



DEVILS

Deep Extragalactic Visible Legacy Survey

Support Astronomer Guide Version 0.1

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1 Overview

2 In The Day

2.1 Initial Checks

1. **Check the run number is set to 1.** This should be done in a pop-up window that appears each day at 11am.
2. **Check/Set program ID to correct value.** This is done in the **2df Control Task** > Commands window (**ORANGE 1** in Figure 1).
3. **Set ADC to NULL.** This is also done in the **2df Control Task** window. Select 'more' under ADC (**RED 1** in Figure 1), and the 'null ADC'.
4. **Check configuration files are available.** Check that the configuration files for the night have been copied to the correct `/configs/devils/YYYYMMDD/` directory on aatlsh.

2.2 Take Biases

Use the **CCD Control** window.

1. **Ensure dark screens are closed on AAOmega.** This needs to be done in the spectrograph room. Drop the screen over both the red and blue CCD.
2. **Set exposure time to 0.** This is set in the box labelled with the **RED 1** in Figure 2.
3. **Set observation to 'Bias'.** Found at **RED 2** in Figure 2.
4. **Set run type to 'Normal'.** Found at **RED 3** in Figure 2.
5. **Set exposures to 10.** Exposure numbers are set at the **RED 4** in Figure 2.

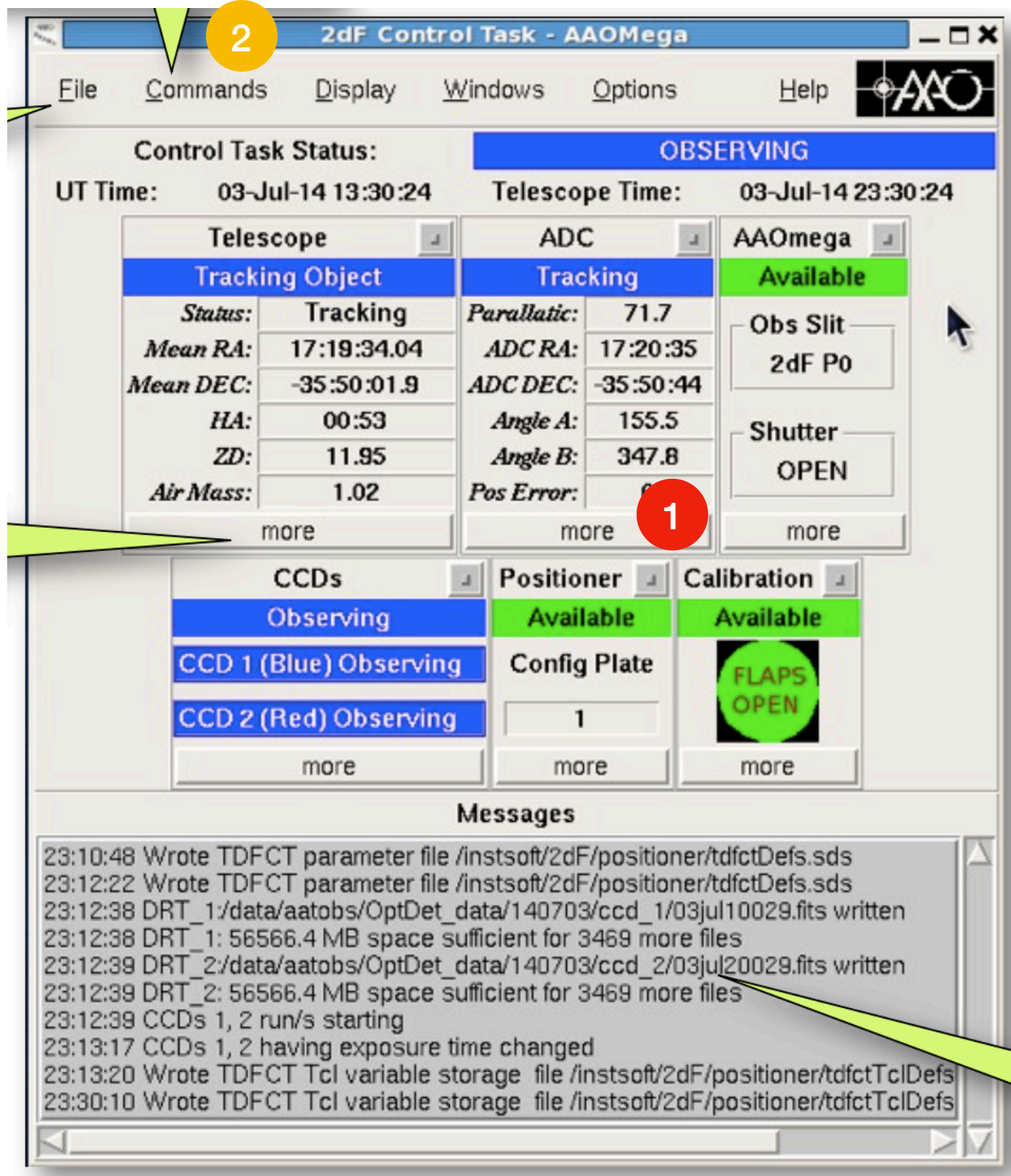


Figure 1: 2dF Control Task Window

6. **Start running exposures.** This is done by hitting the 'Start CCD Run' button - BLUE 7 in Figure 2. While the exposures are 0sec, this will take ~ 15 min as the CCDs.
7. **Lift dark screen.** Once finished, ensure that the dark screens are lifted.

2.3 Configure First Plate on 2dF

Use the **Positioner Control** window.

1. **Check Plate Number.** Check that the correct plate number (0,1) is the configuration plate currently on 2dF. This can be found in the **POSITIONER CONTROL** window (RED 1 in Figure ??, or at the top of the **POSITIONER** window (RED 2 in Figure ??). You should also see that it is the top plate in the small image on the **POSITIONER** window (RED 3).
2. **If needed, Tumble.** If you need to change the plate you can do so in the **POSITIONER CONTROL** window but hitting 'Tumble' at the ORNAGE 5.
3. **Copy .sds file for configuration.** In the xterm copy the configuration file you want to use from `/configs/devils/YMMDD/` to `instsoft/2df/configs/*mon*17/*DDmon*/`.
4. **Load .sds file for configuration.** You can now see the configuration file to load. Select 'Find File' in the **POSITIONER** window (GREEN 6 in Figure ??).
5. **Set the start time and duration.** For your configuration, set the start time (local time in 24h format, PURPLE 7) and duration (in hours, PURPLE 8) in Figure ??.
6. **Set the Weather Conditions.** Select the 'Weather' tab in the **POSITIONER CONTROL** window. The hit 'Fetch from Weather...' button. NOTE: if you are configuring in the day, take a few degrees off the fetched weather for the drop in the night. Write down the 'Positioning Stats' on the 2dF observer sheet.
7. **Check Wavelengths.** Select the 'Wavelengths' tab in the **POSITIONER CONTROL** window. Check that they are 6000, 2000, 5000.
8. **Check Input Parameters.** Return to the correct plate tab on the **POSITIONER CONTROL** window and check the Field, Plate, Time, Duration and configuration you have set.
9. **Check Input Parameters.** Return

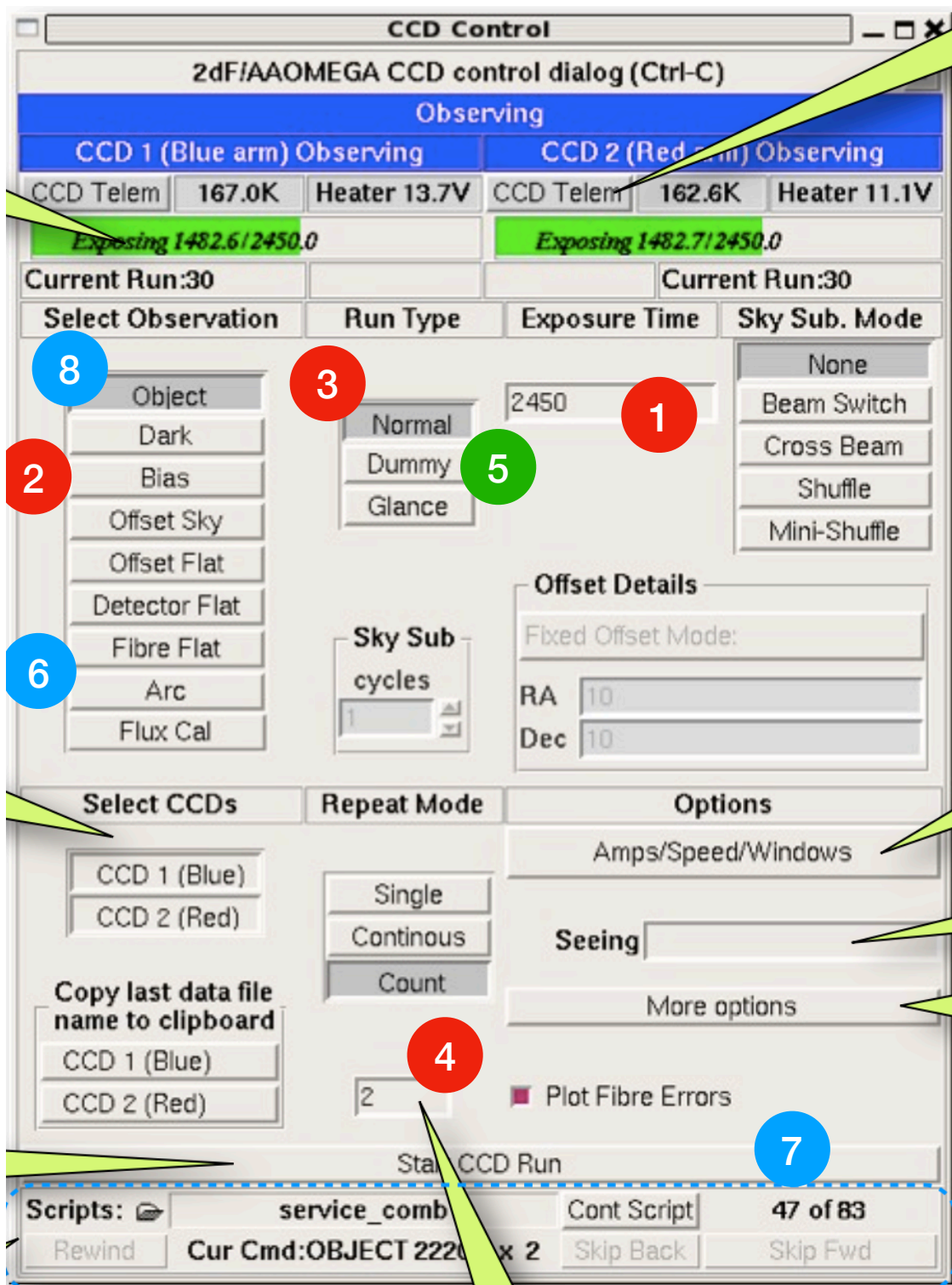


Figure 2: CCD Control Window