

# Installation

The system is configured to be operated automatically via GPS, with the option for manual override by the pilot or copilot.

## Recorder

The RV-sFOUR Recorder is mounted by the copilot along with the Commander Controller. This makes it easy to check status and insert and eject media.

## Cameras

There are four cameras with three interior and one exterior camera. The cameras get a nice exterior view along with views of all passengers.

## Control

The Commander is automated to start recording, switch cameras, overlay text and play audio. Audio is also connected to an iPad and headset audio. There is a remote switch for controlling the recording, manually as an option.





# Customer Profile

Name/Title: Mark Fitzsimmons, Owner  
Company: Blue Sky Helicopters Pty. Ltd.  
Operation Type: Flight Tour, Aerial Video  
Airframe: Bell 206L  
R44 Raven I  
Using Video Since: 1999  
Equipment Installed: RV-sFOUR Recorder  
RV-CMDCTR Commander Controller  
RV-HD29 Mini Box Cameras



## Question & Answer

How was Blue Sky Helicopters founded?

I was an aerial photographer in the U.K. and emigrated to Australia in 1991. Once in Australia I became a pilot and decided to combine my passion of aviation and photography and start Blue Sky Helicopters in 1996.

What makes Blue Sky Helicopters different in the market?

We try to focus on the details. We take great pride in what we do and offer innovated and well thought out products to our customers.

How does onboard video help your operation?

Promoting the highest quality onboard video adds a huge value to our tour in the eyes of our customers. We also use the videos to help our marketing efforts and gain customer referrals. Most of all, the added revenue allows us to keep growing and offer a premium service.

What is your workflow for capturing and distributing video?

We use four cameras on a switcher and an iPad for audio. Our switching can be controlled manually or with a GPS path. We also have headset audio that is mixed with the iPad. We record right to a USB and make copies for customers once we land.

Have you used other systems in the past?

With my experience in aerial photography I've tried to stay at the cutting edge in terms of video technology. I've used a number of systems through the years and developed a number of systems myself using equipment from film production.

Why did you choose Rugged Video specifically?

I've recently moved to the Rugged Video system because it offers the quality I need in a well put together package. Having the footage right after the flight (from a real edit while we fly) makes Rugged Video the best system on the market.

How would you rate Rugged Video support and service?

The guys at Rugged Video have been great. Being in Australia sometimes is hard to get support in the states but the Rugged Video guys are available after hours and are very responsive. They also are very knowledgeable about video and aviation and can usually handle most questions over the phone or in an email. 10 out of 10!

Would you recommend Rugged Video to others in the industry?

I am and have been recommending Rugged Video to other operators. They are by far the best company offering video to the aviation industry.