Potensic F181WH

Potensic F181WH WiFi FPV Quadcopter Instruction Manual

Model: F181WH

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1. Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the Potensic F181WH WiFi FPV Quadcopter. This manual provides essential information for the safe operation, assembly, and maintenance of your drone. Please read this manual thoroughly before operating the aircraft to ensure proper function and to avoid damage or injury. Keep this manual for future reference.

2. Safety Precautions

Operating a drone requires responsibility. Adhere to the following safety guidelines:

- **Local Regulations:** Always comply with local aviation laws and regulations.
- **Line of Sight:** Maintain visual line of sight with the drone at all times during flight.
- **Environmental Conditions:** Do not fly in strong winds, rain, snow, or fog. Avoid extreme temperatures.
- **Obstacle Avoidance:** Keep the drone away from people, animals, buildings, trees, power lines, and other obstacles.
- **Battery Safety:** Use only approved chargers and batteries. Do not overcharge or puncture batteries. Discontinue use if batteries are damaged or swollen.
- **Propeller Safety:** Keep hands, face, and loose clothing away from rotating propellers.
- **Age Recommendation:** This product is not suitable for children under 14 years old. Adult supervision is recommended for all users.

3. Package Contents

Verify that all items are present in the package:

- Potensic F181WH Quadcopter
- Remote Control
- Rechargeable Drone Batteries (x2)
- USB Charging Cable
- Spare Propellers (x4)
- Spare Motor Gears
- Screwdriver
- User Manual

4. Component Identification

4.1 Quadcopter Components

Familiarize yourself with the various parts of your F181WH drone.

Image: The Potensic F181WH Quadcopter, showing its main body, four propellers, and integrated camera unit.

- **Propellers:** Four rotating blades for lift and thrust.
- **Motors:** Drive the propellers.
- **Camera:** Integrated HD camera for photo and video capture.
- **LED Indicators:** Lights on the drone to indicate status (e.g., power, pairing, low battery).
- **Battery Compartment:** Located on the underside of the drone for the flight battery.
- **Landing Gear:** Provides stability upon landing.

4.2 Remote Control Components

Understand the functions of the remote control buttons and joysticks.

Image: The Potensic F181WH drone in flight, with a user operating the remote control which has a smartphone mounted for live FPV viewing.

- **Left Joystick (Throttle/Yaw):** Controls altitude and rotation.
- **Right Joystick (Pitch/Roll):** Controls forward/backward and left/right movement.
- **Power Button:** Turns the remote control on/off.
- **Photo/Video Button:** Activates camera functions.
- **One-Key Takeoff/Landing Button:** Initiates automated takeoff or landing.
- **Speed Switch:** Adjusts flight speed (Stepless-speed function).
- **Phone Holder:** Mount for your smartphone to view FPV feed.

5. Setup

5.1 Propeller Installation

1. Identify propellers marked 'A' and 'B'.
2. Match 'A' propellers to 'A' motor shafts and 'B' propellers to 'B' motor shafts. Ensure correct orientation.
3. Secure each propeller with the provided screws using the screwdriver.

5.2 Battery Installation and Charging

1. **Drone Battery:** Insert the fully charged drone battery into the battery compartment on the underside of the quadcopter until it clicks into place.
2. **Remote Control Batteries:** Open the battery cover on the back of the remote control. Insert 4x AA batteries (not included) according to the polarity markings. Close the cover.
3. **Charging:** Connect the drone battery to the USB charging cable, then plug the USB end into a USB power adapter (5V/1A recommended). The indicator light on the charger will show charging status (e.g., red for charging, green for fully charged). Charging typically takes 60-90 minutes.

5.3 FPV App Installation

For live video streaming and advanced features, download the Potensic FPV app from your smartphone's app store (iOS or Android).

6. Operating Instructions

6.1 Power On and Pairing

1. Place the drone on a flat, level surface.
2. Press the power button on the drone. The LED lights will flash.
3. Turn on the remote control. The indicator light on the remote will flash.
4. Push the left joystick (throttle) all the way up, then all the way down. The drone's LED lights will become solid, indicating successful pairing.

6.2 Gyro Calibration

After pairing, perform gyro calibration for stable flight:

- With the drone on a flat surface, push both joysticks down and to the right simultaneously.
- The drone's LED lights will flash rapidly and then become solid, indicating successful calibration.

6.3 Takeoff and Landing

- **One-Key Takeoff:** Press the one-key takeoff/landing button. The drone will automatically ascend to a stable altitude.
- **Manual Takeoff:** Push both joysticks down and to the left simultaneously to start the propellers. Slowly push the left joystick (throttle) up to ascend.
- **One-Key Landing:** Press the one-key takeoff/landing button. The drone will automatically descend and land.
- **Manual Landing:** Slowly pull the left joystick (throttle) down until the drone lands. Once landed, pull both joysticks down and to the left to stop the propellers.

6.4 Flight Controls

- **Left Joystick (Throttle):** Up/Down for altitude, Left/Right for yaw (rotation).
- **Right Joystick (Direction):** Up/Down for pitch (forward/backward), Left/Right for roll (sideways).

6.5 Altitude Hold Function

The F181WH features an air pressure altitude hold system, allowing the drone to maintain a stable flight height automatically. This simplifies control, especially for beginners, and provides a steady platform for FPV and photography.

Image: The Potensic F181WH drone hovering above a city skyline, illustrating its Air Pressure Altitude Hold feature which locks the drone at a specific flight height for easier operation and FPV.

6.6 Stepless-Speed Function

Press the speed switch button on the remote control to cycle through different flight speeds. This allows you to adjust the drone's responsiveness and speed according to your skill level and flying environment.

6.7 Camera and FPV Operation

1. **Connect to App:** Turn on the drone, then go to your smartphone's Wi-Fi settings and connect to the drone's Wi-Fi network (e.g., "Potensic_F181WH_XXXX"). Open the Potensic FPV app.
2. **Live Video:** The app will display a live video feed from the drone's camera.
3. **Photo/Video Capture:** Use the dedicated buttons on the remote control or the app interface to take photos or start/stop video recording. Captured media is saved to the inserted SD card (if applicable) and/or your smartphone.

7. Maintenance

7.1 Cleaning

- Wipe the drone body with a soft, dry cloth.
- Gently clean the camera lens with a microfiber cloth to ensure clear image quality.
- Remove any debris from the motors and propellers.

7.2 Propeller Replacement

If a propeller is damaged, replace it immediately:

1. Unscrew the damaged propeller using the provided screwdriver.
2. Carefully remove the old propeller.
3. Install a new propeller, ensuring it matches the 'A' or 'B' marking of the motor shaft.
4. Secure the new propeller with a screw.

7.3 Storage

- Store the drone and remote control in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight.
- Remove batteries from the remote control if storing for extended periods.
- Charge drone batteries to approximately 50% before long-term storage to prolong battery life.

8. Troubleshooting

Refer to this section for common issues and their solutions:

- **Drone does not power on:** Ensure the battery is fully charged and correctly inserted. Check for any physical damage to the battery or drone.
- **Remote control does not power on:** Replace the AA batteries in the remote control.
- **Drone and remote control fail to pair:** Ensure both devices are powered on and within range. Repeat the pairing procedure (Section 6.1).
- **Unstable flight/Drifting:** Perform gyro calibration (Section 6.2) on a flat surface. Check for damaged propellers and replace if necessary. Ensure no strong winds are present.
- **Camera not working/No FPV feed:** Ensure your smartphone is connected to the drone's Wi-Fi network. Check if the FPV app is open and updated. Verify that an SD card is properly inserted if recording to card.
- **Short flight time:** Ensure batteries are fully charged. Flight time can be affected by aggressive flying, wind conditions, and battery age.
- **Drone crashes unexpectedly:** Check for propeller damage or motor issues. Ensure you are flying in an open area free of obstacles.

9. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Brand	Potensic
Model Name	F181WH
Video Capture Resolution	1080p
Effective Still Resolution	2 MP
Connectivity Technology	Wi-Fi
Skill Level	Beginner, Intermediate
Item Weight	1.85 Pounds
Battery Capacity	750 Milliamp Hours
Control Type	Remote Control
Wireless Communication Technology	Wi-Fi
Battery Cell Composition	Lithium Polymer
Video Output Resolution	1920x1080 Pixels
Media Type	SD
Material	Plastic

10. Warranty and Support

Potensic products are designed for reliability and performance. For warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Potensic website. If you encounter any issues or require technical assistance, please contact our customer support team:

- **Email:** support@potensic.com (example)
- **Website:** www.potensic.com (example)

Please have your model number (F181WH) and purchase details ready when contacting support.

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