



*MiniSShot*

Vehicle Mass Statement  
Iteration #1A

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## General information

This document outlines the mass estimates of the MiniSShot rocket vehicle and its individual components.

This revision represents iteration #1 and is intended to be used as a preliminary basis for design, trajectory simulations, vehicle geometric configuration and stability analysis.

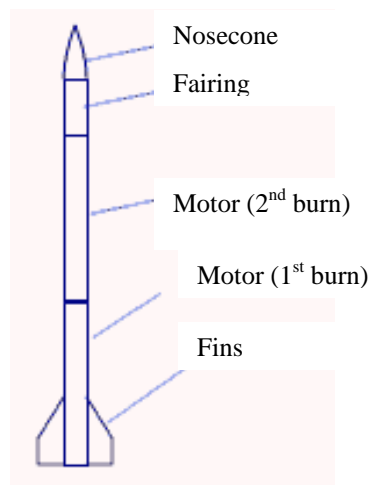
All dimensions are estimates typically based on scaling down eXSShot\* to 1/3, with the exception of the motor, for which masses and dimensions are based on the ProtoSShot-M Mark I

Revision 1A of this document includes the results of centre of gravity analysis for the vehicle.

\*configuration dph49 [http://sugarshot.org/downloads/config\\_dph49.gif](http://sugarshot.org/downloads/config_dph49.gif)

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## Component Definitions



## Complete vehicle

Item	Launch mass		Post 1st burn mass		Post 2nd burn (=dry mass)	
	kg	lbs	kg	lbs	kg	lbs
<b>Motor</b>	15.74	34.71	10.39	22.91	4.74	10.46
<b>Fairing</b>	0.242	0.53	0.242	0.534	0.242	0.534
<b>Noscone</b>	0.246	0.54	0.246	0.542	0.246	0.542
<b>Fins</b>	0.220	0.49	0.220	0.486	0.220	0.486
<b>Recovery system</b>	1.5	3.31	1.500	3.307	1.500	3.307
<b>Payload (avionics)</b>	1.5	3.31	1.500	3.307	1.500	3.307
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	0	0.00	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
<b>Total =&gt;</b>	<b>19.45</b>	<b>42.89</b>	<b>14.10</b>	<b>31.09</b>	<b>8.45</b>	<b>18.64</b>

<b>Mass fraction *</b>	<b>0.548</b>
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\* Ratio of propellant mass to vehicle launch mass  
 Required mass ratio for eXSShot is 0.80

The preliminary target mass fraction for MiniSShot is 0.60

For DoubleSShot, the target mass fraction is expected to be 0.70

Motor	Unit mass	units	Quantity	Mass	
	value			kg	lb
Component					
propellant first burn	5.332	kg		5.332	11.755
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casings	1.077	kg/m	1.756	1.891	4.168
nozzle ring	365	g		0.365	0.806
nozzle shell	420	g		0.420	0.926
insert	60	g		0.060	0.132
Ring thermal insulation	30	g	2	0.060	0.132
nozzle screws	1.17	g/screw	30	0.035	0.077
nozzle o-rings	3.5	g	2	0.007	0.015
nozzle misc	50	g	1	0.050	0.110
casting/inhibitor tubes	0.243	kg/m	1.62	0.394	0.868
casing thermal insulation, 1st chamber	0.0865	g/cm <sup>2</sup>	4292	0.371	0.819
casing thermal insulation, 2nd chamber	0.0250	g/cm <sup>2</sup>	2146	0.054	0.118
casing thermal barrier, 1st chamber	0.0406	g/cm <sup>2</sup>	2146	0.087	0.192
casing thermal barrier, 2nd chamber	0.0406	g/cm <sup>2</sup>	2146	0.087	0.192
pyrogen charge	20	g	1	0.020	0.044
midbulkhead shell	516	g		0.516	1.138
midbulkhead thermal liner	70	g	1	0.070	0.154
midbulkhead misc	0	g	1	0.000	0.000
midbulkhead screws	1.17	g/screw	48	0.056	0.124
midbulkhead o-rings	3.5	g	4	0.014	0.031
RNX delay charge	150	g	1	0.150	0.331
burst diaphragms	3	g	2	0.006	0.013
forward bulkhead	200	g		0.200	0.441
forward bulkhead screws	1.17	g/screw	24	0.028	0.062
forward bulkhead o-rings	3.5	g	2	0.007	0.015
pyrogen canister	40	g	1	0.040	0.088
pyrogen charge	20	g	1	0.020	0.044
pressure sensors	50	g	1	0.050	0.110
2nd burn igniter + wiring	10	g	1	0.010	0.022
motor assembly misc				0.000	0.000

post 2nd burn	4.863	kg	10.7	lb
post 1st burn	10.381	kg	22.9	lb
at launch	15.733	kg	34.7	lb

Motor mass ratio = 0.677

**Fins**

A = 7.792in  
 B = 3.896in  
 C = 3.896in  
 N = 4

Area = 22.76944in<sup>2</sup>

Monolithic

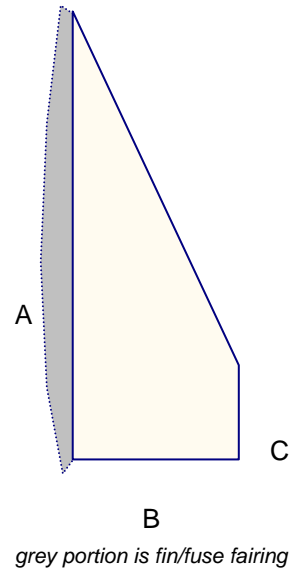
t = 0.1in  
 density = 0.100lb/in<sup>3</sup>  
 est. fin mass = 0.228lb each  
**est. fins mass = 0.91lb total**

Composite(2 skins with core)

skin density = 0.068lb/in<sup>3</sup>  
 core density = 0.001lb/in<sup>3</sup>  
 skin t = 0.030in (avg.)  
 core t = 0.188in (avg.)  
 core mass = 0.0043lb  
 skin mass (ea.) = 0.0464lb  
 est. fin mass = 0.0972lb each

est. fairing mass  
 = 0.0243lb each

<b>est. fins mass =</b>	<b>0.486lb total</b>	composite
	<b>0.220kg total</b>	



**Fairing Fuselage  
(houses recovery system)**

**1) Assume made of same material as motor casing (glass/epoxy laminate)**

Unit mass value	units	Quantity	Mass
1.077	kg/m	0.56	<b>0.602 kg</b>
	inches	22.00	<b>1.326 lb</b>

$$D_i = 3.32 \text{ in.} \quad \text{Internal diameter}$$

$$V_i = 190.5 \text{ cu.in.} \quad \text{Internal volume}$$

**2) Assume made of composite sandwich (glass/epoxy/nomex honeycomb)**

**SANDWICH MATERIAL**

height =  in

Outer diameter =  in

Outer skin thickness =  in

Inner skin thickness =  in

core thickness =  in

skin material density =  lb/in<sup>3</sup>

core material density =  lb/in<sup>3</sup>

**est. mass = 0.534 lbs.**  
**0.242 kg.**

$$D_i = 2.94 \text{ in.} \quad \text{Internal diameter}$$

$$V_i = 149.4 \text{ cu.in.} \quad \text{Internal volume}$$

**Recovery System  
(complete)**

**1.5 kg**  
**3.307 lb**

**Avionics (including support structure)**

**1.5 kg**  
**3.307 lb**

## Nosecone

### Surface area of a right circular cone

#### SOLID (HOMOGENOUS) MATERIAL

height = 19.25 in  
base radius = 3.5 in  
surface area = 215 in<sup>2</sup>  
wall thickness = 0.040 in

### Estimated mass of conical nosecone

density = 0.060 lb/in<sup>3</sup>  
est. mass = 0.52 lbs.  
0.234 kg.

Volume = 61.7 in<sup>3</sup>

#### SANDWICH MATERIAL

height = 19.25 in  
base radius = 3.5 in  
surface area = 215 in<sup>2</sup>  
Outer skin thickness = 0.030 in  
Inner skin thickness = 0.020 in  
core thickness = 0.250 in

### Estimated mass of conical sandwich nosecone

skin material density = 0.06 lb/in<sup>3</sup>  
core material density = 0.002315 lb/in<sup>3</sup>  
est. mass = 0.77 lbs.  
0.349 kg.

Adjustment factor for actual nosecone profile if not right circular:

factor = 1.05  
est. mass = 0.54 lbs.  
0.246 kg.

Centre of Gravity

<b>Fins</b> (4 fins)	mass =	0.486	lb.	0.220	kg.
	zbar =	108.1	in.	2746	mm
	mass * zbar =	52.526	lb-in	605.2	kg-mm
<b>Nosecone</b>	mass =	0.542	lb.	0.246	kg.
	zbar =	12.83	in.	326	mm
	mass * zbar =	6.957		80.2	kg-mm
<b>Fairing</b>	mass =	0.510	lb.	0.231	kg.
	zbar =	29.25	in.	743	mm
	mass * zbar =	15.858		171.8	kg-mm
<b>Recovery System</b> (cg assumed same as fairing)	mass =	3.307	lb.	1.500	kg.
	zbar =	29.25	in.	743	mm
	mass * zbar =	96.726		1114.4	kg-mm
<b>Avionic System</b> (cg assumed same as nosecone)	mass =	3.307	lb.	1.500	kg.
	zbar =	12.83	in.	326	mm
	mass * zbar =	42.438		489.0	kg-mm
<b>Motor System</b>					
<b>Forward bulkhead</b>	mass =	0.783	lb.	0.355	kg.
	zbar =	41.81	in.	1062	mm
	mass * zbar =	32.729	lb-in	377	kg-mm
<b>Mid bulkhead</b>	mass =	1.790	lb.	0.812	kg.
	zbar =	77.53	in.	1969	mm
	mass * zbar =	138.816	lb-in	1599	kg-mm
<b>Nozzle</b>	mass =	2.184	lb.	0.990	kg.
	zbar =	113.97	in.	2895	mm
	mass * zbar =	248.860	lb-in	2867	kg-mm
<b>Casing, 1st burn</b>	mass =	3.532	lb.	1.602	kg.
	zbar =	96.04	in.	2439	mm
	mass * zbar =	339.242	lb-in	3909	kg-mm
<b>Casing, 2nd burn</b>	mass =	2.830	lb.	1.284	kg.
	zbar =	58.39	in.	1483	mm
	mass * zbar =	165.222	lb-in	1904	kg-mm
<b>Propellant, 1st burn</b>	mass =	11.755	lb.	5.332	kg.
	zbar =	95.94	in.	2437	mm
	mass * zbar =	1127.760	lb-in	12993	kg-mm
<b>Propellant, 2nd burn</b>	mass =	11.755	lb.	5.332	kg.
	zbar =	58.71	in.	1491	mm
	mass * zbar =	690.127	lb-in	7951	kg-mm
<b>Vehicle</b>					
<b>Launch</b>	sum mass =	42.780	lb.	19.405	kg.
	sum mass *				
	zbar =	2957.261	lb-in	34067.6	kg-mm
	zbar =	69.13	in.	1755.6	mm

# CG Summary

Vehicle				
<b>Launch</b>	sum mass =	42.780	lb.	19.405 kg.
	sum mass *			
	zbar =	2957.261	lb-in	34067.6 kg-mm
	zbar =	69.13	in.	1755.6 mm
<b>Post-1st burn</b>	sum mass =	31.025	lb.	14.073 kg.
	sum mass *			
	zbar =	1829.501	lb-in	21075.8 kg-mm
	zbar =	58.97	in.	1497.6 mm
<b>Post-2nd burn</b>	sum mass =	19.270	lb.	8.741 kg.
	sum mass *			
	zbar =	1139.374	lb-in	13125.6 kg-mm
	zbar =	59.13	in.	1501.6 mm

