

### SDRuno Release Notes



### **Overview**

This document provides an overview of the modifications, changes and enhancements made to the SDRuno Application Software.

Version 1.1 and upward will only be developed for the RSP. The EXTIO version V1.05 is based on V1.04 and will not be developed further.





# Version 1.33 (24th November 2019)

#### Added

- RSPdx support. Including the new HDR mode for frequencies lower than 2 MHz
- HDR group to the band buttons (only for hardware supporting HDR mode e.g. RSPdx). Note: All framed bands lower than 2 MHz will use HDR mode when HDR compatible hardware is in use
- Status bar now appears at the bottom of the VRX0 main spectrum panel
- Save Workspace button in the Main Panel
- CAT commands updates:
  - o SM to return power measurement and SNR
  - o SM0; return S-Meter value (range 0 to 20) e.g. SM00011;
  - o SM1; return dBm power value as an integer (e.g. SM00066; = -66.0 dBm)
  - SM2; return dBm power value as a float (e.g. SM00668; = -66.8 dBm)
  - o SM3; return SNR value as a float (e.g. SM00224; = 22.4 dB)
  - o RG; return RF gain state (e.g. RG002; = RF gain state 2)
  - o RGnnn; set RF gain state (e.g. RG005; = set RF gain state 5)
- Step size for DSB mode (default 500 Hz same as LSB/USB)
- ExtIO version of SDRuno (v1.05) added so that installing V1.22 is no longer required
- History of actions is stored in a log file on exit (stored in %appdata%\SDRplay directory)
- Windows Start Menu & SDRuno Main Panel OPT Menu entries to open the Data Directory in an Explorer window (location of the ini and log files)
- OPT Menu entry to open the previous session's log file in Notepad

### Changed

- Splash screen now has more details on what is being done during the start-up/shutdown phases
- Keypad buttons now have green "on" state
- TMate main encoder push button now = LO Lock toggle (except in HDR mode)
- Date/Time display moved to the Status bar from the Main Panel
- When the scanner is in operation, the RX control panel is now available to the user except for functions that need to remain locked to prevent interference with the scanner operation. For example, the volume control is now available during scanning
- Gain calibration adjusted when DAB notch enabled (API) can help military airband scanning
- ADC OVERLOAD status indicator update (see known issues)
- error.log is now SDRuno\_#.log (where # is the SDRuno instance number)
- Improved handling of missing folders to store memory banks and wav files

#### **Fixed**

- SP2 window contents not always appearing centred on start-up
- SP2 title plate duplicating when the window was less than a certain width
- Handle decimation > 1 when selecting a memory panel frequency outside of the visible bandwidth
- Decimation dropdown values in Zero-IF mode not always displaying correctly
- · Installer not able to install the API service on Windows XP
- RMS S-Meter value used for SNR even when S-Meter is set to Peak mode
- Band button light goes off when manual frequency entered within visible bandwidth
- Add lockout adding extra blank lines to the memory panel
- Selecting IQ OUT mode sent a change to FM command to Omni-Rig
- Scanning Airband (ROW) 8.333 kHz step size rounding error
- Sample rate mismatch issue when closing SDRuno focused on an unused Band button group
- Starting the scanner before opening the scanner config could cause the wrong settings to be used

### **Known Issues**

- SP2 CWAFC drift issue (Zoom/window size/freq display)
- IF output mode disabled SP1 spectrum mouse clicks
- ADC OVERLOAD may appear "stuck". If Stop/Play does not clear, close and restart SDRuno
- PWR/SNR to CSV may have missing entries





# Version 1.32 (9th July 2019)

### Added

- Added MRC (Maximal-Ratio Combining) Diversity mode for the RSPduo.
- Option in the OPT menu to restart the API service.
- Prevention of cellular frequency ranges being used for the scanner.
- COM21 COM256 added to the list of COM ports available for CAT control.

### Changed

- Improved auto update check.
- SDRuno will now start the API service upon start-up if it is not already started.
- SDRuno will now attempt to restart the API service if communication is lost when pressing play.
- Selecting frequency in the memory panel will only change the sample rate if necessary.
- Modified settings for the API service to allow SDRuno to be able to stop/start/pause

#### **Fixed**

- Decimation dropdown values in ZeroIF mode could be hidden in certain circumstances.
- Memory Panel scan will not crash if non-numerical characters are in the frequency field.
- Band framing for bands > 2 MHz wide will not crash using RSPduo master/slave mode.
- Bias-T now works in RSPduo slave mode.
- Stop/Pause when using a wav file as input would have issues if zoom was being used.

#### **Known Issues**

- SP2 CWAFC drift issue (Zoom/window size/freq display)
- IF output mode disabled SP1 spectrum mouse clicks





# Version 1.31 (9th April 2019)

#### Added

- Added four extra levels of Zoom in the SP1 display.
- Added Auto-layout option for default workspace.
- Added IF Mode control (LIF/ZIF) on main panel to ease changing from Low IF to Zero IF mode and vice-versa.
- Added frequency lockout button to the frequency scanner to provide a 1 click lockout function
- Added four additional custom presets for the scanner to give a total of 8. The name field for these custom presets is now editable.
- Blind scanning now displays the description field if the frequency has already been saved in the memory panel.
- RSPduo slave settings now saved separately to the ini file.
- Added warning to scanner to alert user to stop the scanner to allow other functions in SDRuno to be made available again.
- Locked out the Rx Control Panel, Sample rate control and IF mode selection whilst scanner is actively scanning to avoid users from creating an operational conflict with the scanner.
- Error log now created if SDRuno exits abnormally which can be sent to <u>software@sdrplay.com</u> for analysis

### Changed

- Power Meter and SNR text changed in SP1 display so that it is locked to the S-meter. This avoids the text falling outside of the window if the window size is reduced.
- Minimum size for SP2 window reduced to allow a better fit on 1366 x 768 displays.
- All band framing buttons that frame bands wider than 2 MHz now use ZIF mode rather low IF mode. This affects the following bands: 6m, 2m, 1.25m, 70cm, 33cm & 23cm.
- Improved the scanner accuracy for low SNR values. This allows the threshold to be set closer to the noise floor without false triggering.
- Memory Panel scan now uses the mode, sub-mode and filter bandwidth that is defined in the memory panel.
- Improved speed of selection of stored frequencies in the memory panel.
- Mode and bandwidth for scanner presets only changed after the scanner start button is pressed.
- Changing audio output device no longer requires the input stream to be stopped and restarted before changes take effect.
- Removed audio input dropdowns in the Main Window Settings Panel, as these are not used.
- Selecting a frequency from the memory panel that is outside of the current bandwidth will force any band framing to be cancelled and a standard 2 MHz sample rate to be applied.

- Update API service to reduce the problems of the service hanging as a result of communication time-outs between the service and the application.
- Forced all message boxes to remain in the foreground.
- Improved error checking during the read of the SDRuno.ini file at start-up, to reduce the risk of a corrupted .ini from crashing the application.
- AM software filter limit on .ini file parsing increased from 5000 to 11900
- Fixed bug that prevented a changed background colour from being saved and correctly recalled upon start-up.
- Corrected bug that prevented the first item on the memory panel from being scanned on subsequent loops after the first loop had completed.
- Fixed workspace saving/recalling for multiple monitor setups.
- Removed erroneous scanning frequency message during a scan where no signals are found.
- Corrected bug that prevented the proper scan range from being set for scan ranges between 1.5 MHz and 3 MHz.
- Fixed minor graphical issues affecting the frame of the Main Panel and keypad zero button in the Rx Control Panel.





- In the memory panel, if the S-Field is blank it is treated as if it were a 'Y' to prevent the scanner from crashing SDRuno.
- Fixed bug that occasionally prevented the recorder and scanner panels from closing correctly, thus preventing their settings from being correctly saved to the .ini file.
- Fixed bug that incorrectly allowed the right clicking of the Scanner panel to bring up Recorder save folder window.
- Fixed CAT control RE1; from hanging SDRuno if the Recorder hasn't previously been used.
- Enabled Recorder Panel Button Hints
- RF gain not being applied correctly on SDRuno start-up from the ini file

#### **Known Issues**

- SP2 CWAFC drift issue (Zoom/window size/freg display)
- IF output mode disabled SP1 spectrum mouse clicks

# Version 1.3 (14th March 2019)

#### Added

- Frequency Scanner (range and list)
- IQ output (SP2 bandwidth) for VFO
- New IF AGC to add user configurability and reduce the visual disturbance caused by rapidly changing strong signals
  - Added user configuration parameters: attack time, decay time, decay delay and decay threshold
  - All IF AGC parameters now on a single panel within the Main Panel settings
  - Reduce visual spectrum disturbance due to rapidly changing strong signals by aligning the gain calibration value to the packet of IQ data where the gain change occurred
- Option to disable audio limiters in RX Control Settings (OUT)
- Extended SM CAT command for power level to return dBm instead of S-Meter
  - SM1; return VFO power in dBm as a positive number: SM00084; returned = -84 dBm
- CAT command to start and stop recording (RE)
  - RE; get recording status
  - RE0; stop recording
  - RE1; start recording
  - RE4; pause recording
  - return status codes:
  - RE0000 = stopped, RE0001 = recording, RE0002 = paused, RE0006 = set command failure
- On exit, a prompt will appear if the memory panel has been changed since it was last saved
- Add version number to Main Window title bar
- Splash screen to show when SDRuno is starting and closing

### Changed

- Recommended for ALL RSP models
- Reconfigured band framing buttons to minimise unwanted spurious responses.
- Auto layout for 1920x1080 now incorporates the Frequency Scanner window
- Settings no longer saved in Registry and are stored using ini file instead
- SDRuno now defaults to start in Gain mode rather than Gain Reduction mode
- RSP1 gain control style now the same as other RSPs

- Incorrect gain value set when press Play! in "Gain" mode
- RSP1A gain control above 250 MHz
- RSP1 gain control
- Toggling Show Smeter checkbox in SP1 settings caused SDRuno to hang





 RSPduo single tuner mode switching from tuner 1 to tuner 2 in the region 375 - 420 MHz could lose signal

# **Version 1.24 (21st August 2018)**

### Changed

No functionality changes, improved interoperability with other software using the service API

# Version 1.23 (19th June 2018)

#### **Fixed**

 No change to SDRuno. The installer includes an update to the service API which fixes the 10 MHz operation in single tuner mode on tuner 2 of the RSPduo

# Version 1.23 (18th May 2018)

#### Added

- Support for service-based API
- Support for RSPduo (single tuner and dual tuner modes)
- Band framing now works in Low IF mode (<= 2MHz sample rate) as well as Zero IF mode</li>
- "Auto Layouts" for RSPduo master/slave (can also be used for other RSPs)
- Blacklist of serial numbers of stolen RSP devices

Note: The software will not work with these devices until the user contacts SDRplay.

#### Changed

- Main Window resized to accommodate RSPduo controls
- Gain Reduction to Attenuation
- Low IF mode now only 6 MHz (normal mode) or 8 MHz (ADS-B compatible mode)
- SDRuno and API optimisation. Improvement in performance
- SNR measurement shows when less than 6dB
- Unframing the band
- Clicking on a FM frequency in the memory panel will unframe the band (if framed)
- Removed ExtIO version from installation (not compatible with service API)

- Settings panels now behave as intended on minimize/restore
- Memory panel columns can now be resized
- Improved error handling
- Step size drop down menu not identifying which step size has been applied
- IF gain "bounce" and issues switching ports fixed in gain mode





# **Version 1.22 (13th January 2018)**

#### Added

- Support for 1366x768 default layout
- ADC overload detection in AGC off mode
- ADC overload acknowledgment system to avoid lockout condition
- Custom step size for each mode
- Band Button Groups (Ham Lower, Ham Upper, Broadcast)
- Two additional SP1 width presets (2560 and 3840)
- Additional menu option in memory panel to reset column widths (helps when upgrading)
- Scheduled Recording
- Auto update

### Changed

- Registry reset now only clears 1.2+ entries
- SP1 Window max size supports 4K displays (3840x2160)
- Small improvements to the memory panel (panel width and field width changes)
- Improvements to the IF output mode
- UTC time fixed to 24 hour format
- Play!/Stop button colour co-ordinated
- Move MUTE button to make way for VOLUME label
- Moved Squelch value display to the right

- Log10 SING error
- Aero support detection to try to prevent rendering issues
- Freezing when switching to HiZ port in gain mode
- Gain "pumping" issue when in gain mode
- Settings panels not displaying properly when "un-minimised"
- Zoomed in frequency scale drag out of bounds bug
- Noise floor measurement bug
- Improved RSP error handling
- Sample rate change causing spectrum display issues
- Device selection bug





# Version 1.21 (13th November 2017)

#### Added

- Ham band framing buttons can now toggle on or off
- Restored VFO button for centring of the VFO on the SP1 display

#### Changed

- Changes to the default settings of the SP1 waterfall display
  - Waterfall averaging (WF avg) now set to 'off' by default
  - Tweaks to the default waterfall gain and contrast settings
- Changed the default step size for USB and LSB to 500 Hz
- · Recalling stations from the memory panel automatically unlocks the LO if necessary
- Auto calibration system now selects DAB sub mode if not already selected
- Memory panel now responds to Ctrl+W

#### Fixed

- Bug fixes associated with the redrawing of the SP1 display
- Bug fix affecting the storing of the calibration values for the RSP2
- Bug fix affecting CW Zap and CW AFC if the SP2 display FFT is not a 2<sup>n</sup> size
- Fixed missing Main Window Instance value
- Fixed Windows XP support

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# Version 1.2 (27th October 2017)

#### Added

- IQ Wav file custom encoding
- LO LOCK toggle hotkey 'K'
- Support for MHz frequency input using the M key
- Support for MHz frequency input using the new. (DOT) and MHz keypad buttons
- IF output frequency and enable state stored
- Auto swap I/Q when in IF output mode
- Facility to save Power and SNR measurements to a CSV file
- Changing modes now changes the default step size
- MCTR / TCTR / RSYN buttons state stored

#### Changed

- Keypad Ham band button functionality
  - Set and lock LO to centre of the band
  - Set SP1 display to show the entire selected band using appropriate sample rate and decimation factor
  - Ham band selection indicated by depressed keypad button
  - Default demodulation mode automatically selected for major Ham and broadcast bands
- Zoom automatically zooms to the VFO
- Workspaces now saved using CTRL+W
- Default workspace opens windows to try to fill the screen
- MA button default state is enabled
- RBW slider used to define SP1 FFT size and display quality
- Improved zoom functionality
- Improved SP1 and SP2 settings defaults
- Decimation filter improved for reduced spurious aliasing
- Decimation values optimised for performance and usability

#### **Fixed**

- LSB/USB filter bandwidths all have same 100Hz offset from centre frequency
- MA button now supports minimise/restore
- Corrected error reporting
- CAT control now supports ID; command
- Improved the ADC Overload messaging functionality. Message colour now more suitable for colour blind people.

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# Version 1.13 (15th March 2017)

### **Bug Fixes**

Fixed RSP2 IF AGC/gain slider display issues

#### **Updates**

- Added IF Output mode for transceivers
- Added 250 Hz to frequency step size list
- Default page in the settings panels is now the left most page each time SDRuno is started
- Added RSP2 IF GR/Gain value
- Added Factory Reset in the Main Window OPT menu (1st Instance only)
- Improved power function error handling
- Added support for Sub Modes, Filter BW and Port Selction in the Memory Panel
- Changed RDS window colour scheme to match other windows
- Added new hotkeys 'v', '-' and '+' which are for VFO, Out and In zoom buttons in the SP1 window
- Hotkey 'b' now opens AND closes the memory panel
- Changed the default sync Rig->VRX setting to true
- API RefClk o/p no longer stops when the master RSP2 stops streaming

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# Version 1.12 (23rd December 2016)

### **Bug Fixes**

Various in API and SDRuno including > 1GHz operation

### **Updates**

API improvements including AGC and gain measurement (see API release notes)

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# **Version 1.11 (21st November 2016)**

#### **Bug Fixes**

Windows XP start up issue and some others from 1.1

#### **Updates**

- ADC overload notification
- Added 24k to digital filter presets

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# Version 1.1 (11<sup>th</sup> November 2016) Bug Fixes

- 1.04.1 fixed issue where highlighted filter wasn't always the one loaded.
- Waterfall in combo mode now flows the same direction as other modes

#### **Updates (RSP only V1.1)**

- Tighter integration of RSP controls
- Calibrated power measurement
- Automatic S-Meter calibration
- SNR meter
- dBm scale for both SP1 and SP2 windows
- Automatic frequency calibration
- Support for IARU S-Meter standard
- Zoom to VFO button in SP1 window
- More improvements to AGC scheme
- More improvements to DC offset compensation scheme
- Reversed default mouse wheel scroll direction
- Waterfall in combo mode direction can be reversed in the same way as other modes
- Added extra frequency step sizes
- LSB / USB filter presets back to being the same
- USER filter preset renamed to DIGITAL
- Support for both gain and gain reduction displays
- Updated hardware driver now reports as SDRplay device

### **Updates (EXTIO only V1.05)**

maximum bandwidth changed to 2.5MHz

# Version 1.04 (22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016)

### **Bug Fixes**

- · Recording directory not able to be changed/stored
- Switching to/from Wav file input causing RSP streaming issues

#### **Known Issues**

1.04.1 – Selectable filter presets – functional but can be unclear what is set when switching modes

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# Version 1.03 (18th September 2016)

### **Bug Fixes**

- High DPI resolution issue.
- Various minor bug fixes and typos

#### **Updates**

- Reworked filter cutoffs
- Separate out EXTIO functionality
- RSP Ready indicator in Main Window/SETT/Input
- Rename FM Stereo Noise Reduction button and slider to FMS-NR to avoid confusion with SNR (Signal Noise Ratio)
- Improvements to tuner AGC scheme
- Improvements to DC offset scheme
- Removed unused buttons in SP1/SP2 windows
- LO display in RSP advanced window and the SP1 window
- Change defaults (LNA OFF / AGC ON)
- Added RDS PTY support

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# Version 1.02 (23rd June 2016)

#### **Bug Fixes**

Fixed VLF tuning issue.

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### Version 1.01 (22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016)

### **Bug Fixes**

- 1.00.1 Default save directory for memory banks and wav files is now My Documents
- Memory call caused SDRuno not to start on Windows XP and Windows Vista
- CPU load hint showed Studio1 instead of SDRuno
- Fixed some references in user manual along with updated directory save details.

### **Updates**

Changed registry location to [HKCU\Software\SDRplay\SDRuno\1.01] to enforce directory fix.

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# Version 1.00 (19<sup>th</sup> June 2016)

### **Known Issues**

• 1.00.1 – When saving memory banks, saving to the Program Files area can cause an error/crash.

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