

Release Notes for MPiec controller firmware

Release 3.5.1.2 for MP2600iec, MP3200iec, and Sigma-7Siec

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New Feature				
Number Summary Release Notes		Release Notes		
11971	Support alternate flash chips in MP2600iec, MP3200iec, and Sigma-7Siec controllers	This firmware supports new controller hardware revisions (MP2600iec, MP3200iec, and Sigma-7Siec only) that have different memory chips than previous versions.		

	Known Issues			
Number	Known Issue	Details	Workaround	
11439	Re-initializing PCIe communication during Mechatrolink reset causes RM100 card to stop responding	The RM100 card is not yet supported by MPiec controllers.	Y_ResetMechatrolink cannot be used successfully when an RM100 option card is installed.	
11214	Confusing method of adding Auxiliary IP addresses	The process for adding an auxiliary IP address is confusing.	Click the + sign in line with Auxiliary IP to begin the process. The + symbol will turn into a x. Fill out the fields for Address and Subnet Mask and press the + symbol in line with the Address field. Finish by pressing Save to save the results.	
10690	MotomanSync : Unable to Restart and continue buffered moves after an abort		The application program must track the buffered moves and re- execute them if necessary.	
10670	Some axis alarms (A.D00) on Sigma-7 ServoPacks cannot be cleared from controller	On Sigma-7, ServoPack alarm A.d00 may not be clearable at speeds around 6000rpm.	If you believe you have this problem, please contact Yaskawa support for details on how to work around this problem.	
10662	When using MC_TorqueControl function block, an unexpected initial velocity or torque value maybe be caused when TorqueRamp input values are small.	When using MC_TorqueControl with a small value applied to the TorqueRamp input, the servopack may first briefly apply torque in the reverse direction before continuing with torque in the correct direction.	Increasing the TorqueRamp input value can reduce or eliminate this behavior.	
10351	Slowdown in STRING_TO_XXX functions when stack check is enabled	Stack check verifies that memory is allocated correctly on the controller. However, it will reduce performance, especially for the string conversion functions. String conversion functions operate 2 to 3 times slower when stack check is enabled. It is recommended to use the stack check during development, but not when the system is deployed.	Deactivate stack check before final project deployment.	



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9703	MPiec on Sigma-7 does not have battery backed RAM and is dependent on SRAM	 For the Sigma-7Siec platform there are the following differences in the hardware platform: 1) Position offset for absolute encoders is stored in the flash file system. If the customer uses an absolute encoder and sets the offset continuously, then the flash could wear out. Do not continuously reset the offset if absolute encoders are used. 2) PLC retain memory is not supported. 3) RTC clock is not backed up. The clock will reset to January 1, 2000 on reboot. 4) Modbus variables cannot be retained. 5) Alarm history is not stored across power cycles. 	No workaround exists.		
7606	MC_GroupEnable / Disable should not be used concurrently with Y_ResetMechatrolink		Use interlocks to prevent these function blocks from running at the same time.		
7576	After Mechatrolink-III communication errors, the MTD2310 remote I/O module does not reconnect	Upon removing and reconnecting the Mechatrolink-III network connection, the MTD2310 remote I/O module shows a flashing red 'F'. Once in this state the controller cannot read inputs or set outputs.	To clear this state, the MTD2310 must be powered cycled.		
7234	BOOL value from comparison stays on for two scans	BOOL result from some function blocks (AND, for example) can stay on for an extra scan.	If EN/ENO connections are used somewhere in the LD network then this bug will not occur as the compiler will take another path. If you don't connect EN/ENO then the compiler will take the path with the bug. If at least one EN/ENO is connected in each network then the good path will be taken by the compiler.		
6712	MP3200iec and MP3300iec CPU architectures are not reporting maximal floats as NAN (Not a Number) or INF (Infinite)	MP3200iec and MP3300iec do not support IEEE 754. As a result, adding two floating point numbers, which would normally cause an INF or NAN error, will report the maximum floating point value instead. Additionally, ENO will remain TRUE instead of becoming FALSE which is expected when an overflow is detected.	User applications should check for overflow conditions.		
6343	Ethernet/IP Multicast only works correctly on Port A (CN11A) of the MP2600iec	Multicast Ethernet/IP data will only be broadcast over Port A (CN-11A). Consequently, Port B (CN-11B) should not be used for Ethernet/IP communication.	Use Port A (CN-11A) for Ethernet/IP communication.		
5965	Configuring a SERVOPACK to use a pre-configured output prevents IEC control of any SERVOPACK outputs	If a ServoPack function such as /BK brake control is assigned to any of the ServoPack outputs (SO1, SO2, SO3), The MPiec controller is prevented from controlling any of the outputs.	No workaround exists.		
5915	Trying to enable the same axis with two <i>MC_Power</i> blocks at the same time results in internal motion kernel error	Trying to enable the same axis with two <i>MC_Power</i> blocks at the same time results in internal motion kernel error.	Do not use multiple <i>MC_Power</i> blocks on the same axis at the same time. Yaskawa recommends that each axis have only one <i>MC_Power</i> block.		



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5724	PLC will enter the RUN state after finishing a test move in Hardware Configuration	When attempting to start a program using the Project Control dialog while running a test move through the Hardware Configuration, the controller correctly prevents the PLC from entering the RUN state, but still indicates that the controller is in the RUN state with the request to enter RUN mode pending. When the move finishes the PLC will enter the RUN state.	Do not RUN the PLC when Hardware Configuration is performing a test move.	
5703	MP2600iec can get watchdog alarm and bad CRC on restart	To reboot, the controller sends a software reset command to the ServoPack. Since the ServoPack is rebooting, it does not acknowledge the command.	Ignore these alarms in the alarm history.	
5697	Slave axis cannot synchronize to a master axis that has S-curve filtering	Applications using camming and gearing will not follow a master axis that has the S-curve filter enabled.	Do not use an S-curve filter on any master axis unless the slave has an identical S-curve filter.	
5686	MPiec Modbus server seems to stop communicating	If a Modbus Master polls for data from the MPiec too often, the controller can be overloaded and slow Modbus TCP/IP communication.	On the Modbus Master, add a 5ms (or longer) timer between read and write queries.	
5521	CPU utilization is not displayed accurately for MP2600iec when the IEC task time and motion engine cycle time are the same	The CPU utilization always reports 0.1% when an IEC task runs at the same rate as the motion engine. To get more accurate utilization data, the scheduler must run more often than the user task and the user task must continue to execute over multiple scheduler cycles.	The individual task statistics MinDuration_us, CurDuration_us, MaxDuration us stored in PLC_TASK_1 (etc.) are reported in microseconds, which is more useful for determining watchdog timers for tasks running at the same rate as the motion kernel.	
5460	Y_CamOut.DisenageData.End Mode=Immediate is not supported	Disengage mode is not supported and will result in error 4400 – unsupported disengage mode.	Implement the same behavior by using the current master position as disengage position.	
5227	XML configuration files are cached via classic web server	When a project archive is deleted and a new one installed, the classic web interface appears to show the old version of user/config/startup/io.xml. The file has actually been updated, but the web browser has cached the old version.	Disable caching of XML configuration files in Internet Explorer.	
4641	With classic web server, booting up in supervisor mode shows extra menu options	When controller is started in supervisor mode, the web menu shows all menu options immediately even if the Admin user is not logged in. Some options will require login before they can be used.	Login with the Admin password in supervisor mode.	
4395	Large positions will not be displayed to full precision in the web interface Java applet or Hardware Configuration	Positions greater than 2147483648.0 are written in scientific notation and will lose some precision when displayed in the applet or Hardware Configuration. The position stored in the controller is not affected.	If possible, change the origin using <i>MC_SetPosition</i> or <i>MC_StepRefPulse</i> or change the position scale so that the full position can be seen.	
4356	Axis state machine doesn't track superimposed moves	Executing MC_MoveSuperImposed without executing another motion block afterwards causes the axis to remain in the standstill state.	Executing another motion block after MC_MoveSuperImposed fixes the axis state.	



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Limitations

Unsupported Card Modules JAPMC-PL2300-E Counter Module JAPMC-PL2310-E Pulse Output Module 218IF-Y1 Serial Communication card not supported on MP3200iec

Unsupported Mechatrolink Devices JEPMC-PL2900 Counter Device

Counter Device JEPMC-PL2910 Pulse Output Device