



FAQ GMSplus Firmware Upgrade from SD Card

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1. Introduction

This procedure will lead you through the process of upgrading GMSplus firmware from SD card.

2. Required Material and Tools

- GMSplus to upgrade
- Size 8 allen key (to open GMSplus top cover)
- Laptop / Computer with SD card reader
- Firmware file to upgrade (gms-linux-firmware-rXXX_XXXXXXXX.gsfw)
- RS232 connection cable for **CONSOLE** access (only needed if there is no network connection to GMSplus)
- Terminal software like ucon installed on Computer (only needed if there is no network connection to GMSplus)

3. Preliminary Steps

3.1. Download latest firmware file

- Download latest firmware file for GMSplus from GeoSIG website under Support -> Downloads:
<https://www.geosig.com/Downloads-pg37.aspx>

Description	Important Notes and Instructions	Download	Changelog
GMSPlus	<p>1) This container contains the standard instrument firmwares only for GMSplus series instruments. In case of project specific firmwares with an armdas version other than 21.xx.xx contact us for details.</p> <p>2) IMPORTANT Firmware releases "rootfs-gms-79" and lower must be upgraded in two steps: First to the release rootfs-gms-80 and then to the newest release.</p> <p>3) Firmware releases "rootfs-gms-80" (instruments manufactured after September 2013) and higher can be upgraded directly to the newest release.</p>	firmware r149	changelog

4. Firmware Upgrade

4.1. Turn off GMSplus

- Use the allen key to open GMSplus top cover and turn off the instrument by pressing and holding the **POWER** button for at least 3 seconds
- Wait until **RUN** LED stops flashing



4.2. Connect SD card to your computer

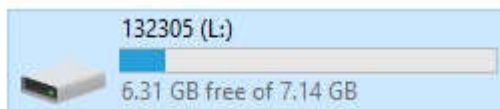
- Take out the SD card from its slot (push to release)



- Connect the SD card to your computer's card reader
- Windows cannot detect all partitions on the SD card, so it may ask you to format the card: **PLEASE DO NOT FORMAT THE CARD, OTHERWISE ALL RECORDED DATA WILL BE LOST!**
- The Windows message can be ignored (press Cancel)



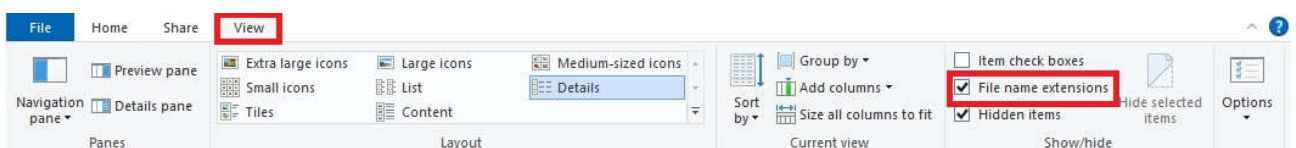
- The SD card should appear as drive named with the serial number of your GMSplus



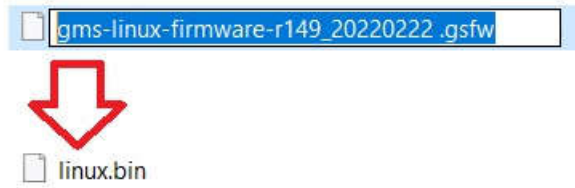
- It is not expected that data on the SD card is altered during the upgrade process – however, it is recommended to backup all data stored on the SD card before continuing with further steps.

4.3. Rename firmware file and place it on the SD card

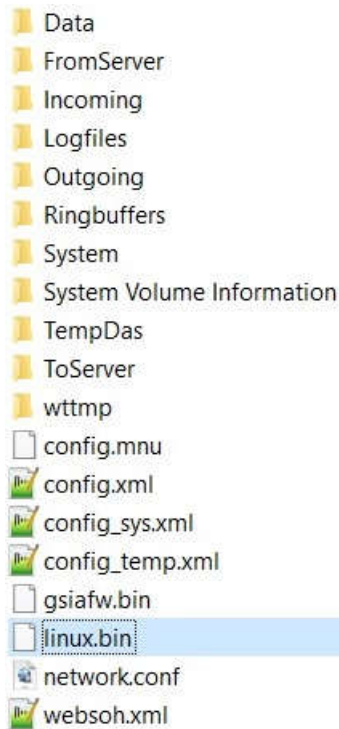
- Make sure you have file extensions visible in your file explorer (**View Tab -> Tick File name extensions**)



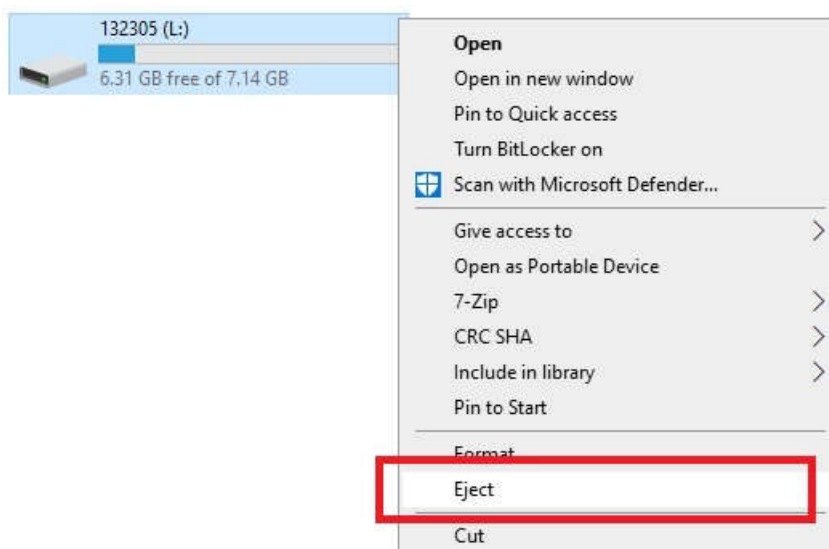
- Rename the downloaded firmware file from **gms-linux-firmware-rXXX_XXXXXXXX.gsfw** to **linux.bin**



- Copy the renamed file linux.bin to the SD card of the GMSplus



- Safely remove the drive (Right-click -> Eject)



4.4. Restart GMSplus to upgrade Firmware

- Insert the SD card back in the card slot of the GMSplus
- Start GMSplus by pressing and holding the **POWER** button for at least 2 seconds
- Wait until the upgrade is finished, GMSplus may restart several times during the upgrade process

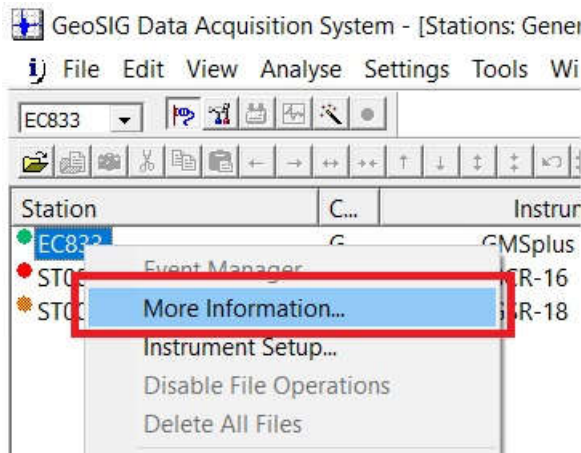
5. Verify installed Firmware Version

There are several ways to verify the correct firmware version:

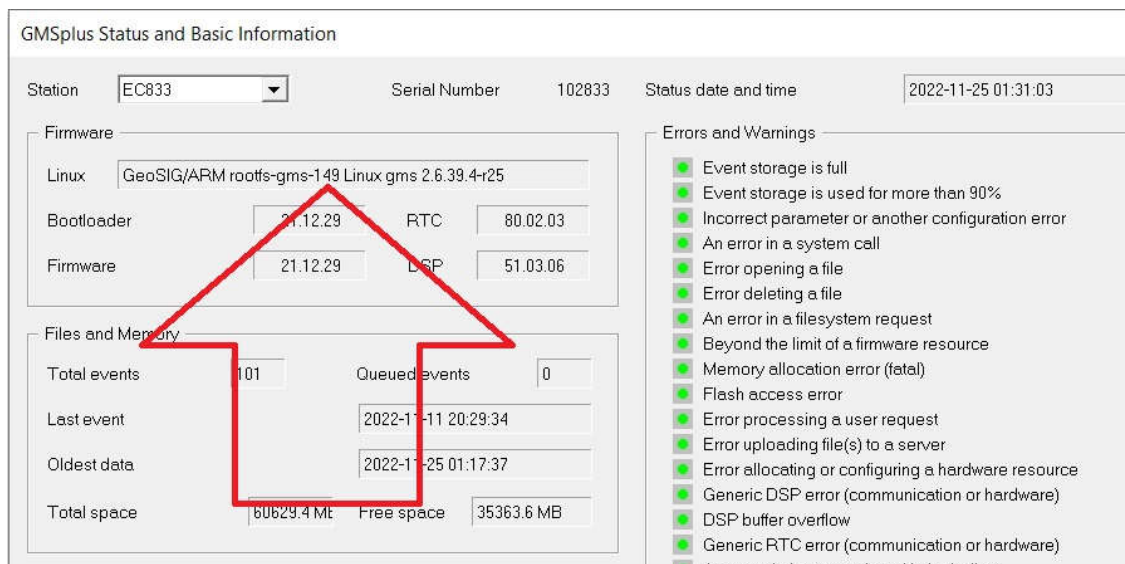
- If your instrument connects to GeoDAS, follow the steps under 5.1.
- If your instrument doesn't connect to GeoDAS, but you have access to the webinterface, follow 5.2
- If you have no network access to your instrument, you can verify through the local console under 5.3

5.1. Verification through GeoDAS

- In GeoDAS Window **Stations: General Information**, right-click on the instrument and choose **More Information...**



- Verify that 3-digit code of the Linux firmware is matching the 3-digit code of the downloaded firmware file (marked red in the sample below)



Linux: **GeoSIG/ARM rootfs-gms-149 Linux gms 2.6.39.4-r25**

Downloaded firmware file: **gms-linux-firmware-r149_20220222.gsfw**

5.2. Verification through Webinterface

- Open your webbrowser and enter the IP address of your GMSplus and login as admin (default password 123456)



- Choose tab **Status and Maintenance** → **Software**



- Verify that 3-digit code of the Operating System Version is matching the 3-digit code of the downloaded firmware file (marked red in the sample below)

Software Versions	
Webinterface Version:	1.13
Firmware Version:	21.12.29
Bootloader Version:	21.12.29
Operating System Version:	GeoSIG/ARM rootfs-gms-149 Linux gms 2.6.39.4-r25
DSP Version:	51.03.06
Real Time Clock Version:	80.02.03

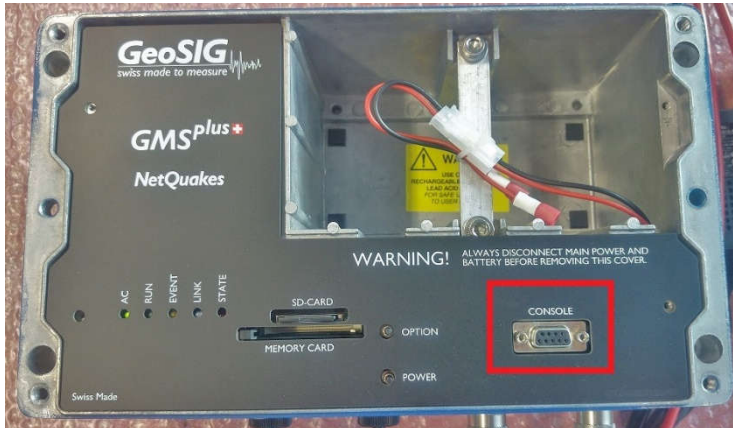
Software Upgrade	
Choose file	No file chosen
<input type="button" value="Upload Software"/>	

Linux image: **GeoSIG/ARM rootfs-gms-149 Linux gms 2.6.39.4-r25**
 Downloaded firmware file: **gms-linux-firmware-r149_20220222.gsfw**

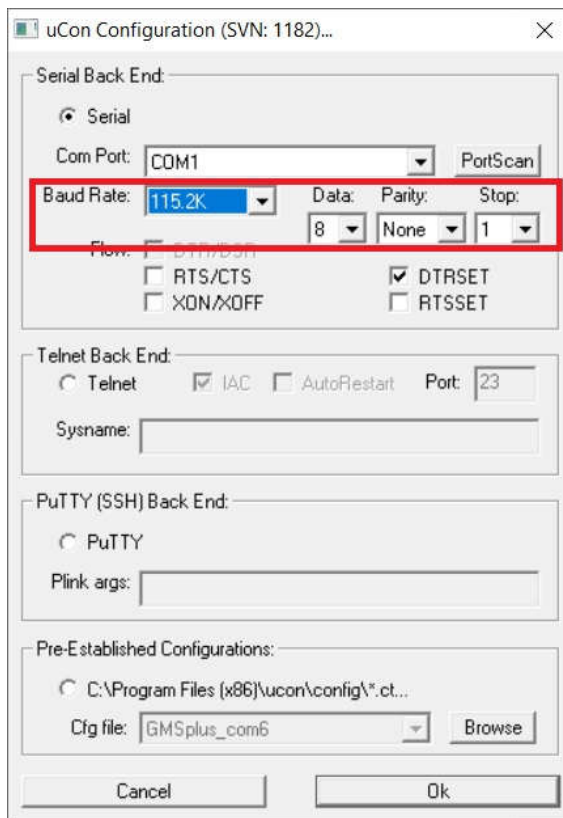
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5.3. Verification through RS232 CONSOLE

- Connect to the **CONSOLE** connector with your RS-232 cable



- Open a terminal such as ucon and connect with baud 115200 and 8n1



- Press **ENTER** key on your keyboard and the main menu should appear

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GMSplus s/n 101077 version 21.12.00-a10
Main menu:
C - Configuration
M - Messages ->
S - Shell command
L - List firmware images
X - Display errors (0) and warnings (0)
W - Clear errors and warnings
F - View/reset RTC trim values
T - File statistics
G - View RTC status
P - View GPS information
H - Set RTC time
U - User request
R - Restart
Q - Quit
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- Press **L** to list firmware images
- Verify that 3-digit code of the Linux image is matching the 3-digit code of the downloaded firmware file (marked red in the sample below)

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Actual firmware versions
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Linux image ..... GeoSIG/ARM rootfs-gms-149 Linux gms 2.6.39.4-r25
Main firmware ..... 21.12.29
RTC firmware ..... 80.02.03
DSP firmware ..... 51.03.06
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Linux image: **GeoSIG/ARM rootfs-gms-149** Linux gms 2.6.39.4-r25
Downloaded firmware file: **gms-linux-firmware-r149_20220222.gsfw**