

# Autonomous Aerial Assistance for Search and Rescue

## Team F

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## **ASTM F3002 - 14a:**

Standard Specification for Design of the Command and Control System for Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS)

# What it is about

This specification is provided as a consensus standard in support of an application to a nation's governing aviation authority (GAA) for a permit to operate a small unmanned aircraft system (sUAS) for commercial or public use purposes.



# Applicability

- All sUAS that are permitted to operate over a defined area and in airspace authorized by a Nation's GAA.  
Our drone is registered, and NREC is an allowable place for flying the drone
- One or more visual observers will provide for the sense and avoid requirement to avoid collisions with other aircraft.  
The team could be observers.
- Unless otherwise specified by a nation's GAA, this standard applies only to UA that have a maximum gross takeoff weight of 25 kg (55 lb) or less.  
The maximum takeoff weight of Matrice 100 is 3.6kg.

# Main General Requirements

- All C2(Command and control) system and UA(Unmanned Aircraft) components shall minimize RFI(Radio Frequency Interference) so as not to degrade C2 link performance below acceptable levels.
- All C2 system electronic components shall be protected from impacts that may occur during normal operation.



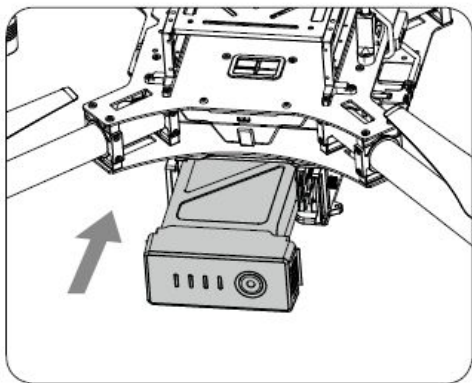
**DJI Enhanced Spread Spectrum Technology**



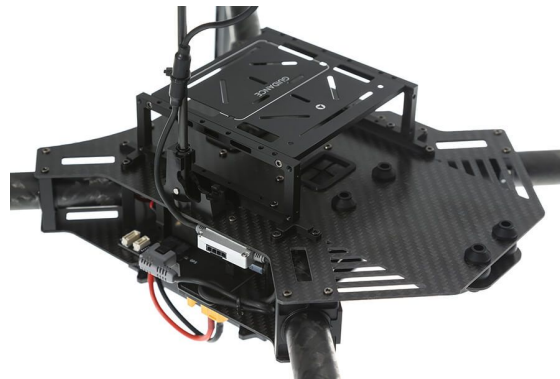
**Matrice 100 Platform**

# Main General Requirements

- Signal and power connectors for C2 electronic devices shall provide self-locking or positive locking connectors to ensure continuity of power and signal transmission during normal operation.
- The C2 system shall provide for mounting to a fixed surface using rigid or semi-rigid fasteners. (No strings, rubber bands, and glue)



**DJI's intelligent battery**



**Mounting surface of Matrice 100**

# Unmanned Aircraft

## Requirements

- Response to lost link
- Ensure safe area
- Critical component safety and mounting



## Matrice 100

- Response to lost link
  - Multiple options for return to home
    - Return to home
    - Land at current location
    - Return to GC location
- Ensure safe area
  - No fly zone
    - Height limits/Distance limits
- Critical component safety and mounting
  - GPS antenna unobstructed, foldable when not in use.



# Ground Control Station

## Requirements

- Data
- Visible GCS battery status
- Monitoring Link status
- Clean design interface for user operability



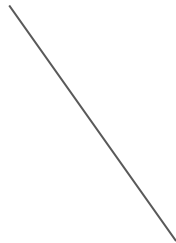
## Matrice 100

- Data
  - GPS, altitude, horizontal/vertical velocities, pitch/yaw/roll
- Visible GCS battery status
  - 5 LEDs showing battery and a beep for low battery
- Monitoring Link status
  - LED indicator for link
- Clean design interface for user operability
  - Map interface showing aircraft location at all times

# C2 Link

## Requirements

- Connectivity with Ground station
- Secure Communication



## Matrice 100

- Connectivity with Ground station
  - Status indicator
- Secure Access
  - Encrypted communication between UAV and ground station (AES)

## **ASTM F3005 - 14a:**

Standard Specification for Batteries for Use in  
Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems  
(sUAS)

# What it is about?

Defines the requirements for batteries used in small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS)

## *What it does not do?*

- Define **requirements for the systems** in which battery packs are utilized
- Address all of the safety concerns: user's responsibility

# Terminology (1/3)

## 1. **C-rating:**

Maximum steady-state current (amps) at which the battery cell or pack may be discharged without having pack temperature exceed the CTT of its constituent cell(s) or result in a reduction in cell life

## 2. **Characteristic Thermal Threshold (CTT):**

The temperature beyond which a rechargeable battery cell will exhibit permanent deterioration of its critical performance parameters

## 3. **Depth of Discharge (DOD):**

ratio of cell or pack capacity expended relative to its nominal capacity

# Terminology (2/3)

## 4. **Pack:**

a single cell or composition of battery cells connected in series or in parallel or both plus monitoring electronics, structure, and connector(s)

## 5. **Pack Assembler:**

that supplier which performs the manufacturing processes that integrate the essential components into a functional pack

## 6. **Supplier:**

any entity engaged in the design or production of a battery pack or any component of a pack intended for use in a sUAS

# Terminology (3/3)

## 7. Small unmanned aircraft system, sUAS,:



*Batteries used in any of these subsystems shall comply with this standard unless failure of the battery will not compromise safety*

# Applicability

1. **Mandatory** at any point in the sUAS system in which batteries are used, except for payload downlinks that have no effect on flight safety
2. **For all sUAS** that are permitted to operate over a defined area and in airspace defined by a **nation's GAA**  
(maximum takeoff gross weight of 55 lb/25 kg, unless otherwise specified)
3. **Criticality** derived from safety risk analysis (in decreasing order):
  - a. Loss of independent power for flight termination resulting in inability to terminate the flight safely
  - b. Failure of primary power for the FCS resulting in loss of control to permit safe flight or recovery
  - c. Failure of primary power for electric propulsion creating a ground impact hazard.



# Main prescriptions

## Divided into:

- Cells
- Mechanical Design and Assembly
- Electrical Design

Let's take a look...

# Main Prescriptions ...*related to cells*

## Responsibility of Cell Suppliers

### *Shall possess and provide:*

- Process Control Plan
- Quality Assurance Plan
- Material Safety Data Sheet
- Technical Data Sheet
- Mark cell with Lot No. and supplier name

## Responsibility of Pack Assembler

- **Lot testing:** Capacity test, Physical inspection
- **Received-Voltage test**
- **Records and certifications:**
  - Technical Data Sheet, MSDS for cells
  - Data items, by lot
  - Pack assembler's specified shipping/storage voltage
  - Lot no. -> Pack serial no.
  - Mfg. date
- **Pack Assembly Requirements**
- **Final test**

# Main Prescriptions *...related to cells*

**Responsibility of  
Pack Assembler**

- 1. Lot testing:** sample selected from each lot of cells
  - a. Capacity test: one complete charge-discharge cycle
  - b. Physical inspection: check for swelling, electrolyte leakage, out-grasping, odor, damage, etc.
  
- 2. Received-voltage test:**
  - a. Measurement made before any load/charge is applied to the cell
  - b. Shall not vary significantly from the typical chemistry-specific storage/shipping voltage
  
- 3. Final test:**
  - a. Each completed pack shall be subjected to two charge-discharge cycles, following which the pack shall be charged to its appropriate, chemistry-specific shipping/storage voltage
  - b. The pack shall demonstrate its rated capacity by means of this testing

# Our application ...*related to cells*

## Can't directly track cells

## Applies only to the battery used for flight:

- Governed by the battery manufacturer:  
DJI

## Found that DJI follows this standard:

- US DOT FAA document

### The petitioner supports his request with the following information:

The petitioner has provided the following information – contained in his petition and supporting documentation including: (1) Phantom 2 user manual v1.4 (2) Phantom 2 Quick start guide (3) Turbo Ace Matrix manual v11 (4) ASTM international manual F2500-07 standard practice for Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) visual range flight operations (5) ASTM international manual F2910-14 Standard Specification for Design and Construction of a Small Unmanned Aircraft System (sUAS) (6) ASTM manual F2911-14 Standard Practice for Production Acceptance of Small Unmanned Aircraft System (sUAS) (7) ASTM manual F3002-14a Standard Specification for Design of the Command and Control System for Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) (8) ASTM manual F3003-14 Standard Specification for Quality

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Assurance of a Small Unmanned Aircraft System (sUAS) (9) **ASTM manual F3005-14a Standard Specification for Batteries for Use in Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS)**

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# Mechanical Design and Assembly

## 1. In-Process Quality(Observable during visual scrutiny)

Make it conducive to be observed during the assemble process

## 2. Cell Connection

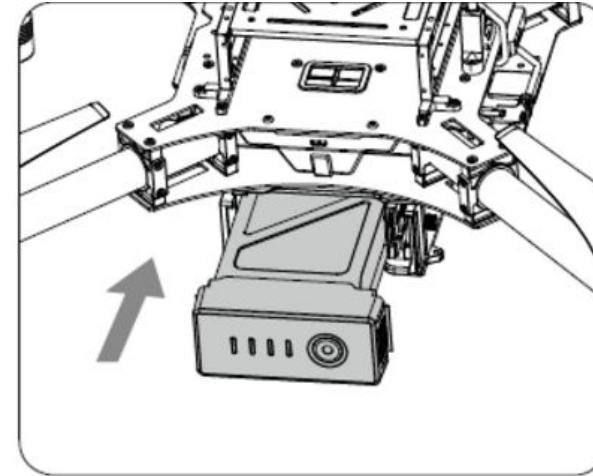
Cells shall be interconnected using techniques that minimize failure caused by vibration and impact.

## 3. Vibration

During flight not much vibration(battery casing), While landing, we have buffer below to lessen the vibration

## 4. Puncture Resistance

PVC wrap



# Mechanical Design and Assembly

## 5. Identification—Pack identification

- 1) Supplier
- 2) Capacity
- 3) Serialization
- 4) Safety Warnings
- 5) Recovery Identificat



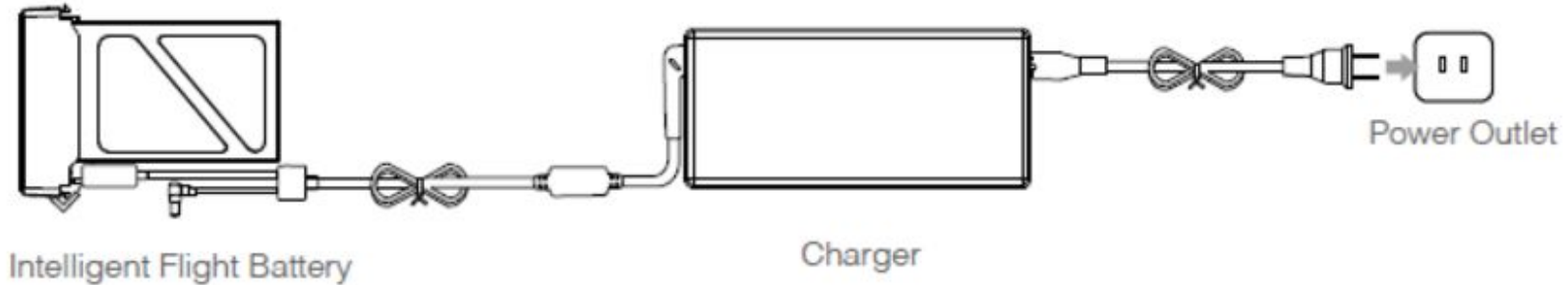
# Electrical Design

1. Capacity
2. Charge
3. Wiring
4. Connectors
  - a. Contacts
  - b. Configuration
  - c. Non-Electrical Materials
5. Node Access
6. Thermal Performance

1. 4500mAh(within 1 sigma)
2. 65%(0% not good for long-term storage)
3. Wiring
4. Connectors
  - a. Gold-plated
  - b. Heavy Duty pins for power and smaller pins for the cell-balance nodes
  - c. Non-Electrical Materials
5. No Node Access
6. Thermal Performance
  - a. The battery will only charge when its temperature is between 0°C (32°F)and 40°C (104°F).
  - b. Core temperatures below -10°C is not advised

# Maintenance

1. Charging (Specific battery chemistry)
2. Series-Cell Balancing
3. Temperature Change
4. Physical Inspection
5. Routine Evaluation
6. High/Low Utilization
7. Storage
8. Damage Evaluation
9. Disposal





**Thanks!**