

Telescope Setup Checklist

For Astrophotography

- Columnation
- Physical Setup
 - ☐ Tripod
 - ☐ Mount
 - ☐ Roughly pointed North.
 - ☐ Leveled
 - ☐ Counterweights and endcap
 - ☐ Optical Tube on Dovetail
 - ☐ Finderscope
 - ☐ Guide Scope
 - ☐ Guidescope Camera
 - ☐ RJ45 cable to mount.
 - ☐ Optical Train
 - ☐ Extender Rings (optional)
 - ☐ Filter Wheel (optional)
 - ☐ Camera
 - ☐ Connect Hand Controller
 - ☐ Connect Power
 - ☐ Balance
 - ☐ Aim Telescope toward Polaris
 - ☐ Engage Clutch (light)
- Rough Polar Alignment
 - ☐ Power on.
 - ☐ Disengage clutches and turn 90 degrees in DEC.
 - ☐ Turn RA so that polar scope is oriented vertically.
 - ☐ Rough Polar Align through Polar Scope
 - ☐ Return RA and DEC to Home position (toward Polaris).