

Lost communications procedures

1. Loss of communications between pilot and observer:

Note: The pilot and observer are within a few meters of one another and are in constant vocal communication throughout the flight. In the event that the observer or pilot are unable to communicate with each other, the mission will be stopped and the helicopter will be brought back to land.

2. Loss of communication between the helicopter and the ground control station:

In the event that the helicopter loses 900 MHz communications with the ground control station, the helicopter will either return to the home GPS waypoint on its own, or manual control will be acquired by the pilot.

3. Loss of communications between pilot or observer and the ground control station operator:

Note: The pilot and observer are within a few meters of one another and are in constant vocal communication throughout the flight. The observer will be in constant 2-way radio contact with the ground control station operator. In the event that the observer or pilot are unable to communicate with the GCS operator, the mission will be stopped and the helicopter will be brought back to land.