

Top tip: Tightening electric propeller nuts

On some electric models, such as the Durafly Tundra, the propeller is a real pig to get tight without a special tool. On the Tundra you can sort of hold the motor body by putting your fingers in through the underside of the cowl. You can apply reverse force with a rod such as an Allen key or a screwdriver in the hub slots while you tighten the nut but I never felt happy about the tightness. I have not however had a prop fly off. It helps if you tighten it as much as you can then leave it a day for the backplate to make dents in the prop hub and then tighten again.

In the end though I found it best to buy the proper tool for the job - a pair of motor grip pliers. Hobby King sells them for £5.93 (9107000422-0). They fit neatly through the slot in the underside of the Tundra cowl. The plastic inserts give you a really good grip on the motor casing.

