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Upgrading SD9 to V987 Stealth Core 2

These instructions will guide you through updating your SD9 Console to the latest release V987. If you are upgrading from a version earlier than V443, please contact DiGiCo Support before attempting this upgrade. You can update directly from V443+ to V987.

V987 replaces V929 as the latest release.

SD9 V987 is only compatible with External Waves MultiRack.

Waves MultiRack will no longer run on your console. If you are running Waves MultiRack on your console, please visit <http://www.waves.com/downloads/digico> for more information.

We strongly advise Waves users to read the MultiRack for DiGiCo SD Consoles user guide.pdf explaining the requirements to use Waves MultiRack on an external PC and ensuring that all of the necessary equipment and licences are in place to do this before upgrading their console software.

If you are upgrading from a version of software earlier than V821, SD9 Stealth Core 2 software is a Chargeable Upgrade. Your console will start for 10 times without an activation code after which one must be entered.

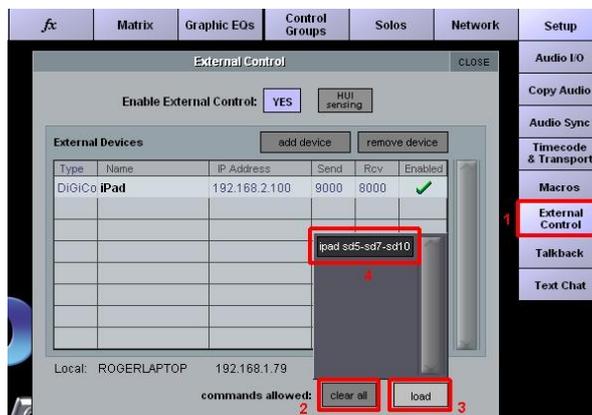
To purchase an activation code (password), please go to <http://www.digico.biz/docs/about/stealth-core2.shtml>

If you are upgrading from V821 and have already activated Core 2, this activation will remain in place

This update involves updating all or some of the following: Console Software and Worksurfaces.

SD9 V987 includes a Firmware update for D2 Racks

Before using the DiGiCo SD or DiGiCo SD SC2 iPad Apps with V987 you should first open the Setup>External Control Panel, “Clear All” existing commands and then “Load Commands” for the relevant console. See image below:



Please note that in the unlikely event that any of the serial devices fail to update correctly, you may be required to reprogram them using an ICD2 programmer. Please consult your local DiGiCo distributor for more information.

Allow yourself plenty of time to perform these upgrades.

The following table lists the versions and codes you will end up with after performing this update

Note: In this table Engine HOST and FPGA codes marked in red with an asterisk only apply to new MKII engines

	Version 929	Version 987
Software	9.0.929	9.1.987
Worksurfaces	103	104
Local I/O	23	23
Engine: HOST – d6host.bin	06/09/2013	06/09/2013
* Engine: HOST – sp6e.bin	06/09/2013	06/09/2013
Engine: FPGA – d7a.bit	06/11/2012	06/11/2012
* Engine: FPGA – sp6e.bit	29/01/2013	29/01/2013
Engine : Effects	18/04/2012	18/04/2012
D-Rack: Drack8b.bin	10/12/2014	10/12/2014
D-Rack : Drack8b.bit	13/03/2014	13/03/2014
D2-Rack: D2rack.bin	10/12/2014	03/11/2017
D2-Rack:D2rack.bit	01/04/2014	01/04/2014
SD-Rack: Rack8b.bin	21/09/2016	21/09/2016
SD-Rack : Rack8b.bit	05/07/2012	05/07/2012
DiGiRack/MADIRack: Rack.bin	28/09/15	28/09/15
DiGiRack/MADIRack: Rack.bit	10/03/06	10/03/06
Optocore V221 Firmware	V5R3	V5R3

Disconnect All, MADi, Local I/O Audio and Headphone Connections before proceeding with this upgrade.

Quit to Windows (system > quit to windows)

1. Copy the Software Updater **SD9_V987z_Updater.exe** onto a suitable USB Key and insert into a free USB Socket on the SD9.

2. Right-Click on the **Start Menu**, and choose **Explore**.

Navigate to your USB Key, and run **SD9_V987z_Updater.exe** from your USB Key. This updater will install the required updates, application software, and backup your current SD9 application folder.

3. The **UpdateHardware** application will now automatically run.

For each device, you will see the current running version in the “running” column, with the new version in the “available” column. The available version is based on the corresponding file in D:\SD9 directory.

Now proceed with the console firmware updates in the following order:-

Worksurfaces x 2

If you are updating from a version previous to V929, there may be Console firmware updates to perform.

If you have D2 Racks as part of your SD9 System, there is an update available. If not already connected, **please now connect your racks to the SD9**. If you are upgrading via a MADi/CAT5 connection, please connected your Rack to the Console MADi ports.

Once Complete, close the **UpdateHardware** Program and remove your USB Key from the Console.

4. From the Start Menu, shut down the console and power off.

5. Power the console on. The console will launch straight into the SD9 application.

You should check that all the components have updated correctly in the Diagnostics Panel.

Open this from the System Menu / Diagnostics.

The First Tab (Console) will show the version for any serial devices you have updated.

The second Tab (Engine) will show the Engine Codes you have updated. Confirm that the Host, Effects & FPGA Code Downloaded Dates match the date listed on the first page of this document.

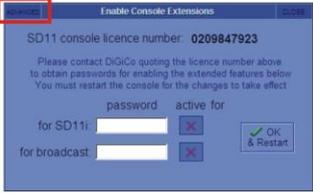
6. If you are upgrading from V760 or previous (not required if upgrading from V821) - Go to *System>Enable Extensions* and touch in the top left corner on **Core 2 to obtain your security code so you can purchase and activate your Stealth Core 2 Licence.**

Stealth Core 2 Upgrade – IMPORTANT NOTES about activating your Core 2 upgrade

If you are upgrading from V821 and have already activated Core 2, these steps are not necessary as the Core 2 activation will already be in place and will remain so.

If you are upgrading from V760 or earlier, when you have the generated the password, go to the console Master Screen > System > Enable Extensions and do the following:

Select Core 2 Page



This is the Core 2 Page



STEP 1 - Type the Password



STEP 3 - Press OK & Restart Button



STEP 4 - Press Yes to confirm Restart

OR

If 10 free tries have already expired you will see this panel on application start



In this case - **Type the Password** and press the on screen **OK** button and the application will load as Core 2
To exit the application without entering a password press the keyboard **ESC** key

If, after following all the instructions, you cannot upgrade your SD9, please contact DiGiCo Technical Support.