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1. INTRODUCTION

This instruction manual provides essential information for the safe and effective use of Gemfan 3-Blade Propellers. These propellers are designed for quadcopters and multirotors, offering various sizes and materials to suit different motor and flight requirements. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and operation.

2. PRODUCT FEATURES

- Available Pitches: 8040 (4in), 8060 (6in), 9045 (4.5in), 1050 (5in).
- Standard Center Hole Inner Diameter: 5mm for all models.
- Center Thickness: 7.5mm for 8040/8060 models; 9mm for 9045/1050 models.
- Material Composition: 8040 and 8060 models are made of Carbon Nylon; 9045 and 1050 models are made of Glass Fiber Nylon.
- Lightweight and durable design for optimal flight performance.

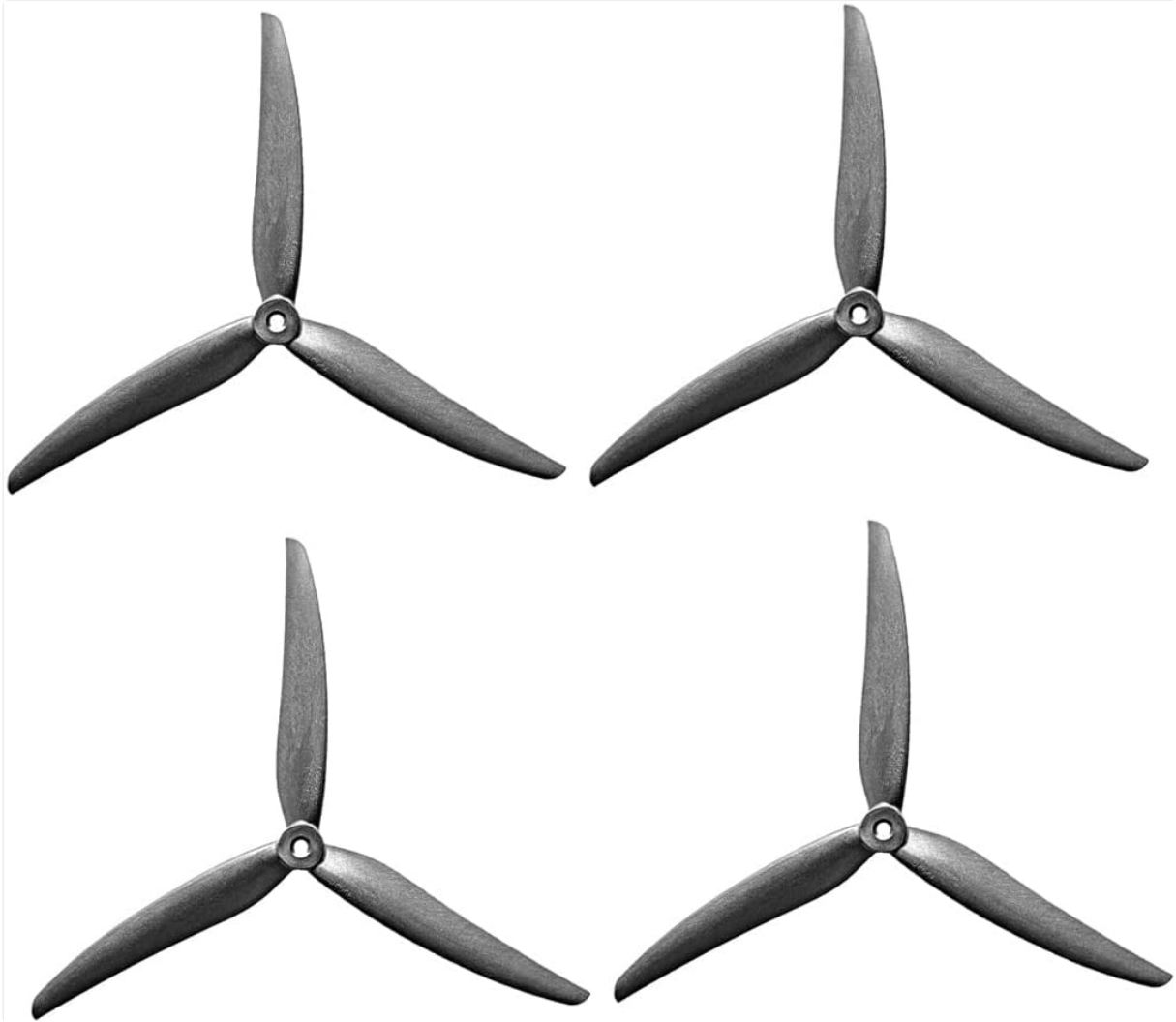


Image: Gemfan 3-Blade Propellers (CW and CCW pair)

3. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Proper installation of propellers is crucial for flight safety and performance. Always ensure your drone's motors are powered off and the battery is disconnected before handling propellers.

3.1 Identifying Propeller Rotation (CW/CCW)

Propellers are designed for specific rotation directions: Clockwise (CW) and Counter-Clockwise (CCW). Most propellers are marked with their rotation direction (e.g., 'R' for reverse/CCW or an arrow). Ensure you match the correct propeller type to the corresponding motor on your quadcopter frame.



Image: Single Gemfan 3-Blade Propeller

3.2 Mounting Instructions

1. **Verify Motor Direction:** Confirm the intended rotation direction for each motor on your drone frame.
2. **Match Propeller to Motor:** Select the correct CW or CCW propeller for each motor. The leading edge of the propeller blade should be facing the direction of rotation.
3. **Align Center Hole:** Place the propeller onto the motor shaft, ensuring the 5mm center hole aligns perfectly with the motor shaft.
4. **Secure Fastening:** Use the provided propeller nuts or screws to securely fasten the propeller to the motor. Do not overtighten, as this can damage the propeller hub or motor shaft. Ensure it is tight enough to prevent slippage during flight.
5. **Check for Free Movement:** After fastening, gently spin each propeller by hand to ensure it rotates freely without obstruction and is firmly attached.

4. OPERATING GUIDELINES

Before each flight, perform a pre-flight check to ensure all propellers are securely attached and free from damage.

- **Propeller Selection:** Always use propellers that are compatible with your drone's motors and flight controller settings. Refer to your drone's manual for recommended propeller sizes and types.
- **Environmental Conditions:** Avoid flying in strong winds or adverse weather conditions that could stress the propellers beyond their design limits.
- **Safety First:** Keep hands and face clear of rotating propellers. Always operate your drone in a safe environment, away from people and obstacles.

5. MAINTENANCE

Regular inspection and maintenance will prolong the life of your propellers and ensure safe flight.

- **Visual Inspection:** Before and after each flight, carefully inspect all propellers for any signs of damage, such as cracks, bends, nicks, or stress marks, especially near the hub.
- **Cleaning:** If propellers become dirty, gently wipe them with a soft, damp cloth. Avoid using harsh chemicals that could degrade the material.
- **Replacement:** Any propeller showing signs of damage, no matter how minor, should be replaced immediately. Damaged propellers can cause vibrations, reduce flight efficiency, and lead to catastrophic failure during flight. It is recommended to replace propellers in pairs (CW and CCW) or full sets for balanced performance.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you experience issues during flight, consider the following common propeller-related problems:

- **Excessive Vibration:** This is often caused by unbalanced or damaged propellers. Inspect all propellers for damage and replace as necessary. Ensure propellers are securely mounted.
- **Reduced Thrust or Unstable Flight:** Check that all propellers are installed with the correct rotation direction (CW/CCW) on their respective motors. Also, inspect for any damage that might reduce aerodynamic efficiency.
- **Unusual Noise:** A new or different noise during flight can indicate a loose or damaged propeller. Land immediately and inspect all propellers and motor mounts.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Detailed specifications for Gemfan 3-Blade Propeller models:

Parameter	8040 Model	8060 Model	9045 Model	1050 Model
Material	Carbon Nylon	Carbon Nylon	Glass Fiber Nylon	Glass Fiber Nylon
Pitch	4 inches	6 inches	4.5 inches	5 inches
Prop Disk Diameter	204 mm	204 mm	229.5 mm	254.6 mm
Center Thickness	7.5 mm	7.5 mm	9 mm	9 mm
Center Hole Inner Diameter	5 mm	5 mm	5 mm	5 mm
Max Prop Width	20 mm	20 mm	20 mm	22 mm
Weight	10.3 g	11.9 g	16.5 g	17 g
Recommended Motor	2812 and up	2812 and up	3212 and up	3214 and up

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information or technical support regarding your Gemfan propellers, please refer to the official Gemfan website or contact your retailer. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.