

Lastly, set your drop time:

Release the Post and observe how fast the SOLO drops.

Count the number of seconds until the Post passes vertical. Your target for the Drop Time is 2 seconds.

If your Drop Time is MORE than 2 seconds, is completely neutral or the SOLO inverts when held by the Gimbal Handle:

Extend the monopod post by an inch or so (if possible.)

OR add 2 more weights to the Wings.

If your Drop Time is LESS than 2 seconds (the SOLO drops too fast):

Retract the monopod post by an inch or so (if possible.)

OR remove 2 more weights from the Wings.

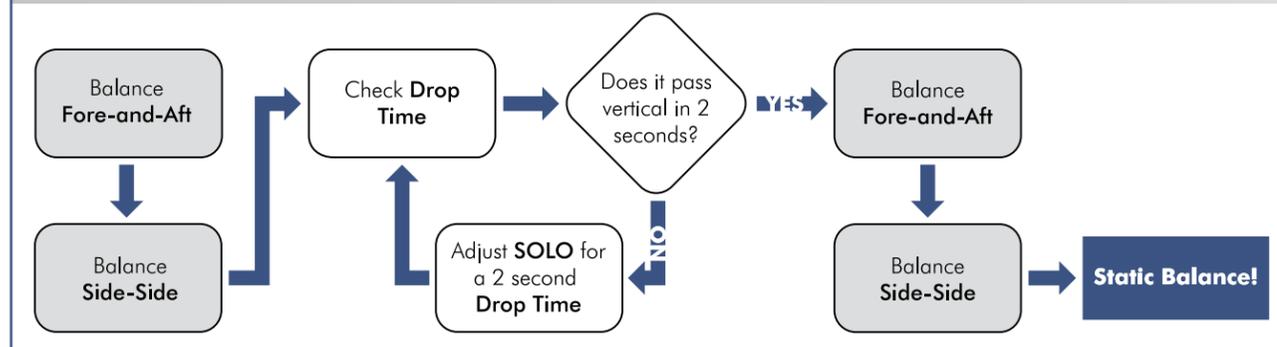


Quick Start Guide

STEADICAM[®] SOLO[™]



Static Balance Quick Reference Flow Chart



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First, find your Camera's Center of Gravity

Thank you for purchasing the new Steadicam SOLO. This quick reference guide will help you to get your SOLO balanced and ready for use.

Please visit:
www.tiffen.com/manual/SOLO
 to download the full setup and users manual to guide you through more detailed setup and operating instructions.



Build the camera exactly as you plan to use it

Install the **battery** and **media card** (or tape or film!) Attach ALL camera accessories, in a compact setup with no loose wires.



Find the center of balance of your camera

Use a pen or something round to find the **Fore-and-Aft** balance point. When found, mark the point on the camera using a piece of tape.



Rotate the camera 90° and find the **Side-to-Side** balance point. When found, mark the point on the camera using a piece of tape.

Next, mount your camera to the Steadicam SOLO



Fasten the camera to the **QR plate** securely with the appropriate camera screw. Ensure the **Fore-and-Aft** and **Side-to-Side** balance points are centered on the plate with the lens parallel to the plate.



Mount camera to Top Stage with QR Plate

Slide the **QR Plate** onto the **Top Stage**, position your **Fore-and-Aft** mark at or slightly behind the **CENTER** of the Post.



Tighten the **Lock Knob** to ensure the **QR Plate**, won't slide.



Using the **Side-to-Side Adjuster Knob**, align your **Side-to-Side** mark with the **CENTER** of the Post.

Next, balance the camera on the SOLO



Fold out the **Wings** and add **Balance Weights** as recommended in the chart below.
 See www.tiffen.com/manual/SOLO for more detailed balance instructions.

Quick reference guide to SOLO setup:

Camera is 2-5 lbs.	Start with 1 Weight	23" Post extension
Camera is 5-8 lbs.	Start with 3 Weights	25" Post extension
Camera is 8-10 lbs.	Start with 4 Weights	27" Post extension



Use the **Fore-and-Aft Adjuster Knob** to balance the **Post** vertically.



Use the **Side-to-Side Adjuster Knob** to balance the **Post** vertically.



TIP: Always move the weight **UPHILL** to balance.