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## Act 08: Manual Flight (Indoors) - Due Date

### Steps

- ☐ Complete pre-flight checklist
- ☐ Watch skill-building videos
- ☐ Complete the following activities:
  - ☐ Skill-Building Exercise
  - ☐ In-Flight Box Exercise
  - ☐ Hopscotch Exercise
  - ☐ Obstacle Course Exercise

### Pre-Flight Checklist

For more detail, visit [this presentation](#).

#### With the aircraft powered off:

- ☐ Inspect aircraft for physical damage
  - ☐ Ensure propellers are mounted securely
  - ☐ Ensure propeller guards are securely fastened and allow for free movement of props
- ☐ Ensure batteries are fully charged
- ☐ Check:
  - ☐ Remote Controller
  - ☐ Drone Battery
  - ☐ Mobile Device
- ☐ Determine if calibration is necessary (compass/IMU)
- ☐ Perform calibrations if:
  - ☐ You have updated the aircraft and RC firmware
  - ☐ You are flying in a new location
  - ☐ The aircraft has experienced a crash or impact
- ☐ Evaluate flight area for safety
  - ☐ Only fly in large open spaces. Fly only in well lighted spaces
  - ☐ Ensure flying is allowed in your current location
  - ☐ Place Drone at takeoff location, facing correct direction per flight plan
  - ☐ Wind/A/C speed is less than 15 mph
  - ☐ Flight mission is reviewed
  - ☐ Flight path will not take the aircraft near or above any people, furnishings, etc.

- ☐ Ensure that **ALL** people (students and adults) in the room are wearing appropriate PPE (safety glasses at least) before beginning flight
- ☐ Remember:
  - ☐ DO NOT FLY THE AIRCRAFT OVER PEOPLE.
  - ☐ AVOID FLYING INTO WALLS, CEILINGS, FURNITURE
- ☐ Designate an experienced adult over 18 years of age as Pilot In Command (PIC) (usually this is your instructor)
  - ☐ PIC has reviewed procedures for aborting mission & resuming control
  - ☐ Get permission from PIC to fly
- ☐ Close any unnecessary software on tablet/phone/computer used to fly


**With the remote and aircraft powered on:**


- ☐ Connect to the Drone
- ☐ Ensure all students are clear of your flight area
- ☐ Begin flight mission

**While airborne:**

- ☐ Observe the aircraft and make sure it is behaving as expected
- ☐ Keep the landing area clear
- ☐ If the aircraft behaves unexpectedly:
  - ☐ Manually control the aircraft and land in a safe location

## Skill-Building Videos

 Understanding Roll, Pitch and Yaw in Drones

 Drone flight physics in under 2 minutes - Yaw, Pitch & Roll

## Activities

### Skill-Building Exercise

**Before you begin, ensure that you are wearing proper safety equipment.**

Task: Record a video showcasing completion of the following tasks:

- ☐ Launch: Place drone on takeoff location and launch drone
- ☐ Climb: Climb at least 1 meter
- ☐ Descend: Descend at least 1 meter
- ☐ Move left then right: Move drone at least 1 meter left, then at least 1 meter right
- ☐ Move forward and backward: Move drone at least 1 meter forward then 1 meter backward
- ☐ Rotate drone clockwise/counterclockwise: Rotate drone clockwise. Rotate drone counterclockwise

- ☐ Successful landing: Land drone in same location and show battery level

## In-Flight Exercise

Task: Record a video showcasing completion of the following tasks:

- ☐ Launch: Place drone on takeoff location and launch drone
- ☐ Climb: Climb to approximately 1.5 meters above floor level
- ☐ Fly a Box: Pitch
  - Fly the drone in a box approximately 1 meter square (size is not critical, but it needs to be big enough to see)
  - Do not turn the drone as you “draw” the box in the air
- ☐ Fly a Box: Turn
  - Fly the drone in a box approximately 1 meter square (size is not critical, but it needs to be big enough to see)
  - Turn the drone as you “draw” the box in the air (in other words, each leg of the box will be straight, and you will make a turn at each corner). You may make a left or right 90° turn.
- ☐ Successful landing: Land drone in same location and show battery level

## Hopscotch Exercise

Task: Record a video showcasing completion of the following tasks:

- ☐ Launch: Place drone on takeoff location in Hopscotch Square 1 and launch drone
- ☐ Navigate to Hopscotch Square 2 and land
- ☐ Navigate to Hopscotch Square 3 and land. (Hint: You will need to move left before landing)
- ☐ Navigate to Hopscotch Square 4 and land. (Hint: You will need to move right before landing)
- ☐ Finish Hopscotch Course
- ☐ At Square 10, rotate the drone 180 degrees and come back the same way
- ☐ Successful landing: Land drone in Square 1 and show battery level

## Obstacle Course Exercise

Task: Record a video showcasing completion of the following tasks:

- ☐ Launch: Place drone on launch location in obstacle course
- ☐ Fly the course: Fly through the obstacle course (Recommendation: Practice the course slowly once before recording)
- ☐ Successful landing: Land drone in starting location and show battery level