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**VNM DIRECT DRIVE USER MANUAL**

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***Please read the manual carefully before installing or operating the wheelbases.***

# **1. VNM Direct Drive Wheelbase specifications**

VNM Direct Drive Wheelbase Family (abbreviated as: “wheelbase”) has 4 types which have different specifications as bellow

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Premier | Elite | Supreme | Xtreme |
| SKU | VNM-DDPRE01 | VNM-DDELI01 | VNM-DDSUP01 | VNM-DDXTR01 |
| Motor | 5 polepairs smooth motor | 5 polepairs smooth motor | 5 polepairs smooth motor | 5 polepairs smooth motor |
| Encoder | 23-bit encoder | 23-bit encoder | 23-bit encoder | 23-bit encoder |
| Maximum torque | 13Nm | 18Nm | 25Nm | 32Nm |
| VNM QR Base Side | Included | Included | Included | Included |
| EMC Stop Button | Regular (Superior optional) | Regular  (Superior optional) | Superior | Superior |
| Power supply | 300 W | 360 W | 480w | 480w |
| Wheelbase  Dimensions (without QR base side) | 130x130x228mm | 130x130x247mm | 130x130x267mm | 130x130x271 mm |
| Wheelbase weight |  |  |  | 50x36x25 cm |
| Packing Box |  |  |  | 16.5kg |
| Box includes | * Wheelbase * Power Supply * USB A to B cable * USB A to C cable * EMC Stop Button * VNM Quick Release Base Side * 4xM8 bolts * A hex wrench set | | | |

# **2. Wheelbase Mounting Pattern**

## **2.1. Front mounting pattern**

All wheelbase of VNM has same front mounting pattern as following:

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Figure 1. VNM Wheelbase Front dimensions

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Figure 2. Mounting VNM Wheelbase on a simulator rig front mount bracket.

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Figure 3. Mounting VNM Wheelbase using a mounting bracket

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Wheelbase Xtreme | is mounted with 4xM8 bolts length 30mm with 1,25mm thread pitch (1); 4xM8 spring washers (2); 4xM8 flat washers (3) and 4xM8 nuts (4) in Figure 2 |
| Wheelbase Premier, Elite, Supreme | are mounted with 4xM8 bolts length 25mm with 1,25mm thread pitch (1); 4xM8 spring washers (2) and 4 xM8 flat washers (3) in Figure 3. |

## **2.2. Side mounting pattern**

Only The wheelbase Premier, Elite, Supreme have side mounting pattern

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Figure 4. VNM Wheelbase Premier, Elite, Supreme side mounting pattern

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Figure 5. Mount VNM Wheelbase Premier, Elite, Supreme with side mount bracket.

Wheelbase Premier, Elite. Supreme are mounted with 4xM8 bolts length 20mm with 1,25mm thread pitch (1);4xM8 spring washers (2) and 4xM8 flat washers (3).

## **2.3. Bottom mounting pattern**

Only The wheelbase Premier, Elite, Supreme have bottom mounting pattern

**2.3.1. The Wheelbase Premier**

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Figure 6. VNM Wheelbase Premier mounting pattern.

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Figure 7. Mounting VNM Wheelbase Premier on bottom mounting bracket.

Wheelbase Premier is mounted with 4 x M8 bolts length 20mm with 1,25mm thread pitch (1); 4 x M8 spring washers (2) and 4 x M8 flat washers (3).

**2.3.2. The Wheelbase Elite**

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Figure 8. VNM Wheelbase Elite bottom mounting pattern.

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Figure 9. Mounting VNM Wheelbase Elite on bottom mounting bracket.

Wheelbase Elite is mounted with 4xM8 bolts length 20mm with 1,25mm thread pitch (1); 4xM8 spring washers (2) and 4xM8 flat washers (3).

**2.3.3. The Wheelbase Supreme**

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Figure 10. VNM Wheelbase Supreme bottom dimensions

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Figure 11. Mounting VNM Wheelbase Supreme on bottom mounting bracket.

Wheelbase Supreme is mounted with 4xM8 bolts length 20mm with 1,25mm thread pitch (1);4xM8 spring washers (2) and 4xM8 flat washers (3).

# **3. Connection**

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Figure 12. Connection ports of VNM Wheelbase.

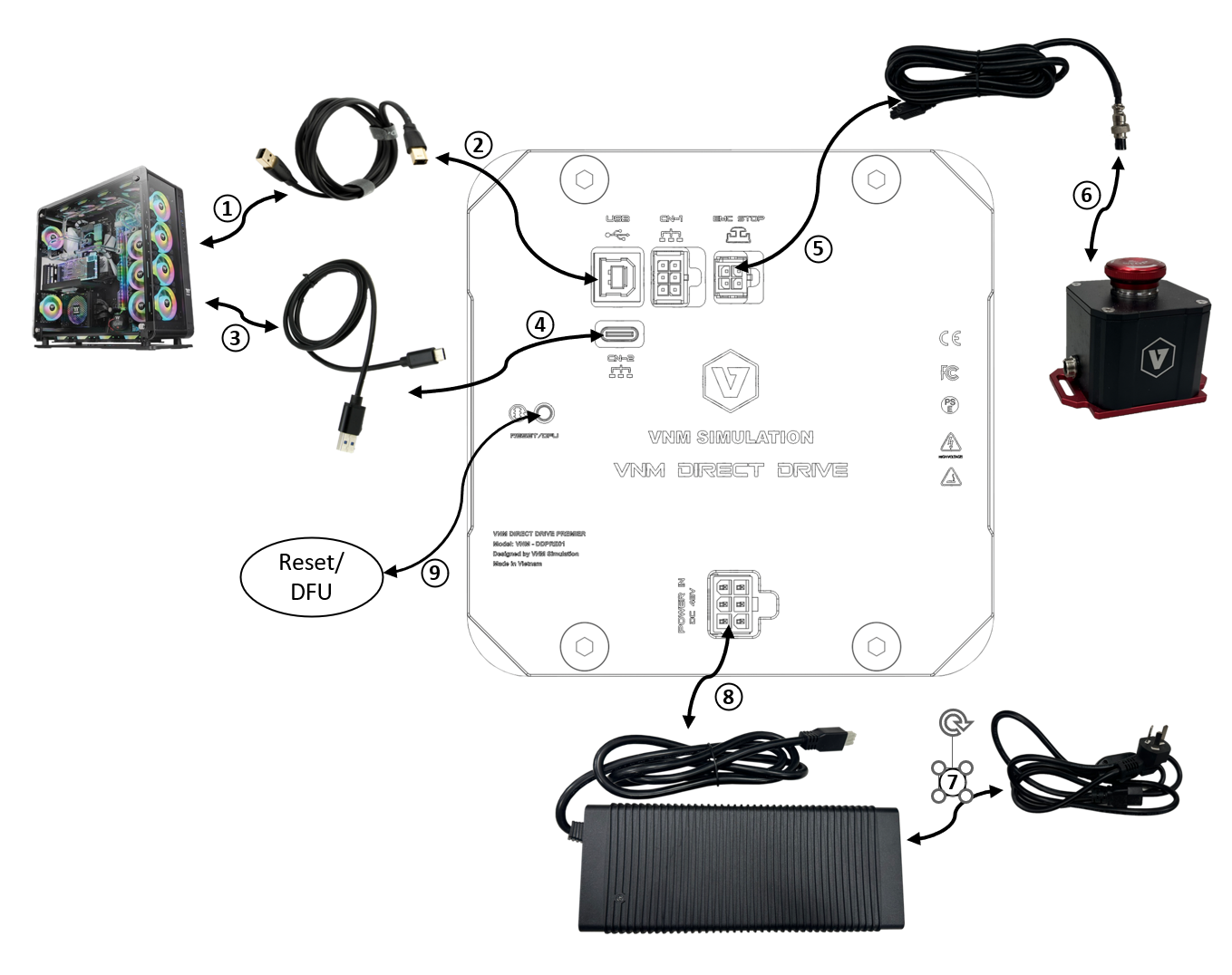
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Figure 13. Connection ports of VNM Wheelbase Supreme

Wheelbase Premier, Lite uses a normal EMC Stop Button, and lower power adapters which has different appearance and the connection are same with the wheelbase Supreme.

CN-4 is used for future use.

**Disclaimer:**

Please note that the appearance of VNM wheelbases may vary from the illustrations in this User Manual and from the product images on the VNM Simulation website (https://vnmsimulation.com)

# **4. Product safety warnings and instructions**

## **4.1. Intended Use and User Responsibility**

* The Wheelbase Supreme and Xtreme are designed for professional use only. Any other usage is at the user's own risk.
* These wheelbases are intended for use by adults who are in good physical and mental health.

## **4.2. Torque and Control**

* The wheelbases can generate high torque up to 32Nm.
* Do not set the torque level higher than what can be safely managed with one hand.
* If the torque becomes uncontrollable, release the steering wheel and press the EMC stop button.

## **4.3. Damage and Contact**

* If the wheelbase shows any signs of damage, discontinue use immediately and contact the seller or VNM Simulation.

## **4.4. Indoor Use and Environmental Conditions**

* These wheelbases are intended for indoor use only.
* Avoid exposing the wheelbases to heat sources or direct sunlight.
* Do not place the wheelbases in damp environments or in contact with water.
* Recommended operating temperature: 10-35 degrees Celsius.

## **4.5. Power Supply and Connection**

* Unplug the power cord during thunderstorms or when the wheelbase will not be used for extended periods.
* Always connect the DC side of the power supply to the wheelbase before connecting the AC side to the power outlet.
* Only use the power supply and power cord provided with the wheelbase or obtained from an authorized reseller.

## **4.6. Device Handling and Safety**

* Do not open the casing of the wheelbase.
* Handle the power supply with care to avoid damage.
* The wheelbase contains magnets that may interfere with electronic devices. Keep such devices at least 20cm away.

## **4.7. Usage Recommendations**

* It is recommended to use the wheelbases for no more than 2 hours per day, with breaks after every hour. Excessive use of force feedback may be harmful to your health.
* The surface temperature of the wheelbase can reach up to 70 degrees Celsius (158°F). Do not touch the wheelbase surface during operation or within 2 hours after use.

# **5. Safe Operation instruction**

## **5.1. Read the User Manual**

Carefully read the user manual before installing or operating the wheelbases.

## **5.2. Secure Installation**

* Securely mount the wheelbases on a rigid platform, such as a sim racing rig, using the specified mounting pattern in section 2.
* Never operate the wheelbases without securing them to a rigid platform. Other types of fixings are not allowed.
* Firmly install the EMC Stop button on the rigid platform in a position where it can be easily pressed.

## **5.3. Before Powering On**

* Download and open the VNM Config software from VNM Simulation to see operating status of the wheelbases.
* Attach a steering wheel firmly using the VNM quick release set (not included with the wheelbase).
* Ensure that children under 15 years old are kept away from the wheelbases.
* Keep all loose objects, such as hair, clothing, and cables, away from the wheelbases.
* Use a USB type B to type A cable to connect the wheelbases to the computer.
* Ensure the power on/off button on the power supply cable is off.
* Connect the DC side of the power supply to the wheelbase and plug the power supply into a 110-240 V AC outlet with protective earth.

## **5.4. Power On**

* Only turn on the power adapter after completing all the above steps.
* Test the function of the EMC stop before each usage session.

## **5.5. Safety Precautions**

* Do not touch the freely rotating steering wheel directly or indirectly.
* Always use the EMC stop button or power off to stop and prevent motion.
* Children under 15 years old are not allowed to use the Premier or Elite wheelbase in high torque mode, and any mode of the Supreme and Xtreme wheelbase.
* After each use, press the EMC stop button and power off or unplug the power supply.
* Always press the EMC stop button before removing or attaching a steering wheel to the wheelbases.
* Always use the EMC stop button or power off to stop and prevent motion.
* Children under 15 years old are not allowed to use the Premier or Elite wheelbase in high torque mode, and any mode of the Supreme and Xtreme wheelbase.
* After each use, press the EMC stop button and power off the power supply.
* Always press the EMC stop button before removing or attaching a steering wheel to the wheelbases.
* Do not release the EMC button unless the VNM Quick release handle is closed and the VNM Quick release is secure.
* Inform other users of the safe usage of the wheelbases before use.