

# PRODUCT REVIEW: Snap Hubs

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**K**itbots and FingerTech Robotics have joined forces to develop a new range of hubs for smaller bots.

Snap Hubs are the result of years of combat experience and offer high performance, problem-free tire and hub replacement, all at a lower cost and weight.

The tire is retained by a custom washer that is held in place with a snap ring. The washer features a recess that locks the snap ring in position, reducing the chance that it is damaged in combat.

The hub is secured to the motor shaft by a larger (8-32) set screw. This allows a larger and more robust hex key to be used, and reduces the chance of the set screw recess or hex key rounding off.

The hubs are anodized for good looks and come in two sizes to suit the popular 3/4" wide Lite Flite or the narrower 1/2" wide Lectra Lite



Tires, with 3 mm or 4 mm bores.

The wide hubs each only weigh 0.25 oz (7g) complete; the narrow ones are only 0.21 oz (6g). **SV**

Kitbots  
[www.kitbots.com](http://www.kitbots.com)

Fingertech Robotics  
[www.fingertechrobotics.com](http://www.fingertechrobotics.com)

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lineation:  
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Synopsis of  
Timaeus and Ex  
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