# ACE RC BLC-40/BLC-65/BLC-75 **BRUSHLESS MOTOR ELECTRIC** SPEED CONTROL

Product no. #8041 / 8042 / 8043

#### INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on selecting the ACE RC BLC series brushless motor electric speed control. The BLC-40 is designed for mini-size electric aircraft/helicopter, while the BLC-65 and BLC-75 are designed for the mid-size electric aircraft/helicopter. These brushless motor speed controls can satisfy all your flying needs. They are capable of supplying up to 40Amps (BLC-40), 65Amps (BLC-65), and 75Amps (BLC-75) of continuous motor current. They are small and lightweight, but includes a large heat sink surface area. They are the most suitable ESC for the Thunder Tiger OBL series brushless motors. For safety considerations, there are builtin safety features to prevent accidental motor startup when powering on. Before using this speed control, please read the manual carefully so that setup can be done properly.

#### FEATURES

Low battery voltage protection.

- Overheat protection
- Motor timing adjustment.
- Brake control.
- Throttle response adjustment.

SPECIFICATIONS

• Airplane and helicopter modes.

BLC-40

7.4~14.8 V

(2S-4S Li-Po)

BLC-65

7.4~37 V

8041-A/8041-H 8042-A/8042-H 8043-A/8043-H

BLC-75

(2S-10S Li-Po) (2S-6S Li-Po)

7.4~22.2 V

Governor mode for helicopter.

#### • Soft start.

Product Name

Voltage range

Item No

Anti-interference ring.

The 3 options are listed as below:

response time for different set up in different occasions. It could be an ideal function with different flying style. The faster throttle response time will offer you quick and sensitive throttle feedback. The 3 options are listed as below:

- Soft throttle response
- Standard throttle response
- Ouick throttle response

#### Flying Mode

Note:

The flying mode offers you different options for different aircrafts. You could chose from airplane, helicopter, and helicopter with governor. The 3 options are listed as below: . Airplane mode

. Helicopter mode with governor (see Note)

. Helicopter mode without governor (see Note)

1)For the battery protection function, technically the power cut off timing was based on the cell number and continues output current of the battery. The microprocessor will calculate the timing and to cut the power with two steps. Because the late stage of each battery discharge cycle has quick voltage change, such function will provide a safe process during the operation

- 1st step: enabled when the single cell reaches the low point, the motor will be forced to lower the RPM by microprocessor
- **2nd step:** enabled when the single cell reaches the lowest point defined in the system, the

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motor will be completely cut off. To regain
the power, the user needs to adjust the
throttle stick to the "stop" position until the
battery voltage comes back to the safe
level.
The following were the detailed definition of
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each option	n mode	in b	battery	protection		
function.						
Function Mode	1 <sup>st</sup> step voltage		e 2 <sup>nd</sup> st	tep voltage		

Light discharge protection for Li-Po/Li-Ion	3.2V	2.9V
Standard discharge protec- tion for Li-Po/Li-Ion	2.9V	2.6V
Heavy discharge protection for Li-Po/Li-On	2.6V	2.3V
+5V cut-off protection for Ni-Mh/Ni-CD	No battery voltage protection defined	

2)Helicopter modes are equipped with a soft start function. However, the ESC will not activate the soft start function in the first 5 seconds after the throttle is shut down. This way, if the user shuts down the throttle by mistake during flight, it will allow the motor restart immediately and avoid a crash.

#### SETTING PROCEDURE

Protection

The following processes will explain the throttle calibration and the setting of ESC.

- 1.As a safety precaution, we recommend disengaging the pinion gear from the main gear during this procedure.
- 2. Also review the FUNCTION MODE CHART and select which modes you wish to use since the setting procedure immedi
- ately follows the calibration procedure. 3. Turn on the transmitter and put the throttle stick at full throttle position.
- 4. Turn on the receiver if no BEC.

5.Connect the battery and the ESC.

- means the full throttle position has been calibrated.
- 7. Move the throttle stick to the idle position (lowest position). You will hear 4 tones (  $\int \int - \int \int$  ), which means the idle throttle position has been calibrated and now the ESC will enter the setting mode.
- 8. While in the setting mode you will hear combinations of sounds, which represent various functions. Each sound consists of a long tone and a short tone. The long tone represents which function is being set, and the short tone represents the option mode for that particular function. You can check the FUNCTION MODE CHART to get the correlation for the difference function mode and the combination sounds.
- 9.Shortly after the idle position has been calibrated you will start to hear these setting tones. If you wish to select the setting of the mode then move the throttle stick to full throttle position and wait for the confirmation sound  $( \downarrow \downarrow )$  —  $( \downarrow \downarrow )$ ) means this mode you select has already been
- set. After that, move the stick to the idle position and waiting for the next function mode setting. If you do not wish to select this setting, leave the throttle stick in the idle position and wait for the subsequent setting mode.
- 10. The setting sequence for these 5 main functions will be -(1) Battery Protection (2) Motor Timing (3) Brake Mode (4) Throttle Sensitivity (5) Flying Mode.
- 11.After setting is complete, please turn the power off by disconnecting the battery from the ESC. If you only change certain functions, the others will remain the factory settina.

#### START PROCEDURE

- 1. Turn on your transmitter and make sure that the throttle stick is at the idle position.
- 2.Turn on the receiver if no BEC.
- 3.Connect the battery to the ESC.
- 4. If the ESC is connected correctly and receives signals from the receiver, you will hear 3 rising tones  $( \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow)$ , which means the ESC is ready to go.
- 5.Go flying and have fun, but be mindful of your flying time.

#### CAUTION!!

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High power motor systems could be very dangerous. High current could generate heat on wires, batteries, and motors. Always follow the instruction and use proper tools to set up the system within safe range. Always fly at a designed field with caution even though this controller is equipped with safety arming program.

**FUNCTION MODE CHART** 

Function	Option Mode	Correlation combina- tions of sounds
	Light discharge protec- tion for Li-Po/Li-Ion	۲۲
Battery Protection	Standard discharge protection for Li-Po/Li-Ion	<b>لالا</b>
	Heavy discharge protection for Li-Po/Li-On	۲ ۲ ۲
	+5V cut-off protection for Ni-Mh/Ni-CD	<u>مرمر م</u>
Motor Timing	Auto timing	ר <b>ייי</b> ל ל
	Soft timing	ר ר <b>י</b> ר ר
	Standard timing	רר ר <b></b> ר ר
	Hard timing	עעע ע <b></b> ע ע
Brake Mode	No brake	ע <b></b> ע
	Soft brake	1 1 1 1
	Hard brake	L L L L L L
Throttle Sensitivity	Soft throttle response	ע <del></del> ע ערע
	Standard throttle response	L L L L L
	Quick throttle response	4.4.4 <b></b> - 4.4.4
	Airplane mode	
Flying	Helicopter mode without governor	1111 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Mode	Helicopter mode without governor	4.4.4 - A 4.4.4 A

### FACTORY DEFAULT SETTING

Due to the normal flying mode setting on the speed control is different from airplane and helicopter. So for each BLC series, there are 2 type can be chosen to match your flying requirement. Both of these 2 type have the same specification and full function. Just the factory default setting mode are different. The following table is the factory default setting mode for these 2 types of airplane and helicopter function.

Application		Airplane	Helicopter	
	Item No	BLC-40	8041-A	8041-H
		BLC-65	8042-A	8042-H
		BLC-75	8043-A	8043-H
Fund Mod		Battery Protection	+5V cut-off protection for Ni-Mh/Ni-CD	Standard discharge protection for Li-Po/Li-Ion
	Function	Motor Timing	Auto timing	Auto timing
	Mode	Brake Mode	No brake	No brake
		Throttle Sensitivity	Quick throttle response	Standard throttle response
		Flying Mode	Airplane mode	Helicopter mode without governor

**OPTIONAL PARTS** 





## SERVICE

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#### 0.0048 Ω 0.003 Ω Resistance 0.0044 Ω 65A 75A Continuous Load (5 min) 40A BEC Voltage 5V Non Non BEC Current 2A Non Non No No No Reverse Yes Brake Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Governor Mode Temp, Protection Temp, Protection Temp, Protection Over Load Protection Setup Procedure Digital Digita Digital 45.6g 27g 46a Weight 60x34.5x11.5 50x34.5x11.5 52x24x7.9 Dimensions

### CONTENT

- Speed Control x 1
- Gold Connectors x 2 sets
- (for battery connecting)
- Anti-interference ring x1
- Instruction Manual x 1

### CONNECTIONS

It is strongly recommended to use 3.5mm or 4.0mm gold connectors, which should be soldered firmly to the cables. Please refer to the diagram below on how to connect the ESC with battery and motor.

Black(-) Battery Gold Connector Note: 1)Ensure that all solder connections are of good quality.

> 2)Connect the ESC to the motor matching the corresponding wire colors. If the motor rotation is the opposite of what is desired, then simply reverse any two of the wires.

Not included

3)Make sure that the battery polarity is connected properly.

FUNCTIONS

There are 5 basic functions included in the BLC controller that have more options can be selected by special setting procedure. The following are the explanation for these functions.

#### **BATTERY PROTECTION**

It was a built in Battery Management System function of the speed control. The power cut off timing was based on the cell number and continues output current of the battery. There were 4 options defined in the battery management system in the BLC series controllers. 3 options were for Li-Polymer batteries and 1 option for using with NiCd/NiMH batteries. The battery management system allows you to protect your batteries from over discharge and moreover to extend the lifetime of your batteries. The 4 options are listed as below:

- . Light discharge protection for Li-Po/Li-Ion . Standard discharge protection for Li-Po/Li-Ion . Heavy discharge protection for Li-Po/Li-On
- . +5V cut-off protection for Ni-Mh/Ni-CD

#### MOTOR TIMING

There were 3 options in this function that allows you to maximize the performance of your motor output. You could chose from low/mid/high to fit with different brushless motors. Higher timing offers more power output at the expense of efficiency. Please check the current draw after changing the timing option in order to prevent overloading of battery. The 3 options are listed as below: . Auto timina

- Soft timing
- . Standard timing
- . Hard tim ing

#### Brake Mode

There were 3 options in brake function that allows you to choose from no brake, soft brake, and hard brake option.

. No brake







The throttle sensitivity function offers you different throttle