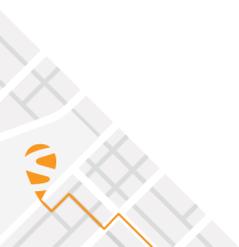




Release Notes and Installation Guide

AsteRx SB Firmware Package v4.8.4



1 Installation Guidelines

In order to upgrade the firmware to version 4.8.4, only the following file is to be installed on the receiver:

SUF file	Located in	Contains
AsteRx SB-4.8.4.suf	firmware/	See section 6

There is no need to install the file AsteRx SB-4.8.4-failsafe.suf, unless Septentrio Support advises otherwise.

2 New Features and Improvements

2.1 New features in version 4.8.4

1. The receivers can now track the B1C and B2a signals transmitted by BeiDou III satellites.
2. This firmware adds support for TLS (Transport Layer Security) for NTRIP caster, client and server connections.
3. When using specific base stations that send L1P instead of L1CA, GLONASS is now enabled in the RTK solution.
4. The QZSS almanac is now supported.
5. QZSS satellite visibility is now available in NMEA GSV message.
6. The receiver can now use Galileo E1+E5a corrections for RTK positioning when only tracking E1+E5b signals.
7. The Web UI now displays an AIM+ visual flag for both interference and spoofing.
8. A lite Web UI has been introduced to accommodate those receivers behind a slow or expensive connection.
9. Support for decoding of RTCM2 message 34 (GLONASS partial correction set) was added.
10. A new SBF message NTRIPServerStatus was added.
11. Support for decoding of RTCM3 ephemeris message 1042, 1044 and 1046 was added.
12. The command setPPSPParameters was extended to output a PPS signal without time limitation during PVT outages.
13. The granularity of setRTCMv3Delay was increased from 1 to 0.1 seconds.
14. Support for tracking and usage in PVT for BeiDou satellites with PRN 38 to 63 was added.

2.2 Improvements in version 4.8.4

1. The version of the RINEX files logged by the receiver is now v3.04, instead of v3.03. v2.11 is still supported as well.
2. BeiDou signals BDSB1 & BDSB2 were renamed to BDSB11 & BDSB21.
3. The receiver has been made more robust against possible crashes induced when requesting a PVTsupport(A) block with the exeSbfOnce command.
4. BeiDou Phase III signals (B1C and B2a) are now encoded in RTCM3 MSM according to the second amendment to the RTCM version 3.3 standard
5. In the WebUI, the "Use Current" function of the "Antenna Reference Point Static Position" configuration has been improved to handle antenna offsets better.
6. The spectrum plot display in the web interface has been improved.
7. IRNSS has been renamed to NavIC.
8. When configuring a static position in the Web UI, it is now possible to use the current position.
9. The precision of the geoid undulation field in the command setGeoidUndulation was increased to 3 digits.
10. Login via expert console in the web browser is now possible.
11. Cases of GLONASS satellite duplication (two different satellites being assigned the same slot number) should not occur any more.
12. When the PPSout interval is larger than one second, PPSout is now correctly aligned with BeiDou and Glonass time scales.
13. The source datum for the predefined datum transformations of the setGeodeticDatum command has been updated from ITRF2008 to ITRF2014.
14. It is now possible to change the PPS pulse width.
15. New antenna calibration data from NGS, based on IGS14 (instead of IGS08), is now being used.
16. Fixed possible incorrect values in the B1 and B2 fields of the GLOTime SBF blocks.
17. An auto mode was added to the NMEA talker ID. This auto mode allows for flexible talker ID, depending on the constellations used in PVT.
18. The compatibility with QZSS has been improved.
19. The receiver is now more robust when decoding RTCMv3 data. ASCII characters in RTCMv3 stream are no longer wrongly interpreted as command input
20. The NMEA THS sentence is introduced. This sentence provides critical safety related information about the heading data and complements the HDT sentence.
21. An instability in the tracking of S30 (a BeiDou SBAS satellite) has been fixed.
22. Data gaps affecting GLONASS satellites transmitting non-standard L3 signals have been fixed.
23. A library update was done to improve compatibility for SFTP.
24. The availability of BeiDou carrier phases has been improved.
25. Occasional gaps in the carrier phase measurements for BeiDou geostationary satellites have been fixed.
26. The deletion of long filename RINEX files has improved.
27. The RTCM2 message type 22 now correctly refers to the antenna L1 phase center height when antenna offset parameters are defined.
28. The upgrade success/failure debriefing mechanism in the Web UI was improved.
29. Certificates with an RSA key length of more than 4095 bits or less than 1024 bits are no longer accepted by the receiver.

30. RTCM3 ephemeris messages include current week number.
31. The MaxBaseline setting of setDiffCorrUsage is also applied in the selection of the RTK base.
32. Signals not enabled for PVT usage in the setSignalUsage command are now not used anymore accidentally in specific circumstances.
33. Decoding of the BeiDou almanac has been improved.
34. Postponing the initial usage of GLONASS by RTK is now only happening in even more restricted circumstances.
35. In case, firstly, MT1033 is not present in the received RTCMv3 or contains an unrecognized receiver type descriptor, and, secondly, MT1230 is received, GLONASS L1 and L2 code-phase biases are not treated as unknown anymore by RTK.
36. With the implementation of TLS on NTRIP, the NTRIPClientStatus SBF block and the NMEA SNC message have been updated.
37. Reporting of smoothing interval in RTCM3 MSM messages for Galileo, BeiDou, QZSS and SBAS has been fixed.
38. A rare occurrence of incorrect data in the decoded GPS ephemerides has been fixed.
39. An error causing the wrong computation of the magnetic course in NMEA VTG message has been fixed.
40. It is now possible to configure the PPS pulses to be generated every 30 seconds or every 60 seconds.

2.3 New features in version 4.4.3

1. The antenna file has been updated and now also includes AERAT1675_542E NEVE.

2.4 Improvements in version 4.4.3

1. A number of potential security issues have been addressed.
2. Stability and performance have been improved.

3 Known Issues and Limitations

1. The AsteRx SB Wireless model shows ports and functions not possible with the Hardware on its user web interface and the command line (e.g. serial and Ethernet communication settings).
2. When powered via USB or $V_{in} < 5V$, the USB OTG Host functionality is disabled.
3. When disabling Bluetooth on the receiver, it may still be visible when scanning for Bluetooth devices, but Bluetooth connections will not be possible. When Bluetooth is disabled in the boot configuration and the receiver is rebooted, Bluetooth will be fully disabled.
4. When powered through USB, the input voltage is not monitored and a constant 5V is reported.
5. It is not possible to upgrade the receiver using mobile Safari on iOS devices.

6. The time needed to detect an external USB disk connected to the receiver varies with the size of the USB disk and the CPU load of the receiver. For larger USB disks, this can take up to 1 minute.
7. During bootup of the receiver, the status of the external disk is labeled as "no disk detected" in the webserver. Please do not disconnect the disk to avoid filesystem corruption.
8. When logging data at a very low rate, the WebUI Disk Usage widget may not correctly indicate which data types are logged.

4 Support

For further information or support, please consult the Septentrio support website (<http://www.septentrio.com/support>).

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6 System Components and Versions

Product: AsteRx SB Version: 4.8.4 Receiver Platform: SSRC12 Release Date: 07 April 2021	version	AsteRx SB-4.8.4-failsafe.suf	AsteRx SB-4.8.4.suf
Failsafe	7.0.2-g22be1e6	Y	
Operating System	7.0.2-g22be1e6		Y
GNSS Firmware	6.8.13-r81401		Y
Antenna Information	2.13.0-e47835c0		Y