

Nautel Firmware Uploader - J1000

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INFORMATION SHEET

1 INTRODUCTION

This document describes how to install a firmware update on a Nautel J1000 transmitter.

1.1 Equipment Affected

This procedure involves the J1000 transmitter and a Windows-based PC.

1.2 Responsibility for Implementation of Procedure

This procedure should be carried out by qualified station maintenance personnel.

1.3 Scheduling

Implement this procedure at the convenience of station maintenance personnel.

1.4 Manpower Requirements

This procedure requires approximately one hour for a technician to complete.

1.5 Parts Required

You will need a null-modem (cross-over) DB9 serial cable that is long enough to connect between the PC and the rear of the J1000's exciter. Note the PC normally has a male connection and will require a female plug while the J1000 has a female connection requiring a male plug.

2 PREPARING THE J1000 TRANSMITTER

- (a) Press **RF OFF** on the J1000 transmitter.
- (b) Connect a null-modem (cross-over) DB9 serial cable from an available COM port on a Windows-based PC to the DB9 serial port on the rear of the J1000 transmitter's exciter (J10).

3 UPLOADING FIRMWARE

From a windows-based PC, install the firmware upgrade on the J1000 transmitter as follows:

- (a) Using the PC, open the Nautel Code Uploader application by running NcodeUploader.exe.
- (b) Open the Settings dialog box. Ensure that the correct COM port is selected for use with the programmer. Highspeed programming is optional; if a programming attempt is made with High-speed programming enabled, and it fails, try again with High-speed programming disabled. The Additional Timeout setting should be set to 100 ms. Click OK when done.
- (c) Open the Upload Atmel Firmware dialog box. A popup window will indicate the status of establishing a connection to the transmitter. A message will indicate if the connection was successful.
- If the failure message appears when you are not connecting with a power cycle sequence, check your COM port connection and null modem and return to step (b).
- Upon a successful indication proceed to step (d).
- (d) Check both the **Insert proper flash** checksum and the **Keep my current EEPROM file** checkboxes.



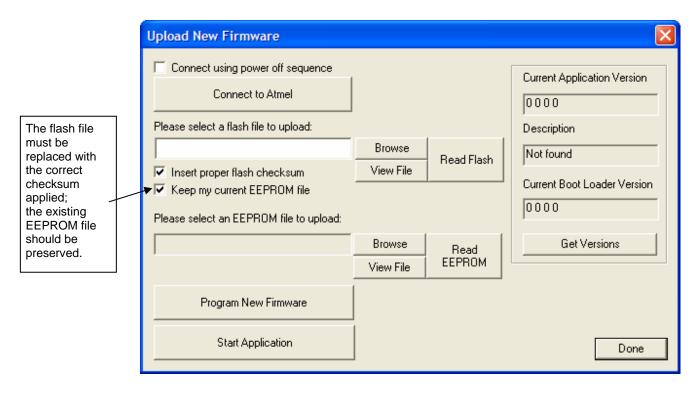


Figure 1: Upload New Firmware Screen

- (e) Load the flash file containing the firmware update.
- Press the upper-most Browse button to locate the file.
- The file name is JAZZ_NAPC143_1_mmddyy.hex
- mmddyy indicates the build date of the firmware file.
- (f) Click on the **Read EEPROM** button (see Figure 1) to save the EEPROM to a local folder. Note the location of the saved file for future reference.
- (g) NcodeUploader will verify the integrity of the flash file and a pop-up will indicate success or failure.
- (h) Click on the **Program New Firmware** button to begin the update process.

- (i) A pop-up will appear indicating the progress of the update. When the upgrade finishes, a second pop-up will appear to indicate whether the update failed or succeeded.
- (j) If the update was successful, click on the **Read Flash** button to begin a verify cycle. Select "verify against existing file" and press OK. The dialogue reading firmware from device will appear. After reading is complete, a new dialogue to select the file to compare to will open. Browse to the file that was programmed and press open.
- (k) If the response is *Verified Flash File Successfully* press OK, otherwise repeat paragraph 3.
- (I) Press the **Start Application** button to re-boot the J1000 transmitter. Close NcodeUploader and disconnect the serial cable.

