



DriveLogix Controller System (12.18)

Catalog Number 5720

When to Use These Release Notes

These release notes should be used with DriveLogix Controller firmware major revision 12, minor revision 18. Use this firmware with:

Update this:	To this revision or later:
RSLinx® software	2.41
RSLogix™ 5000 software	12.01
RSNetWorx™ for ControlNet™ software	4.11
RSNetWorx for DeviceNet™ software	4.12

What Is In These Release Notes

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Determining Firmware Revision Level

To determine the firmware revision level for a DriveLogix controller, use RSNetWorx or RSLinx software to view the properties of the node occupied by the controller.

Before You Update Your System

Before you update your controller or RSLogix 5000 software to this revision, do the following preliminary actions:

If:	Then:
Your controller is connected to a DH-485 network.	Disconnect it from the DH-485 network <i>before</i> you update the firmware of the controller. If you update the firmware of a controller while it is connected to a DH-485 network, communication on the network may stop.
Your controller is close to its limits of memory.	<p>This revision <i>may</i> require more memory than previous revisions. Before you upgrade to this revision, do the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check the amount of unused memory that you have in the controller. To determine your unused memory, see either of the following documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledgebase document G19984. To access Rockwell Automation's Knowledgebase, go to www.ab.com. Select <i>Support</i>. • <i>Logix5000 Controllers Common Procedures</i>, publication 1756-PM001E or later 2. If your controller is close to its limits of memory, see "Additional Memory Requirements" on page 4 to determine how much additional memory you require. 3. For additional information on how the controller organizes its memory, see Knowledgebase document G19984.

Corrected Anomalies

The corrected anomalies are listed in the table below.

Corrected anomaly:	Corrected in	Description:
Communicating on a Third-Party Link was not supported	DriveLogix FW 12.18	Revision 12.15 did not support the 1788-MODULE, generic module communications daughtercard. Lgx00041719
The DriveLogix controller sometimes lost its application program during rapid input power cycles	DriveLogix FW 12.18	Applying input power to the PowerFlex 700S AC drive, then removing it before the processors on the main control board and DriveLogix controller were allowed to complete the power-up sequence may have resulted in the loss of the DriveLogix controller's application program. Logix00041720
"Custom User-Defined Control" Comm Format was not supported	DriveLogix FW 12.18	Revision 12.15 did not support the "Custom User-Defined Control" Comm Format. Logix00041718
Flash Updating to 12 with the serial port required removing memory expansion	DriveLogix FW 12.18	When using the controller's serial port for flash upgrade, the memory expansion option had to be temporarily removed during the flash upgrade. Logix00042044

Restrictions

This firmware version has these restrictions:

Restriction:	Description:
Forcing is not supported between the PowerFlex 700S and DriveLogix	The forcing values can be set for the controller inputs and outputs. However, these values will not be used by the Logix program nor will they be transmitted to the PowerFlex 700S.
Minimum RPI for local Flex I/O	The minimum recommended Requested Packet Interval (RPI) setting for the local Flex I/O rail is 30 ms.
Unsupported Motion Commands	<p>This revision does not support the following Logix Motion Instructions:</p> <p>Motion State</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MDO (Motion Direct Drive On) • MDF (Motion Direct Drive Off) <p>Motion Configuration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAAT (Motion Apply Axis Tuning) • MRAT (Motion Run Axis Tuning) • MAHD (Motion Apply Hookup Diagnostics) • MRHD (Motion Run Hookup Diagnostics)
Difficulty Flash Updating a DriveLogix Controller with Memory Expansion to 12.18 through EtherNet	When using EtherNet to flash update a DriveLogix controller to 12.18, the memory expansion option must be temporarily removed during the flash upgrade.

Additional Memory Requirements

Revision 12.x *may* require more memory than previous revisions (e.g., 10.x, 11.x). To estimate the additional memory that your project *may* require, use the following table:

Table 1 Additional memory requirements when you convert a project to revision 12 (Sheet 1 of 2)

If you have this firmware revision (add <i>all</i> that apply):	Then add the following memory requirements to your project:		Which comes from this type of memory: ⁽¹⁾		
	Component	Increase per instance	I/O (base)	Data and Logic (expansion)	
11.x or earlier	tag that uses the MOTION_INSTRUCTION data type	4 bytes		Yes	
	tag for an axis				
	If the data type is:	And the tag is:			
	AXIS_CONSUMED	⇒⇒⇒⇒⇒⇒⇒⇒⇒⇒	264 bytes	Yes	
	AXIS_SERVO	produced for another controller	264 bytes	Yes	
		<i>not</i> produced for another controller	264 bytes		Yes
	AXIS_SERVO_DRIVE	produced for another controller	288 bytes	Yes	
		<i>not</i> produced for another controller	288 bytes		Yes
	AXIS_VIRTUAL	produced for another controller	264 bytes	Yes	
		<i>not</i> produced for another controller	264 bytes		Yes
	output cam execution targets	648 bytes		Yes	
user-defined data type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> number of user-defined data types in the controller organizer ⇒Data Types folder ⇒User-Defined folder <i>not</i> the use of that data type in tags 	128 bytes		Yes		
indirect address (using a tag as the subscript for an array in an instruction, e.g., Array_A[Tag_B]). This memory change applies <i>only</i> if the array: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses a user-defined data type has only one dimension (e.g., UDT_1[5]) 	(-60 bytes)				
10.x or earlier	project for a DriveLogix controller	1200 bytes	Yes		
	programs	12 bytes		Yes	
	routines	16 bytes		Yes	
9.x or earlier	tag that uses the MESSAGE data type	376 bytes		Yes	
8.x or 9.x	produced or consumed axis	(-21.6K bytes)	Yes		
	axis that <i>is not</i> produced or consumed	(-21.6K bytes)		Yes	
8.x or earlier	output cam execution targets	5,404 bytes		Yes	
	motion group	32 bytes		Yes	

Table 1 Additional memory requirements when you convert a project to revision 12 (Sheet 2 of 2)

If you have this firmware revision (add <i>all</i> that apply):	Then add the following memory requirements to your project:			Which comes from this type of memory: ⁽¹⁾		
	Component	Increase per instance	I/O (base)	Data and Logic (expansion)		
7.x or earlier	project for a DriveLogix controller	1050 bytes	Yes			
	tags	0.55 bytes		Yes		
	messages that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> transfer more than 500 bytes of data <i>and</i> target a controller in the same chassis This memory is allocated only when the MSG instruction is enabled. To estimate, count the number of these messages that are enabled and/or cached at one time.	2000 bytes	Yes			
6.x or earlier	base tags	24 bytes			Yes	
	alias tags	16 bytes			Yes	
	produced and consumed tags	Data type	Bytes per tag			
		DINT	4	12 bytes	Yes	
		REAL	4	12 bytes	Yes	
			3 x bytes per tag	Yes		
		3 x bytes per tag	Yes			
6.x	routines	68 bytes			Yes	
5.x or earlier	routines	116 bytes			Yes	

⁽¹⁾ In the DriveLogix controller, the I/O and expansion memory types are merged into a single memory pool.

IMPORTANT

An internal change on DriveLogix controllers resulted in less available memory with major revision 7 as compared to major revision 6.

- The 1794-L33 controller has 34k bytes less memory available.
- The 1794-L34 controller has 96k bytes less memory available.

Subsequent upgrades to new major revisions maintain this internal change.

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Rockwell Automation Support

Before you contact Rockwell Automation for technical assistance, we suggest you please review the troubleshooting information contained in the supporting product publications first (e.g. publications 20D-UM002, *User Manual - DriveLogix System*, and 1756-PM001, *Logix5000 Controllers Common Procedures Programming Manual*).

If the problem persists, call your local distributor or contact Rockwell Automation in one of the following ways:

Phone	United States/Canada	1.262.512.8176 (7 AM - 6 PM CST) 1.440.646.5800 (25 hour support)
	Outside United States/Canada	You can access the phone number for your country via the Internet: Go to http://www.ab.com Click on <i>Support</i> (http://support.rockwellautomation.com/) Under <i>Contact Customer Support</i> , click on <i>Phone Support</i>
Internet	⇒	Go to http://www.ab.com/support/abdrives/
E-mail	⇒	support@drives.ra.rockwell.com

Be prepared to furnish the following information when you contact support:

- Product Catalog Number
- Product Serial Number
- Firmware Revision Level

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