

R&S® Spectrum Rider FPH

Release Notes

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The following abbreviations are used throughout this document: R&S® Spectrum Rider FPH is abbreviated as R&S Spectrum Rider FPH.

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1 Information on the Current Version and History

1.1 New Functions

The following table lists the new functions and indicates the version in which these new functions were introduced:

New Function of Firmware V1.70:

| Version | Function |
|---------|---|
| V1.70 | Support of digital demodulation (ASK/FSK) - requires R&S®FPH-K7 |
| V1.70 | Support for N-Type Connector in model R&S®FPH26 (Only at production in the factory) - requires R&S®FPH-B100 |
| V1.70 | High resolution frequency counter (up to 0.001 Hz) |
| V1.70 | Support of additional Power Meter units Vemf, dBuVemf, dBmVemf |

New Function of earlier Firmware versions:

| Version | Function |
|---------|---|
| V1.60 | Frequency extension up to 31 GHz (Available on specific FPH variants) |
| V1.60 | Instrument Sanitization/Secure Flash Erase |
| V1.60 | Support of optical power sensor UPM100 from ODM Inc. (works with K9-Option) |
| V1.60 | Modulation Rate display in FM Demodulation (works with K7-Option) |
| V1.60 | Support for HE400BC and HE400MW Antenna |
| V1.50 | Support for Gated Sweep |
| V1.50 | Support for HE400 Antenna |
| V1.50 | Support for Trigger Delay in Video Trigger |
| V1.50 | Support for NRP6 and NRP6AN Power Sensors |
| V1.40 | Isotropic Antenna support for R&S®FPH-K43: Receiver Mode |
| V1.40 | Advanced Measurement Modes: OBW (Occupied Bandwidth), TDMA Power, SEM (Spectrum Emission Mask), ACLR (Adjacent Channel Leakage Ratio), Harmonic Distortion, AM Modulation Depth |
| V1.40 | Display Line for Spectrum Analyzer |
| V1.40 | Device Power ON after Power Restored Configurable |
| V1.40 | R&S®FPH-K16: Signal Strength Mapping Tone feature |
| V1.30 | R&S®FPH-K43: Receiver Mode |
| V1.30 | R&S®FPH-K15: Interference Analysis |
| V1.30 | R&S®FPH-K16: Signal Strength Mapping |
| V1.30 | Isotropic Antenna for Spectrum Analyzer Mode |
| V1.30 | Save on Event for Spectrum Analyzer, Maps and Receiver Mode |
| V1.30 | Channel Power Measurement in Spectrum Analyzer Mode |
| V1.30 | Transducers and dBuV unit support in Power Meter |
| V1.30 | New gestures for File Preview, skip Wizard Measurement step |
| V1.30 | New gestures hide/show Info-Bar in Spectrum Analyzer and Receiver Mode |
| V1.30 | Support for Yagi antennas HA-Z901 and HA-Z1900 (New Transducer files) |
| V1.20 | R&S®FPH-K7: Analog Modulation Analysis |

| Version | Function |
|---------|--|
| V1.20 | Wizard |
| V1.20 | Marker audio demodulation in zero span |
| V1.20 | Multiple languages: Support of 12 languages in user interface |
| V1.20 | GPS: Support of R&S®HA-Z340 |
| V1.20 | Disable and enable the touchscreen |
| V1.20 | File browser user interface improvement |
| V1.20 | Instrument- View: Support of remote display |
| V1.10 | R&S®FPH-K9: Power Sensor Support |
| V1.10 | R&S®FPH-K19: Channel Power Meter |
| V1.10 | R&S®FPH-K29: Pulse Measurements with Power Sensors |
| V1.10 | Marker: Added move marker position from touchscreen |
| V1.10 | File Manager: Added Recall-Screenshot preview function |
| V1.10 | Color Themes: Added Black & White and Printer Friendly UI themes |

1.2 Modified Functions

No features are modified in Firmware V1.70

1.3 Improvements

The following tables list the improvements and indicate since which version these improvements are available:

Improvements in Firmware V1.70:

| Version | Function |
|---------|--|
| V1.70 | Improvement in (faster) detection of Power Sensors |
| V1.70 | Improved synthesizer settings in R&S®FPH26 |

Improvements of earlier Firmware versions:

| since | Function |
|-------|---|
| V1.60 | Channel Power Measurement in Maps |
| V1.50 | Improved Measurement Speed |
| V1.50 | Smooth and faster Navigation in File Browser and in Setup Pages |
| V1.40 | R&S®FPH-K43: Receiver Mode 10.000 point support |
| V1.40 | R&S®FPH-K43: Receiver Mode improved scan startup time for scans with large number of points |
| V1.40 | R&S®FPH-K43: Receiver Mode RMS and Average detector support for longer measurement times |
| V1.40 | Fix for GPS number of satellites always showing 12 |
| V1.20 | Fixed device unable to restart if date is 2002 or earlier |
| V1.10 | Localization: Chinese translations were improved |

1.4 Known Issues

There are no known issues in V1.70

2 Modifications to the Documentation

You can download the latest manual from the R&S® Spectrum Rider FPH product web page at <http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/manual/fph>.

3 Firmware Update

New firmware versions usually contain new features, improvements of existing functionality, bug fixes etc. When a new firmware version is available, it is recommended to replace the old firmware with the new one.

R&S®InstrumentView

Firmware release V1.70 corresponds to R&S®InstrumentView V1.91, which is available on the Rohde & Schwarz web page as a separate update package.

Although older versions of R&S®InstrumentView might be able to communicate with firmware release V1.70, an update of R&S®InstrumentView is highly recommended, as older R&S®InstrumentView versions might not support all functions included in the new firmware release.

Updating the firmware

The latest firmware version is available for download on the internet:

<http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/firmware/fph>



Before you update the firmware, you should make a backup of the data that you have stored on the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH (datasets, screenshots, transducer factors etc.). You can make a backup with the tools available in the R&S®InstrumentView software package. The firmware update itself does not delete or modify that data, but it is recommended to perform a factory reset after the firmware update to update predefined limit lines, channel tables etc. The factory reset, however, does delete user data.

1. Download the firmware installer from the internet.

The firmware comes in a single `.exe` file.

2. Save the file to the root directory of a memory stick.
3. Run the `.exe` file to unpack the self-extracting zip archive.

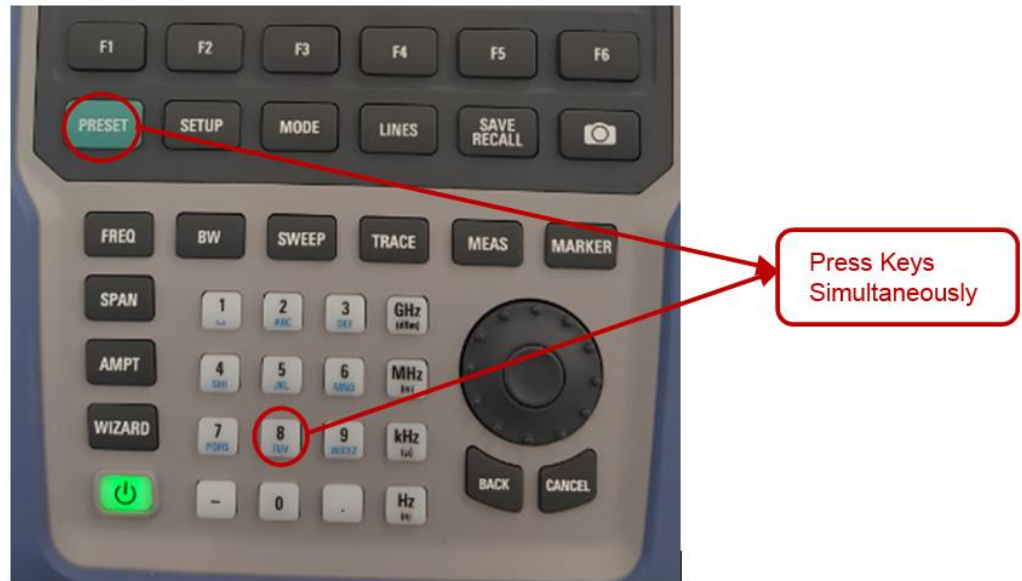
The following files are extracted.

- a) `FPH_<version>_bootloader_1.bin`
- b) `FPH_<version>_bootloader_2.bin`
- c) `FPH_<version>_osimage.bin`
- d) `FPH_<version>_updater.bin`
- e) `FPH_<version>_xmegaloadfiles.bmp`

Make sure that only these files are present in the root directory of the memory stick.

4. Turn off the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH Spectrum Analyzer.
5. Connect the memory stick to one of the USB interfaces of the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH.

6. Press the "Preset" key and the number "8" key simultaneously.



7. Turn on the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH and keep pressing the two keys for at least 5 seconds after the startup screen appears.
8. Release the keys.
The booting process continues. After a couple of seconds, the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH asks you if you really want to update the firmware.
9. Press the "Enter" (Round button in the rotary) key to update the firmware.
(You can cancel the firmware update with the "CANCEL" key.)

The firmware update takes several minutes. The R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH shows a message when the firmware update is done.

Note: Do not turn off the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH during the firmware update.

10. Turn off the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH.
11. Turn on the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH.
The R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH boots with the new firmware version.
12. Optional: It is recommended to perform a **factory reset** after a firmware update to replace the predefined limit lines, channel tables and other data with the latest updates.

Note: Before you start a factory reset, make sure to make a backup of your data that you have saved on the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH. Otherwise that data is deleted.

4 Firmware Options

4.1 Enabling Firmware Options via Option Key Codes

You can equip the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH with optional functionality or firmware options like the analog demodulation application or the receiver application. These firmware options expand the functionality of the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH with new measurement functions settings etc.

Installing firmware options

To install a new firmware option, you have to enter a license key for validation.

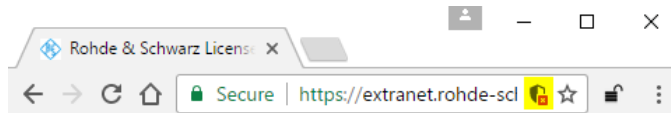
The license key is included in the delivery of the firmware option.

1. Press the "Setup" key to enter the instrument setup menu.
2. Select the "Installed Options" menu item.
The R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH shows a list of all options that are currently installed on your R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH.
3. Select the "Install Option" button and press the "Enter" key.
The R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH opens an input field.
4. Enter the license key with the alphanumeric keys and confirm the entry with the "Enter" key.
5. The license key is a 32-digit number.
6. The R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH confirms a successful installation.
If the R&S®Spectrum Rider FPH shows an "Invalid Key Code" message, try to enter the license key again.

4.2 Enabling Firmware Options via the R&S® License Manager

Prerequisite: Your PC must be connected via Ethernet to the R&S® Spectrum Rider FPH and to the internet.

Note: Make sure to allow the execution of mixed-mode scripts, e.g. allow in Google Chrome the loading of scripts from unsafe sources.



1. Open your browser and type in the IP address of your the R&S® Spectrum Rider FPH.

R&S License Manager

Connected Device

| | | |
|----------------|-------------|------------------------|
| FPH | Device ID: | 1321.1111K02-123456-xy |
| FPH | IP Address: | 192.168.1.1 |
| Version: V1.40 | Host Name: | localhost |

What do you want to do?

- [Install Registered License Keys and Activate Licenses](#) ?
- [Register Licenses, Install License Keys and Activate Licenses](#) ?
- [Reboot Device](#) ?

Help

The R&S License Manager allows you to perform tasks which are listed above.
Click on the help button behind a task to learn more about it.

2. Select "License Manager" > "Manage Licenses".
3. Choose "Register Licenses, Install License Keys and Activate Licenses" and follow the instructions.

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