MC8

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Foreword

Thank you for purchasing the MC8 multi-checker. Please read through this manual carefully prior to operating the device.

Manual icons







Tip 🚹 Important 📳 Nomenclature

Additional information

For more information pertaining to the operation and maintenance of your device, please visit the following link:

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Safety precautions

- 1, The operational voltage of the MC8 is between DC 7.0V and 35.0V. Ensure the polarity of the power source is not reversed prior to use.
- 2, Do not operate under extreme heat, humidity, flammable and explosive environments.
- 3, Never leave unattended when in operation.
- 4, Disconnect power source when not in use

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Product overview

The MC8 is a compact multi-checker designed for every hobbyist. Featuring a bright, color IPS display, it is accurate to 5mV.

- Measures and balances LiPo, LiHV, LiFe and Lion batteries
- Wide voltage input DC 7.0-35.0V.
- Supports Main/Balance/Signal port power inputs.
- Measures and outputs PWM, PPM, SBUS signals.
- USB-A, USB-C dual-port output.
- USB-C 20W PD fast charge output.
- Battery over-discharge protection. Automatically disables USB output when battery reaches critical levels
- Measurement and balance accuracy: <0.005V.
- Balance current: 60mA.
- 2.0 inch, IPS full viewing angle display.
- High resolution 320*240 pixels.

Layout



Front



Rear

First use

- 1, Connect the battery to the MC8's balance port, or connect 7.0-35.0V voltage to the XT60 input port of the MC8.
- 2, The screen shows the boot logo for 0.5 seconds
- 3. After the boot is completed, the screen enters the main interface and displays as follows:



- 4. Turn the roller to scroll between menus and options.
- 5. Short or long press the roller to enter item
- 6. Use the output slider to adjust channel output.

1, The scroller functions differently for different

menu items, please refer to the following instructions.

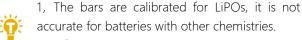
Voltage test

1, Voltage display and balance (individual cells)

Connect the balance port of the battery to the MC8. After the device powers on, the main page shows the voltage of each individual cell- as shown below:

The colored bars show the voltage of the battery graphically. The cell with the highest voltage is displayed in red, while the cell with the lowest voltage is displayed in blue. The total voltage and the voltage difference (highest voltage-lowest voltage) is shown below.

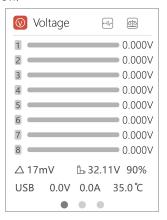
On the main menu, press the [wheel] to start the balance function. The MC8 uses internal resistors to discharge the cell(s) until the pack reaches a uniform voltage between cells (<0.005V difference).



2, After balancing the battery pack, remove the battery from the MC8 to prevent over-discharging.

2, Battery pack total voltage

Connect the battery lead to the main XT60 port on the MC8 to display the total voltage of the battery pack, as shown below.



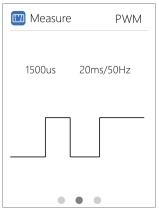


1, The MC8 displays the total voltage of all battery chemistries operating within the input

Signal measurement

1, PWM Signal measurement

After the device powers on, scroll right once on the metal roller to enter Measure mode. The page is displayed as follows.



UI description

PWM: Signal type

1500: Current PWM pulse width

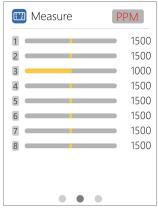
20ms/5Hz: Current cycle and frequency of PWM

signal.

1 , When using the signal measurement function. The signal port, balance port, and main input port can all supply power to the MC8.

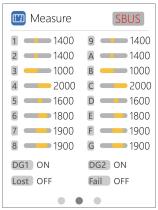
2, PPM signal measurement

Under PWM signal measurement mode, press down on the scroller and scroll right until PPM is shown. Then the PPM signal can be measured, as shown below.



3, SBUS Signal measurement

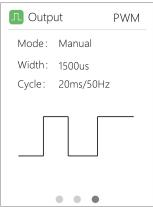
Under PWM signal measurement mode, press down on the scroller and scroll right until SBUS is shown. Then the SBUS signal can be measured, as shown below.



Signal output

1, PWM Signal output

With the MC8 powered on, scroll right twice on the roller to enter Output mode. Press down on the scroller for 2 seconds to enter the signal output mode, as shown below. UI Description



Mode: Signal output mode- can be changed between manual and 3 automatic modes of varying speeds.

Width: PWM signal output pulse width, range limit 1000us-2000us. When set to manual, push the channel output slider to change the output signal width. When set to automatic, the signal width will automatically increase or decrease.

Cycle : PWM signal output cycle. Range adjustable between 1ms-50ms.



- 1, When the cycle is set to less than 2ms, the maximum width will not exceed the cycle value.
- 2, The channel output slider is safety protected. There will be no signal output until the slider is returned to its minimum position first.

2, PPM Signal output

From the PWM output page, short press on PWM to change the output type; scroll right until PPM is displayed. Short press to confirm the PPM selection, as shown below:

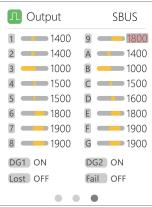


In the PPM output page, press down on the roller for 2 seconds to set the output value of each channel.

- The throttle channel can only be controlled using the signal from the output slider; the value cannot be changed using the roller for safety reasons.
- 2, Ensure the output slider is at its lowest point prior to performing any tests.

3, SBUS signal output

From the PWM output page, short press on PWM to change the output type; scroll right until SBUS is displayed. Short press to confirm the SBUS selection, as shown below:



In the SBUS output page, press down on the roller for 2 seconds to set the output value of each channel.



- 1, When the cycle is set to less than 2ms, the maximum width will not exceed the cycle value.
- The channel output slider is safety protected. There will be no signal output until the slider is returned to its minimum position first.

USB charging

Built-in USB ports allow the user to charge mobile devices on the go. The USB-A port supplies 5V 1A while the USB-C port supplies 20W fast charging, using the following protocols: PD3.0,QC3.0,AFC,SCP,FCP etc.



Press and hold [Wheel] 2 seconds to enter the setting menu, you can set the USB cutoff voltage. When the battery discharges past the set value, the MC8 will disable both USB-A and USB-C output; the buzzer will also give an extended tone, indicating the protection voltage has been reached.



Setup

On the voltageinterface, press and hold [wheel] to enter the system settings, as shown in the figure below:

Setup			
②	Safe voltage	3.85V	
*	Backlight	10	
	Buzzer	6	
3	Language	English	
AA	Theme style	Light	
	Default	Yes	
	Back		
SN	ID:FF3005D3-V	1.10	

Description:

Safety voltage: When the battery voltage is lower than

this value, the USB output will be turned off.

Backlight: display brightness setting, you can set 1-10.

Buzzer: Operation prompt sound, 7 tones can be set or

turned off.

Language: System language, 10 display languages can be selected

Theme style: display style, you can set bright and dark themes

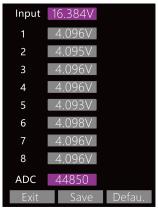
Default: Restore to factory setting.

Back: Return to the voltage test interface.

ID: The unique ID number of the machine.

Calibration

Press and hold the roller while powering on the MC8 to enter calibration mode, as shown below:



Measure the voltage of a fully-charged battery pack using a multimeter. Use the roller to select Input, then scroll until the value matches what was measured on the multimeter. Scroll down to save and press down on the roller to save. Repeat this process for each individual cell if needed. When finished, scroll to the exit option and press down on the roller to finish the calibration.

Input: Voltage measured at the main XT60 port.

1-8: Voltage of each individual cell.

ADC: Original value of the selected option prior to calib

Exit: Exit calibration mode **Save:** Save calibration data

Defau.: Return to default settings

1, Only use multimeters with 0.001V accuracy to perform calibrations. If the multimeter is not accurate enough, do not perform calibration.

Specifications

Main input port	XT60 7.0V-35.0V	
Balance input	0.5V-5.0V Lixx 2-8S	
Signal port input	<6.0V	
Balance current	MAX 60mA @2-8S	
Balance	40 00EV @ 4 2V	
accuracy	<0.005V @ 4.2V	
USB-A output	5.0V@1.0A firmware upgrade	
USB-C output	5.0V-12.0V @MAX 20W	
USB-C protocol	PD3.0 QC3.0 AFC SCP FCP	
PWM	500-2500us @20-400Hz	
PPM	880-2200us*8CH @20-50Hz	
SBUS	880-2200us *16CH	
	@20-100Hz	
PWM	1000-2000us @20-1000Hz	
PPM	880-2200us*8CH @50Hz	
SBUS	880-2200us *16CH @74Hz	
Size	68mm*50mm*15mm	
Weight	50g	
Size	76mm*60mm*30mm	
Weight	100g	
ICD	IPS 2.0 inch 240*240	
LCD	resolution	
	Balance input Signal port input Balance current Balance accuracy USB-A output USB-C output USB-C protocol PWM PPM SBUS PWM PPM SBUS Size Weight Size	