



SENSORED BRUSHLESS ESC

TRODUCTION

The VIPER VTX Series sensored Electronic Speed Controller is the ultimate in engineering design from Viper R/C Solutions, Inc. Our commitment to quality and exhaustive track testing ensure that VTX series sensored Electronic Speed Controllers give you the smoothest power band and reliable performance in the most demanding R/C conditions.

Please read the following instructions carefully before installing your new VTX system.

CAUTIONS

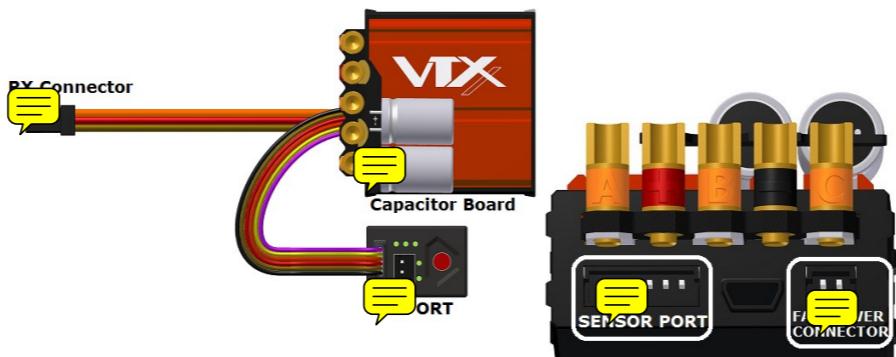
- Do not test the motor without loading. This means without a pinion gear on the motor and running the motor at full power.
- Do not connect reversed voltage. This will damage the ESC and battery.
- Pay attention to the motor and ESC timing. More timing will generate more heat on both the ESC and the motor.
- Do not leave batteries plugged into the ESC when not in use to prevent short circuits and over discharging the battery.
- Always monitor both the ESC and motor temperature after running them. Temperature should never exceed 160 degrees Fahrenheit.
- VTX series ESC features a high performance switching BEC. It requires high quality radio system. **2.4GHz** and **high quality FM radio systems** are the most suitable to work with VTX system. AM radio system will cause noise that results poor performance and operation failure of the VTX System.

VTX10/10R SPECIFICATIONS

	VTX10	VTX10R
ON Resistance	0.00045Ω * 2	0.000225Ω * 2
Max Input Voltage	17V / 4S Li-Po	17V / 4S Li-Po
Support Li-Po Cell	2S~4S	2S~4S
Max Peak BEC voltage/amp	7V / 5A	7V / 5A
Motor Limit	540 / 6.5T	550 / no limit
Dimensions (WxLxH)	30x32.5x14.5mm	30x32.5x19.5mm
Weight	47g	66g

VTX10/10R PHYSICAL DIAGRAM

- Capacitor board must be soldered properly as indicated below.
- Each solder post has is labeled to indicate motor signals (A/B/C) and power connectors (+/-). Do not apply high heat on the solder posts for more than 10 seconds to avoid damage on the VTX ESC.



V-PORT LED INDICATORS

- P = Power On (Red LED)
- S = Race Stock / Blinking Mode
(Green LED will be blinking when in Race Stock/Blinking Mode)
- F = Forward (Solid red LED at full throttle)
- N = Neutral (Green LED)
- R = Reverse/Brake
(Solid orange LED at full brake/reverse)

POWER ON/OFF VTX ESC

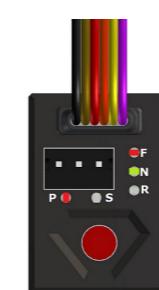
Power On = Press the red button on the **V-PORT**.

Power Off = Press and hold the red button on the **V-PORT** for three seconds. All LED's will light up and turn off individually.

RADIO CALIBRATION

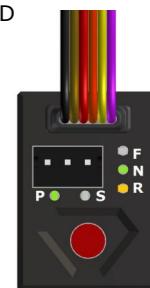
Every VIPER VTX ESC needs to run radio calibration process when it is brand new out of the package, switching radio system, or after firmware update. Process is as easy as the following steps after all wires and battery connector are properly soldered.

1. Connect a proper/charged battery pack to the ESC.
2. Turn on the transmitter with the throttle endpoint adjustments at 100% and all throttle trims centered.
3. Press and hold the red power button on the **V-PORT** for three seconds.
(Followed by beep tone, F/N LED on the **V-PORT** will be indicated as the image shown at right)



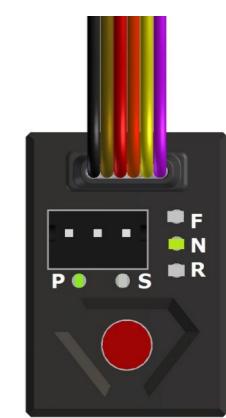
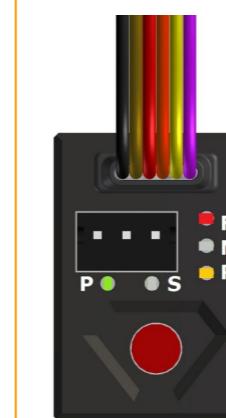
RADIO CALIBRATION CON'T

4. Pull full throttle for one second. (Followed by beep tone, N/R LED will be indicated as the image shown at right.)
5. Push full brake then release. (Followed by beep tone, all LED's will cycle.)
6. Calibration completed!



SETTING UP VTX ESC ON ProGauge

1. Power on VTX ESC. (Transmitter could be on or off.)
2. Press the red power button on the **V-PORT** for one second.
3. F/R LED will light up to indicate that the VTX is in **PROGRAMMING MODE**. (**LED indicator shown as image below**)
4. Connect the ProGauge to the **V-PORT** by with V-PORT link cable (included), and then scroll down to "Link Device" on the ProGauge menu. Use the **ESC/Up/Down/OK** keys on the ProGauge to **Change/Load/Save** settings. Please refer to Table.1 for setting option and parameters.
5. Any setting changed on ProGauge needs to be saved in order to store in the VTX system memory.
6. After saving the settings, unplug the **V-PORT** connector and press the red power button for one second to go back to **RUNNING MODE**.



V-PORT LED indicator shows in **PROGRAMMING MODE**.

D/R LED indicator shows in **RACE STOCK / BLINKING MODE**.

M/R LED indicator shows in **RACE MODIFIED MODE**.



PROGRAMMING OPTION: BRAKE

Brake Strength:

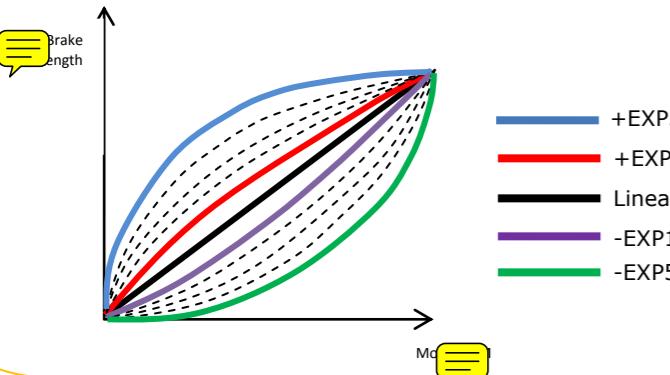
Parameters from 0% (Disabled) to 100%, (1% incremental). A lower Brake Strength percentage will have less push brakes, while a higher percentage will have stronger push brakes.

Brake PWM Frequency:

Parameters are 2000Hz / 2500Hz / 3200Hz / 4000Hz / 8000Hz / 12000Hz / 16000Hz. PWM stands for Pulse Width Modulation and is rated in Hertz, meaning cycles per second. A lower frequency will have a more aggressive braking feel. A higher frequency results in smoother braking, is more precise, and increases the ESC temperature.

Brake Curve:

Parameters are +EXP1 to +EXP5 / Linear / -EXP1 to -EXP5. A negative EXP Brake Curve will have a softer brake feel at the beginning of the brakes being engaged and get more aggressive as the brake are fully engaged. A linear Brake Curve will be uniform throughout the whole brake range. A positive EXP Brake Curve has strong brakes initially and then becomes softer.



PROGRAMMING OPTION: THROTTLE

Throttle PWM Frequency:

Parameters are 2000Hz / 2500Hz / 3200Hz / 4000Hz / 8000Hz / 12000Hz / 16000Hz. PWM stands for Pulse Width Modulation and is rated in Hertz, meaning cycles per second. A lower frequency will have a more aggressive throttle feel and have less motor RPM. A higher frequency results in smoother throttle, is more precise, produces more motor RPM, and increases the ESC temperature.

Throttle Punch:

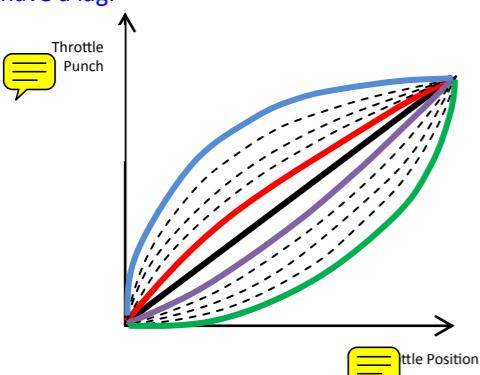
Parameters from 1% to 100%, (1% incremental). A lower Throttle Punch percentage will have a slower throttle response and feel softer initially. A higher Throttle Punch percentage will have a faster throttle response.

Throttle Curve:

Parameters are +EXP1 to +EXP5 / Linear / -EXP1 to -EXP5. A lower Throttle Curve EXP will have a softer throttle feel at the beginning of the throttle power band and get more aggressive as it is fully engaged. A linear Throttle Curve will be uniform throughout the whole throttle range. A higher Throttle Curve EXP has strong throttle initially and then becomes softer.

Dead Band:

Parameters are Off/Narrow/Middle/Wide. This is the amount of "play" when the throttle is engaged. Off makes the throttle engage more instantaneously, while Wide would have a lag.



PROGRAMMING OPTION: PROTECTION

Battery Cut Off:

Parameters from 4.5V to 13.5V, 0.1V Incremental. Allows user to set the cut-off for the appropriate voltage per type of battery used.

Motor Temperature Cut Off:

Parameters from 160 Degrees to 270 Degrees (10 degrees incremental). Motor temperature cut activation is indicated by blinking "F" and "R" LEDs.

ESC Temperature Cut Off:

Parameters from 160 Degrees to 270 Degrees (10 degrees incremental). ESC temperature cut activation is indicated by blinking "F" and "R" LEDs with solid "N" LED.

PROGRAMMING OPTION: DRAG BRAKE

Neutral Brake:

Parameters from 0% (Disabled) to 100%, 1% Incremental. This is how much brake is applied at neutral throttle. Neutral brake is still functional regardless if Dynamic Brake is enabled or not.

DYNAMIC DRAG BRAKE

Dynamic Drag Brake is an advanced function under the option of Drag Brake. It offers another step of drag brake at higher RPM of your choice. It is with 3 parameters. Trigger RPM sets the motor RPM where you wish the Dynamic Drag Brake to trigger. Max Brake Strength sets the brake strength level when Dynamic Drag Brake kicks in. Dynamic Curve sets the brake curve from Max Brake Strength to Neutral Brake point.

Max Brake Strength:

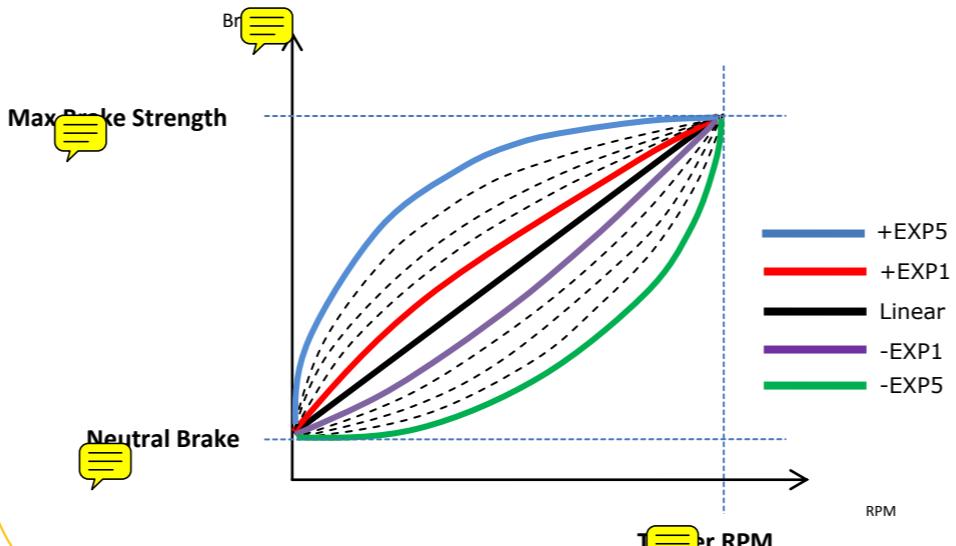
Parameters from 0% (Disabled) to 100%, (1% incremental). This is how much brake is applied at the top of the Dynamic Brake Curve, after the Activate RPM is reached.

Dynamic Curve:

Parameters are +EXP1 to +EXP5 / Linear / -EXP1 to 1EXP5. This is engaged after the Neutral Brake percentage is reached. A negative EXP Dynamic Brake Curve will have a softer brake feel at the beginning of the brakes being engaged and get more aggressive as they are fully engaged. A linear Dynamic Brake Curve will be uniform throughout the whole brake range. A positive EXP Dynamic Brake Curve has strong brakes initially and then becomes softer.

Trigger RPM:

Parameters from 500RPM to 60000RPM, (500RPM incremental). The motor RPM that engages the Max Brake Strength.



PROGRAMMING OPTION: MOTOR POWER

VIPER VTX series ESC offers advanced timing system for extreme racing competitions. The MOTOR POWER has 2 sections with 5 parameters. It allows you to set up and enhance acceleration and top speed performance. Tips: Always start testing the MOTOR TIMING with minimum advanced timing. Most sensored brushless motors have 30 degrees physical advanced timing with adjustable end bell for more or less timing. The total advanced timing (motor + ESC) should not be over 60 degrees for optimized performance and efficiency.

Warning: MOTOR TIMING option generates a lot of power and will easily overheat and moreover to damage both ESC and motor. VIPER R/C SOLUTIONS will not be responsible for any equipment damage caused by MOTOR POWER settings.

ACCELERATION BOOST

Start RPM:

Parameters from 500 to 30000 RPM (500 RPM incremental). This sets the start RPM that acceleration timing engages. This parameter should be based on the motor KV and the track condition. To calculate Start RPM:

$$\text{Start RPM} = \text{Motor KV} \times 6.4 \times 0.3$$

For example, if the motor KV is 2000, it will be $2000 \times 6.4 \times 0.3 = 3840$. Then you set the START RPM = 3500 to 4000

Set Up Tips: Lower start RPM does not mean to have more power at lower end. The motor needs to have enough RPM before the acceleration timing could kick in efficiently. Try to start the parameter at higher side and monitor the motor temperature before making next adjustment.

Finish RPM:

Parameters from 500 to 50000 RPM (500 RPM incremental). This sets the start RPM that acceleration timing finishes. To calculate the Finish RPM:

$$\text{FINISH RPM} = \text{Motor KV} \times 6.4$$

For example, if the motor KV is 2000, it will be $2000 \times 6.4 = 12800$. Then you set the finish RPM = 12000 to 13000

Max Advanced Timing:

Parameters from 0 to 40 degrees (1 degree incremental). This sets the maximum advanced timing at the time the motor reaches the set Finish RPM.

TOP SPEED TIMING

Slew Rate:

Parameters from 1 to 50 degrees/1000RPM (1 degree incremental). This sets how fast the ESC reaches the maximum advanced top speed timing. The larger number will have more aggressive top speed acceleration while the smaller number will have smoother feel.

Max Advanced Timing:

Parameters from 0 to 40 degrees. This sets the maximum advanced timing at the time the motor reaches top speed range.

PROGRAMMING OPTION: MISC CONTROL

Run Mode:

Parameters are Practice/Race Stock/Race Modified. Practice allows all settings to be adjusted on the ESC. Also, it allows reverse. Race Stock locks out reverse and does not allow any Motor Timing to be adjusted. Race Modified locks out reverse while maintaining Motor Timing adjustability.

SBEC Voltage:

Parameters from 5.0V to 7.0V (0.1V incremental). A higher voltage will make servos react faster at the expense of a shorter life span. However, do not set SBEC Voltage above the servo manufacturer's recommended voltage.

Forward Power:

Parameters from 50% to 100%(1% incremental). This setting allows you to limit the forward power.

Reverse Power:

Parameters from 25% to 100%(1% incremental). This setting allows you to limit the reverse power.

Auto Power Off:

Parameters from 1 to 10 minutes(1 minute incremental). This allows the user to set the ESC to power off if it remains in neutral for the amount of minutes set.

UTILIZE FACTORY PRE-LOAD PROFILES

VIPER VTX series ESC was designed with 8 profiles space for storing settings for different tracks/applications, and for easy /quick changes. We have spent countless track hours to test VTX series ESC and designed 8 factory pre-loaded profiles for drivers who need easier and quicker start of using VIPER VTX ESC without a ProGauge. For drivers who use VIPER VTX-LITE version without a ProGauge, this will allow a quick way to switch to the most suitable profile to start using VTX ESC in just a few minutes.

CHANGE PROFILE WITHOUT A ProGauge

1. Connect a proper/charged battery pack to the ESC.
2. Power on transmitter.
3. Press and hold the red power button on the **V-PORT** for three seconds.
(Followed by beep tone, F/N LEDs on the **V-PORT** will be indicated as the image shown at right)
4. Press the corresponding number of time of the desired profile (refer to TABLE.1 below) on the red power button on the **V-PORT**. For example, press 5 times if you wish to load profile 5. The F/R LEDs will be indicated on every button press.
5. Release the power button for 3 seconds. The VTX ESC will save the profile number and F/R LEDs will be flashing the number of time of the corresponding profile that it was saved.
6. The VTX ESC will then run an auto system reset. The F/R LEDs will flash the corresponding profile number every time after beeping of system initialization.



TABLE.1 VIPER VTX10/10R FACTORY PRE-LOAD PROFILES

Profile #	Application	Intended Motors	Brake		Dynamic Brake		Throttle		Motor Power		SC Control		Protection			
			Strength	Curve	Neutral Brake	Trigger RPM	Max Brake Strength	Curve	Punch	Curve	Acceleration Boost	Top Speed Timing	SBEC Voltage	Reverse Power	Battery Cutoff	ESC Temp Cut
1	SPEC off road no-boost	13.5T to 21.5T	100%	Linear	10%	Disable	Disable	100%	Linear	Disable	Disable	6.0V	Disable	6.4V	220 ° F	
2	MOD off road no-boost	6.5T to 10.5T	100%	Linear	10%	12000RPM	5%	Linear	70%	Linear	Disable	Disable	6.0V	Disable	6.4V	220 ° F
3	SPEC off road 13.5T boost	13.5T	100%	Linear	10%	11000RPM	5%	Linear	100%	Linear	30 °	20 °	6.0V	Disable	6.4V	220 ° F
4	SPEC off road 17.5T boost	17.5T	100%	Linear	10%	10000RPM	5%	Linear	100%	Linear	30 °	20 °	6.0V	Disable	6.4V	220 ° F
5	SPEC on road no-boost	13.5T to 21.5T	100%	Linear	10%	Disable	Disable	100%	Linear	Disable	Disable	6.0V	Disable	6.4V	220 ° F	
6	MOD on road no-boost	2.5T to 10.5T	80%	Linear	12%	14000RPM	7%	Linear	60%	Linear	Disable	Disable	6.0V	Disable	6.4V	220 ° F
7	SPEC on road boost	13.5T to 21.5T	100%	Linear	10%	10000RPM	5%	Linear	100%	Linear	30 °	30 °	6.0V	Disable	6.4V	220 ° F
8	PRACTICE no-boost	Turns	100%	Linear	10%	Disable	Disable	Disable	100%	Linear	Disable	Disable	6.0V	50%	6.4V	220 ° F

TABLE.2 VIPER VTX10/10R PROGRAMMING PARAMETERS

Root Menu	Menu / Options	Sub Menu	Menu / Option Parameters	Option Parameters
Change Setting	Brake	Brake Strength	0% (disable) to 100% (1% incremental)	
		Brake PWM Frequency	2000Hz/2500Hz/3200Hz/4000Hz/5000Hz/6400Hz/8000Hz/9600Hz/12000Hz/16000Hz	
		Brake Curve	EXP1 to EXP5 / Linear / -EXP1 to -EXP5	
	Drag Brake	Neutral Brake	0% (disable) to 100% (1% incremental)	
		Max Brake Strength	0% (disable) to 100% (1% incremental)	
		Dynamic Brake	EXP1 to EXP5 / Linear / -EXP1 to -EXP5	
	Throttle	Trigger RPM	Disable, 500RPM to 60000RPM, 500RPM incremental	
		Throttle PWM Frequency	2000Hz/2500Hz/3200Hz/4000Hz/5000Hz/6400Hz/8000Hz/9600Hz/12000Hz/16000Hz	
		Throttle Punch	1% to 100% (1% incremental)	
		Throttle Curve	EXP1 to EXP5 / Linear / -EXP1 to -EXP5	
	Motor Power	Dead Band	off/Narrow/Middle/Wide	
		Acceleration Boost	Start RPM Finish RPM Max Advanced Timing	500 to 30000 RPM (500 RPM incremental) 500 to 50000 RPM (500 RPM incremental) 0 to 40 Degrees (1 degree incremental)
		Top Speed Timing	Slew Rate Max Advanced Timing	1 to 50 degrees/1000RPM (1 degree/1000RPM incremental) 0 to 40 Degrees (1 degree incremental)
		Run Mode	Practice/Race Stock/Race Modified	
		Hole Shot Launch	Disable/1 to 5 second (1 second incremental)	
	Misc Control	SBEC Voltage	5.0V to 7.0V (0.1V incremental)	
		Forward Power	50% to 100% (1% incremental)	
		Reverse Power	25% to 100% (1% incremental)	
		Auto Power Off	Disable, 1 to 10 Minutes (1 minute incremental)	
	Protection	Battery Cut Off	4.5V to 13.5V (0.1V incremental)	
		Motor Temperature Cut	Disable, 160 degrees to 270 degrees (10 degrees incremental)	
		ESC Temperature Cut	Disable, 160 degrees to 270 degrees (10 degrees incremental)	
Setting Saving	Profile 1 to 8			

PRODUCT WARRANTY

Your VIPER VTX series sensorless ESC is guaranteed to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of 365 days. Your **original receipt** showing the item and the date and place of purchase is required with your warranty service application. An ESC that is found to have been mishandled, abused or used incorrectly, including use in an application other than that for which the ESC is intended, will not be covered under the warranty. Viper R/C Solutions, Inc. has no control over the use of the ESC application with other electronic devices such as motors and batteries. Viper R/C Solutions, Inc. is not liable for any loss or damage, whether direct or indirect, incidental, or consequential, or any situation from the use, misuse or abuse of the product. Your VTX series sensorless ESC is not a toy. This product is not intended for use by a child under age of 14 without adult supervision. The VTX ESC generates a lot of power that could result physical injuries. By setting up, connecting or operating the product, the user accepts all related liabilities.

SERVICE & SUPPORT

- All requests for warranty service require the original proof of purchase showing the item, date, price, and dealer info.
- For service, please visit www.viper-rc.com and follow the service instructions for the quickest turnaround time. Or call us at 1-866-2068558.
- For all technical questions, please visit www.viper-rc.com for the corresponding FAQ, or e-mail your question to technical.support@viper-rc.com.

