





Materials Needed:

Envelope (Mylar Balloon or Custom Material)

- **Material:** 2 square meters of Mylar sheet, 5-micron thickness (lightweight and airtight).
- **Helium port:** A small valve suitable for helium inflation.
- **Sealant:** Heat sealer or airtight double-sided adhesive tape.

Frame (Carbon Fiber or Similar Lightweight Material)

- **Carbon fiber rods:**
 - 2 pieces, 1 meter each (for the long sides).
 - 2 pieces, 0.3 meters each (for the shorter sides).
 - 2 pieces, 0.1 meters each (for vertical supports).
- **Connectors:** Nylon brackets for securing corners or lightweight epoxy glue.

Propulsion System

- **Motors:**
 - 2 DC brushless motors (e.g., 1806 motors for drones).
 - Thrust: 200-300 grams each.
- **Propellers:**
 - 2 pieces, 5 cm diameter, compatible with the motors.
- **Electronic Speed Controllers (ESCs):**
 - 2 small ESCs to regulate motor speed.

Control Surfaces (Rudder and Elevator)

- **Material:** Thin plastic or foam sheets for lightweight control surfaces.
- **Hinges:**
 - 4 small plastic or metal hinges (2 per surface).
- **Servo motors:**
 - 2 mini servos (e.g., SG90 or similar).

Electrical Components

- **Battery:** 7.4V 2S LiPo battery, 1000-1500mAh.
- **RC Receiver and Controller:** 4-channel RC transmitter and receiver set.
- **Wiring:** Lightweight insulated copper wires (20-22 gauge).

- **Miscellaneous:** JST connectors, soldering wire, and a small soldering iron.

Miscellaneous Tools

- Heat sealer or tape, small screwdriver set, wire cutters, zip ties, and lightweight glue.

Assembly:

Step 1: Attach Motors and Propellers

1. **Bracket Mounting:**
 - Use nylon brackets or clamps to attach the motors to the sides of the carbon fiber frame. Ensure they are secured symmetrically to maintain balance.
 - Use screws to fix the motors onto the brackets tightly.
2. **Attach Propellers:**
 - Place the propellers onto the motor shafts, aligning them with the motor threads.
 - Tighten the propeller nuts to ensure they are securely attached.
3. **Wire the Motors:**
 - Connect the motor leads to the ESCs. Use soldering or connectors to ensure solid connections.
 - Route the ESC wires neatly along the frame using zip ties.

Step 2: Install Control Surfaces

1. **Cut and Shape the Surfaces:**
 - Cut the rudder and elevator out of foam or thin plastic sheets. Dimensions: rudder (8x5 cm), elevator (10x4 cm).
2. **Hinge Installation:**
 - Attach 2 small hinges to each control surface using glue or screws.
 - Secure the hinges onto the rear of the frame.
3. **Attach Servo Motors:**
 - Mount the servos near the rudder and elevator.
 - Use servo horns and linkages to connect the servos to the control surfaces.
 - Test the range of motion to ensure smooth operation.

Step 3: Wire the Components

1. **Connect Motors to Receiver:**
 - Plug the ESC signal wires into the designated channels on the receiver.
2. **Connect Servo Motors to Receiver:**
 - Plug the servo signal wires into channels designated for rudder and elevator control.
3. **Power Setup:**
 - Connect the battery to the ESCs using a JST connector.
4. **Test Connections:**
 - Power on the system and test motor and servo operations using the RC transmitter. Adjust as necessary.