CANLogger1000/2000 Technical Manual

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Figure 1: CANLogger1000 & CANLogger2000

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1 About This Document

This manual describes the functionality of the <code>CANLogger</code> series of CAN-bus data loggers with firmware v5.31.

1.1 Typical application

The CANLogger series finds its use in all applications with a need to store CAN-bus communication data. Examples of typical applications are:

- Automotive (e.g. J1939 or OBD)
- Industrial application monitoring
- Development and testing
- Monitoring and fault identification
- Monitoring of remote and mobile systems

1.2 References

This manual, firmware updates, drivers and additional software tools can be found on the product web page: http://csselectronics.com

2 Introduction

The CANLogger offers simple and user-friendly logging of data from a CAN-bus without the use of a computer. Data are stored on a standard SD-card in a simple format such that it can be directly loaded into an analysis tool for further post processing. The logged data can be transferred to a PC using a standard mini-USB cable and requires no special software. For advanced users, the device offers a wide range of configuration possibilities, such as message filtering, downsampling, automatic bit-rate detection, cyclic-logging, heartbeat signal, transmit messages and run-time logging control. The ability to enable message filtering and configure which data fields to log combined with the huge available storage capacity makes the device suitable for long-term data logging. The device configuration can be done on a PC and requires no special software. Also, the device can act as an USB interface to allow monitoring of real-time CAN-bus traffic from a PC.

The default device configuration enables the logger to detect the CAN-bus bit-rate and immediately start logging data automatically. Simply connect the device to the CAN-bus using the connector pinout listed in Table 3 on page 8.

3 Technical Specification

3.1 CANLogger1000 specification

The specification of CANLogger1000 is given below:

General:

- Quick and easy plug-and-play installation
- Logger status is indicated using three externally visible LEDs
- Supports firmware updates such that future features can be added
- Mini-USB port to access storage and to monitor real-time CAN-bus traffic

CAN-bus:

- One physical port compliant with physical layer standard ISO 11898-2
- Compliant with CAN specifications 2.0A (11-Bit ID) and 2.0B (29-Bit ID)
- Bit rates up to 1 Mbps (manually configured or automatically detected)
- Bit-rate auto-detection¹
- Protocol independent
- Standard D-sub 9 (DB9) connector
- Advanced message filtering on four configurable virtual channels
- CAN-bus silent/listen-only mode
- The device does not terminate the CAN-bus internally

Data logging:

- Supports standard high-capacity (SDHC) SD-cards²
- CAN messages are time-stamped with 1ms resolution
- Highly configurable timestamp format
- Configurable data fields to log
- Logging state (enabled/disabled) can be changed run-time using a CAN-bus control message
- Supports heartbeat signal to indicate logger status periodically³
- Standard FAT file system
- Supports cyclic logging mode (oldest log file is deleted when file system is full)
- Channel specific message down-sampling to reduce frequency of logged messages
- Up to 20 single shot or periodic transmit messages

PC Interface:

- Real-time CAN-bus traffic monitoring
- Configurable serial interface filters
- Configurable channel to interface routing

Supply:

- Power can be supplied from CAN-bus or USB
- Power supplied from the CAN-bus: +7.0V to +36V DC⁴
- Reverse voltage protection on CAN-bus supply
- Transient voltage pulse protection on CAN-bus supply
- Power supplied by USB: +5.0V DC
- The CAN-bus connector current draw is approximate to 40mA@12V

Mechanical:

- Robust enclosure
- Dimension: 66.7 x 42.7 x 23.5 mm (L x W x H)
- Weight: 45g

Operation:

• Operating temperature⁵: -20° C to $+80^{\circ}$ C

 $^{^{2}}$ Tested with up to 32 GB

 $^{^{3}\}mathrm{Payload}$ includes logging state, time and space left on memory card

 $^{^47.0\}mathrm{V}$ to +28V DC on HW rev < 4.0

 $^{^5}$ Without SD-card

3.2 CANLogger2000 specification

The specification of CANLogger2000 is identical to the specification of CANLogger1000 given above with the following additions:

Real-time clock:

- Built-in real-time clock with calendar and battery backup
- Absolute date and time information are added to log files
- Battery backup with more than two years of battery capacity

4 Modes of Operation

The CANLogger has two basic modes of operation:

- Mass storage device mode (MSD-mode)
- Logging mode

The device decides which mode to activate based on the mini-USB connection. If the device is connected by USB to a PC during start-up, it will activate Mass storage device mode. Otherwise, it will activate Logging mode. The flow of the modes is illustrated in Figure 2.

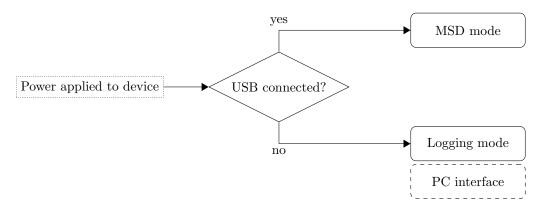


Figure 2: The modes of operation: Mass storage device mode & Logging mode

Three visible LEDs on the back of the device indicate the status of operation in the two states. The LEDs are located as illustrated in Figure 3.



Figure 3: Red, yellow and green LEDs indicate the status of the device

Below the modes and the interpretation of the LEDs are described in detail.

4.1 Mass storage device mode

If the device is powered on by the USB-cable connected to a PC, the device will activate Mass storage device mode (MSD). In this mode the internal memory will be reserved for PC access. The PC will recognise the device as a standard USB memory device such that the device storage can be easily accessed. The logged data can now be transferred to the PC without the need of special software. Additionally, the device configuration can be accessed and modified (refer to Section 10 on page 17 for details).

To prevent corruption of the device file system, always eject the device from the PC safely. Safe ejection of the MSD on Windows is illustrated in Figure 4.

Removable Disk (I:)	
7,39 GB free of 7,39 GB	Open
	Open in new window
	Format
	Eject
	Properties

Figure 4: A mass storage device is safely ejected in Windows by right clicking the device drive in My Computer and selecting Eject

4.1.1 LED interpretation

The interpretation of the device LEDs (Figure 3) in Mass storage device mode is given in Table 1.

State	Description	Green	Yellow	Red
1	Power on	×	0	0
2	USB connected	Ж	0	Ķ.
3	Memory error	0	-×-	×.

Table 1: MSD-mode LED interpretation. LED solidly on: $\overset{\otimes}{\times}$, LED flashing: $\overset{\otimes}{\leftarrow}$, LED off: $^{\circ}$

Detailed LED interpretation description by state:

- 1. The green LED is on to indicate that the device is booting.
- 2. The green LED is on to indicate that the device in on. The red LED flashes as the PC accesses (reads/writes) the internal memory.
- 3. The yellow and red LEDs are constantly on to indicate a problem with the internal memory card. Please refer to **TC.1** on page 30.

4.2 Logging mode

If the device is powered on without the USB-cable connected to a PC (power is supplied through the CAN-bus connector), it will activate Logging mode. When the device enters Logging mode the internal memory is reserved for data-logging and cannot be accessed through the USB-port. The serial interface activates if the USB-cable is inserted after the device has entered Logging mode, refer to Section 8 on page 11 for further details on the serial interface.

As the device enters Logging mode it will attempt to read the device configuration file located on the memory-card (the device configuration is described in section 10 on page 17). If a valid configuration file is found, the configuration is loaded by the device. If no valid configuration is found, a default configuration is written to the memory card which is then loaded by the device.

The device is now ready to communicate with the CAN-bus and log messages according to the loaded device configuration file.

4.2.1 LED interpretation

The interpretation of the device LEDs (Figure 3) in Logging mode is given in table 2.

Detailed LED interpretation description by state:

- 1. The green LED is on to indicate that the device is booting.
- 2. The red LED flashes three times **if no valid configuration is found** and a valid default configuration is written to the memory.

State	Description	Green	Yellow	Red
1	Power on	×	0	0
2	Configuration file found	×.	ģ:	0
3	Configuration file not found	×.	0	ģ.
4	Detecting bit-rate	×.	×.	0
5	Logging	×.	Ķ.	Ķ.
6	Memory error	0	Ж	×

Table 2: MSD-mode LED interpretation. LED solidly on: $\overset{\otimes}{\times}$, LED flashing: $\overset{\otimes}{\times}$, LED flashing three times: $\overset{\otimes}{\times}$, LED off: $^{\circ}$

- 3. The yellow LED flashes three times to indicate that a valid configuration is found and loaded.
- 4. The yellow LED remains solid on until a valid bit-rate is detected, if auto-detection is configured.
- 5. The yellow LED flashes to indicate CAN-bus traffic (note that the LED will be very dim if the CAN-bus load is low). The red LED flashes to indicate that data are written to the memory card.
- 6. The yellow and red LEDs are constantly on to indicate a problem with the internal memory card. Please refer to **TC.1** on page 30.

5 CAN-bus Connector

The CANLogger can be directly connected to a CAN-bus using a standard D-sub 9 connector. The connector supports both the CAN-bus communication signals and the supply to the CANLogger. The connector is located at the end of the device, as illustrated in Figure 5.



Figure 5: View of the CANLogger CAN-bus connector.

The pinout of the D-sub 9 CAN-bus connector is illustrated in Figure 6 with the same orientation as in Figure 5. The connector pin assignment is listed in Table 3.

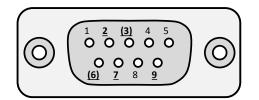


Figure 6: Front view of the CANLogger CAN-bus connector

Pin No.	Function
1	Not connected
2	CAN-L
(3)	GND (3 and 6 internally connected)
4	Not connected
5	Not connected
(6)	GND (3 and 6 internally connected)
7	CAN-H
8	Not connected
<u>9</u>	Device supply (see section 3 on page 2)

Table 3: CANLogger connector pin assignment

Note that only the pins with underlined numbers are used internally. The unused pins can be left unconnected. Pin 3 and 6 share the same function and are internally connected.

- Note that some CAN-buses might not include the supply wires to supply the CANLogger. If this is the case, the device supply pins must be connected to an external supply.
- Note that the voltage supplied between pin 3 (or 6) and 9 cannot exceed the limits given in section 3 on page 2. If the limits are exceeded, the device might get permanently damaged.

6 Memory Card Installation

The CANLogger uses a standard SD-card to store data⁶. The SD-card is placed inside the device and can be replaced. If not already present, an SD-card should be inserted into the device to enable data logging. To insert an SD-card, it is necessary to open the device.

Please note that it is not necessary to open the device if it comes with a preinstalled SD-card.

Please note that it is not necessary to remove the SD-card to access logged data. The device can be directly connected to the PC using a USB-cable as described in section 4.1.

To open the device a 4 mm flat-bladed screwdriver is needed. Insert the screwdriver into one of the opening slots as indicated in Figure 7.



Figure 7: Side view of the CANLogger enclosure showing the opening slots

To open the device, gently twist the screwdriver to separate the device enclosure.

When open, locate the SD-card connector slot. The slot is of the push-push type (push to both insert and eject the card). Insert the SD-card into the connector slot and push until it clicks as illustrated in Figure 8.



Figure 8: Simplified view of the CANLogger with one piece of the enclosure removed. The SD-card is pushed into the connector slot as indicated by the green arrow.

To close the device, make sure that the printed circuit board is perfectly aligned with the edges of the enclosure and then press the two pieces of the enclosure together. When the enclosure pieces snap together the device is closed.

 $^{^6\}mathrm{Refer}$ to the device specification on page 2

7 Device Firmware Upgrade

The device supports USB Device Firmware Upgrade (DFU) such that new firmware updates can be uploaded to the device when new features become available. Firmware can be uploaded to the device using tools supporting the DFU protocol.

The device will only be able to accept new firmware images when in DFU mode, therefore, to enter DFU mode, the device should be powered on with the DFU button pressed (the device enclosure exposes three LEDs and one DFU button slot), as illustrated in Figure 9. The sequence for entering DFU mode and updating firmware is:

- 1. Make sure that device is powered completely off
- 2. Gently push and hold the DFU button, as illustrated in Figure 9
- 3. Connect the USB cable to power on the device
- 4. The device will power on and enter DFU mode (red LED constant on, green and yellow LEDs off)
- 5. Release the DFU button

- 6. Open tool with DFU support
- 7. Select new compatible firmware image and upload image to device
- 8. When upload is complete, power cycle the device to start the new firmware

Note that the device will only accept officially released firmware images

Please make sure to use a non-conductive tool to activate the DFU button



Figure 9: The DFU button is activated with a pointed non-conducting object.

8 Serial Interface

The CANLogger supports a serial interface which can be accessed using the USB connection. The interface can be used to communicate with the CANLogger in real time. Refer to section 8.1.3 for supported application interfaces.

To enable the serial interface, the device should be powered up using the CAN-bus connector. When the device has booted, the the USB-cable can be connected to activate the interface.

On MS Windows, the active serial interface will be listed as a "COM-port" in the device manager.

8.1 Serial Protocol

The serial protocol consists of three simple layers: Physical Layer (PHY, 8.1.1), Data-Link Layer (DLL, 8.1.2) and Application Layer (AL, 8.1.3). The layered model ensures effective and robust communication between the CANLogger and the host (e.g. PC).

In the following sections, the protocol layers will be described.

8.1.1 Physical layer

The USB connection creates a virtual serial interface with the following configuration:

- Bit-rate: 115200 bit/s
- Data bits: 8
- Stop bits: 1
- Parity: None
- Flow control: None

8.1.2 Data Link Layer

The purpose of the DLL is to ensure safe and error free transmission of message frames between the device and the host. The DLL ensures that the start/stop of a message frame can always be uniquely identified and that the integrity of the data payload can be verified by the receiver.

The design of the DLL is heavily inspired by the widely used HDLC specification. The DLL has the following structure:

Start flag	Payload	CR	сC	Stop flag
0x7E		MSB	LSB	0x7E

Frame identification

The start and end of a frame are always uniquely defined by the start/stop flag with a unique one-byte value 0x7E.

Byte stuffing is used to avoid that the start/stop byte appears randomly in the message Payload or CRC fields (which could lead to confusion regarding the start/stop of the frame). The CANLogger uses a control byte with value 0x7D to escape occurrences of the unique start/stop byte in the data.

To decode the message frame, the receiver shall examine the data between the start/stop flags. If the control byte is detected, the received shall perform the following actions:

1. Discard the control byte (0x7D)

2. Restore the following byte by complementing its 5th bit (indexed from zero)

Frame integrity verification

When the frame has been destuffed, the integrity of the data can be verified using the CRC field. To verify the integrity of the Payload, the receiver shall perform the following actions:

- 1. Calculate the CRC16 checksum over the Payload
- 2. Compare the calculated checksum with the checksum stored in the CRC field (2 bytes)
- 3. If the calculated and the stored values are equal, the frame is valid

The CRC16 calculation uses the standard CRC-16 polynomial (also known as CRC-16-IBM):

$$x^{16} + x^{15} + x^2 + 1$$

The polynomial representation is 0x8005.

The details of the CRC calculation are beyond the scope of this manual.

Example 1 - Decoding of received message frame

The following message frame is received on the serial interface, indicated by the start/stop byte pair:

Scanning the bytes in between the start/stop flags reveals one occurrence of the control byte 0x7D. By following the destuffing steps, the control byte is removed and the following byte restored to the original value (the value before the stuffing performed by the CANLogger) by complementing the 5th bit:

Start flag	Destuffed frame data									Stop flag
	Payload								RC	
$7\mathrm{E}$	AA	BB	$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{C}$	$7\mathrm{E}$	DD	\mathbf{EE}	\mathbf{FF}	A3	84	7E

To validate the integrity of the Payload, the CRC16 is calculated over the Payload bytes:

CRC16(AA, BB, CC, 7E, DD, EE, FF) = A384.

The validation shows that the Payload is valid as the calculated and the stored CRC values are equal.

8.1.3 Application Layer

The AL is the decoded Payload of the DLL and contains an application ID (1 byte) and the application data:

ID | Application data

The interpretation of the application data is given by the ID field. Below are the supported application IDs listed:

ID Description

- 1 Received CAN-bus message
- 2 Transmitted CAN-bus message

The following describe above listed application data interpretations.

Received CAN-bus message

Description: The application data contain a CAN-bus message received by the logger.

Format:

ID	Application data										
1	Time	Time ms	Message ID	Data length	Data						
	4 byte	2 byte	4 byte	1 byte	08 byte						

The Time field is encoded as "Epoch" seconds. The message ID is extended if bit 29 (indexed from zero) is set. Multi-byte fields shall be interpreted MSB (Most-Significant- Byte) first.

Transmitted CAN-bus message

Description: The application data contain a CAN-bus message transmitted by the logger.

Format:

ID	Application data										
2	Time	Time ms	Message ID	Data length	Data						
	4 byte	2 byte	4 byte	1 byte	08 byte						

The Time field is encoded as "Epoch" seconds. The message ID is extended if bit 29 (indexed from zero) is set. Multi-byte fields shall be interpreted MSB (Most-Significant- Byte) first.

9 Log File Format

The following section describes the log file format.

An example log file is given for reference below:

```
# Logger type: CANLogger2000
# HW rev: 6.xx
# FW rev: 5.31
# Logger ID: OPEL
# Session No.: 70
 Split No.: 1
#
 Time: 20170101T022232
#
 Value separator: ";"
#
 Time format: 4
#
                   ·· ··
# Time separator:
 Time separator ms: ""
#
# Date separator: "'
 Time and date separator: "T"
#
# Bit-rate: 500000
# Silent mode: false
# Cyclic mode:
                false
Timestamp; Type; ID; Data
01\,T022231683\,;8\,;7\,df\,;02010\,d5555555555
01T022231688;0;7e8;03410d00aaaaaaaa
01T022231693;8;7df;02010c555555555
01\,T022231701\,; 0\,; 7\,e8\,; 0\,4\,4\,10\,c0000aaaaaaa
01T022231783;8;7df;02010d555555555
01T022231788;0;7e8;03410d00aaaaaaaa
01T022231793;8;7df;02010c555555555
01T022231801;0;7e8;04410c0000aaaaaa
```

9.1 File format

Log files are written in a CSV-like format using the reduced ASCII character set. The log files can be opened directly in most simple text editors. Log entries are formatted according to the settings in the configuration file and terminated by a single "line feed" character.

Note that some text editors do not recognise a single "line feed" character as a new line.

9.2 File name

The log file names are built using a unique sequential 7 digit number. Each time a new log file is created, the log file name number is increased by one. The log file extension is *.txt, e.g. "0000001.txt".

Note that the log name number is **not** reset on a power-cycle.

9.3 Header

The log file header is added to all log files. The header contains information needed to identify and interpret the log file. Log file header lines start with "#".

Below the log header entries are described:

- Logger type: The CANLogger type
- HW rev: The hardware revision of the CANLogger
- FW rev: The running firmware revision of the CANLogger
- Logger ID: The logger identification string

- Session No.: The session sequential number
- Split No.: The log file split number
- Time: The log file start time with fixed format "YYYYMMDDThhmmss"
- Value separator: The value separator used in the log file
- Time format: The time stamp format used in the log file
- Time separator: The timestamp time separator
- Time separator ms: The timestamp ms separator
- Date separator: The timestamp date separator
- Time and date separator: The timestamp time to date separator
- Bit-rate: The manually set or auto detected CAN-bus bit rate
- Silent mode: The state of silent mode
- Cyclic mode: The state of cyclic mode

9.3.1 Log file numbering

Session No.

Each logging session is given a unique number. Each time the logger powers up, the session number is increased by one. The session number can be used to group multiple log files from the same logging session (log sessions can be split across several log files, configured by the fileSplitSize field).

Note that the session number is **not** reset on a power-cycle.

Split No.

The split number is reset each time the logger powers up. The purpose of the Split No. is to ensure an unambiguous order of log files within the same logging session (log files with the same Session No.)

9.3.2 Log entry format

The format of the log file data is unambiguously given by the **Time format** and separator entries in the log file.

9.4 Data fields

The date field header identifies the column values and how they are separated (Value separator). Which date fields to include in log files can be set in the configuration file.

The following data fields can be included in the log file:

- Timestamp: Timestamp in ms (1ms resolution)
- Lost: Message lost flag. If the flag is set (1 in log file), one (or more) CAN-message(s), before the message with the flag, was (were) potentially lost
- Type: Message type indicator. Is either 0 (received standard), 1 (received extended), 8 (transmitted standard) or 9 (transmitted extended) in the log file
- ID: CAN-bus message identifier
- Length: The length in bytes of the CAN-message data field

• Data: CAN-bus message data bytes (0-8)

All fields except the timestamp are written in hexadecimal format. To ensure unambiguous interpretation, the data field bytes are left zero padded, such that each byte is always written using two characters, e.g. "010203".

Note that the timestamp is either relative to power up or absolute depending on the CANLogger hardware (real-time-clock).

10 Device Configurations

The device configuration file (*.ini file format) is used to configure the behaviour of the CANLogger. The configuration file can be accessed from a PC when the device is in MSD-mode. To restore the default configuration, delete the configuration from the device storage and power cycle.

The default configuration file of the CANLogger1000 is:

; CANLogger configuration file

```
[revision]
                              ; Configuration file revision (do not modify)
revision = 10
                              ; Configuration revision number
                              ; Log file configuration
[log]
\log gerID = ID0001
                              ; Logger identification string (max 10 characters)
\log gingEnb = true
                                Default logging state
                              ; Log file separator ASCII char (DEC)
valueSeparator = 59
                                Timestamp format ( 0 = kkk, 6 = YYYYMMDDhhmmsskkk)
timestampFormat = 4
timestampTimeSeparator = 0
                                Timestamp time separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = \text{none})
timestampTimeMsSeparator = 0; Timestamp millisecond separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = none)
timestampDateSeparator = 0
                             ; Timestamp date separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = \text{none})
                              ; Timestamp date /time separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = \text{none}); File split size in MB
timeTimeDateSeparator = 84
fileSplitLimit = 100
cyclicLogging = false
                             ; Delete oldest stored file when full
compression = false
                             ; Enable data compression (experimental)
[heartbeat]
                              ; Enable heartbeat signal
heartbeatEnb = false
                              ; Use extended 29 bit message ID (2.0B)
extendedID = true
                              ; CAN message ID of heartbeat signal (HEX)
msgID = 00435353
[control]
                             ; Enable control signal
controlEnb = false
extendedID = true
                              ; Use extended 29 bit message ID (2.0B)
msgID = 00435354
                              ; CAN message ID of control signal (HEX)
[dataFields]
                             ; Data fields in log file
                              ; Log message timestamp
timestamp = true
                              ; Log if a message was lost
lost = false
type = true
                             ; Log type of identifier
                             ; Log message ID
id = true
dataLength = false
                              ; Log number of message data bytes
data = true
                             ; Log message data
[can]
                             ; CAN bus configuration
                              ; CAN-bus bit rate (DECIMAL), 0 = auto-detect
bitrate = 0
silent = false
                             ; Listen-only mode
[channel1]
                             ; CAN channel 1 configuration
                             ; Enable CAN channel
channelEnb = true
destination = 3
                              ; 1 = \text{Logger}, 2 = \text{Interface}, 3 = \text{Both}
                              ; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B)
extendedID = false
downSamplePrescaler = 1
                             ; Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256)
filteringEnb = false
                              ; Enable below message filtering
                              ; Message ID filter (HEX)
msgID = 00000000
msgIDMask = 1FFFFFFF
                              ; Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid)
[channel2]
                              ; CAN channel 2 configuration
channelEnb = true
                              ; Enable CAN channel
destination = 3
                              ; 1 = \text{Logger}, 2 = \text{Interface}, 3 = \text{Both}
extendedID = true
                              ; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B)
                              ; Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256)
downSamplePrescaler = 1
filteringEnb = false
                              ; Enable below message filtering
msgID = 00000000
                              ; Message ID filter (HEX)
msgIDMask = 1FFFFFFF
                              ; Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid)
[channel3]
                              ; CAN channel 3 configuration
                              ; Enable CAN channel
channelEnb = false
                             ; 1 = \text{Logger}, 2 = \text{Interface}, 3 = \text{Both}
destination = 3
extendedID = false
                              ; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B)
downSamplePrescaler = 1
                              ; Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256)
                              ; Enable below message filtering
filteringEnb = true
                              ; Message ID filter (HEX)
; Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid)
msgID = 00000001
msgIDMask = 1FFFFFFF
```

<pre>destination = 3 extendedID = false downSamplePrescaler = 1 filteringEnb = true msgID = 00000002</pre>	<pre>; CAN channel 4 configuration ; Enable CAN channel ; 1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = Both ; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B) ; Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256) ; Enable below message filtering ; Message ID filter (HEX) ; Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid)</pre>
<pre>; [transmit1] ; destination = 0 ; period = 100 ; delay = 0 ; extendedID = false ; msgID = 00000001 ; msgData = {0102030405060708}</pre>	<pre>; Transmit message 1 ; 0 = None, 1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = Both ; Period in ms (DEC, 10 ms resolution) ; Delay in ms (DEC, 10 ms resolution) ; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B) ; Transmit message ID (HEX) ; Message data (HEX)</pre>

The default configuration file of the CANLogger2000 is:

; CANLogger configuration file

; Configuration file revision (do not modify) [revision] revision = 10; Configuration revision number ; Log file configuration [log] loggerID = ID0001; Logger identification string (max 10 characters) $\log ging Enb = true$; Default logging state Log file separator ASCII char (DEC) valueSeparator = 59; Timestamp format (0 = kkk, 6 = YYYYMMDDhhmmsskkk) timestampFormat = 4; Timestamp time separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = none) timestampTimeSeparator = 0timestampTimeMsSeparator = 0; Timestamp millisecond separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = none) ; Timestamp date separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = none) timestampDateSeparator = 0timeTimeDateSeparator = 84; Timestamp date /time separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = none) fileSplitLimit = 100; File split size in MB cyclicLogging = false; Delete oldest stored file when full compression = false; Enable data compression (experimental) [heartbeat] heartbeatEnb = false; Enable heartbeat signal ; Use extended 29 bit message ID (2.0B) extendedID = true; CAN message ID of heartbeat signal (HEX) msgID = 00435353[control] controlEnb = false; Enable control signal ; Use extended 29 bit message ID (2.0B) extendedID = truemsgID = 00435354; CAN message ID of control signal (HEX) [dataFields] ; Data fields in log file timestamp = true; Log message timestamp lost = false; Log if a message was lost type = true; Log type of identifier ; Log message ID id = true; Log number of message data bytes ; Log message data dataLength = falsedata = true; CAN bus configuration [can] ; CAN-bus bit rate (DECIMAL), 0 = auto-detectbitrate = 0silent = false; Listen-only mode ; CAN channel 1 configuration [channel1] channelEnb = true ; Enable CAN channel ; 1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = Both ; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B) destination = 3extendedID = falsedownSamplePrescaler = 1; Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256) filteringEnb = false; Enable below message filtering ; Message ID filter (HEX) ; Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid) msgID = 00000000; CAN channel 2 configuration [channel2] : Enable CAN channel channelEnb = true destination = 3; 1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = BothextendedID = true; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B) downSamplePrescaler = 1; Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256) filteringEnb = false; Enable below message filtering ; Message ID filter (HEX) ; Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid) msgID = 00000000msgIDMask = 1FFFFFFF[channel3] ; CAN channel 3 configuration channelEnb = false; Enable CAN channel destination = 3; 1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = Both; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B) extendedID = falsedownSamplePrescaler = 1; Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256) ; Enable below message filtering filteringEnb = truemsgID = 00000001; Message ID filter (HEX) msgIDMask = 1FFFFFFF; Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid) [channel4] ; CAN channel 4 configuration ; Enable CAN channel channelEnb = false; 1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = Bothdestination = 3; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B) extendedID = false; Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256) downSamplePrescaler = 1; Enable below message filtering filteringEnb = true msgID = 00000002; Message ID filter (HEX)

msgIDMask = 1FFFFFFF	; Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid)
;[transmit1] ;destination = 0 ;period = 100 ;delay = 0 ;extendedID = false ;msgID = 00000001 ;msgData = {010203040506070	<pre>; Transmit message 1 ; 0 = None, 1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = Both ; Period in ms (DEC, 10 ms resolution) ; Delay in ms (DEC, 10 ms resolution) ; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B) ; Transmit message ID (HEX) 8} ; Message data (HEX)</pre>
[RTC]epochTime = 0 adjustment = 0	; Real Time Clock ; Epoch time (0 to keep current time) ; Adjustment in sec to current time (max +-129600 sec)

10.1 Configurations file description

The INI file format is a simple text based configuration file format which can be edited by any simple text editor (such as MS Notepad). The configuration of the CANLogger uses the INI file format and syntax. Comments are given by the semicolon symbol (;) and can be added by the user as helpful notes directly in the configuration. Comments will not be interpreted by the device and have not to follow any specific syntax.

Below each section of the configuration file are explained (in the INI file syntax, a section is marked by square brackets [*section name*]):

Configuration file revision:

```
[revision] ; Configuration file revision (do not modify)
revision = 10 ; Configuration revision number
```

The [revision] section should not be modified and is simply used to ensure compatibility between the running device firmware and the format of the configuration file.

Log file configuration:

```
[log]
                             ; Log file configuration
\log gerID = ID0001
                              ; Logger identification string (max 10 characters)
\log gingEnb = true
                              ; Default logging state
valueSeparator = 59
                               Log file separator ASCII char (DEC)
                             ; Timestamp format ( 0 = kkk, 6 = YYYYMMDDhhmmsskkk)
timestampFormat = 4
timestampTimeSeparator = 0
                             ; Timestamp time separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = \text{none})
timestampTimeMsSeparator = 0; Timestamp millisecond separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = none)
                            ; Timestamp date separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = \text{none})
timestampDateSeparator = 0
                             ; Timestamp date /time separator ASCII char (DEC, 0 = none)
timeTimeDateSeparator = 84
fileSplitLimit = 100
                             ; File split size in MB
cyclicLogging = false
                                Delete oldest stored file when full
compression = false
                             ; Enable data compression (experimental)
```

The [log] section specifies some general settings of the log file. The section contains the following entries:

- loggerID: A logger identification string. The string is copied to the log file header such that log files from different loggers can be identified. The string can be up to 10 characters long.
- loggingEnb: Sets the default logging state. If the default logging state is set to false, the logger will not log messages until it has received a valid control signal enabling logging.
- valueSeparator: Specifies the separator symbol used in the log file. Each separator symbol is represented by a value (ASCII). Valid symbol values are listed in Table 4.
- timestampFormat: Specifies the detail level of the timestamp used in the log file. Note that a longer timestamp will take up more space and reduce maximum logging speed. The format supports seven levels, from 0 to 6. Timestamp separators can be selected using the time separators settings. The detail levels are listed below with *kkk* as milliseconds:
 - 0. kkk
 - 1. sskkk
 - 2. mmsskkk
 - 3. hhmmsskkk
 - 4. DDhhmmsskkk
 - 5. MMDDhhmmsskkk
 - 6. YYYYMMDDhhmmsskkk

• timestampTimeSeparator: Specifies the time separator in the timestamp. Each separator symbol is represented by a value (ASCII). Valid symbol values are listed in Table 4. Additionally, setting the separator to 0 will disable the separator. The separator will be inserted into the timestamp as:

YYYYMMDDhhXmmXsskkk.

- timestampTimeMsSeparator: Specifies the millisecond separator in the timestamp. Each separator symbol is represented by a value (ASCII). Valid symbol values are listed in Table 4. Additionally, setting the separator to 0 will disable the separator. The separator will be inserted into the timestamp as: YYYYMMDDhhmmssXkkk
- timestampDateSeparator: Specifies the date separator in the timestamp. Each separator symbol is represented by a value (ASCII). Valid symbol values are listed in Table 4. Additionally, setting the separator to 0 will disable the separator. The separator will be inserted into the timestamp as:

YYYYXMMXDDhhmmsskkk

- timeTimeDateSeparator: Specifies the date to time separator in the timestamp. Each separator symbol is represented by a value (ASCII). Valid symbol values are listed in Table 4. Additionally, setting the separator to 0 will disable the separator. The separator will be inserted into the timestamp as: YYYYMMDDXhhmmsskkk
- fileSplitLimit: Specifies the maximum file size of log files stored on the device in MB. When the file split size is reached, a new file is created, and the logging continues. Each new split log file is given an updated header. The file split limit shall be in the range 1 512 MB.
- cyclicLogging: Setting this entry to true enables cyclic logging mode. With cycling logging mode enabled the oldest log files are deleted when the memory card becomes full allowing the logging to continue.
- compression: Setting this entry to true enables data compression. The compression feature is currently experimental.

Table of valid separator symbol values:

32: (space)	42: *	52: 4	62: >	72: H	82: R	92: \	102: f	112: p	122: z
33: !	43: +	53: 5	63:?	73: I	83: S	93:]	103: g	113: q	123: {
34: "	44: ,	54:6	64: @	74: J	84: T	94: [^]	104: h	114: r	124:
35: #	45: -	55: 7	65: A	75: K	85: U	95: _	105: i	115: s	125: }
36: \$	46: .	56: 8	66: B	76: L	86: V	96:'	106: j	116: t	126: ~
37: %	47: /	57: 9	67: C	77: M	87: W	97: a	107: k	117: u	
38: &	48: 0	58::	68: D	78: N	88: X	98: b	108: l	118: v	
39: '	49: 1	59:;	69: E	79: O	89: Y	99: c	109: m	119: w	
40: (50: 2	60: <	70: F	80: P	90: Z	100: d	110: n	120: x	
41:)	51: 3	61: =	71: G	81: Q	91: [101: e	111: o	121: y	

Table 4: List of valid separators

Consider not to use the value separator (valueSeparator) in the timestamp

Example 1 - Timestamp settings

timestampFormat = 2	;	mmsskkk		
timestampTimeSeparator = 0	;	No	separator	
timestampTimeMsSeparator = 0	;	No	separator	
timestampDateSeparator = 0	;	No	separator	
timeTimeDateSeparator = 0	;	No	separator	

Using the above settings, the date and time 2016/06/05 12:30:45,525 will in the log file be formatted as 3045525

These settings will result in a short timestamp suitable for high-frequency logging.

Example 2 - Timestamp settings

Using the above settings, the date and time 2016/06/05 12:30:45,525 will in the log file be formatted as 05T123045525

Note that these settings comply with the ISO 8601 time format standard.

Example 3 - Timestamp settings

```
timestampFormat = 6 ; YYYYMMDDhhmmsskkk
timestampTimeSeparator = 58 ; ':' As time separator
timestampDateSeparator = 44 ; ',' As millisecond separator
timeTimeDateSeparator = 47 ; '/' As date separator
timeTimeDateSeparator = 32 ; '' (space) As date to time separator
```

Using the above settings, the date and time 2016/06/05 12:30:45,525 will in the log file be formatted as 2016/06/05 12:30:45,525

Note that with these settings, the raw log file can be directly loaded into MS-Excel (assuming that the MS-Excel decimal delimiter is set to ',').

Heartbeat signal:

[heartbeat]	
heartbeatEnb = false	; Enable heartbeat signal
extendedID = true	; Use extended 29 bit message ID (2.0B)
$\mathrm{msgID}~=~00435353$; CAN message ID of heartbeat signal (HEX

The device can transmit a 1-second periodic heartbeat signal. The signal payload contains logging state (enabled/disabled), the device wall time (if supported by the hardware) and space left on the memory card in MB. The section contains the following entries:

- heartbeatEnb: Set to true to enable the periodic heartbeat signal.
- extended ID: If set to true, the signal message will be using extended ID format (29-bit).
- msgID: The message ID used for the heartbeat signal.

The interpretation of the 8-byte data payload of the heartbeat signal is given below:

Byte No.	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Content	0xAA	State		Epoch	n time		Spac	e left

Byte 0 has the reserved value 0xAA. Multi-byte fields should be interpreted MSB (Most-Significant-Byte) first.

 $Example\,$ - Heartbeat signal message

 Byte No.
 0
 1
 2
 3
 4
 5
 6
 7

 Content
 0xAA
 0x01
 0x57
 0x42
 0x01
 0x56
 0x1D
 0x93

Interpretation of example message payload:

- State (0x01): Logging state is active
- Epoch time (0x57420156): Device time in epoch format. Translates to 22/5/2016 18:58:30
- Space left (0x1D93): Space left on device is 7571 MB

Note that the heartbeat signal will not be active until the logger has successfully received at least one message from the bus.

The use of the heart beat signal requires that the silent entry in the [CAN] section is set to false.

It is strongly recommended to disable the heartbeat signal in safety critical applications.

Control signal:

controlEnb = false	;	Enable control signal
extendedID = true	;	Use extended 29 bit message ID $(2.0B)$
msgID = 00435354	;	CAN message ID of control signal (HEX)

The device logging state (enabled/disabled) can be configured run-time using the control signal. The control signal can be used to enable logging only when CAN-bus messages should be captured and disable otherwise. Logging state is on power-on set as defined in the [log] section. The section contains the following entries:

- controlEnb: Set to true to enable the control signal.
- extended ID: If set to true, the signal message will be using extended ID format (29-bit).
- msgID: The message ID of the control signal.

The control signal payload should be of length 1. The State byte is set to 0x01 to enable logging and 0x00 to disable logging:

Byte No.0ContentState

When the device receives a valid control message, it will immediately set the logging state accordingly.

Care should be taken when selecting a message ID of the control signal - if the message ID is used for another purpose, it might result in unexpected behaviour.

CAN message data fields:

```
[dataFields]; Data fields in log filetimestamp = true; Log message timestamplost = false; Log if a message was losttype = true; Log type of identifierid = true; Log message IDdataLength = false; Log number of message data bytesdata = true; Log message data
```

The [dataFields] section specifies which message fields that should go into the log file. Each entry can be set to either true or false. If an entry is set to true the message field will be included. The section contains the following entries:

- timestamp: Include timestamp
- lost: Include lost flag
- type: Include message type
- id: Include message identifier
- dataLength: Include message length
- data: Include message data

Refer to Section 9.4 on page 15 for more information on the fields.

CAN-bus configuration:

```
[can] ; CAN bus configuration
bitrate = 0 ; CAN-bus bit rate (DECIMAL), 0 = auto-detect
silent = false ; Listen-only mode
```

The [can] section specifies the CAN-bus settings. The section contains the following entries:

• bitrate: Specifies the bit rate of the CAN-bus (in bit/s). The value cannot exceed the limits given in section 3 on page 2. If the value 0 is entered, the device will enable bit-rate auto detection and attempt to detect the bit-rate of the CAN-bus.

- silent: When silent is set to true the device logs CAN-bus traffic without interfering with the bus, i.e. the device does not acknowledge (ACK) messages placed on the CAN-bus by other devices.
- It is strongly recommended to enable silent mode for safety critical systems!

Channel configuration (same for channel 1 to 4):

```
; CAN channel 1 configuration
[channel1]
channelEnb = true
                                Enable CAN channel
                                1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = Both
destination = 3
                                Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B)
extendedID = false
downSamplePrescaler = 1
                                Down-sampling prescaler (DEC, range: 1-256)
filteringEnb = false
                              ; Enable below message filtering
\mathrm{msgID}~=~0000000
                                Message ID filter (HEX)
msgIDMask = 1FFFFFFF
                                Message ID filter mask (HEX) (0 is invalid)
```

The [channelX] sections configure the channels and the associated message filtering. A CANmessage will pass the filtering mechanism if the message ID is accepted by one of the four channelfilters. The section contains the following entries:

- channelEnb: Sets the enabled/disabled state of the specific channel (true is enable)
- destination: Messages can either be logged (1), send to the interface (2) or both (3)
- extendedID: Sets the ID format used by the channel (true is extended format)
- downSamplePrescaler: Down-samples the data according to the prescaler value
- filteringEnb: Enables the filtering mechanism
- msgID: The filter message ID
- msgIDMask: The filter ID mask

The down-sample prescaler can be used to limit the number of messages which are logged to the memory card. The prescaler down-samples incoming messages based on the message ID. A prescaler value of 1 effectively disables the prescaler and passes all messages (which are accepted by the channel filter). A prescaler value of 2 passes every second message with a specific message ID. The maximum value of the prescaler is 256. The prescaler mechanism is limited to 25 unique message IDs pr. channel. If more than 25 unique message IDs are received (and passed by the filter) on a specific channel, then only the 25 first received unique message IDs are down-sampled according to the prescaler value - the remaining messages are all passed (as if the prescaler is 1).

A filter is configured using a message ID-filter field (msgID) and a mask field (msgIDMask), both values are set as HEX values in the configuration. Both the ID-filter and the mask work on a bitwise level. The configuration of the filters is described in detail below.

In the design of the filters it is helpful to use a tool which converts from and to binary, decimal and hexadecimal and which can perform the bitwise AND operation used in the filtering.

Below a few examples demonstrate the use of filters. The examples use x_y to indicate the number base, where y = 2 is binary, y = 10 is decimal and y = 16 is hexadecimal. Additionally "&" is used as a bitwise AND operation.

Example 1 - Filter configuration which accepts one specific message ID: $2000_{10} = 1111010000_2$

The filter is set to the value of the message to accept. The mask is set to all ones, such that all bits of the filter are considered, as given in (1).

Filter	11111010000_2		ID	11111010000_2	
Mask	$\&11111111111_2$	(1)	Mask	$\&11111111111_2$	(2)
Masked filter	11111010000_2		Masked ID	11111010000_2	

To test if the message passes the filter, we apply the mask to the message ID as given in (2). The masked filter and the masked ID are the same - the message will pass the filter.

The corresponding configuration of channel 1 is (note that the configuration uses HEX format):

destination = 1 extendedID = false downSamplePrescaler = 1	; The channel is enabled ; The messages are logged ; The message uses 11 bit ID ; Down-sampling disabled : Enable below message filtering
filteringEnb = true	; Enable below message filtering
msgID = 7D0	; Message ID filter (HEX)
msgIDMask = 7FF	; Message ID filter mask (HEX)

Note that the HEX value 7FF is simply 11 ones in binary - which is the ID bit-length of a standard CAN-message (11-bit identifier).

Example 2 - Filter configuration which accepts two message IDs: $2000_{10} = 11111010000_2$ and $2001_{10} = 11111010001_2$

Note that the two binary numbers are identical except for the rightmost bit. To design a filter which accepts both IDs, we can use the mask field to mask out the rightmost bit - such that it is not considered when the filter is applied.

In (3) the mask is set such that the rightmost bit is not considered (indicated in red).

Filter	11111010000_2		ID	11111010001_2	
Mask	&11111111110 ₂	(3)	Mask	$\&11111111110_2$	(4)
Masked filter	11111010000_2		Masked ID	11111010000_2	

To test if the messages pass the filter, we apply the mask to the message ID 11111010001_2 as given in (4). The masked filter and the masked ID are the same - the message will pass the filter. Note that both 1111010000_2 and 1111010001_2 can pass the filter, as the rightmost bit is not considered by the filter (the rightmost bits are masked out).

The above examples demonstrate very simple uses of the channel filters. The filter and mask fields can be used to design more advanced filters to meet specific needs.

The four channels can each be configured using a filter and a mask. If a message passes one of the channel filters, it will be accepted. As indicated above, the filters can each be set to accept specific messages or a range of messages using the mask.

It is recommended to filter out all unwanted messages. By filtering out unwanted messages, the risk of losing wanted messages becomes lower, and the logger will be able to log for a longer period before it runs out of storage memory.

Configuration of transmit messages:

$\begin{bmatrix} transmit1 \\ destination = 0 \\ period = 100 \\ delay = 0 \\ extendedID = false \\ msgID = 00000001 \end{bmatrix}$	<pre>; Transmit message 1 ; 0 = None, 1 = Logger, 2 = Interface, 3 = Both ; Period in ms (DEC, 10 ms resolution) ; Delay in ms (DEC, 10 ms resolution) ; Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B) ; Transmit message ID (HEX)</pre>
msgID = 00000001	; Transmit message ID (HEX)
$msgData = \{0102030405060708\}$; Message data (HEX)

The [transmitX] sections configure up to 20 transmit messages. The sections shall be named "transmit1" through "transmit20". Each section shall include all configuration fields given above. Transmit messages are transmitted on the CAN-bus by the CANLogger and can be setup to be either single shot or periodic. A transmit configuration is enabled by adding a [transmitX] section with fields to the config file and disabled by deleting the section.

Note that the default configuration file contains a **commented-out** transmit message configuration. Remove the leading ";" comment markers to activate the configuration.

- destination: The destination of the transmit message, none (0), logger (1), interface(2), both (3). Note that all transmit messages are transmitted on the CAN-bus, regardless of the destination value
- period: Transmit period in steps of 10 ms in range 10 4294967290 ms (max \approx 50 days). If set to zero, the message will be transmitted only once (single shot)
- delay: Delay time in ms in steps of 10 ms can be used to offset messages with the same period or to delay single shot messages. The delay shall be less than the set period
- extendedID: Use extended 29 bit message IDs (2.0B)
- msgID: Message ID
- msgData: Message data bytes as hexadecimal values enclosed by curly brackets. 0-8 data bytes can be set

Make sure to change the section name when adding new transmit messages, e.g.: [transmit1],... [transmit2], etc.

Example 1 - One single shot message

```
[transmit1] destination = 3 
period = 0 
delay = 6000 
extendedID = false 
msgID = 00000001 
msgData = {01}
```

The period is set to zero to configure the transmit message as a single shot. With delay set to 6000, the single shot message is delayed 60 sec after power up. The message type is standard, the ID is 1, and the message data holds a single byte, 0x01.

Example 2 - Multiple periodic messages

```
[transmit1]
destination = 3
period = 100
delay = 0
extendedID = false
msgID = 00000001
msgData = \{AA\}
[transmit2]
destination = 3
period = 100
delay = 20
extendedID = false
msgID = 00000002
msgData = \{AABB\}
[transmit3]
destination = 3
period = 100
delay = 40
extendedID = false
msgID = 00000003
msgData = {AABBCCDD}
[transmit4]
destination = 3
period = 100
delay = 60
extendedID = false
msgID = 00000004
msgData = {AABBCCDDEE}
[transmit5]
```

destination = 3 period = 100 delay = 80 extendedID = false msgID = 00000005 msgData = {AABBCCDDEEFF}

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Five periodic transmit messages are each set with a period of 100 ms. The messages are *delayed* in time by 20 ms each. Below timeline shows the IDs of the transmit messages given the configuration above:

Time [ms] () 1	0 20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110
											1 • •
ID 1		2		- 3		4		5		1	

Real-time-clock (RTC) configuration:

[RTC]	;	Real Time Clock
epochTime = 0	;	Epoch time (0 to keep current time)
adjustment = 0	;	Adjustment in sec to current time $(\max + -129600 \text{ sec})$

The [RTC] section configures the real-time-clock of the device. The real-time-clock enables the CANLogger to add wall-time timestamps to log files, such that the absolute date and time of a message can be determined from the log file. The section contains the following entries:

- epochTime: The field is used to set the time in case time stored in the CANLogger is lost. The field uses the epoch time format. When set to 0, the CANLogger will keep the currently stored time.
- adjustment: The field is used to adjust the device time. The adjustment is in seconds and can be in range ±129600s (±36h)

When the RTC is available on the hardware, the device will be able to maintain the wall time even when it is not connected to an external power source. If the time maintained by the device has to be adjusted (e.g. to local time zones), this can be done using the adjustment configuration entry. In case the time is completely lost (e.g. due to the replacement of the internal battery) or if it cannot be sufficiently adjusted using the range of the adjustment entry, the time can be set using the epochTime entry. When epochTime is set to a value different from zero, the value will be loaded into the time stored by the device. When the time has been set, the entry should be reset to 0 to avoid the time being set each time the device is powered on. Several tools exist which can be used to convert to the epoch time format.

If the device time needs only minor adjustments, use the adjustment field and leave epochTime to 0.

11 Troubleshooting

TC.1 In case of a fault with the internal memory please make sure to allow the device to properly power-down before re-applying power (>20sec). If the power is re-applied too fast, the device may not initialise properly. If the fault persists, make sure that the internal memory card is properly inserted in the connector slot.