



# Taege RC300 controller ver2.40

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# QUICKSTART CALIBRATION

## Taege RC300 controller ver2.40

1. Press the On/Off button.



turns the controller on.

2. Press the Hopper button to choose the correct hopper



(Front, Back or Insect)

3. Press the Up/Down buttons



To select the correct crop to calibrate (1-25)

4. Press the +/- button



to increase/decrease the target seeding rate.

5. Place the calibration tray under the sponges by moving the collector tray.

Press the Prime button

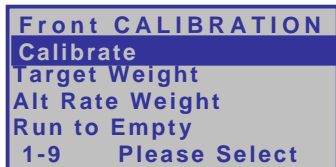


This primes the metering system. The display shows the hopper being primed. Empty the calibration tray and reposition under sponges.

6. Press the Cal button



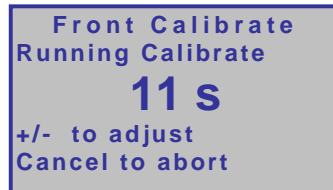
you will see the following screen.



7. Press the Cal button 3x times



And you will see the following screen.



(Every time you press the **Increase/decrease** button



One second will be added or subtracted for each press of the button so more/less seed is collected

The numbers count down to 0 (zero) and the motor will stop.

8. Weigh the seed collected using the scales provided (grams.)

9. Use the Prime & Cal buttons

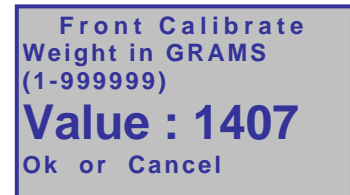


To high light the number you want to change

10. Use the increase or



decrease buttons and enter the weight.



Press **O.K.** button and then the **Cancel** button



To return to the operating screen

11. Press Run/Stop



and you will see the following screen.



**You are ready to go.**

As you move, the **CURSOR** will move up & down on the screen this tells you the drill is operating and the **kph** will be displayed.

# CALIBRATION

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select the correct crop to calibrate (1-25)



4. Press +/- buttons to increase/decrease the target seeding rate.

5. Place the calibration tray under the sponges by moving the collector tray  
Press and hold the Prime



button this primes the metering system. The screen shows the hopper being primed.

Empty the calibration tray and reposition under sponges



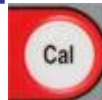
6. Press the Cal button you will see the following screen

```
Front CALIBRATION
Calibrate
Target Weight
Alt Rate Weight
Run to Empty
1-9 Please Select
```

7. Press the Cal button again and you will see the following screen ([advanced calibration go to next page](#))



```
Front Calibrate
Crop 1
01 EMPTY
Is this the correct
Crop -OK or Cancel
```



8. Press the Cal button again and you will see the following screen

```
Front Calibrate
Place collection tray
under Front Hopper
(if required PRIME)
@ 800rpm +/-adjust
Run to start Cal
```

9. Press the Cal button again



and you will see the following screen

```
Front Calibrate
Running Calibrate
11 s
+/- to adjust
Cancel to abort
```

Every time you press the Increase/decrease buttons



while this number is counting down **1 second** will be **added/subtracted** from the count so that **more/less** seed is collected. The numbers will count down to 0 and the motor will stop. You will see the following screen

```
Front Calibrate
Weight in GRAMS
(1-999999)
Value 0
Ok or Cancel
```

10. Weigh the seed collected using the scales provided (grams.)

11. Use the **Prime & Cal**



buttons and highlight the number you want to change.

12. Use the increase or



decrease buttons and enter the weight.

```
Front Calibrate
Weight in GRAMS
(1-999999)
Value : 1407
Ok or Cancel
```

Press **O.K.** button and then the **Cancel** button



To return to the operating screen.

(Calibration invalid) see **TROUBLESHOOTING**



13. Press Run/Stop and you will see the operating screen

```
0.000 ha
Front 25.50kg
0.00kph
```

**You are ready to go.**

As you move the **CURSOR** will move up & down on the screen this tells you that the drill is operating and **kph** will be displayed.

# ADVANCED CALIBRATION

## Taege RC300 controller ver2.40

This feature is available for each and every crop setting. Your Taege technician or Taege Dealer will instruct you about this feature during the introduction to your drill. This feature enhances the calibration of grasses and small seeds and enables the operator to better match the real time sponge roller speed to that of calibration speed.



7. Press the Cal button again and you will see the following screen

Front Calibrate  
Crop 1  
01 EMPTY  
  
Is this the correct  
Crop -OK or Cancel



8. Press the Cal button again and you will see the following screen

Front Calibrate  
Place collection tray  
under Front Hopper  
(if erquired PRIME)  
@ 800rpm +/-adjust  
Run to start Cal



Press the +/- buttons to **increase/decrease** to the rpm desired for this crop calibration. Each press will **increase/decrease** the calibration motor speed by 100rpm. **TOO CHECK THE SPONGE ROLLER SPEED PRESS THE PRIME BUTTON.**



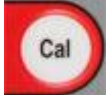
When the calibration is saved the sample motor speed is saved.  
The standard calibration speed is 900rpm.

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# Setting the Target Weight Taege RC300 Controller ver2.40

The Target weight can set and changed at any time.

Press the **Cal** button



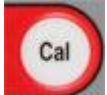
Using the navigate buttons scroll to

**Target Weight**

Press the **OK** button



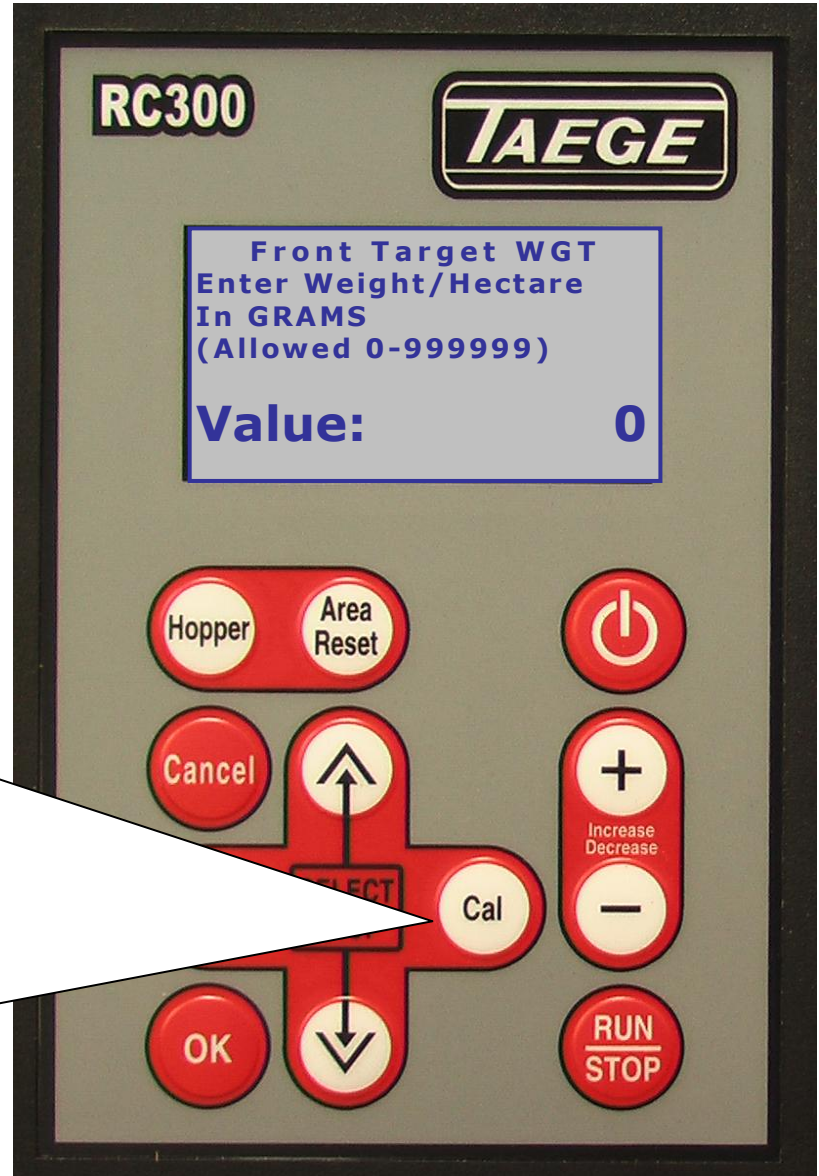
You will see this screen. Using the Prime/Cal buttons



and the +/- buttons



put in the Target Weight in Grams. Press the **OK** button and then the "Cancel" button.



The Target Weight can also be set both by pressing the +/- button



both before and after calibration in the RUN mode.



# Setting the ALTERNATE WEIGHT

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Press the **Cal** button



Using the navigate buttons scroll to

**Alt Rate Weight**

Press the **OK** button



You will see this screen.

Using the Prime/Cal buttons



And the +/- buttons



Put in the Alternate Weight in Grams.  
Press the **OK** button.



The Alternate Weight can be preset for all crop settings and on all hoppers. It can be more or less than the Target weight. Mainly used where variable ground conditions demand different seeding rates. This setting changes the seeding rate instantly whilst on the move by pressing the PRIME button, returns to the target weight when the PRIME button is pressed again. Seeding rates can also be changed on the move simply by


pressing the +/- button




# Run to Empty

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Press the **Cal** button




Then use the navigate




buttons and scroll to

**Run to Empty**

Press the **OK** button




You will see this screen. Use the RUN/STOP



button to start and stop the selected hopper

Press the **Cancel** button



to return to the operating screen.



The **Run to Empty** function is used to assist the cleanout of the hopper between different crops


### NO NEED TO USE A VACUUM CLEANER

**WARNING:** Care should be taken to keep hands away from the sponge rollers in the hopper(s). It is recommended that a small brush is used for final cleaning.

# Name Crop

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Twenty-five crop settings are available for each hopper (see **Drill Configuration**). Every time you calibrate the drill, the settings are automatically saved for that hopper and the crop number you have calibrated. You can name this saved calibration setting at any time with names of up to 14 characters in length and if you are drilling the same crop again in a short period of time there is no need to recalibrate and rename. Simply scroll to the crop you have saved, press 'Run' and go drilling. You can update names simply by renaming over any saved calibration setting.

1. Press here  to turn on the unit.

2. Press the **Hopper** button



And go to the correct hopper.

3. Press the **up/down**



navigate buttons to find the crop you want to name.

4. Press the **Cal** button



And you will see the following screen.

```
Front CALIBRATION
Calibrate
Target Weight
Alt Rate Weight
Run to Empty
1-9 Please Select
```

5. Use the down navigate



Button to highlight

```
Name Crop
```

```
Front CALIBRATION
Live Calibration
Target Weight
Alt Rate Weight
Name Crop
5-9 Please Select
```



6. Press the **OK** button



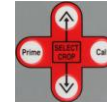
And you will see the following screen.

```
! " # $ % ' ( ) * + , - . / 0 1 2
3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ; : < = > ? @ A B C D E
F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X
Y Z [ \ ] ^ _ ` a b c d e f g h i j k
l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z { | } ~
S? 01 EMPTY
```

7. Press the **Hopper** button to delete the present name



Use the **navigate** buttons



to move the

Highlighted cursor over the Letter you want to use  
Press the **Run/Stop** button



to add each letter to the name.

When the name is complete



press **OK** Button and then the Cancel button



This will save the name and the controller will return to the operating screen.

### NAME HOPPER


Uses the same method but in the "Name Hopper" menu




# Edit Crop

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1. Press here  to turn on the controller.

2. Press the **Hopper** button  and select the correct hopper.

3. Press the **up/down** navigate buttons   to find the crop you want to edit.

4. Press the **Cal** button  And you will see the following screen.


```

Front CALIBRATION
Calibrate
Target Weight
Alt Rate Weight
Run to Empty
1-9 Please Select
    
```

5. Use the down navigate button  and highlight

```

Front CALIBRATION
Edit Crop
Name Hopper
Live Calibration
Display Version
6-9 Please Select
    
```

Press the **"OK"** button  and you will see the following screen

```

Front-01 EMPTY
Target Weight
In grams
(allowed 0-999999)

Value : 0
    
```

Enter the target weight in grams



Press the "Down" button  and you will see the following screen.

```

Front-01 EMPTY
Alt Weight
In grams
(allowed 0-999999)

Value : 0
    
```

Enter the alternate weight in grams

Press the "Down" button  and you will see the following screen.

```

Front-01 EMPTY
Sample Weight
In grams
(allowed 0-999999)

Value : 0
    
```

Enter the sample weight in grams

Press the "Down" button  and you will see the following screen.


```


Front-01 EMPTY
Sample Pulses
(allowed 0-999999)

Value : 0
    
```

Enter the Sample Pulses.

Each of the screens shown allow you to enter calibration figures obtained either from a previous controller. Press the "OK" button


 and then the "Cancel"

button  to return to the operating screen.

# Name Hopper

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Name Hopper is available for each hopper (see **Drill Configuration**).

1. Press here  to turn on the unit.

2. Press the **Hopper** button



and go to the correct hopper.

3. Press the **Hopper** button to navigate to the correct hopper you wish to name.

4. Press the **Cal** button



and you will see the following screen.

```
Front CALIBRATION
Calibrate
Live Calibration
Target Weight
Alt Rate Weight
1-9 Please Select
```

5. Use the down navigate



Button to highlight

```
Name Crop
```

```
Front CALIBRATION
Live Calibration
Target Weight
Alt Rate Weight
Name Crop
5-9 Please Select
```



6. Press the **OK** button



and you will see the following screen.

```
! " # $ % ' ( ) * + , - . / 0 1 2
3 4 5 6 7 8 9 : ; < = > ? @ A B C D E
F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X
Y Z [ \ ] ^ _ ` a b c d e f g h i j k
l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z { | } ~
S ? 01 EMPTY
```

7. Press the **Hopper** button



to delete the current name.

Use the **navigate** buttons



to move the highlighted cursor over the letter you want to use  
Press the **Run/Stop** button



to add each letter to the name.  
When the name is complete

press **OK** Button  and then the **Cancel** button



This will save the name and the controller will return to the operating screen.

# CALIBRATE DISTANCE

With Wheel Sensor or Wheel Encoder  
Versions 1.03 >2.2x>2.3x>2.4x

1. Press here in the **Stopped** mode to toggle between the **Hopper** and **Area /Reset** screens

2. Press and press again and hold here for 3 seconds to reset the **Area/Reset** totals. You will see this screen.

Reset  
Area in  
3>2>1

3. **Cal** button



You will see the following screen.

Distance/Area Menu  
Calibrate Distance  
Display Version  
1-2 Please Select

Press **OK** button



Go to 5.

4. By selecting this screen you will see the software version of your controller.

Distance/Area Menu  
Display Version  
1-2 Please Select

5.

CALIBRATE DISTANCE  
To Calibrate this  
unit drive at least  
100 meters  
Press RUN to START



6. Press the **RUN/STOP** button



You will see this screen.

CALIBRATE DISTANCE  
Counting Pulses  
0  
Press RUN to STOP  
when distance reached

7. Drive your measured distance and the wheel count will increase until you stop.

CALIBRATE DISTANCE  
Counting Pulses  
2356  
Press RUN to STOP  
when distance reached

8. When you stop press the



**Run/STOP** button.

CALIBRATE DISTANCE  
Counting Pulses  
39000  
Press RUN to STOP  
when distance reached

9. Enter your measured distance (usually 100m) then



press the **OK** button.

CALIBRATE DISTANCE  
Distance in Meters  
(allowed 0-99999)  
Value: 100  
Ok or Cancel

10. Use the **Prime** and **Cal**



**buttons** to

highlight the number you want to change. If the distance travelled is not 100m. Use the

**Increase/Decrease**



buttons and enter the measured distance travelled. Press the **OK** button



When completed and return to the Distance/Area screen.

You may see this screen.



Calibration Error !  
Entered distance or  
Wheel pulse count  
To Small(<2000)  
Calibration Refused !  
Press any Key

Press any key and the Controller will return to the operating screen.

# DRILL CONFIGURATION

## Taege RC300 Controller ver 2.40

This is where the information for your drill is setup in the controller


**PRESS & Hold** the **Cancel** button  and at the same time press the **Cal** button  and you will enter the drill configuration menu.

Use the **Up & Down Navigate** buttons  to scroll thru the menu. (Windows shown below.)

Use the **Prime and Cal** buttons   and the **Increase & Decrease** buttons



to make any adjustments.

Press **O.K.** Button  the controller will turn off.



When you have finished entering the settings for your drill, press the OK or Cancel button.



The controller will automatically turn off. The action rewrites the memory in the controller and erases previous settings.



**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 14**

Set to 1,2 or 3  
This is the number of  
hoppers on your drill.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Number of Hoppers  
(1 - 2)

Value: 1

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 6**

Hopper Width  
This is the tyne spacing  
times the number of  
tynes.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Hopper Width  
Enter in millimetres  
(300 - 9999mm)

Value: 3510

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 3**

Usually set to 1000  
This is the number of  
pulses produced by one  
revolution of the wheel.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Wheel Pulses  
(1 - 9999)

Value: 1000

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 4**

Set during distance set  
up.  
This is the number of  
pulses from the wheel  
encoder during distance  
calibration.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Distance Pulses  
(200000 - 380000)

Value: 350000

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 5**

Set during distance set  
up.  
This is the distance  
travelled during  
distance calibration in  
meters.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Distance Length  
(1 - 9999m)

Value: 100

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 7**

Usually set to 900.  
This is the speed of the  
metering system during  
calibration.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Sample RPM Fast  
(1 - 1499)

Value: 900

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 8**

Usually set to 200  
This is the speed of the  
metering system slow  
down at end of  
calibration..

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Sample RPM Slow  
(1 - 1499)

Value: 200

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 9**

Usually Set to 10  
This is the point at  
which the metering  
system slows down  
during calibration.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Sample Decelerate  
(1 - 9999) in 1/10sec

Value: 10

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 10**

Usually Set to 120  
This is the time the  
motor runs during  
calibration in .10 sec's

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Sample Minimum count  
(1 - 9999) in 1/10sec

Value: 120

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 11**

Usually set to 10  
This is the time you can  
add or subtract from the  
motor run time during  
calibration.

(See Calibration Page for  
special use of this function)

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Sample Increment  
(1 - 9999) in 1/10sec

Value: 10

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 12**

Usually set to 1200  
This is the speed of the  
metering system during  
prime or run to empty  
operation.

Dril Configuration  
Hopper Run RPM  
(1 - 1499)

Value: 900

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 13**

Usually Set to 100  
This is the setting for  
the length of the  
warning beep

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Key Beep Length  
(1 - 999ms)

Value: 100

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 15**

Usually set to 5  
This is the number of crops  
that are available as  
presets for the front box.  
Up to 25 can be saved per  
hopper.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Crops Hopper 1  
(1 - 25)

Value: 5

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 16**

Usually set to 5  
This is the number of crops  
that are available as  
presets for the back box.  
Up to 25 can be saved per  
hopper.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Crops Hopper 2  
(1 - 25)

Value: 5

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 16**

Usually set to 5  
This is the number of crops  
that are available as  
presets for the back box.  
Up to 25 can be saved per  
hopper

Dril Configuration  
Crops Hopper 3  
(1 - 25)

Value: 25

**Drill Configuration  
Menu Page 17**

Usually set to 250m/s  
This is the motor ramp  
speed. Can be adjusted  
in 2ms increments.

DRILL CONFIGURATION  
Motor Ramp Time  
(1 - 9999) \* 2ms

Value: 250

# SELECTING MOTORS

## Taege RC300 Controller V2.40 M4 & M6 motors

Press & Hold the **Cancel** button



at the same time press



the **Area/Reset** button and you will enter the MAINTENANCE screen.

Use the **Up & Down Navigate** buttons



to **Select Motors** press **OK** button

Select the correct motor. Press



**OK** Select the correct motor. Press



**OK** Select the correct motor. Press



**OK** The controller will return to the operating screen.

(Select motors will always ask you to select 3x motors even though you may have selected only one hopper in the setup menu.)

**DO NOT CHANGE THESE SETTINGS UNLESS THE MOTORS HAVE BEEN CHANGED**



Motor 1  
M4 PULSE  
M4 ENCODER  
M6 ENCODER  
1-3 Please Select

Motor 2  
M4 PULSE  
M4 ENCODER  
M6 ENCODER  
1-3 Please Select

Motor 3  
M4 PULSE  
M4 ENCODER  
M6 ENCODER  
1-3 Please Select

# MAINTENANCE

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Press & Hold the **Cancel** button



At the same time press



the **Area/Reset** button you will enter the MAINTENANCE screen. **Diagnostics**

press **OK** button



You are now in the DIAGNOSTIC MODE you will see the following screen.

```
DIAGNOSTIC MODE
11.96 Volts  RPM:  0
Wheel:Open
MSw:Open:Close:Close
Pw%:  0:  0:  0
RPM:  0:  0:  0
```



**OK**

The controller will return to the operating screen.



The **DIAGNOSTIC MODE** screen enables onboard diagnosis of sensors, encoders and motors and assists with troubleshooting in the event that you drill does not operate correctly. Your TAEGE Technician or TAEGE Dealer will ask you to activate this screen, to troubleshoot in the field. The **POWER STATUS** screen may also be requested.

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# TOTALS

## Taege RC300 Controller ver2.40

In the Operating window



PRESS the OK button

You see a window similar to this

TOTALS	front-25
Crop: 25	EMPTY
Current:	0.000
:	0.000
:	0.000
:	0.000
Oldest :	0.000

This is the TOTALS window

Totals for the last 5 crop areas are stored here.

The Ha totals are stored each time you reset the area for this hopper and this crop with the



Area/reset button

Press the **OK** button



And the controller will return to the operating screen.



The **TOTALS MODE** screen enables the operator to record the last 5 reset areas for each crop setting. The controller can retain  $5 \times 25 = 125$  area totals for each hopper