

Turnigy 9X Mode 1 to Mode 2 conversion

This guide will show how to change the sticks on a Turnigy 9X from Mode 1 to Mode 2.

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INTRODUCTION

The Turnigy 9X is an inexpensive and highly hackable transmitter for remote controlled aircraft. This guide will show how to change a Turnigy 9X from Mode 1 (with the throttle on the right and elevator on the left) to Mode 2 (with the throttle on the left and the elevator on the right).

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TOOLS:

- Flathead Screwdriver (1)
- To push a retaining pin into place
- Large Needle Nose Pliers (1)
- Paper Clip (1)

To push out a retaining pin

Phillips #0 Screwdriver (1)

Step 1 — Turnigy 9X Mode 1 to Mode 2 conversion

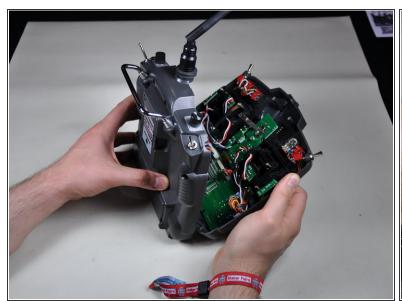


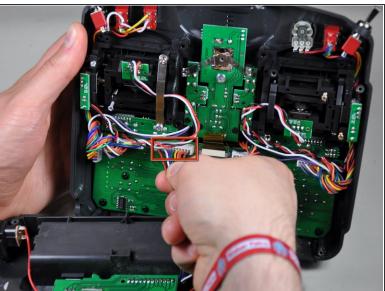
- The Turnigy 9X, set up for Mode 1.
 Notice the left stick is centered in both axes, while the right stick is only centered horizontally.
- in this guide "right stick" and "left stick" refer to the positions of the sticks when viewed from the front of the case.

Step 2

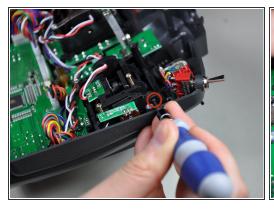


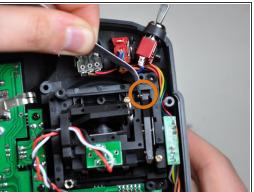
 Remove the six screws around the back of the case.

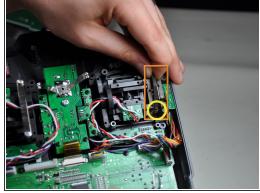




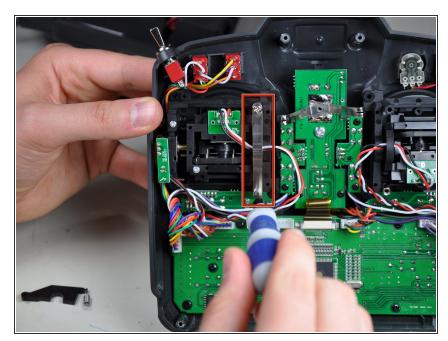
- Separate the front and back halves of the case.
- Disconnect the cable linking the rear half to the front half.



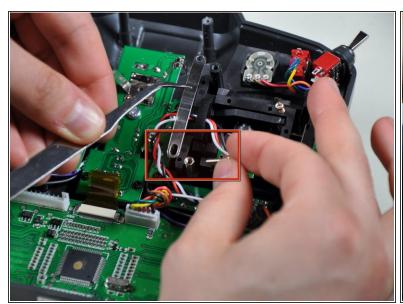


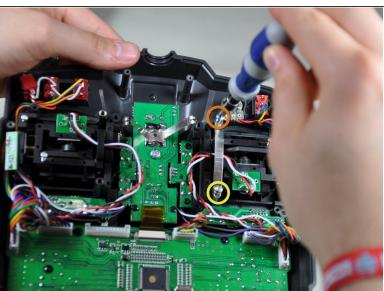


- Remove the spring arm and spring for the left stick.
- Push out the retaining pin.
- Remove the retaining pin and spring arm.
- Remove the spring.

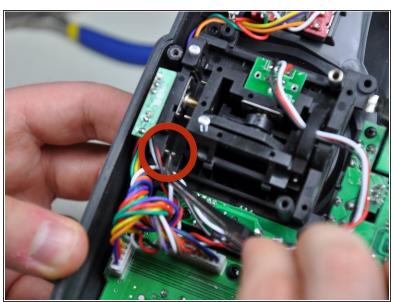


 Remove the tensioner from the right stick.





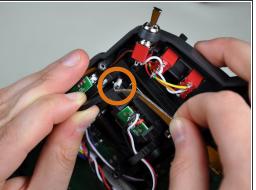
- Attach the tensioner to the left stick.
- Make sure you have the larger slot and machine screw on the metal post.
- Fully tighten down the screw in the plastic post.
- Use the screw in the metal post to adjust the tension on the left stick.

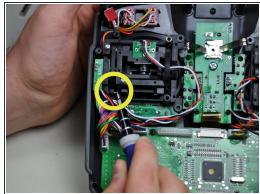




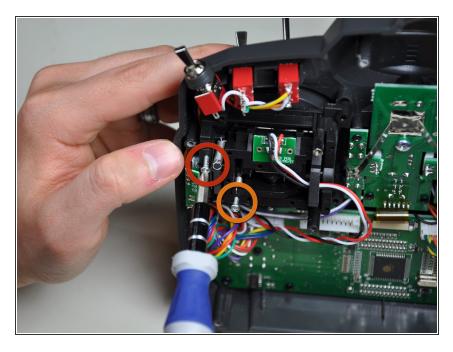
- Remove the retaining pin from the right stick.
- Drop the retaining pin into the spring arm. It is a loose fit, so it will freely drop straight through if the arm isn't held level.



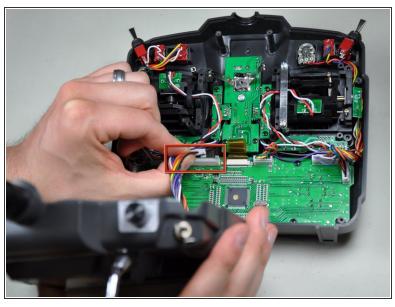




- Attach the spring to the plastic hook on the right stick.
- Hook the spring over the end of the spring arm.
- Line the spring arm up with the hole in the right stick casing and push the pin into place so it is flush with the side of the spring arm.



- You can now adjust the spring tension for the right stick.
- Vertical movement spring tension set screw
- Horizontal movement spring tension set screw





- Reconnect the cable linking the front and back halves of the transmitter.
- Close up the case and enjoy your Mode 2 transmitter.

To change from Mode 2 to Mode 1, use the same instructions but swap the left and right stick references.