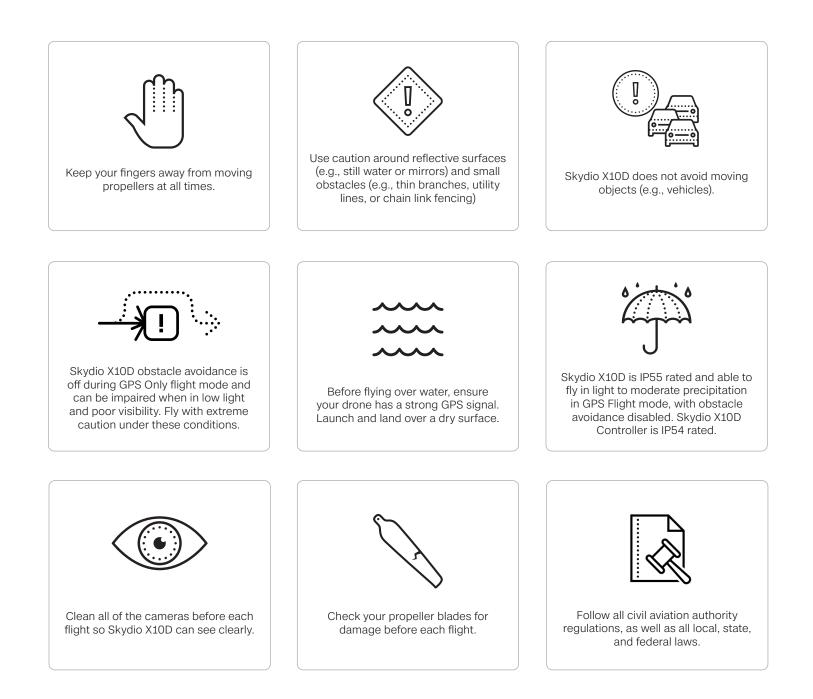
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## Flying Safely

# Safety Guidelines







# Warnings

- Do not operate directly over people and vehicles without following all required regulations and garnering any required Certificates of Waiver or Authorization (COA).
- Fly with extreme caution and care around moving obstacles including but not limited to other aerial vehicles, cars, and/or animals.
- Skydio obstacle avoidance may be degraded around transparent or reflective surfaces, windows, mirrors, or still water greater than 23 in (58 cm) wide. Fly with caution.
- The pilot in command (PIC) is solely responsible for: a) managing altitude, range, and battery level and b) following all civil aviation authority regulations, as well as all local, state, and federal laws.
- Adhere to all in-app alerts, warnings, and recommendations such as landing in clear and safe areas.
- Propeller blades are sharp—handle with extreme caution and care especially when the propeller blades are spinning as serious injury and/or damage may occur.
- Obstacle avoidance is disabled during launching and landing. Exercise extreme caution and care to avoid injury and/or damage.
- Ensure your landing area is flat, stable, and clear of obstacles.
- Skydio should not be used or handled by a person under the age of 16 years.
- Never fly near or interfere with crewed aircraft operations.
- Never fly under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

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- Skydio X10D navigates visually using cameras so it is essential to keep all of the cameras clean. Use the
  included microfiber cleaning cloth (or a similar type of microfiber cloth) to ensure camera lenses are free of
  dust and dirt before every flight.
- Ensure all propellers are firmly attached and free of nicks, cracks, or other visible damage. Never fly with damaged propellers.
- Keep your fingers away from spinning propellers at all times.
- Ensure all 4 arms are fully deployed prior to initiating flight. Failure to do so may result in unstable flight and/ or a loss of control.
- Skydio X10D uses magnets to retain the battery which may attract metallic debris that could interfere with the connection of the battery to the drone.
  - Prior to installing the battery, inspect the battery connection pins and the battery bay to ensure that they are undamaged and free of debris.
  - Verify the battery is fully seated in the drone prior to launching.
- Do not fly with any batteries with enclosures that are cracked, swollen, gouged, dented, or otherwise substantially physically deformed.
- Safely handle and dispose of any batteries in accordance with all local laws and regulations.
- Batteries should not be stored in extreme environmental conditions.
- Ensure the Skydio X10D Controller has adequate battery life remaining to complete your intended flight.
- Ensure you have set your Return and Lost Connection behaviors before flying.
- · Remove the sensor package lock before flying.
- Inspect the chassis and entire drone for damage and debris prior to flight.

# Environment

- Skydio X10D is IP55 rated providing protection from limited dust ingress and light to moderate precipitation conditions; it is recommended to not fly in heavy dust conditions or heavy precipitation.
- The Skydio X10D Controller is IP54 rated providing protection from limited dust ingress and light precipitation conditions; it is recommended to not be used in heavy dust conditions or moderate to heavy precipitation.
- Flight in icy conditions is not supported and may result in the loss of your drone.
- Ensure the flight environment has good initial visibility and will have good visibility throughout the duration of the flight.
- Do not hand launch or hand land during windy days, when flying at night, or extreme environmental conditions as serious injury and/or damage may occur.
- Fly cautiously over bodies of water as low relative-altitude flight may degrade or impair autonomous flight performance. Before flying over bodies of water, ensure your drone has a strong GPS signal. Fly at least 10 ft (3 m) above the surface of the water.
  - Failure to acquire strong GPS prior to flight over water may result in erratic flight and/or emergency landing and total loss of the drone.
- Launch and land over dry surfaces. Use extreme caution and care when launching or landing from moving vessels.
- Skydio X10D requires good visibility to retain its obstacle avoidance capabilities. Obstacle avoidance is off during GPS Flight mode and can also be impaired when in low light and poor visibility. Fly with extreme caution and care under these conditions.
- Skydio does not recommend flying the X10D under the following conditions which can result in serious injury and/or damage including total loss of the drone:
  - Gusts at or above 28 mph (45 km/h)
  - Temperatures less than -4°F (-20°C) or more than 113°F (45°C)
- The Skydio X10D battery features self-warming technology. When flying in temperatures below 32°F (0°C), prewarm batteries before launching. Battery endurance may be degraded when operating near temperature limits below -4°F (-20°C) and above 113°F (45°C).

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# Safety

- Your Skydio drone only avoids obstacles that are not in motion.
  - Cars, boats, people, animals, drones, crewed aircraft, or other moving objects may not be avoided.
- In the event that your X10D collides with an object, it will attempt to stabilize and continue flying.
- Keep your fingers away from the propellers anytime they are spinning such as during launch, flight, and landing.
- Skydio X10D can't see certain visually challenging obstacles. Do not fly around thin branches, telephone or power lines, ropes, netting, wires, chain link fencing, or other objects less than 0.5 inch (1.3 centimeters) in diameter. This type of crash is not covered under the Skydio Limited Warranty.
- Do not intentionally try to crash Skydio X10D.
- The chassis of Skydio X10D may become hot to the touch in high-temperature environments or direct sunlight, even when powered off. The metal frame may also become hot if powered on while on the ground for long periods of time. Handle with extreme caution and care.
- Do not fly over bodies of water if Skydio X10D indicates a GPS quality warning.
- Exercise extreme caution and care when the sun is low on the horizon as it can temporarily blind the Skydio X10D cameras depending on the angle of flight. Your drone may be cautious or jerky when flying directly toward the sun.
- Skydio X10D may provide an indication, such as displaying an alert to land, if it encounters an issue or determines the environment is not safe for flying. Fly to the nearest safe area and land immediately.
- Flying at high altitudes may significantly increase the time required to return and safely land the Skydio X10D. The pilot is solely responsible for managing altitude, range and battery level at all times.
- Be sure to read/watch all flight tutorials and safety-related materials and pay close attention to any in-app messages.
- Keep your hands on the controller joysticks to maintain control throughout flight.

- In preparation for landing, stop active autonomous Flight Skills and fly to a clear and stable area. Avoid areas with people, animals, and moving objects. Try to avoid areas with lots of fine pebbles, sand, rocks, or similar materials.
  - The lights on X10D will turn yellow as the drone descends below 10 ft (3 m) indicating that obstacle avoidance is disabled.
  - **WARNING:** Do not attempt to hand catch Skydio X10D before obstacle avoidance is disabled automatically during landing. Attempting to hand catch Skydio X10D while obstacle avoidance is still active will cause it to attempt to avoid your hand and may result in Skydio X10D impacting yourself or another nearby object, resulting in serious injury and/or damage.
  - While Skydio X10D is landing you may nudge the drone forward, backward, left, or right using the Skydio X10D Controller joysticks.
  - Always monitor Skydio X10D during landing and be prepared to use the "nudge" feature or cancel the landing if Skydio X10D is landing in an undesirable location. Use extreme caution and care when landing on elevated platforms, such as the roof of a car or truck, as the Skydio X10D may move laterally to avoid the platform before descending to the 10 ft (3 m) threshold.

# Regulations

- You are solely responsible for your Skydio X10D at all times.
- Always follow <u>FAA</u> and country-specific civil aviation authority regulations, as well as local, state, and federal laws and regulations when operating your Skydio X10D.
- Download the FAA Drone Safety Guide (if located in the United States).
- Check resources including but not limited to <u>knowbeforeyoufly.org</u> or apps like <u>B4UFLY</u> for more information.
- Do not fly in an environment where the use of drones is restricted or not authorized.
- **Maintain visual line of sight at all times**, unless you have received express permission to fly beyond visual line of sight from a civil aviation authority such as the FAA.
- Skydio drones sold in the United States are Remote ID-compliant.

# **Getting Started**

Welcome to your Skydio X10D. Review the basic hardware and accessories that come with your drone before your first flight.

This section covers

Skydio X10D Starter Kit

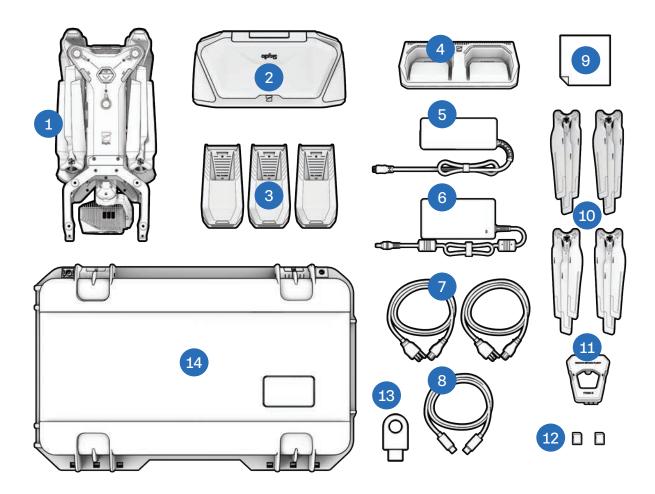
Skydio X10D Hardware

Skydio X10D Controller Hardware

Skydio Autonomy Features

Charging

# Skydio X10D Starter Kit

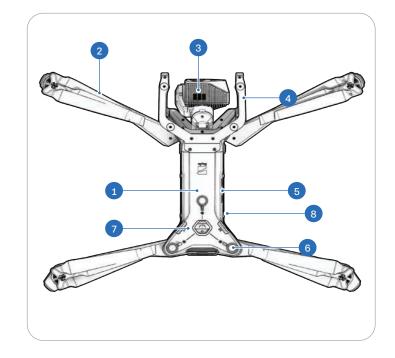


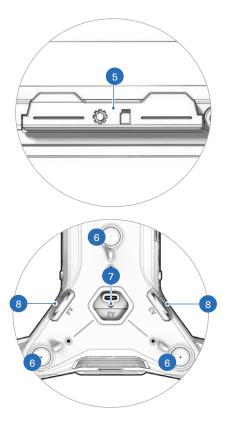
- 1. Skydio X10D and sensor package
- 2. Skydio X10D Controller
- 3. Batteries (3)
- 4. Skydio X10D Dual Charger
- 5. 100 W power supply (USB-C)
- 6. 230 W fast power supply (barrel jack)
- 7. Power cables (2)

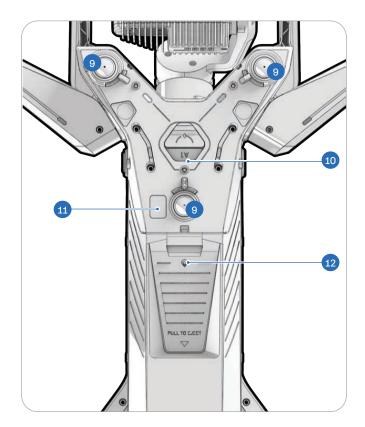
- 8. USB-C to USB-C pairing cable
- 9. Microfiber cleaning cloth
- 10. Spare propeller sets (4)
- 11. Sensor package lock
- 12. 256 GB microSD cards, pre-installed (2)
- 13. Encryption Key
- 14. Transport Case

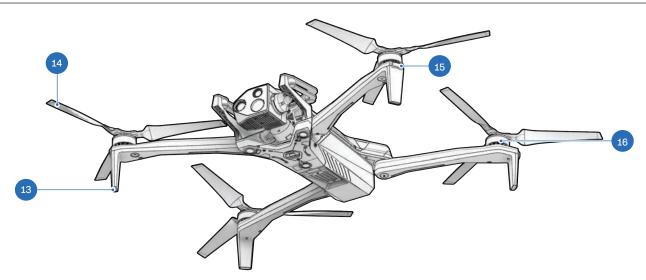
# Skydio X10D Hardware

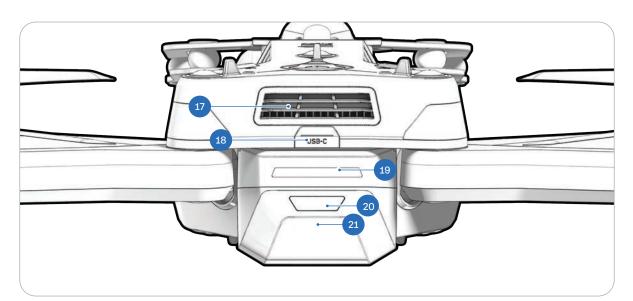
- 1. Chassis
- 2. Arm (4)
- 3. Sensor package
- 4. Sensor package frame
- 5. Log and Media card slots
- 6. Top navigation cameras (3)
- 7. Top attachment bay (A2)
- 8. Side attachment bay (A3, A4)
- 9. Bottom navigation cameras (3)
- 10. Bottom attachment bay (A1)
- 11. Time of flight sensor
- 12. Parachute strap location (optional attachment)











- 13. Landing feet/antennas
- 14. Propeller blades
- 15. RGB/strobe lights
- 16. Propeller motors

- 17. Cooling fan/outlet
- 18. USB-C charge port
- 19. Battery lights
- 20. Power button
- 21. Battery



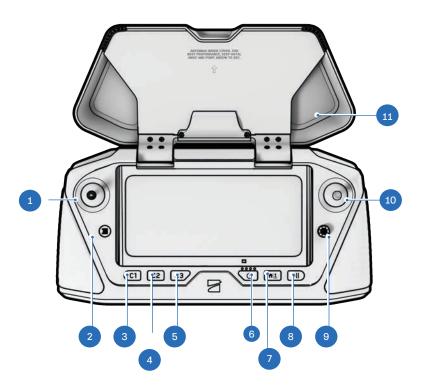
Scan for more information about the sensor packages available for purchase.

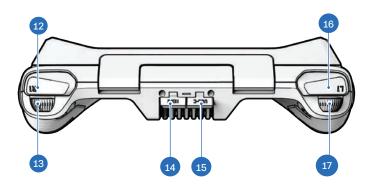
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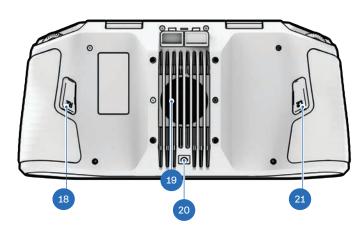
# Skydio X10D Controller Hardware

- 1. Left joystick
- 2. Menu/Back button
- 3. C1 button<sup>1</sup>
- 4. C2 button<sup>1</sup>
- 5. C3 button<sup>1</sup>
- 6. Power button
- 7. Launch/Return/Land button
- 8. Pause button
- 9. Directional pad (D-pad)
- 10. Right joystick
- 11. Controller cover/antennas
- 12. R1 button (Shutter)
- 13. Right wheel
- 14. HDMI port
- 15. USB-C charge port
- 16. L1 button (Boost)
- 17. Left wheel<sup>1</sup>
- 18. R2 button<sup>1</sup>
- 19. Cooling fan
- 20. Neck strap<sup>2</sup> and tripod mount
- 21. L2 button<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Customizable <sup>2</sup>Neck strap sold separately







# Skydio X10D Autonomy Features

With Skydio X10D, you have access to a powerful suite of advanced AI-pilot assistance capabilities. You can purchase additional flight and data features, such as Remote Flight Deck and 3D Scan. Visit www.Skydio.com for more information.

Skydio X10D comes equipped with the following software features:

### Skydio Autonomy Package

- 360° Obstacle Avoidance
- Blackout Mode
- Dynamic Channel Switching
- Standard or Low-Light Flight
- Manual Flight
- Map Capture
- Motion Planning
- Object/Scene Recognition
- Offline Maps/Map Importing

- Point of Interest Orbit
- Real-time 3D mapping
- Skydio Visual Navigator
- Subject Detection
- Track in Place (subject tracking)
- Visual Return-to-Home
- Waypoint Missions
- Zoom

# **Charging Skydio X10D Batteries**

Skydio X10D batteries are shipped in a state of hibernation and will not power on your drone out of the box. Your batteries will automatically exit this state once they begin charging for the first time.

#### Using the Skydio X10D Dual Charger

The Skydio X10D Dual Charger sequentially charges two batteries. The Dual Charger will prioritize fully charging the battery with the highest charge level. If both batteries are depleted, it will prioritize the battery that is inserted first.

#### Step 1 - Remove battery from drone

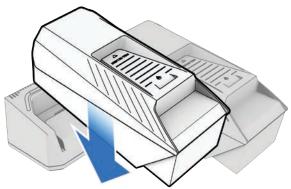
Skydio X10D batteries are held in place using a magnetic connection:

- Firmly grip the drone chassis with one hand
- Grip the battery with your other hand, placing your palm over the power button and wrapping your thumb under the battery
- Using your fingers as leverage, press against the drone until the magnets disengage and slide the battery away from the sensor package



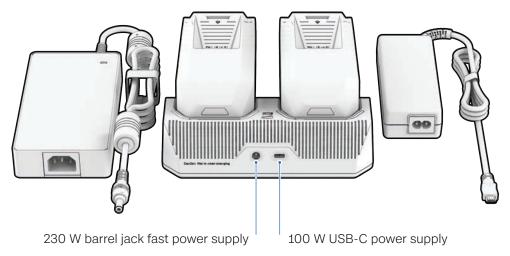
#### Step 2 - Place batteries into the X10D Dual Charger

• Ensure the battery and connection pins are free of debris and interference. Gently push down to ensure the batteries are properly seated.



#### Step 3 - Insert the power supply

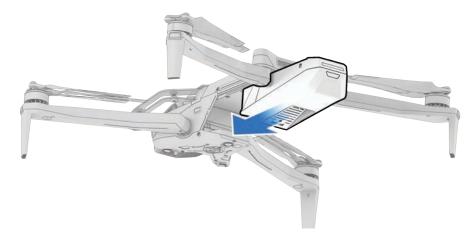
- Two charging ports are located on the back of the Skydio X10D Dual Charger
- Plug into a power source



Battery Charge State	Light Behavior on X10D Dual Charger
Actively charging	Pulsing blue
Waiting to charge	Solid blue
Charging complete	Solid green
Power Supply	Charge Time
230 W Barrel Jack	About 1 hour to charge a depleted battery
100 W USB-C	About 1 hour 45 minutes to charge a depleted battery

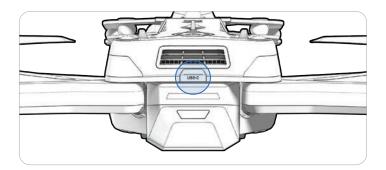
#### Step 1 - Insert battery

- · Ensure the battery and rails are free of debris and interference
- Align the battery with the rails and slide toward the sensor package until the magnets engage
- Ensure the battery is completely seated before flying



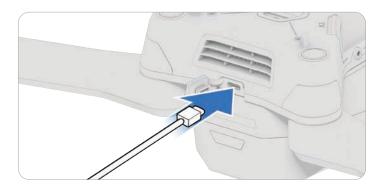
#### Step 2 - Locate the charging USB-C port

• The USB-C charging port is located on the back of the drone above the battery.



#### Step 3 - Insert the 100 W USB-C power supply

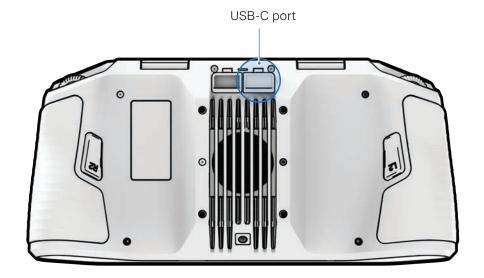
• It will take about 2 hours to fully charge a depleted battery



# Charging the Skydio X10D Controller

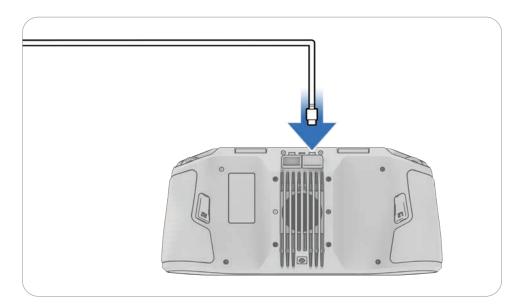
Step 1 - Locate the USB-C port

• The charging port is located on the back of the controller.



#### Step 2 - Insert the 100 W USB-C power supply

• Plug into a power source. The lights on the front of the controller will indicate the level of charge.



# Preflight

Set up your Skydio X10D before launching.

This section covers

Skydio X10D Setup

Skydio X10D Controller Setup

Pairing

Updating the Skydio X10D System

Encryption

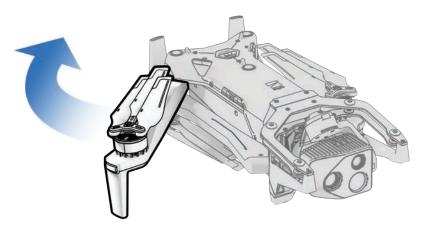
Importing Maps

Battery Warming in Cold Environments

# Preflight Skydio X10D Setup

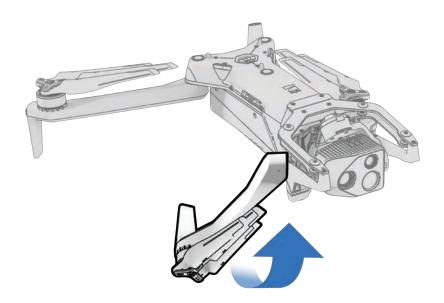
#### Step 1 - Unfold the rear arms

• Hold the drone with the sensor facing away from you. Pull **laterally** away from the chassis until you feel the arm seat into place.



Step 2 - Unfold the front arms

• Push down and forward. Gently continue until you feel the arm seat into place.



There are two 256 GB UHS Speed Class 3 (or faster) microSD cards one for storing media and one for recording flight logs. Each card will occasionally need to be cleared of data and reformatted. Reformatting the cards will delete the stored data, ensure that any data is safely transferred.

#### Step 3 - Select the Global Settings menu and Information

- Select your drone name under Devices
- Select Manage Data and either Format Media Card or Format Logs Card
- Select Delete and OK when the message displays





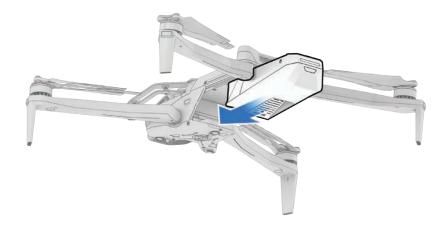
Logs card Scan data and records flight logs



Media card Stores media captured during flight

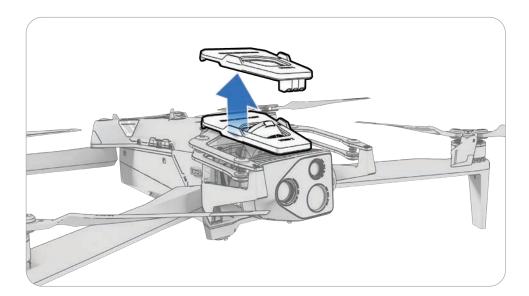
#### Step 4 - Insert battery

- Ensure the battery and rails are free of debris and interference
- Align the battery with the rails and slide toward the sensor package until the magnets engage
- Ensure the battery is completely seated before flying



#### Step 5 - Remove the sensor package lock

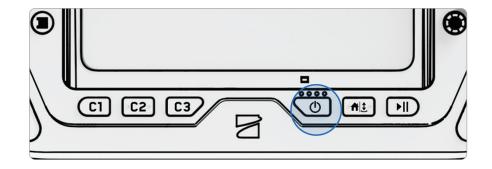
- Hold the sensor package and gently pull to remove from the top of your drone
- Save to reattach when storing or transporting



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#### Step 6 - Power on the Skydio X10D Controller

- · Open the controller lid and hold the Power button for five seconds
- The lights on the front of the controller will turn on and indicate the level of charge





#### Step 7 - Set up Skydio Flight Deck

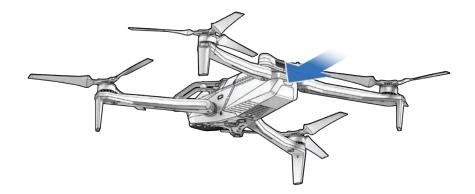
- Follow the on-screen prompts to begin setup.
- Create a device password to unlock the controller
- The password will be required to unlock the controller when powering on or waking from a sleep state

**CAUTION:** The password cannot be recovered or reset. Ensure that your password is entered correctly and is written down and stored in a safe location. If the password is lost, the controller will need to be replaced.

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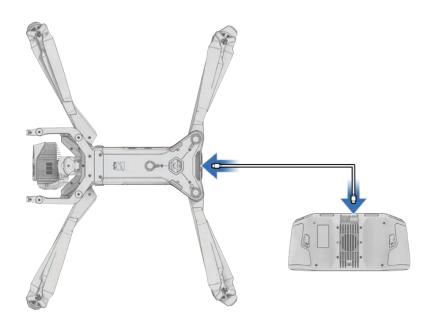
#### Step 8 - Power on Skydio X10D

- Press and hold the Power button on the battery for five seconds
- The lights on the drone arms will turn blue as X10D powers on

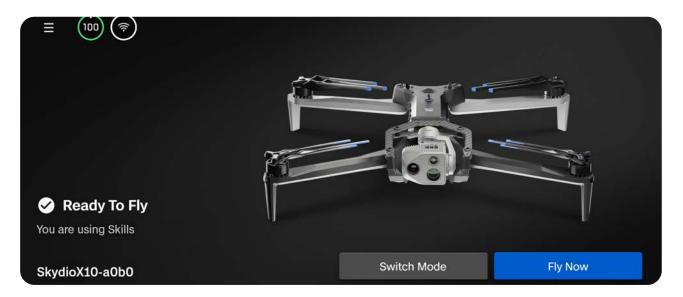


#### Step 9 - Pair the drone and controller

- Connect the drone to the controller using the USB-C pairing cable
- The lights on the drone will pulse blue as the devices are pairing
- The lights on the drone will turn solid blue and the name of your drone will appear on the screen when pairing is successful
- Once paired, the drone and controller will automatically connect before future flights







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Logs card Scan data and records flight logs



Media card Stores media captured during flight

# Updating the Skydio X10D System

#### Step 1 - Access the files from Skydio Fleet Manager for Offline Drones

- .zip file which is the update for your X10D vehicle
- .tar file which is the update for your Skydio X10D Controller

Step 2 - Generate the .zip file and download the .tar file

- Step 3 Insert a memory drive into your computer
- Step 4 Copy the offline\_ota folder and the .tar file into the root level of your memory drive
  - · So that they are not contained inside any other folders
  - Safely eject the memory drive from your computer
- Step 5 Insert the memory drive into the rear USB-C port on the vehicle

#### Step 6 - Power on the vehicle

- The update will begin automatically
- The lights on your drone will begin to display the update status:

Update Status	Light Feedback
Initializing	Solid yellow
0-25%	1 arm flashing yellow light
25-50%	1 arm solid yellow / 1 arm flashing yellow
50-75%	2 arms solid yellow / 1 arm flashing yellow
75-100%	3 arms solid yellow / 1 arm flashing yellow
Complete	4 arms solid yellow light
Error	Flashing red

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Step 7 - Power on your controller

Step 8 - Select the Information menu

#### Step 9 - Select Controller Update

Step 10 - Insert the memory drive into the USB-C port on your controller

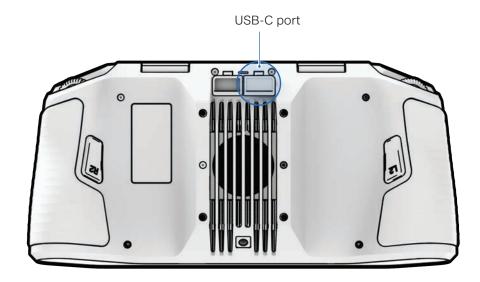
#### Step 11 - Select Update

- Navigate to the memory drive root folder
- Select the update .tar file

#### Step 12 - Select Done

- The update will begin automatically
- · Allow up to five minutes for the update to complete
- During this process, your controller may restart multiple times

Step 13 - Verify that the version numbers matches the version numbers provided by Skydio



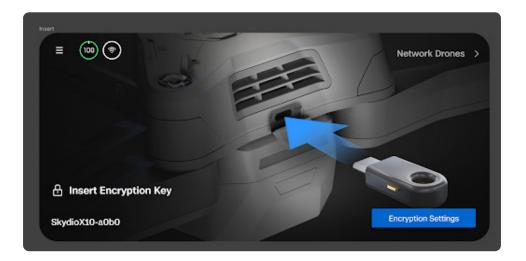
# Preflight Encryption

Included with your Skydio X10D is an encryption key that enables you to encrypt your media in flight and transfer your media to an external device. You will need to pair that Encryption Key to your X10D and store it with your vehicle. You can enable and disable the encryption settings using the Skydio X10D Controller Flight Deck. When the media encryption is enabled, all images and videos captured by X10D will be encrypted and hidden in the Media Review tab.

Pairing an Encryption Key assigns the key to that X10D. It is essential that you store the Encryption Key with the X10D. Using a different Encryption Key will overwrite the original pairing, erasing the previously captured media.

#### Step 1 - Enable your X10D for encryption:

- Power on and pair your Skydio X10D and controller
- Insert the Encryption Key into the rear USB-C port on the X10D
- The Encryption Key lights will begin blinking
- You will receive a notice to remove the Encryption Key
- · You only need to provision the system one time
- Skydio X10D media will now be encrypted



You have the option to enable or disable encryption. When Enable Encryption is selected, all media captured will be encrypted. When Disable Encryption is selected, all media captured will not be encrypted.

#### Step 2 - Select the Information menu

- Select the X10D under Paired Devices and select Encryption
- Select Enable Encryption or Disable Encryption
- · Encryption settings are persistent across flights and power cycles

# Preflight Import Maps

Import DTED, MOBAC, Quantum GIS, GeoTIFF, custom QGC, and Mapbox tiles to the Skydio X10D Controller using a USB-C memory drive or SD memory card reader.

#### Step 1 - Load your map files onto a USB-C flash drive or SD memory card

- Ensure that the SD memory card is formatted to exFAT
- Insert the USB-C drive or adapter into the controller
- Select the Information menu and Import Maps

#### Step 2 - Select Maps

- Navigate to the storage device
- Select the maps to import

#### Step 3 - Select Done

- Wait for your maps to import
- · Select View Map Library to review your imported maps

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	Import Maps from Connected Drive
:	Select maps from the connected drive to import.
	Select Maps

# Battery Warming in Cold Environments

For flight in extremely cold environments, Skydio X10D battery features self-warming technology to enable flight within 5 minutes. If the X10D battery is below 32°F (0°C), you will need to pre-warm your batteries before you can launch.

- Battery self-warming is supported down to -4°F (-20°C)
- Skydio X10D will allow launching in limited performance mode while continuing the operate the self-warmer until full performance is restored
- A battery must have at least 30% charge to self-warm
- A fully charged battery is strongly recommended when flying in cold weather
- Flight time will be reduced in cold temperatures
- Minimize aggressive maneuvering in extremely cold environments



If Skydio X10D detects that a battery is too cold to launch, the battery will automatically begin self-warming. Launch will become unblocked when the battery is sufficiently warmed for the given state of charge. You also have the option to prewarm a battery before inserting into the drone:

#### Step 1 - Triple tap the battery button to begin the self-warming process

- The lights on the battery will turn orange during the self-warming process
- Triple tapping again will end the self-warming proces
- Step 2 If the battery is cold enough it will begin self-warming
- When self-warming is complete, the lights on the battery will briefly turn blue and then power off

#### Step 3 - Insert the battery into the drone and power on

- If the self-warming was still in progress prior to inserting, it will continue while the battery is in the drone
- Launch will become unblocked when the battery is sufficiently warmed for the given state of charge

# **Skydio Flight Deck**

Skydio Flight Deck is the user interface on your controller. In this section you will learn about core menu locations and setting customizations.

This section covers

Gate Screen

**Global Settings** 

Flight Controls

**Return Behaviors** 

**Obstacle Avoidance** 

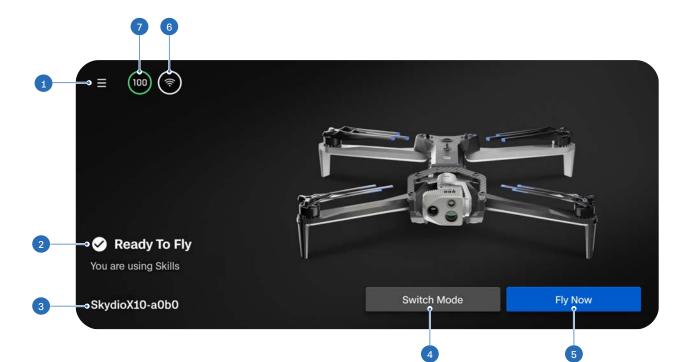
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System Status

**Quick Actions** 

### Gate Screen

After powering on and connecting to your drone, the first screen you will see is the **Gate Screen**. This screen is the first step to starting your flight, switching modes, or configuring preflight settings.



- 1. Global Settings
- 2. Flight Status
- 3. Drone Name
- 4. Flight Mode
- 5. Fly Now (opens the flight screen)
- 6. Signal Strength
- 7. Drone Battery Level

### Navigating Skydio Flight Deck

### Global Settings ≡

The Global Settings menu is accessible before and during flight. Use this menu to navigate to a variety of settings, such as low battery behaviors, stream layouts, and obstacle avoidance behavior. Select the Global Settings icon in the top left of the screen to access the following menus:

- Media
- Information
- Flight Controls
- Sensing
- Return
- Lighting
- Attachments\*
- Connection
- Radio
- Display
- System Status

\*Attachments coming soon

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## Media

Use the Media menu to view photos, videos, and scans from your recent flights.

- Select an image or video to view
- Press and hold on a thumbnail to select multiple or delete
- If you captured photos using Interval, all photos captured will appear as a single stack. Selecting the stack will allow you to scroll through individual images one by one.
- Only standard color and thermal JPGs will display in the Media menu. To access your DNG or RJPG files, you must transfer the files from your drone.





NOTE: The Media menu is not accessible during flight.

### Information

While you are connected to Skydio X10D, the Information menu provides access to settings such as drone and controller updates, radio frequency selections, the map library, and more.

#### Devices

- Lists the name of the drone that is currently connected, as well as other X10D drones that have previously paired to the controller.
- Check for drone verify software versions by selecting the name of a drone.

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#### Manage Data

Select to format the Log and Media cards or Factory Reset your drone.

#### Locate Skydio X10D

In the event that your Skydio X10D is lost, you may view its last known location. If the Coordinate setting is enabled, the latitude and longitude of the current or last known location will be displayed.

#### **View Last Flights**

Displays the feed that was last viewed from the Flight Screen, even if the drone is not connected. Designed to assist you with locating your drone in the event of a crash, emergency landing, or low battery landing in an unintended location.

#### **Dynamic Channel Switching**

Set channels and bands to automatically move to a clearer channel to improve wireless transmission signal quality, ensuring reliable drone control and data transmission in both congested and contested airspace.

#### **Overwrite Media**

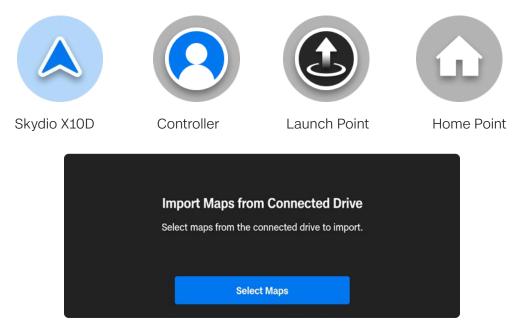
Manage your media storage by automatically deleting old media to ensure you always have enough storage space to start a new flight. Select **Delete Oldest Media** to automatically delete the oldest media stored on the microSD memory card.

#### Anti-flicker

Adjust anti-flicker settings if you experience flickering in your video. This setting is for users located outside of North America, in countries where the frequency of the alternating current in household electrical outlets is 50 Hz.

### Maps

**View Map -** View your current location, search, and configure map settings. The location of Skydio X10D, the controller, Launch Point, and Home Point (if set) are all indicated on the map.



**Import Maps -** Import custom Mapbox tiles to the Skydio X10D Controller using a USB-C drive or SD memory card reader.

Step 1 - Load your map files onto a USB-C flash drive or SD memory card

- · Insert the USB-C drive or adapter into the controller
- Select the Information menu and Import Maps
- Select Maps
- Navigate to the storage device
- Select the maps to import
- Select Done
- Wait for your maps to import
- · Select View Map Library to review your imported maps



# Waypoint Missions

Stores the most recent Waypoint Mission. Press and hold on a waypoint to delete it. Press and hold on the map to add a waypoint or delete all waypoints. Only one Waypoint Mission will be saved at a time.

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#### Step 1 - Select the Information menu and Waypoint Mission

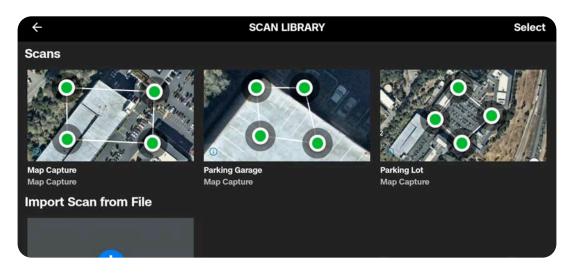
- · Pinch and drag on the map to set the starting location of your waypoint mission
- Press and hold on the map
- · Select Add Waypoint to set a waypoint
- · Press and hold on the map again to set your second waypoint
- · The vehicle pose setting will match previous waypoint

#### Step 2 - Set the altitude, heading, and gimbal angle for the selected waypoint

- · Continue adding waypoints until your mission path is complete
- A mission can support up to 256 waypoints

### Scan Library

View or repeat saved Map Capture scans. You also have the ability to import a previous Map Capture.



**NOTE:** Only .mission files created from Skydio Map Capture are supported when importing.

# Settings

#### **Controller Update**

Use this menu to view the current software version of your controller and import update file.

#### **Change Password**

Optionally add and change the password for your controller.



**CAUTION:** The password cannot be recovered or reset. Ensure that your password is entered correctly and is written down and stored in a safe location. If the password is lost, the controller will need to be replaced.

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# Settings

#### Tutorials

Includes step-by-step instructions for actions such as calibration.

#### Hand Wave Calibration Guide

For use in environments with magnetic interference such as cars, metal bars, power lines, etc. You will need to calibrate before flying in precipitation, flying at night, and each time you enable Low-Light flight.

#### About

View the current software version of the X10D Controller, the email associated with your account, and your organization.

#### **Skydio Support Logs**

To assist the support team and better troubleshoot any issues or questions you may have, we may require you to export logs or other data from your drone to help us determine the root cause of any issues. If you have any objection to this, please let the support team know. We will never review your videos or data without your permission. Do not reformat or factory reset your Skydio drone prior to contacting our support team.

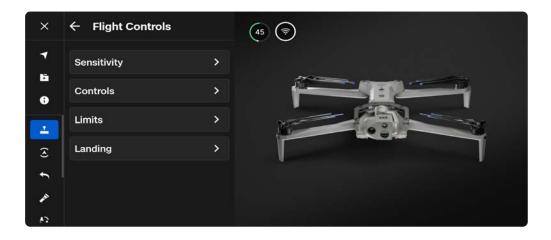
- Single Flight Log Includes all logs from a specified flight. This option will show you the history of all flights, organized by date and time. Select which individual flight you wish to upload.
- All Logs Includes all logs saved on the controller from all flight history. This option allows you to sync logs whether you are connected to the drone or not.

#### Legal

View legal documentation such as the Skydio Safety and Operating Guide.

# Flight Controls

Use this menu to customize your joystick controls, input mapping, altitude limits, and landing behaviors.



Moving the joysticks allows you to adjust the roll, pitch, yaw, and throttle of the drone.

- Roll Controls left and right movement
- Pitch Controls forward and backward movement
- Yaw Changes rotation around the vertical axis
- Throttle Controls altitude

## Sensitivity

#### **Gimbal Pitch**

Controls how quickly the camera sensor moves up and down:

• Default - 18%

#### Flight

Allows you to customize the maximum allowed speed for roll, pitch, yaw, and throttle. Default speeds:

- Roll 20%
- Pitch 20%
- Yaw 45%
- Throttle 100%

#### **Rapid Descent**

Increase the speed to the maximum descent rate when pressing and holding Boost (L1 button):

• Descent speed: 27 mph (12 m/s)

← Sensitivity		
Gimbal Pitch	25	%
Flight		
	25	%
Pitch	25	%
Yaw	25	%
Throttle	75	%
Rapid Descent		
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**NOTE:** Increase pitch sensitivity to increase the maximum speed of the drone.

## Controls

#### **Control Mode**

Determines how your controller joysticks will maneuver X10D. Select between Mode 1, 2 (default), and 3.

#### Input Mapping

Allows you to customize buttons and wheels with the following options:

- Toggle Map
- Toggle Camera
- Obstacle Avoidance
- Disable
- Minimal
- Close
- Cycle Display Layout
- Cycle Thermal Palettes
- Cycle Full Screen View
- Reset Sensor Package
- Toggle Strobe Lights
- Toggle RGB Lights
- Stop at Structure
- Increase Exposure Compensation
- Decrease Exposure Compensation

Customizable buttons and wheels include:

- C1 L2
- C2 R2
  - Left wheel
    - Right wheel

#### **Camera Dragging**

• C3

Drag your finger on the screen to pitch the sensor package and yaw the drone to look around.



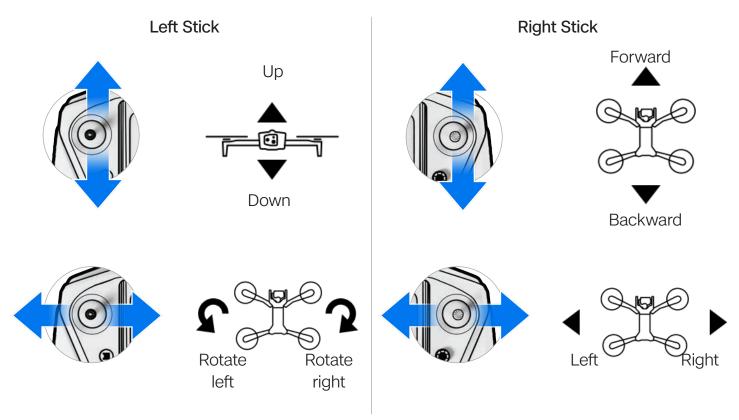
Left stick rotates and climbs. Right stick strafes and moves forward/ backward.

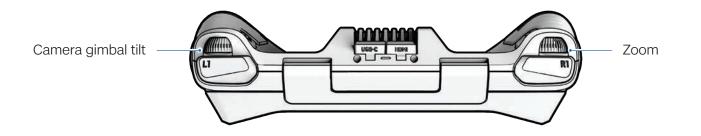
#### Input Mapping

<b>C1</b> Cycle Display Layouts	>		
<b>C2</b> Cycle Full Screen View	>		
<b>C3</b> Cycle Thermal Palettes	>		
<b>L2</b> No Function	>		
R2 No Function	>		
Left Wheel Gimbal	>		
Right Wheel Zoom	>		
Camera Dragging			
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Image follows finger movement			
Reset			

### **Control Mode**

By default, flight controls are set to Mode 2, the left joystick controls the elevation and horizontal rotation of the drone, and the right joystick controls the forward, backward, and lateral movements of the drone.





# Limits

#### **Height Ceiling**

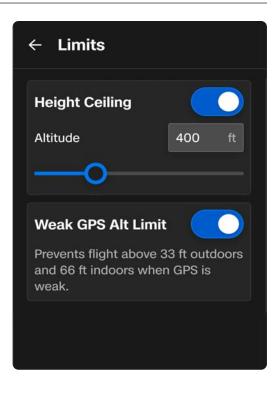
When enabled, allows you to set the maximum allowed drone altitude above the Launch Point.

- Minimum: 30 ft (9 m)
- Maximum: 1500 ft (457 m)

Height Ceiling settings persist across flights and power cycles.

#### Weak GPS Alt Limit

When enabled, prevents flight above 66 ft (20 m) when GPS is weak.



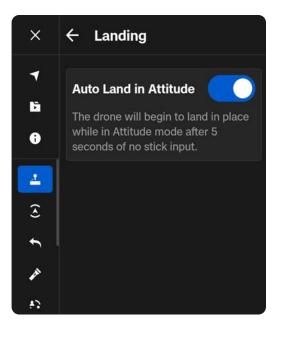
**WARNING:** Toggling Weak GPS Alt Limit OFF disables the altitude limit and your drone will fly using only visual navigation. To reduce the risk of an emergency landing, maintain a flight path near surfaces and objects.

# Landing

If both GPS and the drone's vision navigation system (VIO) become unreliable, Skydio X10 will enter Attitude Mode.

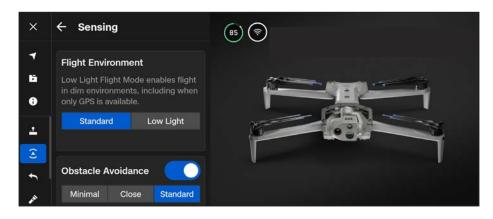
- Auto Land in Attitude Toggled ON (default) After 5 seconds of inactivity in Attitude Mode (i.e. the joysticks are centered and not touched), Skydio X10 will automatically initiate an emergency landing.
- Auto Land in Attitude Toggled OFF The drone will remain in attitude mode indefinitely under user control while no navigation sources are healthy.

This setting persists across flights and power cycles. All landings can be canceled.





Use the sensing menu to adjust autonomous flight behaviors.



#### **Flight Environment**

Select either Standard or Low Light environments:

- Standard (default) for normal daytime
- Low light: night, dim, low light, poor visibility environments, or when GPS is the only navigation mode available. Low light flight mode will use vision navigation if there is any ambient light; however, GPS will remain the primary navigation system.

Flying at night	Select Low Light and calibrate if prompted	
Flying in precipitation	Select Standard and disable obstacle avoidance. A strong GPS signal is required.	
Flying in precipitation at night	Select Low Light and disable obstacle avoidance. A strong GPS signal is required. Disable NightSense if installed.	

#### **Obstacle Avoidance**

When flying near obstacles your drone will follow your selected distance setting. Choose between Standard, Close, and Minimal.

Disabled (toggle off) - Skydio X10D will not avoid obstacles and there is a high risk of collision

- Top ground speed using Vision: ~18 mph (29 km/h)
- Top ground speed using GPS Only: ~45 mph (72 km/h)

Minimal - Slight course corrections to avoid obstacles, but primarily relies on the pilot to avoid collisions.

• Top ground speed: ~18 mph (29 km/h)

Close - Drone stays 8 in (21 cm) away from obstacles

- 5 in (13 cm) in narrow spaces
- Top ground speed: ~18 mph (29 km/h)

Standard - Drone stays 24 in (60 cm) away from obstacles

- 15 in (39 cm) in narrow spaces
- Top ground speed: ~35 mph (56 km/h)

#### **Variable Margins**

Skydio X10D uses AI and visual navigation to dynamically, and temporarily, reduce obstacle avoidance margins when moving through narrow spaces. Margins will also dynamically expand if the drone detects environmental dangers, such as wind. Enabled by default. Disable to turn off the dynamic margin behavior.

#### Stop at Structure

Perform finer, more controlled inspections on structures such as bridges or building facades. When enabled, your drone will not deviate from its course when it is within 8 ft (2.5 m) of a structure. The drone will reduce speed and maintain position, allowing for more precise maneuvering in the immediate vicinity of the structure. Adjust the maximum speed using the **Speed Near Obstacles** slider.

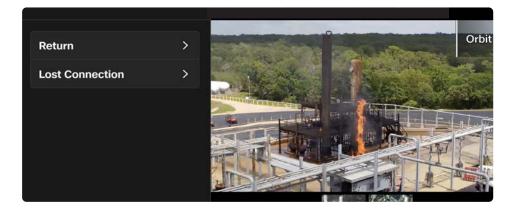
- · Maximum controller speed settings apply when no structure is present
- Stop at Structure is active during manual flight, including when paused during a 3D Scan



**WARNING:** Flying with Close, Minimal or Disabled greatly increases the risk of collision. Minimal or Disabled settings are used to navigate tight spaces and should only be used if you are an experienced pilot. Skydio recommends turning down controller throttle, roll, and pitch sensitivity to the lowest setting and proceeding at a maximum speed of 2 mph (1 m/s).



Configure your standard return behaviors as well as how Skydio X10D will return if connection is lost.



**WARNING:** Before flying, ensure you have set your Lost Connection Return Behaviors. This is a critical step that ensures your drone returns safely and lands in an accessible location.

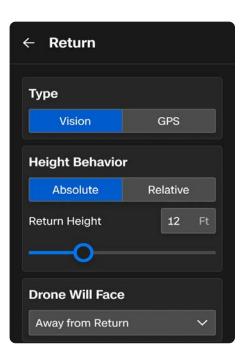
**Type -** Select how the drone navigates when returning:

- Vision allows the drone to return to its launch position using VIO navigation
- GPS requires the drone to acquire GPS before you are able to command a return.

**Height Behavior** - Customize the altitude behavior of Skydio X10D when returning.

Use **Return Height** to set the altitude at which the drone will ascend to before returning.

- Absolute drone will ascend to the specified Return Height above the Launch Point before returning. For example, if the Return Height is 32 ft and the drone is at 20 ft at the time the return is commanded, Skydio will ascend 12 ft before returning
- Relative drone will ascend to the specified Return Height above the current position before returning. For example, if the Return Height is 32 ft and the drone is at 20 ft at the time the return is commanded, Skydio will ascend 32 ft and then return at a height of 52 ft



**Drone Will Face -** Set drone to either look toward or away from the return destination while flying.

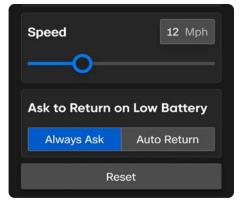
**Speed -** Set the speed at which Skydio X10D returns:

- Vision return: 1 35 mph (0.5 16 m/s)
- GPS return: 1 45 mph (0.5 20 m/s)

#### Ask to Return on Low Battery

When the battery is only sufficient to return and land, choose between a prompt or an automatic return.

- Always Ask (default) means you will be asked to select the return location each time the battery level is low.
- Auto Return means the drone will automatically return to either the Launch Point or the Home Point (if set) when the battery is low.



## Lost Connection

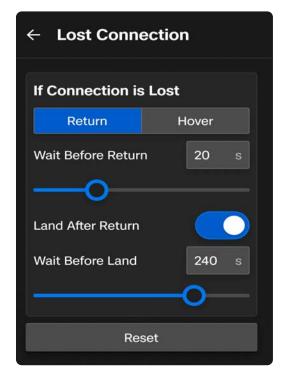
If connection is lost, Skydio X10D will default to the Lost Connection settings. Select between Return and Hover upon lost connection.

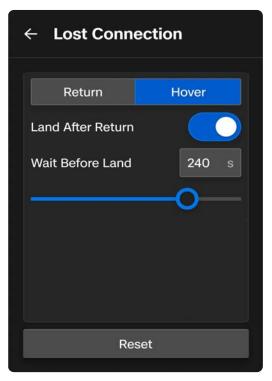
#### Return

Wait Before Return - set the amount of time you want Skydio X10D to wait before it initiates a return flight, allowing time to reconnect

Land After Return - when enabled, your drone will return, hover for a specified amount of time, then land.

**Wait Before Land** - the amount of time between 0 to 300 seconds (default is 240 seconds) that you want your drone to wait above the landing location before landing. This setting is only enabled when Land After Return is toggled on.





#### Hover

Land After Hover - when enabled, Skydio X10D will hover for a specified amount of time, then use visual navigation to find a safe area to land.

Wait Before Land - set between 0 to 300 seconds (default is 240 seconds) that you want your drone to wait before landing. This setting is only enabled when Land After Hover is toggled on.

Skydio X10D will continue hovering as it tries to regain connection. If it fails to reconnect and reaches low battery:

- If you have an automatic return set, your drone will return to either the Launch Point or Home Point (if set)
- If you do not have an automatic return set, your drone will use visual navigation to find a safe area to land
- If you are flying in GPS Flight, your drone will be unable to use visual navigation and will descend vertically and land



Customize the in-flight behavior of the lights located at the end of the arms.



#### **Blackout Mode**

Enabling Blackout mode will turn off all visible and IR light sources on the vehicle and disable the light toggles. The menu offers the option to dim the controller lights as well. Setting Blackout Mode will persist across flights and power cycles.

#### RGB

When enabled, the lights on the end of the arms will appear red and green while flying. When the drone is powered on and grounded, the lights will appear blue.

#### Strobe

Enable to visually track the drone in low-light conditions. Skydio X10D strobe lights meet the FAA requirement of being visible at a distance of 3 statute miles (4.8 km).

#### Infrared

Cannot be seen by the naked eye. These broadcast an IR light that can only be detected with an infrared lens. Assists with navigation in low-light.

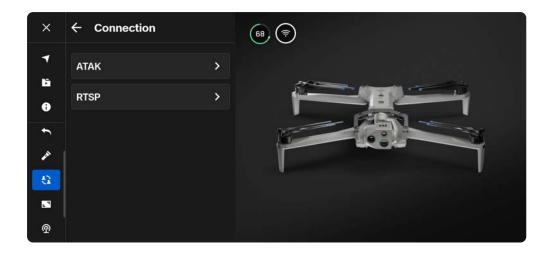
#### **Dim Controller LEDs**

When enabled, the lights on the end of the arms will appear red and green while flying. When the drone is powered on and grounded, the lights will appear blue.

Connection

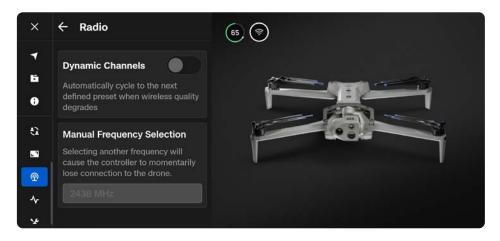


The Connection menu allows you to stream using ATAK or RTSP.



Radio

Toggle Dynamic Channel Switching on or off and manually select your frequency.



#### **Dynamic Channel Switching**

Cycle through six preset frequencies to automatically find the cleanest channel, ensuring stable and reliable flight. **Step 1 - Select Global Setting, the Information menu, and the Radio tab** 

- · Select the power, channel, and band for each preset
- Select Finish

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Preset 2		Not Set 💙
	Finish	



Customize your Flight Screen display, including telemetry metrics, unit type, and depth style.

#### Telemetry

Customize the telemetry metrics you want to display while flying. Select the blue check to enable or disable the corresponding telemetry information.

Altitude is required.

#### Unit Type

Choose between Imperial or Metric units.

#### **Depth Style**

Only applies if you have enabled Depth View within the AR Quick Actions (located on the left side of the Flight Screen).

Select **Solid** or **Outline** when displaying visual information about what obstacles the drone sees.

- · Solid displays boxes filled with color
- · Outline displays wireframe or unfilled boxes

The AR Quick Actions button on the Flight Screen cycles between the distances from objects at which the visual information will start showing on screen.

- Off
- 6 ft (2 m)
- 13 ft (4 m)

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Distance from Controller	
Obstacle Avoidance	
Drone GPS Satellites	
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### **Display Layouts**

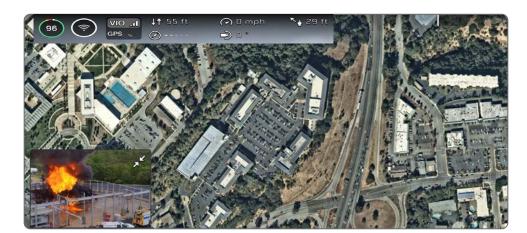
While flying, you have the option to use a Single, Split or Grid layout to set the number of streams that appear. Available feeds include:

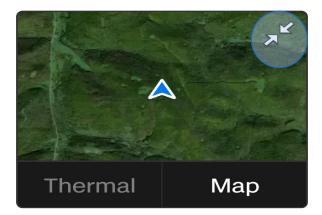
- Color
- Thermal
- Map

#### Single Layout

Displays one stream at a time with Picture-in-Picture (PiP) in the bottom left of the screen.

- Minimize using the two arrows in the top right
- Use the buttons on the bottom to select whether the Color, Thermal or Map feed displays in the PiP





# **Display Layouts**

#### Split Layout

Choose two views to display. Drag the middle handlebar to resize streams. The primary feed displays on the right.



#### Grid Layout

Choose three streams to display. Press and drag the middle handlebar to resize streams. The primary feed displays on the right.



### **Customizing Display Layout**

#### Step 1 - Select the Display Layout icon in the left sidebar

• Use this button to cycle through the various layout options. The icon reflects the next layout in the queue rather than the layout you are currently using.





#### Step 2 - Use the View Selector to select which feeds display

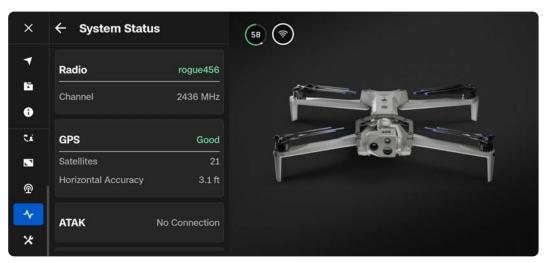
• A menu will appear with the stream options. Drag the middle handlebar to resize streams.



### System Status 🕢

Provides a comprehensive overview of the system:

- Drone connection quality and channel
- · GPS signal quality and position accuracy
- ATAK status
- · Live Stream status



#### GPS

#### Satellites

Represents the count of GPS satellites that the drone is currently receiving signals from. A greater number of satellites results in a more accurate position as well as greater safety and reliability during flight.

It is important to establish a strong GPS connection, especially before flying over water.

- · Connection to 13 or more satellites is considered a Good connection
- · Skydio recommends 18 or more satellites before flying over water

#### Horizontal Accuracy

Quantifies the position of Skydio X10D on a two-dimensional plane. Especially useful when mapping or surveying.

# **Quick Actions**

The left sidebar of your Flight Screen contains a variety of Quick Action menus. With Quick Actions, you have the ability to quickly **toggle** a setting or **cycle** through setting options.

**Toggle -** Full green bar indicates a setting is ON.



**Cycle** - A menu will pop out and label the current setting. The green bars indicate the number of available settings.

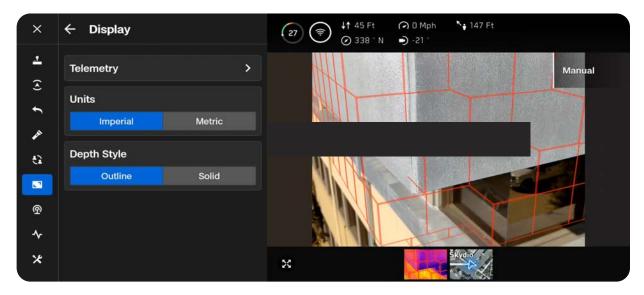


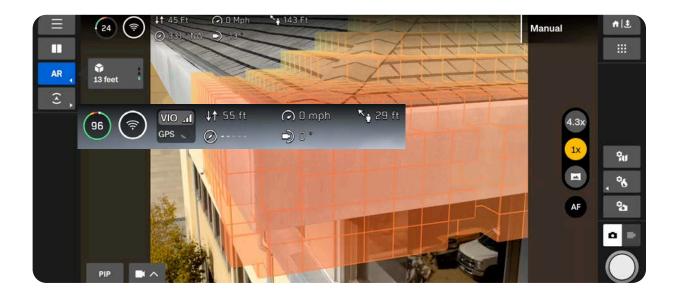
# Augmented Reality (AR) Quick Actions

Enable to visually display where Skydio X10D detects obstacles in the environment. Appears as either solid or outlined augmented reality (AR) boxes, depending on your selection within the **Display** menu.

Use the **AR Quick Action** button to cycle between the distances from which obstacles are rendered on the screen. Objects that are closer appear red.

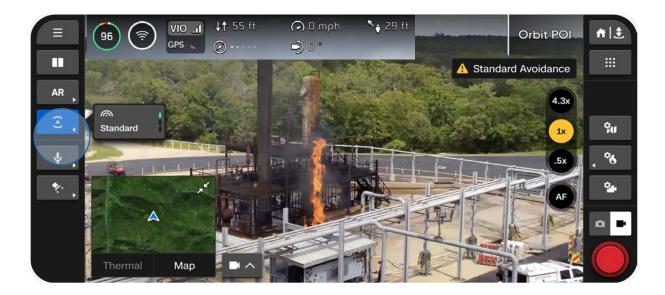
- Off
- 0 6 ft (0 2 m)
- 0 13 ft (0 4 m)





### **Obstacle Avoidance Quick Actions**

Quickly cycle through the three obstacle avoidance settings, available in the **Sensing** menu. A yellow border appears when in Close or Minimal obstacle avoidance mode.





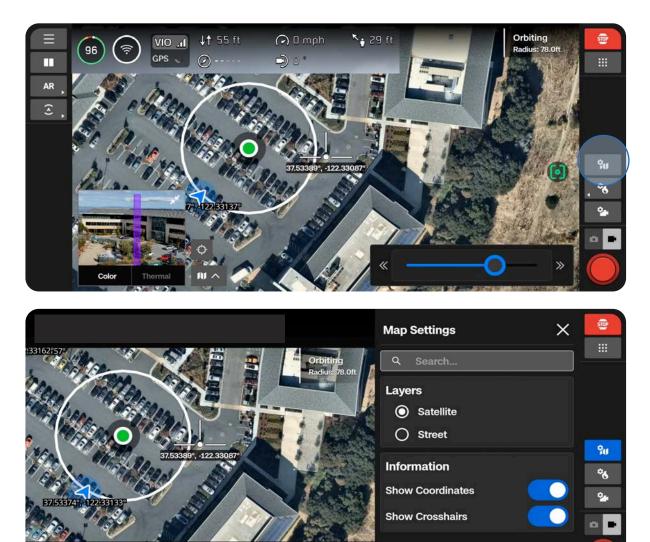
# Inflight Map

View your current location, search, set a Home Point, and configure map settings.

- The location of Skydio X10D, the controller, Launch Point, and Home Point (if set) are indicated on the map
- Press and hold on a location to set a Home Point



Adjust your map settings during flight using the Map Settings icon.



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# **Camera Settings**

Learn how to adjust camera and video settings such as zoom, exposure, ISO, and resolution.

This section covers

Overview

Capture Settings (Photo and Video)

Focus and Exposure

Zoom Settings (Photo and Video)

Shutter Indicators

Photo Settings

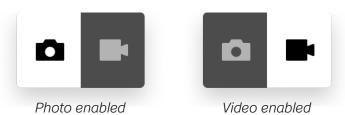
Video Settings

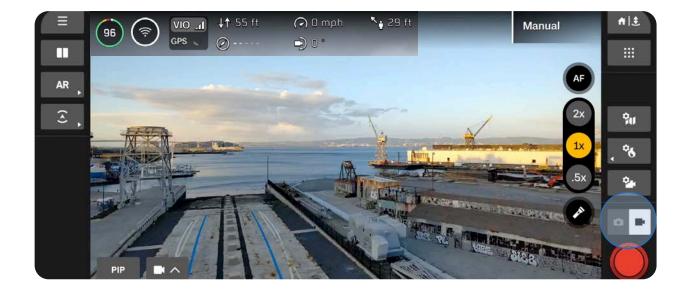
### Overview

When your drone captures a photo or video, it will save one image file with the color camera. Two files will save if you have JPG and DNG enabled. If you would like Skydio X10D to also capture an image file with the thermal camera, enable **Thermal Capture** within the **Thermal Settings**.

Use **Camera Mode** on the right sidebar to switch between photo or video. Skydio X10D can capture photos or videos but not both at the same time. Your color and thermal cameras will always be in the same Camera Mode.

Access your photos and videos using the Media menu located in Global Settings.







**NOTE:** Photo and Video mode settings are independent of each other and persist through mode changes, but not power cycles.

### **Camera Settings**

# Capture Settings (Photo and Video)

#### Brightness Exposure Value (EV)

Refers to the amount of light the camera allows in. Negative numbers result in darker images (less exposure) while positive numbers result in brighter images (more exposure).

• Brightness is set to Auto by default

#### White Balance

Balances the color temperature in your photo. If the whites in your picture are too orange, for example, adding the opposite color (blue) will balance them out. Lower values result in a cooler (blues) image while higher values result in a warmer (yellows) image.

• Auto (default): automatically adjust the White Balance for its environment

#### ISO

Brightens or darkens your photo. When in low-light conditions, raising the ISO value will brighten the image, however you may see some graininess.

• Auto: automatically adjust the ISO for its environment

#### Shutter

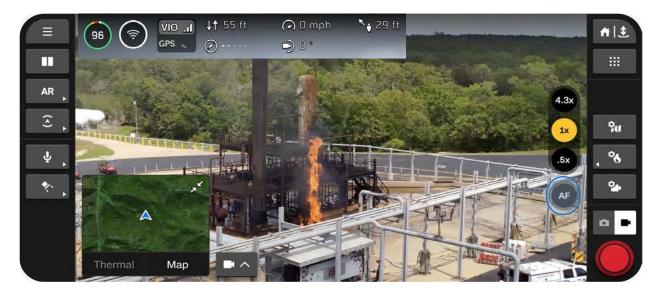
Refers to the length of time a photo is exposed.

- Slower shutter speed: greater exposure
- Faster shutter speed: less exposure
- Auto: automatically adjust the Shutter speed based on the available light

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ISO					
200	400	800	1600	3200	
Shutter	Shutter				
1/30	1/60	1/90	1/120	1/400	
Reset					

### Focus and Exposure

To view the various focus options, select the Focus Control button on the right side of the Flight Screen.



#### AutoFocus (AF)

By default, your camera will be set to automatically adjust focus and exposure. In this focus mode, focus will generally prioritize objects in the center of the screen.

#### Manual Focus (MF)

After selecting the Manual Focus icon, two more button options will appear.

- Use the image of the mountain to focus on objects further away
- Use the image of the flower to focus on objects that are closer

#### Tap to Focus

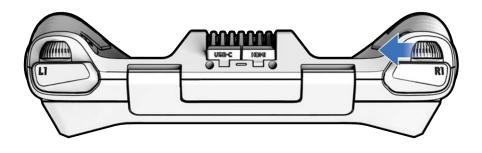
Touch anywhere on the screen to focus on an area of interest, or select the icon to center. The Focus Indicator will turn green once the image is sharp and clear.





# Zoom Settings (Photo and Video)

To zoom in digitally, place your finger on the right controller wheel and push it to the left. Customize this using Input Mapping (Flight Controls > Controls).



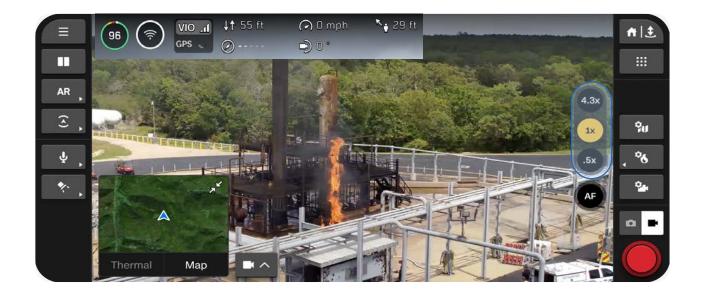
Quickly snap to a zoom level using the Zoom buttons on the right side of the screen.

#### VT300-Z Sensor

- 4.3x transitions between narrow and telephoto lens, 128x max system zoom
- 1x default zoom level of narrow lens
- .5x Surround Vision

#### VT300-L Sensor

- 2x transitions between wide and narrow lens, 64x max system zoom
- 1x default zoom level of wide lens
- .5x Surround Vision

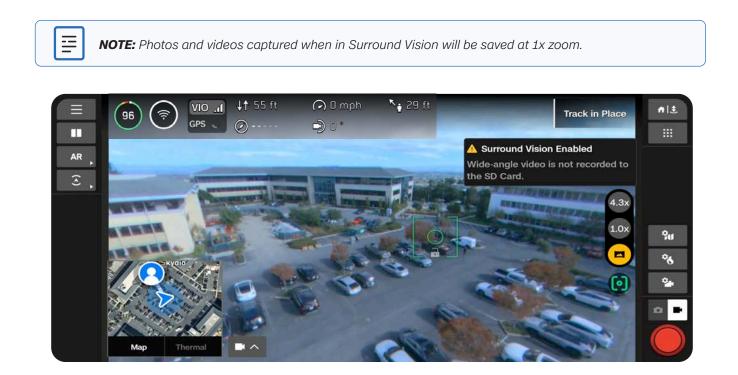




**NOTE:** Images and videos taken while zoomed in will be saved at that zoom level.

#### **Surround Vision**

Surround Vision uses Skydio X10D navigation cameras to generate an ultra-wide view of your environment for situational awareness.

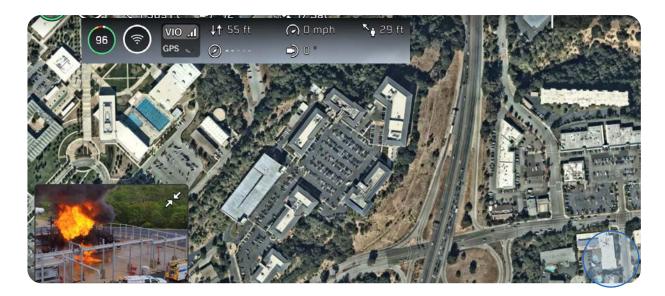


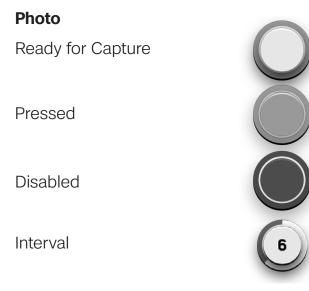
#### Thermal Zoom

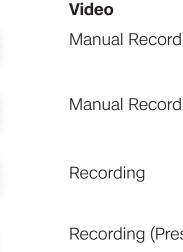
The thermal camera will zoom up to 16x, but you may continue to zoom using the color camera. If any Tools are enabled, such as Region of Interest, they will dynamically adjust to fit the screen as you zoom.

## **Shutter Indicators**

The Shutter is located in the bottom right of the Flight Screen and indicates the current state of Photo or Video mode.







Manual Record (Pressed)

Recording

Recording (Pressed)

Auto Recording

Auto Recording (Paused)



## **Photo Settings**

#### File Type

Choose whether you want Skydio to capture JPG images only, or both JPG and DNG files.

JPG - Digital image format containing compressed image data.

**DNG** - RAW image format file, meaning it is not compressed and retains all original photo data. A DNG file is larger than a JPG file since it stores image data.

#### Resolution

Refers to the amount of detail in your video. Measured in megapixels.

**Full** - Images are captured at the highest quality, providing more detail and clarity.

**1/4** - Images are captured at one-fourth of the full resolution, resulting in smaller file sizes. Best for conserving storage space or transmitting images faster.

#### Camera Mode

**Standard -** Designed for typical, everyday lighting conditions. Provides a balanced, standard level of exposure, image processing, and contrast.

**Low Light** - Designed for environments with dim lighting, such as indoors or evening. Settings are adjusted to capture more light, reduce noise, and improve visibility. Only available with 1/4 Resolution.

**HDR** - Designed to capture environments with a wide range of brightness levels. Only available with 1/4 Resolution.

#### Interval

When enabled, Skydio X10D will continuously capture photos at the specified time interval until the setting is disabled or the flight ends.

Photo	×	
Capture Set	ttings	
File Type		
JPG	DNG + JPG	
Resolution		
Full	1/4	
64 MP Narrow / 48 MP Telephoto		
Camera Mode		
Standard Low	Light HDR	
Interval		
5 seconds	~	
Reset		

## Video Settings

#### **Auto Start Recording**

When enabled, Skydio X10D will record video automatically.

When disabled, tap the on-screen Shutter button or on the controller (R1 button) to start/stop video recording.

#### File Type

Select between H.264 and H.265 compression formats, depending on your preferences for video quality, file size, and playback compatibility.

**H.264** - Provides manageable file sizes without sacrificing video quality. Recommended for standard video recording, and compatible with most devices and video editing software.

**H.265** - Ideal for high-quality video capture and maintains efficient compression.

#### Resolution

Select between 4K and Full HD, which refers to the amount of detail in your video. Measured in pixels.

- · More pixels result in a high-resolution video
- · Fewer pixels result in a lower resolution video

Video	×	
Capture Settings		
Auto Start Recording		
File Type		
H.264	H.265	
Resolution		
4K (2160p)	Full HD (1080p)	
Camera Mode		
Standard Low	Light HDR	
Aspect Ratio		
16:9	4:3	
Reset		

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#### Aspect Ratio

Sets the shape and framing of your video.

- **16:9** Provides a wider, broader field of view.
- **4:3** Provides greater FOV in the vertical axis, resulting in more square-shaped framing. Images are taller, as opposed to wider.

Camera Mode				
Standard	Low Light HDR			
Aspect Ratio				
16:9	16:9		4:3	
Reset				

## Using the Flashlight on the VT300-L Sensor Package

The VT300-L sensor package comes quipped with an onboard flashlight, providing effective illumination up to 10 ft (3 m) and enabling inspections in low-light environments.

Select the on-screen flashlight icon to turn the flashlight on or off in flight.



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**NOTE:** The flashlight can only be controlled during flight and will not be operational on the ground nor during launch and landing.



**WARNING:** When using the flashlight on the VT300-L sensor package, do not stare directly into the light at any range for any extended period of time.



**WARNING:** After prolonged use of the flashlight, your sensor package may be hot to the touch and could present a serious burn risk. After landing, wait for your sensor package to cool down before handling.

# Thermal Camera and Tools

The thermal camera with Skydio X10D includes a powerful suite of tools, such as radiometric capabilities, to assist you in a variety of use cases.

This section covers

**Thermal Options** 

Flat Field Correction (FFC)

Thermal Tools

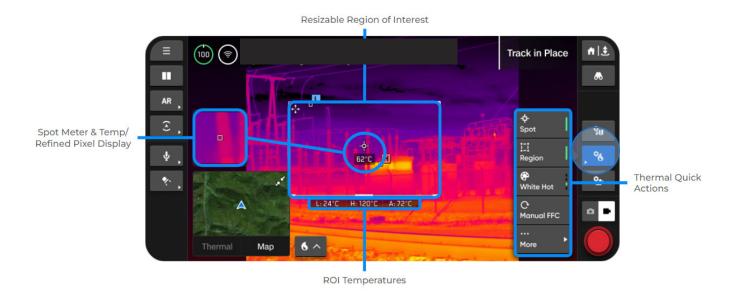
Thermal Settings

## Thermal Options

Access your Thermal Tools and Settings using the quick action button located on the right side of the Flight Screen.

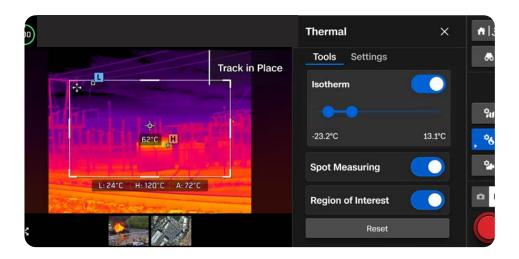
#### **Step 1 - Select Thermal Settings**

• Easily enable some settings using the quick actions that appear, or access the full menu.



#### Step 2 - Select More

• Use the tabs at the top to customize your Tools and Settings.



#### **Thermal Camera**

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## Flat Field Correction (FFC)

Flat Field Correction (FFC) mitigates and compensates for errors that build up over time during the thermal camera operation. This is performed in the background automatically at lower zoom levels, however, you can use the Thermal Settings to manually perform FFC at any time.

**NOTE:** If you manually perform FFC, the actuation of the shutter may be noticeable on the image at higher zoom levels.



## **Thermal Tools**

#### Isotherm

Set a range of temperatures to detect. Use this setting to omit unwanted data outside of the specified range. The defined range will appear as the currently selected palette.

- Temperatures outside of the defined range will appear as the default White Hot or Black Hot palette
- If White Hot or Black Hot are currently selected, the temperatures in the Isotherm range will default to Rainbow

#### **Spot Measuring**

Enable to display the specific temperature value of an object on-screen as you drag your finger on-screen.

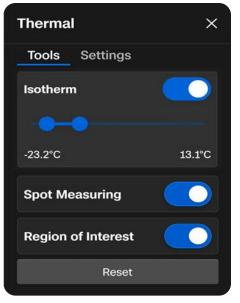
• Tap or drag your finger across the screen to view temperatures



#### **Region of Interest**

Enable to display an on-screen box that detects the minimum, maximum, and average temperatures within the outlined area

- H represents the highest temperature detected
- L represents the lowest temperature detected
- A indicates the average temperature detected
- Select the edges of the box to resize, or use the arrows to drag the box to a different location



## Thermal Settings

#### **Color Palette**

Visual representations of temperature variations captured by a thermal camera

**Ironbow** - Identify temperatures and spot thermal anomalies. Displays a specific range of colors, from blues to reds, which indicate different temperature levels. Warmer objects in lighter colors and colder objects in darker colors

**Rainbow** - Colors of the rainbow to distinguish between subtle variations in temperature levels. Covers a broader range of colors without emphasizing specific temperature ranges

White Hot - Temperature variations without a variety of colors. Brighter, whiter colors indicate warmer temperatures and darker colors represent cooler temperatures

**Black Hot** - Displays the inverse of a White Hot palette. Brighter, white colors indicate cooler temperatures and darker, black colors represent warmer temperatures

**Thermal Mode -** Adjust the signal amplification from the camera sensor to enhance temperature differences in an image.

- Recon Tuned to increase the contrast between the overall scene and targets. Best for search and rescue or situational awareness use cases. Recon helps differentiate the scene from things like people, vehicles, or animals.
- **Inspect** Tuned to decrease the overall contrast so that temperature anomalies are easier to identify in inspection use cases. This makes it easier to not only see the anomaly, but help track the source from the heat signature.

Temp Range - Select the range of temperatures Skydio X10D will detect

- Narrow Detects temperatures ranging from -40°F to 302°F (-40°C to 150°C)
- Wide Detects temperatures ranging from -40°F to 662°F (-40°C to 350°C)

**Emissivity** - The measure of how efficiently an object emits thermal radiation. Adjust to match the camera readings to the true temperature of the object.

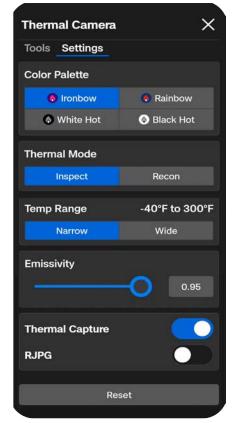
- · Higher values means the camera is more sensitive to temperature variations
- Lower values means the camera is less sensitive to temperature variations

Surfaces that are better emitters (higher emissivity) provide more reliable temperature readings. For example, black electrical tape, rusted surfaces, bodies of water, or human skin all absorb and emit energy. Set your emissivity high for these types of surfaces.

Reflective surfaces are not good emitters (low emissivity) and therefore not as reliable to measure. Stainless steel, shiny or reflective surfaces tend to have a low emissivity. Set your emissivity low for these types of surfaces, but we recommend gathering your reading from a higher emissivity surface whenever possible.

Thermal Capture - Enable to capture thermal images as JPG files.

**RJPG** - When enabled, your drone will capture a Radiometric JPG in addition to a standard JPG. A Radiometric JPG includes the radiometric data within the photo file.



## Flight

Review safe flight practices and important information you need to know while in flight.

This section covers

Preflight Inspection

Flight Screen

**Changing Flight Modes** 

Launching

**Battery Indicator** 

Flight Skills

Flying at Night and Flying in Precipitation

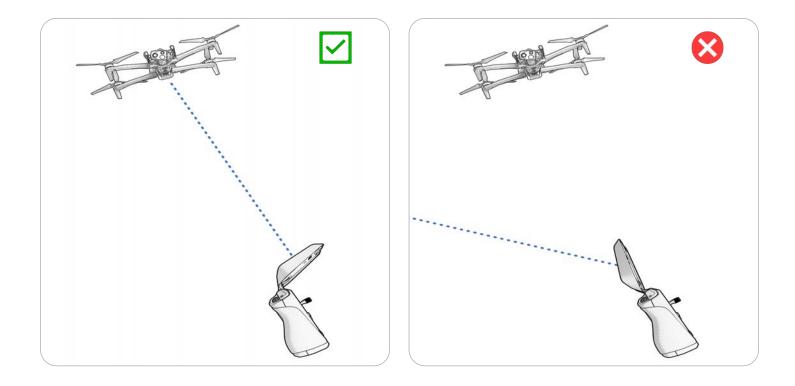
Returning and Landing

## Preflight Inspection

WARNING: Carefully inspect your drone and environment before launching to ensure a safe flight.

- Inspect the chassis to ensure it is free of damage.
- Inspect drone arms and verify they are fully extended and free of damage.
- **Inspect the battery** and confirm it is securely seated prior to launching. Skydio X10D uses magnets to seat the battery which may attract metallic debris. Ensure the connector pins are free of debris or damage.
- Clean the camera lenses and time of flight sensor with a clean microfiber cloth. Cameras should be dust and smudge-free before flight.
- Fan out the propellers and inspect to verify they are firmly attached and properly seated in the motors and spin freely. Propellers should be free of cracks or damage. Do NOT fly with damaged propellers.
- Inspect the sensor package before powering on and ensure it moves freely and is not damaged, and remove the Sensor Package Lock before flying.
- Ensure all USB-C and microSD card seals are secured over the ports.
- Check your surroundings before launching to ensure a safe environment for flight.
- Point the controller cover/antennas toward the drone for maximum wireless performance.
- Verify batteries are fully charged before flying.
- Check for drone and controller updates before flying.

For maximum wireless performance, always maintain a direct line of sight between the controller and Skydio X10D. Point the controller cover toward the drone, especially when flying at close range high altitude. Signal strength and maximum control range may be affected when flying in areas with electromagnetic interference.



### Flight

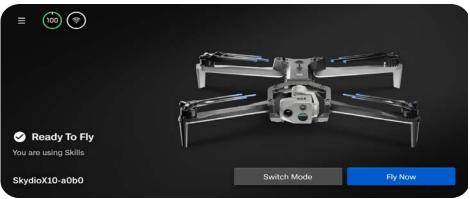
## Launch

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**WARNING:** Before your first flight, read and follow all of the safety guidelines in the Skydio Safety and Operating Guide and make sure to set your Return and Lost Connection Behaviors (Global Settings > Return).

#### Step 1 - Find a clear, safe area to launch

- Place your drone on a stable surface
- With about 10 ft (3 m) clearance in all directions.
- Select Fly Now



#### Step 2 - Launch

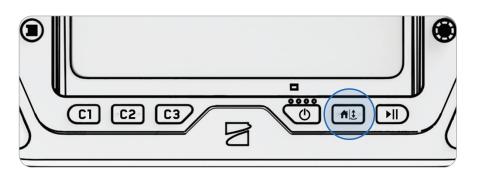
#### Option 1 - Drag the on-screen slider

• The drone will initiate launching when you lift your finger away from the screen.



#### Option 2 - Press and hold the Launch/Land button on the controller

• The drone will initiate launching when you see the on-screen check mark.



Your drone will rotate during launch to calibrate its Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) and navigation system.

## Flight



- 1. Global Settings
- 2. Display Layout
- 3. AR Quick Actions
- 4. Obstacle Avoidance Quick Actions
- 5. Drone Battery
- 6. Signal Strength
- 7. Telemetry (customizable)
- 8. Autonomy Status
- 9. Return/Land

- 10. Flight Skills
- 11. Map Settings
- 12. Thermal Settings
- 13. Camera Settings
- 14. Camera Mode
- 15. Shutter
- 16. Zoom
- 17. Focus Control
- 18. Picture-in-Picture (PiP)
- 19. View Selector

#### **VIO/GPS** Indicator

Indicates the health of the drone positioning systems, and which positioning system is actively being used.

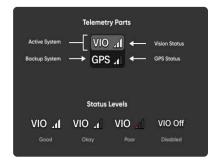
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- VIO Visual Inertial Odometry navigation system
- · GPS Global Positioning System

VIO and GPS states: Healthy, Degraded, Failed, or Disabled

If both GPS and the drone's vision navigation system (VIO) become unreliable, Skydio X10 will enter Attitude Mode.

• Monitor your GPS and VIO health in the telemetry bar. If VIO and GPS both drop below 2 bars of health, your drone will enter Atti Mode.





## Flight Battery Indicator

The battery percentage dynamically changes during your flight based on altitude and distance from the return location. Monitor the Battery Indicator while flying to understand how much battery is:

- Available for flight
- Available for return
- Required to land

Green indicates the battery capacity for nominal flight before the time limit required to safely return and land.

- · Decreases as battery capacity diminishes
- · Adapts based on your altitude and distance from the return location

Yellow indicates how much battery is required to safely return.

· Adapts based on your altitude and distance from the return location

Red indicates how much battery is required to land.

· Adapts based on your altitude and distance from the return location

The lightning bolt indicates the battery is connected and charging.

When battery capacity has less than two minutes of flight time available for landing, the indicator will change to a countdown.

Three dashes indicate the battery is disconnected.



## Flight Flight Skills

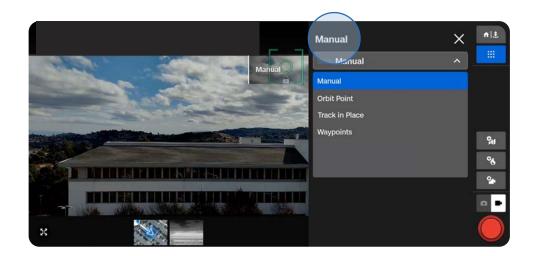
Skydio offers a range of manual and autonomous controls called **Flight Skills**. Select your desired skill and Skydio X10D will intelligently fly itself to assist with the task at hand. By default, you will start in the Manual Flight Skill, which provides a traditional flying experience.

#### Base Skydio Flight Skills

Manual	Traditional flying experience. Obstacle avoidance settings will persist when flying manually, allowing Skydio X10D to route itself around obstacles, modifying any commands that could potentially cause a collision. Fly using Control Mode 1, Mode 2 (default), or Mode 3.
Orbit Point	Rotate around a user-selected point-of-interest in either a clockwise or counter-clockwise direction, keeping the point in the center of the frame. Set a GPS position on a map.
Track in Place	Initiate tracking a person or vehicle and Skydio X10D will hover in a fixed position, as if affixed to a virtual tripod. The drone will automatically yaw and adjust the sensor package pitch to maintain tracking. Tracking in both Color and Thermal is available.
Waypoints	Create and executive multi-waypoint GPS missions, preflight or postflight.

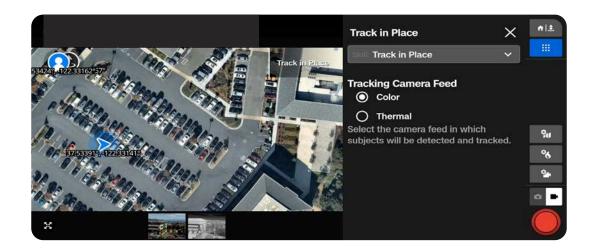
Step 1 - Select the Flight Skills icon

#### Step 2 - Select your Flight Skill



#### Step 3 - Adjust settings (optional)

• Each skill may have its own adjustable settings which only affect the selected skill. If the selected skill has adjustable settings, they will appear below the skill name within the Flight Skills menu.



## Flight Flying at Night

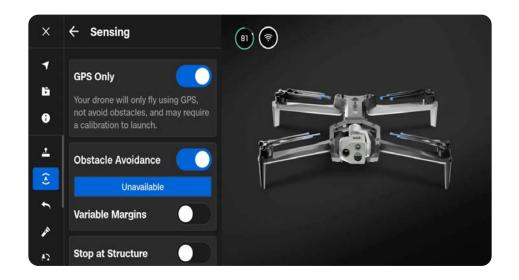
#### Flying at Night with GPS Only

Enable GPS Only when flying in low-light conditions. When in this mode, Skydio X10D will disable obstacle avoidance and use GPS sensors, instead of its vision system, to navigate. Skydio X10D will display an alert message if the environment is too dark to fly using the vision navigation system and will prompt you to fly using GPS Flight.



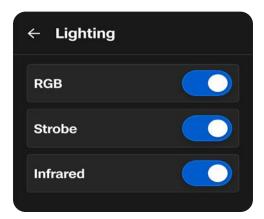
#### Step 1 - Enable GPS Only flight

• Select the Global Settings icon, select Sensing, then toggle on GPS Only.



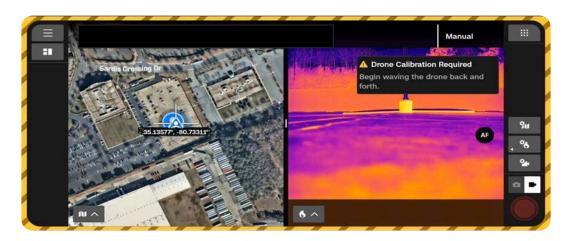
#### Step 2 - Configure your lighting settings

• Improve visibility by enabling infrared or visible strobe lights. Select **Lighting** then toggle on RGB (default navigation lights), Infrared, or Strobe lights. Infrared and Strobe lights cannot be on at the same time.



#### Step 3 - Calibrate your drone

• Exit the Global Settings menu, then select **Fly Now**. Hold your drone from the bottom with the camera facing away from your body and wave from side to side in a straight line to calibrate. You will see an on-screen message when calibration is complete.







## **Night Flight Safety Considerations**

#### **Obstacle Avoidance**

When GPS Flight is enabled, Skydio X10D does not use vision navigation and Obstacle Avoidance is disabled. Take extra caution when piloting the drone to avoid obstacles and stay clear of people.

#### **GPS** Signal

Maintaining a strong GPS signal is paramount when operating X10D at night. If Skydio X10D loses GPS while in GPS Night Flight mode, it will initiate an emergency landing.

#### Visibility

Improve visibility by enabling infrared or visible strobe lights. Skydio X10D strobe lights meet the FAA requirement of being visible at a distance of 3 statute miles.

#### **Return Behavior**

Review the return behavior height setting in the Global Settings menu. Skydio X10D does not avoid obstacles when in GPS Flight mode, so you may want to set the drone's return height such that it will be above any potential obstacles.

#### Landing

When landing, use the controller joystick to descend down to 15 feet (4.6 meters), when you are ready to land, press and hold the LAND button on the screen or the controller. Do not hand launch or hand land at night.

Flying at Night with Obstacle Avoidance - Flying at night with full obstacle avoidance is possible with the Skydio NightSense attachment and software.



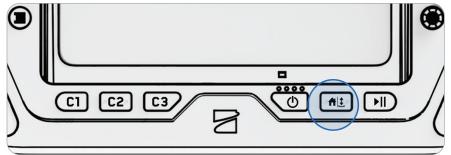
## **Returning and Landing**



Scan for more information about Return and Lost Connection Behaviors.

Step 1 - Select the Return/Land button in the top right of your screen or on the controller





#### Step 2 - Choose your return location or land in place



Home Returns to a Home Point previously set on the map (GPS required)

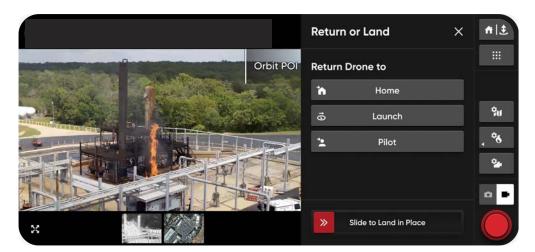


Launch Returns to the Launch Point



#### Pilot

Returns to the location of the Skydio X10D Controller



You have three options when landing in place:

#### Option 1 - Select and drag the on-screen slider

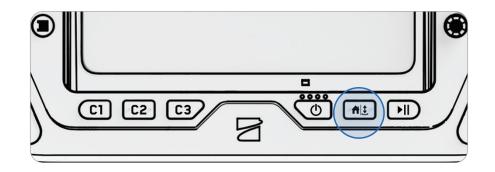
• Landing begins when you lift your finger away from the screen



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#### Option 2 - Press and hold the Return/Land button on the controller

• Landing begins when you see the on-screen check mark.



#### Option 3 - Press and hold the Return/Land button on-screen

• Landing begins when you see the on-screen check mark.

**WARNING:** Obstacle avoidance is disabled when the drone is below 10 ft (3 m) during landing. Exercise extreme care to avoid injury or damage. Do not touch spinning propellers.

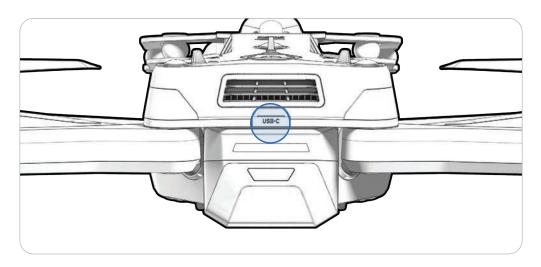
## Flight Flying in Precipitation

Skydio X10D is IP55 rated and able to fly in light to moderate precipitation.



#### Preflight

Step 1 - Ensure all rubber seals on the drone are securely closed



**Postflight** After flight operations in precipitation, follow all postflight steps before stowing your drone to ensure it is properly maintained and does not sustain any water damage.

#### Step 1 - Power off Skydio X10D

#### Step 2 - Allow water to drain

• Install the sensor package lock to hold the sensor package in place. Rotate the drone to allow water to drip out of all egress areas.

#### Step 3 - Remove the battery

#### Step 4 - Wipe camera lenses clean

• Use a microfiber cleaning cloth to wipe the lenses clean and prevent dried water spots from forming.

#### Step 5 - Air dry for a minimum of 12 hours

• Leave the drone to air dry in a ventilated, temp-controlled environment with the arms deployed in an upright position. Do not open any seals, including the USB-C charge port, until after the drone is dry. Do not remove the sensor package or any attachments while the drone is wet.



**CAUTION:** Do not stow Skydio X10D while wet. Skydio X10D is IP55 rated and able to fly in light to moderate precipitation. It is expected for water to enter areas of the drone and draining postflight is normal. Sensitive components are protected.

## Postflight

Learn how to access media and properly store your drone.

This section covers

Offloading Media

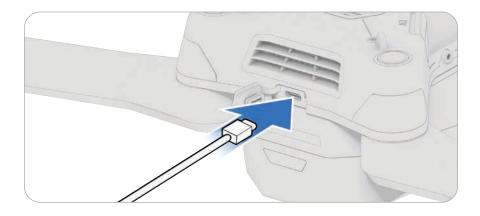
Stowing Skydio X10D

#### Step 1 - View the images and videos captured

- · Ensure that your media is Decrypted and select the Media menu
- Interval photo mode all photos captured will appear as a single stack of photos. Selecting the stack will allow you to scroll through individual images one by one.
- Only the JPG files will display

#### Step 2 - Transfer your media to your device:

- Connect X10D to your computer using the provided USB-C cable
- Windows your Skydio X10D will serve as an external hard drive
- Apple use the Photos app or the Image Capture app to transfer
- Download the DNG image files directly from the SD memory card
- · Images contain embedded EXIF data to enable post-flight analysis



#### Step 3 (optional) - Delete media:

- · Press and hold the image or video to enter selection mode
- · Select your desired media and delete

## Stowing

#### Step 1 - Wait for postflight tasks to complete

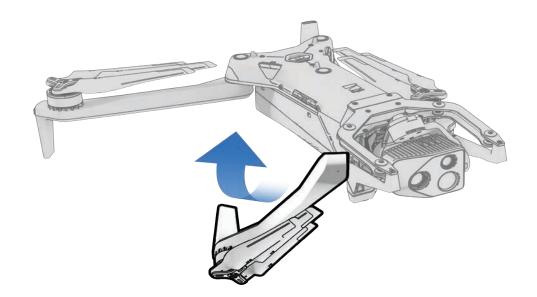
- If the battery is low while performing a longer postflight task, such as Onboard Modeling with Map Capture, ensure the drone is plugged into a power source.
- · Powering off or removing the battery during postflight tasks will result in loss of data

#### Step 2 - Power off Skydio X10D and the X10D controller



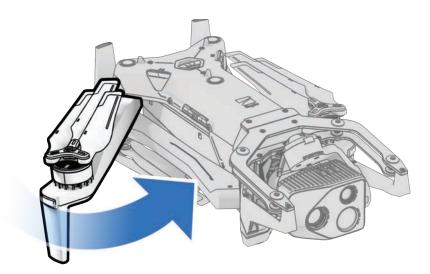
#### Step 3 - Fold in the front arms

• Hold the drone with the sensor package facing away from you. Gently pull the arm toward the back of the drone and rotate until it is tucked into place.



#### Step 4 - Fold in the rear arms

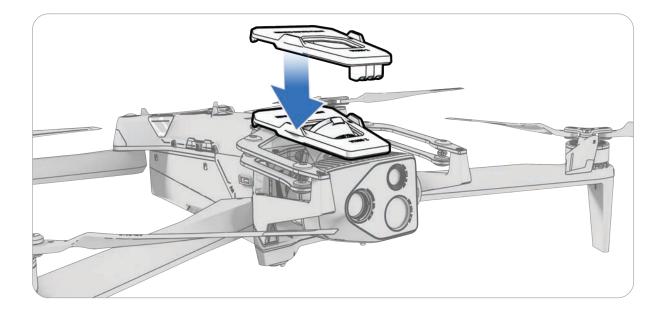
• Push laterally toward the chassis. Gently continue until you meet resistance.



## Postflight

#### Step 4 - Attach the sensor package lock

• Hold the sensor package and gently reattach the lock to the top of your drone.





**NOTE:** Refer to the Flying in Precipitation section to properly store your drone after flight in precipitation.

Learn about the behaviors during events such as lost connection or low battery. Always monitor Skydio Flight Deck for in-app alerts.

This section covers

Low Battery

Lost Connection

Lost GPS

Emergency Landing

**Flight Termination** 

## Low Battery

**CAUTION:** While flying, always monitor Skydio Flight Deck user interface alerts relating to battery levels, signal quality and other inflight notifications.



Scan for more information about Contingency Behaviors.

Skydio X10D will assess the altitude and distance from the Launch or Home Point and alert you when it is time to return and land. It is **strongly recommended you initiate a return or land at this time**.

- 1. If you continue flying, Skydio X10D will notify you when it has two minutes of flight time left based on its current altitude and the battery indicator will begin a two-minute countdown. You may choose to continue flying, however, it is strongly recommended that you fly to a safe location and land.
- 2. If you ignore the countdown and continue flying, when the two-minute countdown is complete **Skydio will** initiate an automatic landing.



Before flying, configure return settings, such as an automatic return on low battery, in the Return menu (Global Settings > Return).

## Lost Connection

**CAUTION:** Before flying, ensure you have set your Lost Connection Return Behaviors. This is a critical step that ensures your drone returns safely and lands in an accessible location.

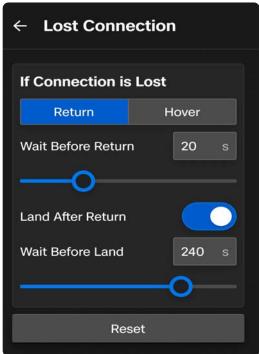
If connection is lost, Skydio X10D will default to the Lost Connection settings. Select between Return and Hover upon lost connection.

#### Return

Wait Before Return - set the amount of time you want Skydio X10D to wait before it initiates a return flight, allowing time to reconnect

Land After Return - when enabled, your drone will return, hover for a specified amount of time, then land.

**Wait Before Land** - the amount of time between 0 to 300 seconds (default is 240 seconds) that you want your drone to wait above the landing location before landing. This setting is only enabled when Land After Return is toggled on.



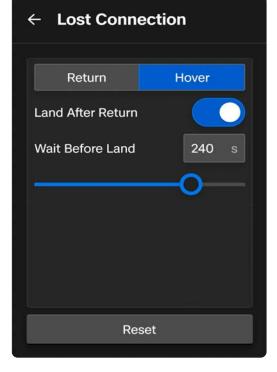
#### Hover

Land After Hover - when enabled, Skydio X10D will hover for a specified amount of time, then use visual navigation to find a safe area to land.

Wait Before Land - set between 0 to 300 seconds (default is 240 seconds) that you want your drone to wait before landing. This setting is only enabled when Land After Hover is toggled on.

Skydio X10D will continue hovering as it tries to regain connection. If it fails to reconnect and reaches low battery:

- If you have an automatic return set, your drone will return to either the Launch Point or Home Point (if set)
- If you do not have an automatic return set, your drone will use visual navigation to find a safe area to land
- If you are flying in GPS Flight, your drone will be unable to use visual navigation and will descend vertically and land



## **Emergency Landing and Attitude Mode**

If both GPS and the drone's vision navigation system (VIO) become unreliable, Skydio X10 will enter Attitude Mode. In this mode, the drone will use internal barometer readings to maintain altitude when the throttle joystick is centered. The drone will drift, in which case you will need to adjust roll and pitch movements to maintain the drone's position. The drone will not automatically hold position or automatically brake when the joysticks are centered.

- If the drone regains GPS and/or VIO while in Attitude Mode, it will switch out of Attitude Mode and use whichever navigation system is strongest.
- Help to recover VIO by descending below approximately 60 feet above the ground and fly within sight of visual features.
- When GPS becomes available again, a prompt will be displayed. Fly the drone horizontally (either left and right, or back and forth) to regain GPS heading and resume GPS navigation.



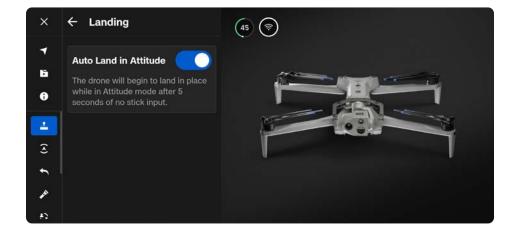
**NOTE:** Monitor your GPS and VIO health in the telemetry bar. If VIO and GPS both drop below 2 bars of health, your drone will enter Atti Mode.

#### Auto Land in Attitude

Navigate to Global Settings > Flight Controls > Landing to configure landing behavior.

- Toggled ON (default) After 5 seconds of inactivity in Attitude Mode (i.e. the joysticks are centered and not touched), Skydio X10 will automatically initiate an emergency landing.
- Toggled OFF The drone will remain in attitude mode indefinitely under user control while no navigation sources are healthy.

After 5 seconds of inactivity in Attitude Mode (i.e. the joysticks are centered and not touched in a neutral position and not engaged), Skydio X10 will automatically initiate an emergency landing and descend autonomously. An alert notification will display that Skydio X10 is initiating an emergency landing. If you input any joystick command while the drone is emergency landing, it will stop descending landing and you can continue to fly in Attitude Mode.



#### Low Battery in Attitude Mode

The drone will not return or land automatically at low battery while flying in Attitude Mode. It is your responsibility to monitor battery level and manually fly the drone to a safe landing location and land the drone when the battery is low. When the battery is low and the throttle stick is centered, the drone will descend to remind you that it is time to land.

#### Lost Connection in Attitude Mode

If you lose connection with the drone while flying in attitude mode, the drone will descend and emergency land in place.

#### Landing in Attitude Mode

To land the drone in attitude mode, you can press or hold the Land button to autonomously descend and touch down, or you can manually descend and touch down. The drone will automatically disarm and spin down the propellers after a few seconds when it detects that the drone is safely on the ground and the throttle joystick is held in a full down position.

**WARNING:** Obstacle Avoidance is not available in attitude mode.

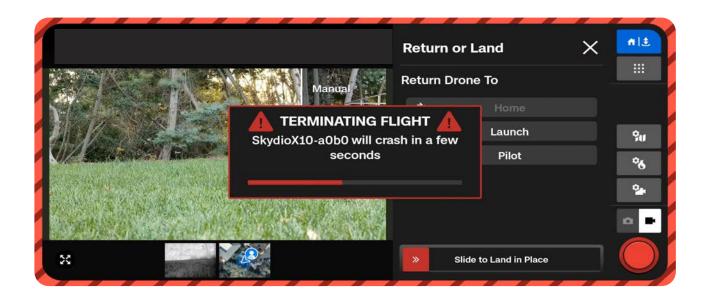
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## **Flight Termination**

**WARNING:** Terminating a flight will cause your drone to crash. Damage resulting from Flight Termination is not covered under warranty and may result in injury or damage. Use only in extreme situations.

In the event of an extreme emergency, you have the option to immediately terminate your flight. Simultaneously press and hold the C3 button and Launch/Return/Land button for three seconds while in flight to immediately stop the motors.





## Maintenance

Learn how to replace your propellers and best practices for battery and equipment storage.

This section covers

**Replacing Propellers** 

**Cleaning Your System** 

System Lifespan

**Battery Care** 

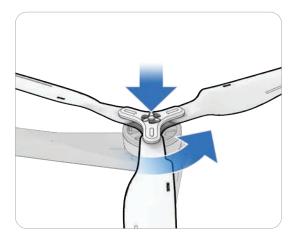
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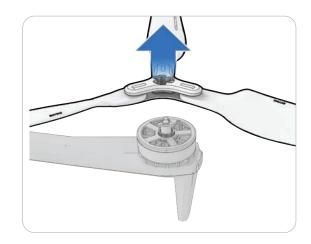
## **Replacing Propellers**

For optimal performance, Skydio recommends replacing your propellers after 250 hours of flight time or whenever you notice any damage.

#### Step 1 - Remove old or damaged propeller set

- Hold onto the motor with one hand and take the propeller hub in the other
- Press down on the propeller hub and twist to release



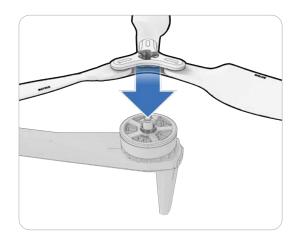


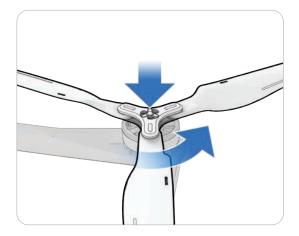
#### Step 2 - Match propellers to hooks

• Match props to the correct color hook (blue or gray)

#### Step 3 - Install new propellers

- Hold the motor with one hand
- Push down and twist to install new props
- Rear left and right Clockwise
- Front left and right Counterclockwise





NOTE: You will need to twist either clockwise or counterclockwise depending on the motor.

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## Cleaning Your System

It is recommended to wipe down your drone after flights in environments with significant dust or debris.

**WARNING:** Do not submerge your drone or batteries or place them under running water. Water volumes from flight in precipitation are much lower than those from a faucet or hose. Water may get into areas where the drone is not designed to withstand and you may compromise the sensors.

- Wipe down your drone with a dry or water-damp microfiber cleaning cloth.
- Only use lens cleaner on cameras.
- Do not submerge your drone or batteries.
- Do not place your drone or batteries under running water.
- Use a compressed air canister to remove any debris in hard to reach areas.
- If needed, mild soap and water may be used to remove heavier dirt or debris. Avoid getting any soap near ingress areas on the drone.
- Keep all the drain holes on the drone and battery clear. If any debris is blocking a drain hole (e.g., mud), use compressed air or gently scrape with a toothpick to remove.

#### Maintenance

## Storage

- Do not store Skydio X10D while wet. After flying in precipitation, allow the drone to air dry in a dry, temperature-controlled environment before stowing. Visit the Flying in Precipitation section of this manual for more information.
- Store batteries at room temperature 71°F 82°F (22°C 28°C) for optimal performance and longevity.
- Store batteries in a cool, dry area with less than 75% relative humidity. Do not store your batteries in extreme environmental conditions.
- Batteries in an idle state (14 days of idle time with no flights) will start to self-discharge in an effort to retain capacity. This may take several days to complete and it is normal for the battery to be slightly warm during this discharge process.

## Maintenance Schedule

To optimize the performance of your Skydio X10D it's important to keep your drone updated, inspect your equipment, store your equipment properly, and occasionally replace your propellers and batteries.

Action	Interval
Fleet Maintenance	Manage data storage, passwords, and updates as needed
Preflight Inspection	Before each flight
Clean drone and cameras	Before each flight
Replace propellers	Per 250 hours of flight time, or if there are nicks, cracks, or damage
Replace battery	Per 12 months / 300 battery cycles

# Specifications

This section covers

Skydio X10D

Skydio X10D Controller

**Emergency Landing** 

Skydio Autonomy

VT300-Z Sensor Package

Navigation Camera System

System Security

## Specifications

## Drone Data

Dimensions fully deployed	31.1 x 25.6 x 5.7 in / 79 x 65 x 14.5 cm
Dimensions (folded, no battery)	13.8 x 6.5 x 4.7 in / 35 x 16.5 x 11.9 cm
Weight (incl. batteries)	4.72 lb / 2.14 kg
Max Launch Weight	5.49 lb / 2.49 kg
Operation Frequency	MicroHard 1790-1850 MHz 2040-2110 MHz 2200-2300 MHz 2300-2390 MHz 2400-2500 MHz
Transmitter Power (EIRP)	38 dBm
Hovering Accuracy (windless or breezy)	VIO: +/- 10 cm GNSS: +/- 1 m
Max Angular Velocity	Yaw: 100° /s Roll and Pitch: 225° /s
Max Tilt Angle	40°
Max Ascent Speed	13.4 mph / 22 km/h
Max Descent Speed	9 mph / 14.5 km/h
Max Non-Vertical Descent Speed	13.4 mph / 21.5 km/h
Max Horizontal Speed (at sea level)	45 mph / 72 km/h
Max Horizontal Speed with Obstacle Avoidance	36 mph / 58 km/h
Max Service Ceiling Above Sea Level	15,000 ft / 4572 m density altitude
Max Gust Handling	28 mph / 45 km/h
Max Hover Time	35 minutes
Max Flight Time	40 minutes
Processors	NVIDIA Jetson Orin SoC Qualcomm QRB5165 SoC
Ingress Protection Rating	IP55
GNSS	GPS + Galileo + GLONASS + BeiDou
Operational Temperature Range	-4° to 113°F / -20° to +45°C
Obstacle Avoidance Coverage	True 360°

## Controller Data

Dimensions closed	10 x 5 x 3 in / 25.4 x 12.7 x 7.6 cm
Dimensions open	10 x 9 x 3 in / 25.4 x 22.8 x 7.6 cm
Dimensions screen	6.6 in / 16.7 cm
Screen	Dynamic AMOLED touchscreen 120 Hz Adaptive Refresh Rate Resolution: 2340 x 1080 pixels Brightness: 1750 nits (outdoor peak) 392 ppi
Weight	2.5 lb / 1135 g
Operation Frequency	Multiband
Max Range	up to 10 km
Transmitter Power (EIRP)	38 dBm
Ingress Protection Rating	IP54
Operating time	5 hours
Battery	9600 mAH
GNSS	GPS + Galileo + GLONASS + BeiDou
Operational Temperature Range	-4° to 113°F / -20° to +45°C
Wired outputs	HDMI & USB-C
Security	NDAA compliant AES-256 encrypted data link Encrypted internal disk storage Password protected Root of trust Trusted boot Secure update

<sup>1</sup> Skydio Connect 5G coming soon
<sup>2</sup> In optimal, controlled conditions; completely depleting a fully charged battery

### VT300-Z Sensor Data

Angular Vibration Range	+/-0.01°
User Controllable Range	+/-90° pitch
Mechanical Range	+/-140° pitch, +/-90° yaw, +75° to -230° roll

## Telephoto Camera Data

Sensor	Sony .5 in 48 mp CMOS
Diagonal Field of View	13°
Focal Length	35 mm (190 mm equivalent)
Aperture	f/2.2
Focus	hybrid PDAF, 5 m to ∞
Exposure Compensation	+-3
ISO Range	100 to 16000
Max Video Resolution	3840 x 2880
Max Photo Size	8000 × 6000

#### Narrow Camera Data

Sensor	Sony 1/1.7 in 64 MP CMOS
Diagonal Field of View	50°
Focal Length	10 mm (46 mm equivalent)
Aperture	f/1.8
Focus	hybrid PDAF, 1 m to ∞
Exposure Compensation	+-3
ISO Range	100 to 16000
Max Video Resolution	3840 x 2880
Max Photo Size	9248 x 6944

## Radiometric Thermal Camera Data

Thermal Imager	Flir Boson+ Uncooled VOx Microbolometer
Diagonal Field of View	41°
Focal Length	13.6 mm (60 mm equivalent)
Aperture	f/1.0
Focus	5 m to ∞
Thermal Sensitivity	<30mK NEDT
Infrared Temperature Measurement Accuracy	Larger of +- 5°C or 5%
Image Processing	Adreno 650 GPU accelerated ISP pipeline
Max Video Resolution	640 x 512
Photo Size	640 x 512
Photo Format	JPEG, RJPEG
Pixel Pitch	12 um
Temperature Measurement Method	Spot Meter, Region of Interest
Temperature Measurement Range	-40° to 150° C (-40° to 350° C low gain)
Palette	White hot Black hot Ironbow Rainbow

## Vision System Navigation Data

Configuration	6x cameras in trinocular configuration top and bottom
Sensor	Samsung 1/2.8 in 32 MP color CMOS
Light sensitivity	Visible Light
Aperture	f/1.8
Diagonal Field of View	200°
Obstacle Sensing Range	20 meters
Environment Coverage	True 360°

#### Battery Data

Capacity	8419 mAh
Voltage	18.55 V
Battery type	Rechargeable Lithium Ion Polymer
Energy	156.17 Wh
Net Weight	1.56 lb / 707.5 g
Operational temperature range	-20° to 60°C
Storage temperature range	-20°C to +45°C (storage less than 3 months)
Charging temperature range	5° to 45°C
Chemical System	Lithium Ion Polymer

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## Security Data

Wireless Encryption	AES-256
NDAA Compliance	NDAA Compliant
Root of Trust	HSM protected keys
System Integrity	Secure boot
Secure Update	AES-256 encrypted, signed, and verified
Internal Disk Storage	Encrypted
SD Cards	Unencrypted
Pairing	Secure wired pairing

# Legal

This section covers

Safety

Battery

Skydio One (1) Year Limited Warranty

Skydio Care

California Prop 65 Warnings

FCC Compliance Statement

FAA Compliance Statement

## Skydio X10D

Before operating Skydio X10D, review the *Getting Started* information including the *Operator Manual* available at <u>www.skydio.com/manuals</u>. Retain documentation for future reference.

#### Safety

Review the Skydio Safety and Operating Guide available at www.skydio.com/safety.

#### Battery

Handle the battery with extreme care and refer to the Operator Manual and to the *Skydio Safety and Operating Guide* for additional information. Carefully dispose of batteries according to your local environmental laws and guidelines.

#### Skydio One (1) Year Limited Warranty

Skydio warrants the included hardware product against defects in materials and workmanship in hardware under normal use in accordance with published guidelines including but not limited to the *Terms of Use, Operator Manual* and the *Skydio Safety and Operating Guide* for one year from the date of delivery (the "Limited Warranty"). The Limited Warranty does not warrant against normal wear and tear or damage caused by accident or abuse and is not applicable to any software provided with the hardware product. The Limited Warranty is subject to the full terms and detailed information about how to obtain service available at

<u>www.skydio.com/legal/limited-warranty</u>. If you submit a valid claim under this Limited Warranty, Skydio will either repair, replace, or refund your hardware product at its sole discretion. You may be required to furnish proof of purchase details when making a claim under this Limited Warranty.

#### Skydio Care

Skydio offers Skydio Care as a subscription service at an additional cost that provides protection from collisions, water damage, or lost drones which are not covered under the Limited Warranty. Skydio Care can be purchased as a one (1) year plan co-extensive with the Limited Warranty, or as a three (3) year plan, which includes a two (2) year extension to the one (1) year term of the Limited Warranty. Skydio Care is subject to the full terms and detailed information about how to obtain service available at <a href="https://www.skydio.com/legal/skydio-care-terms-of-service">https://www.skydio.com/legal/skydio-care-terms-of-service</a>. If you submit a valid claim under Skydio Care, you may be eligible to purchase discounted drone replacements for otherwise uncovered damage or losses. The Skydio Care benefits are in addition to the rights provided under the Limited Warranty.

#### California Prop 65 Warnings

Skydio X10D uses lithium-ion batteries. Exposure to lithium-ion, containing cobalt lithium nickel oxide, and nickel, is known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects, or other reproductive harm. For more information visit:

www.P65Warnings.ca.gov

Skydio X10D Controller contains chemicals including cadmium, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects, or other reproductive harm. For more information visit: <u>www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</u>

#### FCC Compliance Statement

These devices comply with Part 15 of the FCC Rules and with ISED Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) these devices may not cause harmful interference, and (2) these devices must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Ces appareils sont conformes aux normes RSS exemptes de licence d'ISDE Canada. Leur fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) ces appareils ne doivent pas causer d'interférences nuisibles, et (2) ces appareils doivent accepter toutes interférences reçues, y compris les interférences susceptibles d'entraîner un fonctionnement indésirable.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by Skydio could void the user's authority to operate these devices.

These devices have been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when these devices are operated in a commercial environment. These devices generate, use, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the Operator Manual and Safety and Operating Guide, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of these devices in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

This Class A digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003. Cet appareil numerique de classe A est conforme a la norme Canadienne NMB-003.

#### FAA Compliance Statement

Unless specifically exempt, this product complies with 14 CFR Part 89 regulations on Remote Identification per ASTM F3411-22a-RID-B and ASTM F3586–22.

#### Software License

The *Skydio Software End-User License Agreement* available at <u>www.skydio.com/legal/eula</u> governs the use of any Skydio software that is pre-installed, downloaded, installed, or otherwise provided in connection with any included hardware.

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