

## CH Throttle from CH Products

CH Product's latest release into their new F-16 series of controls is the CH Throttle. This twelve button programmable throttle plugs into your existing 2 stick port, your keyboard plugs into a pass-through plug, and your flightstick plugs into the throttle, and comes with a great piece of programming software.

The best part of this throttle is the programming for the buttons. After installing the throttle you can assign different keyboard commands to the various buttons. To assign a key to a button, all you have to do is press the button and then press the key, or group of keys, you want it to press. You can also assign a different button to the press and the release of the button. This works great for the Heads Up Display. You can assign a look left command to the button press, and a look forward command to the release of the button. A real must for any good pilot.

I will admit to having trouble adjusting to the feel of the throttle. The size just seemed wrong. It's a little on the large size, but it was meant to have your hand rest on it, not grip it tight. The more I play with it, the more I get used to it though. The button placement is also taking some getting used to. I've found it best to let my fingers grip beside the buttons instead of resting them directly on the buttons.

My only other complaint is that the throttle slides flat. I was hoping for an arc of some kind. Instead of rolling my wrist to control the throttle I have to slide it forward and back. Not a real big problem, but I think it would have felt more comfortable.

With these real minor complaints put aside, I really like this new toy from CH. It has already made huge improvements in my sim flying. Now all we need to do is see how well it holds up over the next few months of air combat.

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<b>Rating</b>	
install	77
setup	85
control	82
feel	78
stability	80
overall	80