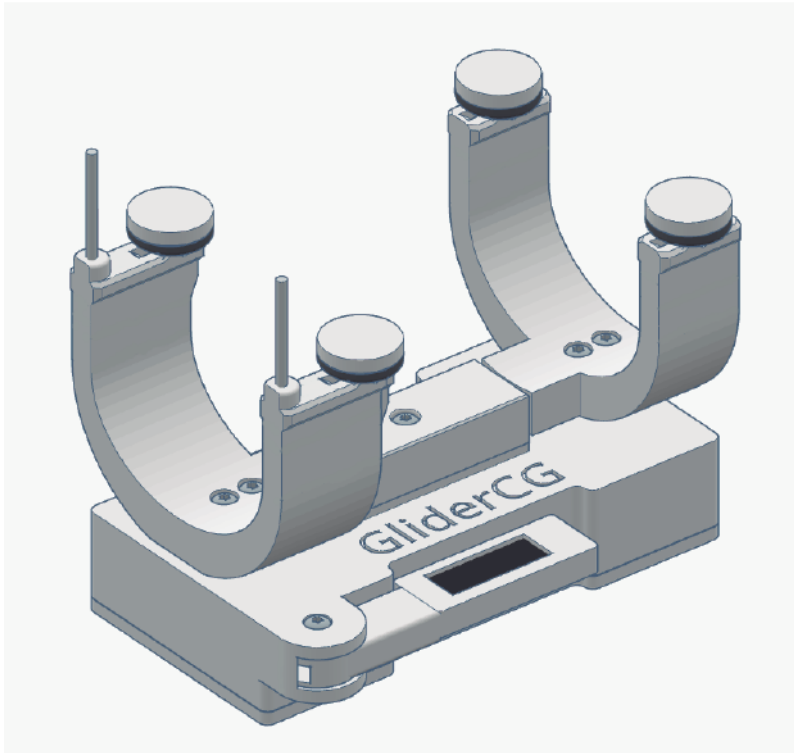


# GliderCG

# F3K

Digital CoG Balancer for F3K, DLG/HLG and F5K models



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# Manual

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## Introduction

GliderCG is a CoG digital balance device for sailplanes of up to 1Kg able to provide the exact information of where the CoG is located in our glider by through a screen that also provides information of the sailplane's total weight.

Unlike the existing CoG scales based on the balancing of the sailplane on a supporting point, GliderCG uses the barycenter formula to obtain the precise calculation of our CoG without having to balance our sailplanes with the risks to the Integrity of them.

## Concept

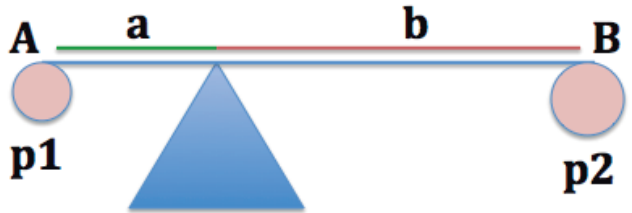
The condition for Static Equilibrium of the model plane, that is, it is not rotating, imposes the model weight is splitted in two reaction forces  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  applied in the supports A and B respectively, such as their resultant force passes thru the Center of Gravity of the model.

The position of the CoG is calculated by solving the equations:

$$axp_1 = bxp_2$$

$$a + b = K \text{ constant}$$

K is known for the manufacture of the scale.



With our constant desire for improvement, we have worked on all aspects of the device, both hardware and software, to offer an improved device in a compact form factor for easy transport and storage when not in use.

Its new main features:

- USB-C rechargeable battery.
- WiFi + Oled Display. We can visualize the data through its built-in OLED screen or browse it through the WiFi connection for those situations in which due to our position we cannot easily access the screen reading. The WiFi connection also gives us the option to save the CG configuration of our different models and check for example the changes that result from a modification or repair.
- Battery Level indicator (WiFi Interface).
- Up to 1Kg

## Characteristics

GliderCG is a precision equipment that has been carefully manufactured, assembled and calibrated before it reaches your hands.

All mechanical parts have been manufactured in PLA by 3d printing.

The calibration coefficients have been calculated using a calibrated weight with a weight of:

Front Calibration Coefficient:

Rear Calibration Coefficient:

The distances between the different points of support have been verified with a digital caliper to the hundredth of a millimeter.

Dimensions Height x Width x Depth: 110x80x120mm.

Power supply: 500mAh Litium Battery.

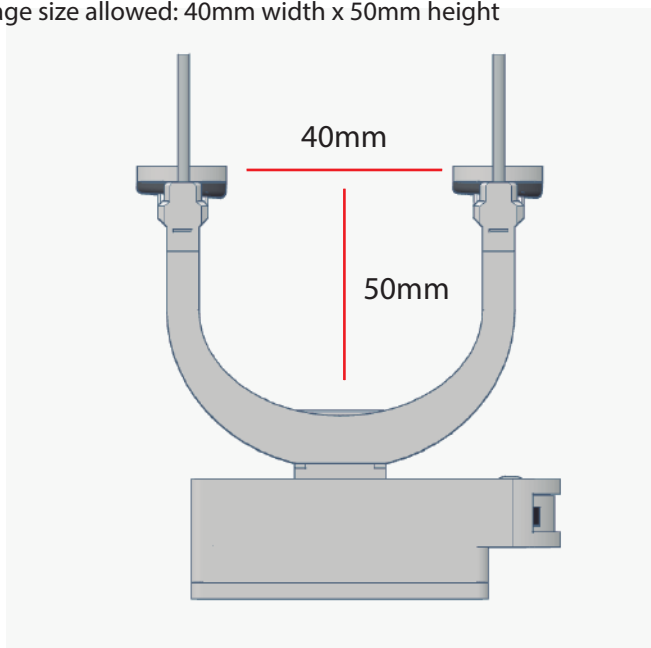
Approximate consumption: 60mAh.

Charging Time: 2h approx.

Charging connector: USB-C (Cable not included)

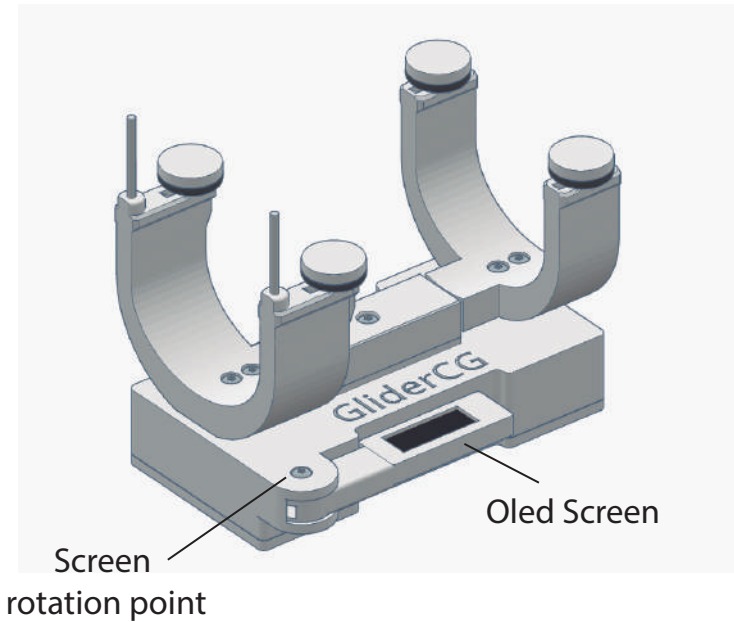
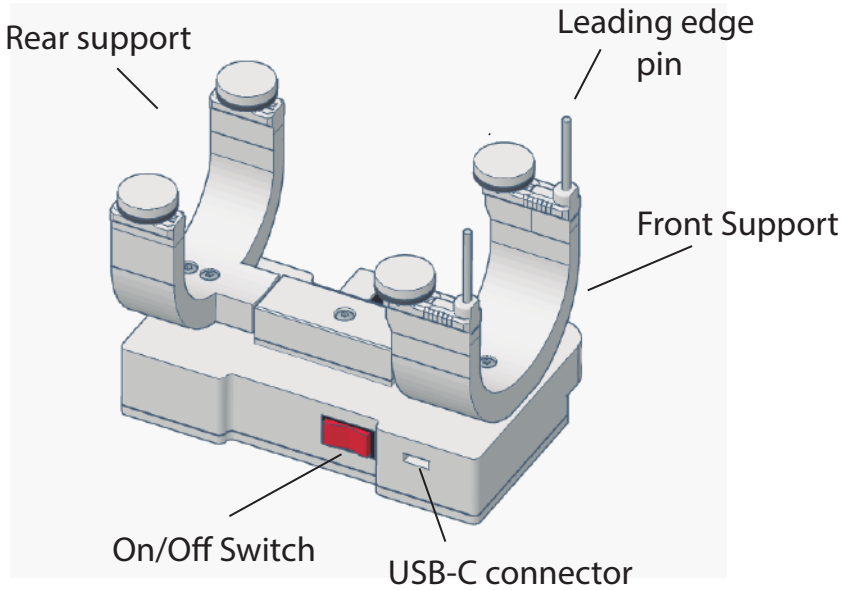
Max. Recommended weight 1Kg.

Maximum fuselage size allowed: 40mm width x 50mm height



## Characteristics

Device Dimensions High x Wide x Deep 110x80x120 mm.



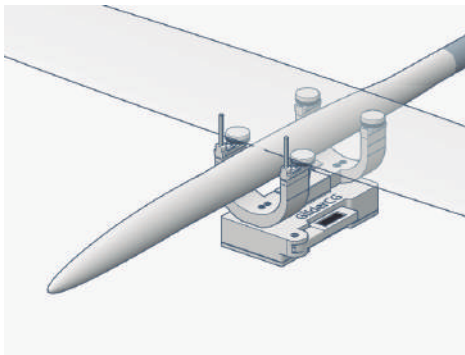
## How to use

- 1° - Place GliderCG on a smooth and level surface.
- 2° - Verify that there is no object or weight in the device.
- 3° - Turn on the device with the switch located to the left.

After a few seconds a welcome message is displayed on the OLED screen that gives way to another screen with two lines "Weight:" and "CG:"

Due to the high resolution and sensitivity it is possible that at the start of the measurement the weight is nonzero. In that case it's necessary to verify that it is static on a flat and level surface and must be turned off and then on again until the initial measure is zero.

4° - When these lines appear (Weight and CoG) we can proceed to place our sailplane so that the fuselage is between the four supports of our device and the leading edge of the wing to stop with the vertical metallic supports like is shown in the following figure:

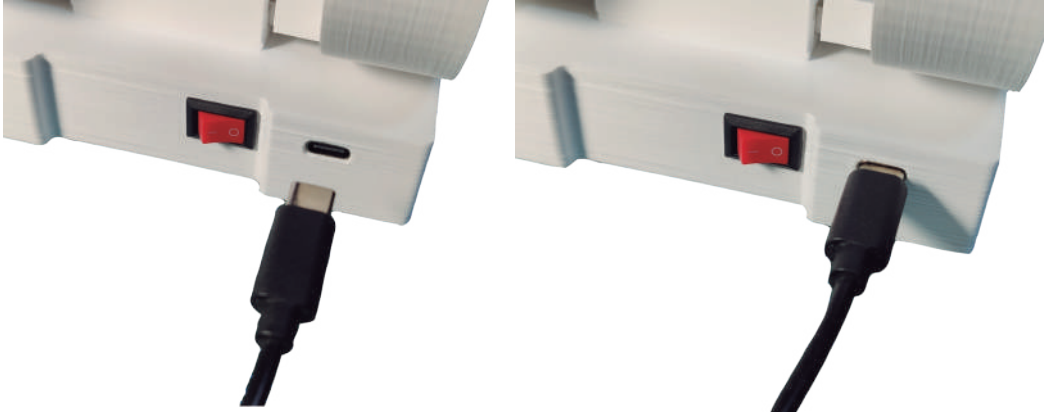


- 5° - Now the display show an accurate reading of our CoG and the weight of our model.
- 6° - On the model itself you can make the necessary adjustments to locate your CoG in the place you wish, GliderCG will give you the reading of your position at any time.
- 7° - Once the adjustments are completed you can proceed to remove your model from the device and turn it off using its ON/OFF switch.

## Battery charge

With the scale off just plug the USB-C cable to the connector base located in the right side.

USB-C features a new, smaller connector shape that's reversible so it's easier to plug in. Charging time is about 2 hours.



## Recommendations

Measurements in windy locations are not recommended because they introduce additional loads on sensors that distort measurements and condition the accuracy of the device.

Turn off the device after each use. Otherwise the battery can be discharged and will not work anymore.

**Keep away from heat sources. The material of the device, Polylactic Acid (PLA) can deform if there are high temperatures so it is not recommended for example to leave it in the car on sunny or hot days.**

Keep away from any contact with water.

Do not exceed the maximum weight supported.

## How to use

### Connect the display to the system

In your Smartphone/PC, search for a WiFi AP called "GliderCG-F3K" Connect to "GliderCG-F3K" AP WiFi using 123456789 as password.

In many SmartPhones you will be advised that the network selected have no internetconnection and ask about selecting another WiFi conection. You might select "No".

The time while using GliderCG F3K your device will have NO internet connection.

Open your web browser and open a new window or browse to any new URL you never typed before like [www.qkx.com](http://www.qkx.com) You will get automatically redirected to GliderCG Scale screen.

If not succesfull to see GliderCG-F3K screen then try <http://192.168.4.1> and you will get automatically redirected to GliderCG home screen.

**WARNING:** GliderCG F3K is a wireless device, however it will not present any damage if it is used in the flight field, both for the user and for other modelers, but **CAN CAUSE INTERFERENCE** to a receiver that is close to the transmitter. In the same way, in the presence of several stations, the functionality may be lost because it is an ISM device.

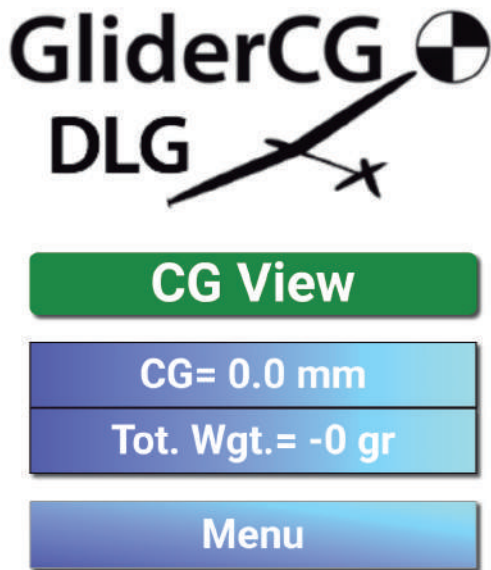
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Now you will be in the main screen that shows the center of gravity, in millimeters, as well as the total weight of the model in grams, **CG View**.

In the upper part, you can see a numbered rule that serves as a visual indicator of the CoG position.

At this time you can proceed to place your model on the upper pads of the GliderCG, making sure that the leading edge of the wing contact the two front pins.



In the lower screen you can see a button to access the device menu.



## How to use

### Browse GliderCG

By clicking on the Menu button you can access the different options of the device:



**Menu**

Batt. Level= 46%

**Scale Tare**

**CG View**

**Target View**

**Target config**

The first menu option "**Scale Tare**" allows you to zero the weight measurement or tare the scale.

## How to use

### Browse GliderCG

### GliderCG Tare

By clicking on the "Tare" button, the device will perform a Zero of all the sensors and will return you to the CG View main page.



**GliderCG Tare**

**Verify Scale is free**

**from any load**

**then press "Tare"**

**Wait a few seconds**

**to be automatically redirected**

**Tare!**

**Menu**

By clicking on the "**Menu**" option, we will return to the options menu.

The next menu option is **CG View**. By clicking on this button we will return to the CG View main screen where you can see the weight and center of gravity of our model.

## How to use

### Browse GliderCG

**Target View**, allows us to visualize the settings of the position of the center of gravity that we have saved in the Target Select menu option that we will see later.

In this screen we can see how much our CoG position has changed since we saved until the present time, due to the different modifications that we make in our models over time and modify it if necessary or in case of having several equal models, adjust them in the same way.



**Target View**

**Target CG=  
150.0mm**

**CG= 0.0 mm**

**Tot. Wgt.= -0 gr**

**Menu**

## How to use

### Browse GliderCG

**Target Select**, the menu next option , allows us to save the settings of the position of the CoG of your models to recover them later.

By clicking on the Sel. option you can choose between the models in the list and enter the name and CoG position in millimeters.



**Target Select**

No.	Name	Target	
0	PlaneA	0.0	Sel.
1	PlaneB	0.0	Sel.
2	PlaneC	0.0	Sel.
3	PlaneD	0.0	Sel.
4	PlaneE	0.0	Sel.
5	PlaneF	0.0	Sel.

**Menu**

Once the data has been entered or a model selected, two buttons will be visible: "Select" and "Save and Select" or "Cancel". Pressing them will return to the Target View screen where we can see the selected measure.

## Safety and Security

**GliderCG is not a Toy. For use only from 18 years and up.**

Use GliderCG at your own risk.

GliderCG is not responsible for any problems arising from the use of this device.

Avoid heat exposure and continuous direct sunlight.

Avoid water contact.

### Disposal Used batteries:

Batteries must not be disposed of in the domestic waste. Every consumer is legally obligated to dispose of batteries properly at the designated collection points in stores where batteries are sold.



### Appliance:

At the end of its service life, never dispose of the appliance in the domestic waste. Check with your local authority or your local waste disposal services for options regarding environmentally-friendly disposal.



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Utilice GliderCG bajo su propia responsabilidad.

GliderCG no se hace responsable de ningún problema derivado del uso de este dispositivo.

Evite la exposición al calor y la luz solar directa continua.

Evite el contacto con el agua.

### Eliminación de pilas usadas:

Las baterías no deben desecharse en la basura doméstica. Todos los consumidores están legalmente obligados a desechar las baterías adecuadamente en los puntos de recolección designados en las tiendas donde se venden las baterías.



### Aparato:

Al final de su vida útil, nunca deseché el aparato en la basura doméstica. Consulte con su autoridad local o con los servicios locales de eliminación de residuos para obtener información sobre las opciones de eliminación respetuosa con el medio ambiente.



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