FTRESTORE

Yaesu FT Radio Configuration Restore Utility

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FTRestore is a Windows desktop application designed to upload, download and compare memory channels and menu settings in the Yaesu FTDX1200 and FT-991 model transceivers.

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FTRestore

FTRestore is a Windows desktop application designed to upload, download and compare memory channels and menu settings in the Yaesu **FTox1200** and **FT-991** model transceivers. Details of the Regular Memory Channels, PMS Memory Channels and the Menu Settings can be uploaded from the transceiver into a worksheet grid control where they can be modified as required, before being saved in a Microsoft Excel compatible file or a Menu Settings file. The files can be opened at a later time and have the memory channel and menu settings details downloaded again to the transceiver. There is also the ability to compare the memory channels and menu settings in *FTRestore* with the transceiver to detect any discrepancies before uploading or downloading.

Features

- Memory Channel worksheets can be saved in Microsoft Excel 97-2003, Excel 2007, Excel 2010 or Excel 2013 file format for your convenience.
- Memory Channel worksheets can be read from any version of Microsoft Excel 97-2003, Excel 2007, Excel 2010 or Excel 2013 file format.

NOTE: Microsoft Excel is only required if you choose to edit the Memory Channel worksheet outside of *FTRestore*. The *FTRestore* Memory Channel worksheet grid is capable of editing all details in the worksheet without having to use any other program.

- The *FTRestore* application can have multiple Memory Channel worksheets opened at the same time with the model of transceiver (either FTDX1200 or FT-991) being automatically detected.
- The memory channel details can be uploaded from the transceiver on the COM port associated with the currently selected tab into the Memory Channel worksheet.
- The memory channel details can be compared to the transceiver on the COM port associated with the currently selected tab to the details in the Memory Channel worksheet.
- The memory channel details can be downloaded to the transceiver on the COM port associated with the selected tab from the details in the Memory Channel worksheet.
- The antenna selection (Ant1 or Ant2) can be saved and restored with each memory for the FTDX1200 transceiver.
- The CTCSS Tone Frequency can be saved and restored with each memory in the FT-991 transceiver.
- The Menu Setting details can be uploaded from the transceiver on the COM port associated with the currently selected Memory Channel worksheet tab into to the Menu Settings dialog.
- The Menu Setting details can be compared from the transceiver on the COM port associated with the currently selected Memory Channel worksheet tab to the details in the Menu Settings dialog.

- The Menu Setting details can be download to the transceiver on the COM port associated with the currently selected Memory Channel worksheet tab from the details in the Menu Settings dialog.
- The Menu Settings details can be saved in one or more files with a file type extension appropriate for each model transceiver.
- There are multi-level Undo/Redo editing capabilities in both the Memory Channel worksheet grid and the Menu Settings dialog grid. Each grid has its own Undo/Redo stack and clipboard for complete isolation of changes being made in each grid.
- Time and Date (if applicable) can be set in the FTDX1200 and FT-991 transceivers.
- *FTRestore* will record the filenames of all currently opened Memory Channel worksheets and their associated COM ports when the application is closed. The next time the *FTRestore* application is run it will automatically re-open and display the previously saved collection of worksheets, and it will also attempt to identify and connect to the transceivers plugged into the COM ports associated with each worksheet.
- *FTRestore* will record the filename of the last saved Menu Setting file for each model transceiver when the application is closed. The next time *FTRestore* application is run and the Menu Settings dialog is opened for any model transceiver, the last used Menu Settings file for that model transceiver will be automatically re-opened and displayed in the grid.

NOTE: This is an ongoing piece of work and is not intended to be a commercial venture. *FTRestore* is <u>free</u> to use although we may ask for a small donation sometime in the future to help defray the costs of web hosting, maintaining the software and adding new features if sufficient interest is shown by our fellow amateurs.

System Requirements

FTRestore is a Windows desktop application that has been designed to use the *Microsoft* .*NET Framework 4.5.1* which is supported by Microsoft to run on the following workstation and server operating systems:

- Windows 8.1
- Windows 8
- Windows 7 SP1
- Windows Vista SP2
- Windows Server 2012
- Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1¹
- Windows Server 2008 SP2²

FTRestore has been tested as fully functional when running on Windows 10 Technical Preview.

¹ The .NET Framework is supported in the Server Core Role with SP1 or later, but isn't supported on Windows Server 2008 R2 for Itanium-Based Systems.

² The .NET Framework is not supported in the Server Core Role.

Windows 8.1 and Windows Server 2012 R2 come with the *Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5.1* preinstalled. The .NET Framework 4.5.1 will need to be downloaded and installed for the other operating system versions listed above if it hasn't already been installed by other .NET applications run on the server or workstation.

Hardware Requirements³

Processor: RAM: Disk space (minimum) 32-bit: 64-bit:

1GHz (32-bit or 64-bit) 512 MB 850 MB

2 GB

³ The hardware requirements listed above are those specified by Microsoft for the .NET Framework 4.5.1 itself. The *FTRestore* application shouldn't place any additional burden on these requirements.

Installation

- 1. You can download the latest release of the *FTRestore* installation program from the *FTRestore* page at <u>http://www.vk2byi.com.au/ftrestore</u>.
- 2. After you have downloaded the file, run the installation program.
- 3. The installation program will check whether or not the Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5.1 is installed. If the correct version (or later) of the framework is installed, the installation program will continue at step 9.
- 4. If the correct version of the framework is not installed, the following warning will be displayed:



5. Click on the *Yes* button to start the installation on the framework. The following message will be displayed:

| FTRestore | 1.1.0 Installation | × |
|-----------|---|-----------------------|
| | Please restart this setup program after install | ing the prerequisite. |
| | | ОК |

- 6. Click on the *OK* button and the installation program will launch the web browser and load the *Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5.1 (Web Installer)* page from the Microsoft Download Center. The installer program will then close.
- 7. You can refer to the *Installing the Microsoft* .*NET Framework 4.5.1* section towards the end of this document and return here when it has been installed.
- 8. Run the *FTRestore* installation program again.
- 9. If you get a security warning similar to the following, click on the Yes button:

| | Do you want unknown pul | to allow the following program from plisher to make changes to this comp | an uter? |
|---------------------|---|---|-------------|
| | Program name: Publisher: File origin: | FTRestore (v1.1.0).exe Unknown Network drive | |
| S | how details | Yes | No |

10. When the installation continues it will display the following prompt. Click the *Next* button:



11. Read the license agreement and then click the *I accept the agreement* check box and click the *Next* button:

| icense Agreement | | |
|--|--|-------|
| Please read the following importa | ant information before continuing. | Ć |
| Please read the following License agreement before continuing with | Agreement. You must accept the terms of t h the installation. | his |
| Copyright © 2015 VK2 | 2BYI. All rights reserved. | * |
| Permission is hereby grar obtaining a copy of this so files (the "Software"), to personal use, subject to t | nted, free of charge, to any person oftware and associated documenta use the software for their own the following conditions: | ition |
| The user shall not modify | , reverse engineer or decompile o | r 🛫 |
| ✓ I accept the agreement | | |
| | | - |

12. Read the release notes to see what has changed and then click the *next* button:

| eadme I | nformation | |
|-----------|---|-------|
| Please re | ad additional information for the product. | (|
| When yo | u are ready to continue with Setup, click Next. | |
| FTR | estore Release Notes | 111 × |
| Versio | n 1.1.0 (2015-05-10): | |
| • | First production release; | |
| • | Added a Check for Updates menu option on the Help menu to check for <i>FTRestore</i> updates, and to download and install the latest version when the currently executing version is an earlier release: | |
| | Added Pre-Amp (IPO) column to memory worksheets | - |

13. Use the recommended folder as the Destination Folder by clicking on the *Next* button:

| FTRestore 1.1.0 Installation | |
|--|--|
| Select Application Folder Please choose the directory for the in | nstallation. |
| Setup will install FTRestor To install to a different folder, dick Br | e 1.1.0 in the folder shown below. rowse and select another folder. |
| Destination folder | |
| C:\Program Files (x86)\VK2BYI\FT | Restore Browse |
| Required free space: 22.44 MB | |
| Available free space: 48.66 GB | |
| Actual Installer Free | < Back Next > Cancel |

14. You can tick the checkboxes to create *Start Menu* or *Desktop* shortcuts for the *FTRestore* application as desired, and then click the *Next* button:

| FTRestore 1.1.0 Installation | |
|--|--|
| Select Additional Tasks Which additional tasks should be perfor | med? |
| Select the additional tasks you would lik then dick Next. I Create shortcuts in Start Menu | e Setup to perform while installing FTRestore, |
| Program group name: | |
| ☑ Create shortcuts on Desktop | |
| Actual Installer Free | < Back Next > Cancel |

15. You can review your selections at this stage and use the *Back* button to make any changes. Otherwise, click on the *Install* button to continue with the installation:

| TRestore 1.1.0 Installation | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Ready to Install Setup is now ready to begin installing I | FTRestore 1.1.0 on your computer | Q_7 |
| Click Install to continue with the install any settings. | ation, or Back if you want to review | v or change |
| Destination folder: C:\Program Files (x86)\VK2 | 2BYI\FTRestore | |
| Program group name: FTRestore | | |
| Additional tasks: Create shortcuts on Deskto | op | |
| | | |
| Actual Installer Free | < Back Install | Cancel |

16. After it has been installed, you have the options to launch *FTRestore* and/or open the *Readme* file by ticking the checkboxes as you prefer, and then clicking the *Finish* button:

| C FTRestore 1.1.0 Installation | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| | Completing the FTRestore Setup Wizard |
| | Setup has finished installing FTRestore 1.1.0 on your computer. |
| | Click Finish to exit Setup. |
| | Launch FTRestore |
| Park ! | 🕼 Open Readme file |
| | |
| Actual Installer Free | Finish |

17. The installation of the *FTRestore* application is now complete.

Getting Started

Before starting *FTRestore* you should check Menu number 41 on the **FTpx1200**, or Menu number 33 on the **FT-991**, as you may have to DISABLE the RTS setting on the CAT port. It has been our experience that this is required for programs such as *Ham Radio Deluxe*.

The author has a USB-63 cable that won't work unless the CAT RTS menu is set to DISABLE on his **FTdx1200**, although a colleague with the same cable and exactly the same equipment can have the CAT RTS set to ENABLE and have *FTRestore* connect successfully with the transceiver.

In short, it may be prudent to simply set the CAT RTS setting to DISABLE after any Menu Reset or any Full Reset of the transceiver to avoid any issues. We have paid particular attention to the timing of CAT commands being sent to so as avoid overrunning the transceiver without flow control being required.

Starting FTRestore

The following shows the screen images of an *FTRestore* session using a Yaesu **FTDx1200**. Click on the *FTRestore* desktop shortcut to start the *FTRestore* application.

When the *FTRestore* application is started, a splash screen will display for a few seconds as the program initializes after which the main form will displayed:



Select New on the File menu, or press Ctrl+N, to open a new worksheet:

| ile Edit | Radio | Settings Hel | | | |
|----------|----------|--------------|--|--|--|
| New | Ctrl+N | | | | |
| Open | . Ctrl+O | | | | |
| Close | | | | | |
| Save | Ctrl+S | | | | |
| Save A | s | | | | |
| Print P | review | | | | |
| Print | | | | | |
| Exit | Alt+F4 | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |

The Port Settings Dialog will be displayed. Select the COM port that is connected to a Yaesu **FTDx1200** or **FT-991** model transceiver and check that the Baud Rate matches the value set in the transceiver (typically 4,800 bps).

If you have a CAT interface cable that correctly passes the RTS signal through to the transceiver, you can set *RequestToSend* in the *Flow control* list box setting, and leave the CAT RTS menu setting in your transceiver set to the default setting of ENABLE.

| | | | Port Set | tings | | |
|-----------|------|---|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------|
| Settings | | | | | | OK |
| Port | COM4 | ~ | Baud (bps) | 4800 | ~ | UK |
| Parity | None | ~ | Flow control | None | ~ | Cancel |
| Data bits | 8 | ~ | Stop bits | None XOnXOff | | |
| | | | | RequestToS RequestToS | end endXC | |

If this works in your situation, you won't have to change the CAT RTS setting after a Menu Reset or a Full Reset of the transceiver.

If you need to set the CAT RTS menu setting in your transceiver to DISABLE in order to work with other software such as Ham Radio Deluxe, then set the *Flow control* list box setting to *None*.

| settings | | | | | | OK |
|-----------|------|---|--------------|------|---|--------|
| Port | COM3 | ~ | Baud (bps) | 4800 | ¥ | UK |
| Parity | None | ~ | Flow control | None | ~ | Cancel |
| Data bits | 8 | ~ | Stop bits | One | ~ | |

Don't change the *Parity* (None), *Data bits* (8) or *Stop bits* (1) from the default settings. Click the OK button to open a new worksheet and detect the transceiver model.

In this case an **FTDx1200** was automatically detected on COM4 and a blank *Untitled* worksheet is displayed with the transceiver model and COM port name on the worksheet tab:

| File | Edit Radio | Settings | Help | | | | | |
|------|---------------|----------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------|----------|--|
| FTD) | (1200 on COM4 | | | | | | | |
| Mem | Rx Frequency | Offset | Mode | IPO | Tone Mode | Antenna | Comments | |
| 001 | | * | * | Ψ. | · · | Ψ. | | |
| 002 | | | | * | | | | |
| 003 | | · | ÷ | + | · | • | | |
| 004 | | + | + | + | + | * | | |
| 005 | | • | ·* | * | ·* | | | |
| 006 | | • | | • | | | | |
| 007 | | • | - | + | - | • | | |
| 008 | | • | • | • | • | • | | |
| 009 | | | · • | • | * | - | | |
| 010 | | • | * | * | * | * | | |
| 011 | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | · · · | ·• | · | | |
| 012 | | ÷ | ÷ | ÷ | ÷ | * | | |

If a transceiver cannot be detected, or the selected COM port is in use by another application, the tab name instead will be *Unsupported on COMn* where *n* is the port number.

Uploading Memory Channels

Select *Get Memory Channels...* on the *Radio* menu in order to upload the current memory channel settings from the transceiver:

| File | Edit | Radio Settings Hel | р | 121 | | | | |
|------|----------|---------------------------------------|----------|-----|-----------|---------|----------|--|
| FTD) | (1200 on | Get Memory Chanr | iels | | | | | |
| Mem | Rx Frequ | Set Memory Chann | els | 0 | Tone Mode | Antenna | Comments | |
| 001 | | Compare Memory | Channels | Ψ. | - | - | | |
| 002 | | Menu Settings | | • | * | * | | |
| 003 | | | | · | ÷ | | | |
| 004 | | CAT Command Ter | minal | - | - | - | | |
| 005 | - | × | T | | | * | | |
| 006 | | • | • | • | • | • | | |
| 007 | | • | - | • | • | - | | |
| 008 | | • | • | • | • | • | | |
| 009 | | · • | • | Ŧ | . | · • | | |
| 010 | | • | * | • | - | * | | |
| 011 | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | - | ¥ | · · | ÷ | | |
| 012 | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | + | + | ÷ | + | | |

You will be warned that the current worksheet will be overwritten, so click on the Yes button to proceed. As the details are uploaded from the transceiver, you will see a progress bar and any occupied memories being filled in as rows in the worksheet in the background. If you click on the

Cancel button, the upload process will stop at the current point in time and the remaining memories will not be uploaded:

| File | Edit Radi | o Settin | gs | Help | | | | | | | | |
|------|---------------|----------|----|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|------------|---------|--------|----------|--|
| FTD) | (1200 on COM4 | 1 | | | | Get | Memor | y Chanr | els | | | |
| Mem | Rx Frequency | Offset | | Mode | Uploading | memon | / channel | s from the | e radio | | Comments | |
| 001 | 3550000 | Simplex | * | LSB | | | | | | 6 | | |
| 002 | 7045000 | Simplex | * | LSB | | | | | | | | |
| 003 | 7050000 | Simplex | • | LSB | | | 3 | 176 | | | | |
| 004 | 7055000 | Simplex | | LSB | | | | | | Cancel | | |
| 005 | 7060000 | Simplex | • | LSB | | | | | | cancer | | |
| 006 | 7090000 | Simplex | • | LSB L | | | | | | | | |
| 007 | 7093000 | Simplex | • | LSB * | IPO | ≁ Off | * | Ant1 | * | | | |
| 008 |) | | - | - | | - | - | | - | | | |
| 009 | | | • | + | | • | - | | • | | | |
| 010 | | | * | • | | - | - | | • | | | |
| 011 | | | + | • | | • | | | - | | | |
| 012 | | | * | + | _ | + | + | | + | | | |

At this stage it would be advisable to save the worksheet as an Excel spreadsheet file before continuing as the worksheet now contains the currently programmed memory channels from the transceiver. To save the worksheet select *Save As* from the File menu, specify a filename and the version of the Excel spreadsheet format you wish to write and click on the *Save* button:



By default, files will be saved in a folder called *FTRestore* under the current user's personal Documents folder.

Changes can now be made to the memory channel details in the *FTRestore* worksheet grid. If you wish to remove the contents of a memory channel, just highlight the row and press the *Del* key. However, memory channels in the radio can only be removed by deleting the memory from the transceiver front panel. So remember to clear any individual memories, or perform a full memory reset, in the transceiver before downloading a new configuration.

You can save the changes to the file by selecting the *Save* or *Save As* option from the *File* menu. However, before you download the changes, you may want to perform a comparison between the current memory channels in the transceiver and the memory channel details in the modified worksheet to see the impact of any changes.

Comparing Memory Channels

Select the *Compare Memory Channels...* option from the *Radio* menu to see if there are any differences between the worksheet and the transceiver:

| File | Edit Rad | io Settin | gs | Help | | | | | | | | | |
|------|----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|----------|--------|-----|------------|------|------|-------|-----|----------|--|
| FTD) | (1200 on | Get Memo | ory C | hannels. | | | 1 | | | | | | |
| Mem | Rx Frequ | Set Memo | ory C | hannels. | | | 0 | Tone | Mode | Anter | ina | Comments | |
| 001 | 35 | Compare | Men | nory Cha | innels | | - | Off | - | Ant1 | * | | |
| 002 | 70 | Menu Sett | tings | | | | - | Off | * | Ant1 | + | | |
| 003 | 70 | | Venu Settings CAT Command Terminal | | | | . . | Off | Ŧ | Ant1 | + | | |
| 004 | 70 | CAT Com | AT Command Terminal | | | | | Off | | Ant1 | | | |
| 005 | 7060000 | Simplex | ٣ | LSB | | IPO | | Off | • | Ant1 | • | | |
| 006 | 7090000 | Simplex | - | LSB | - | IPO | - | Off | - | Ant1 | - | | |
| 007 | 7093000 | Simplex | Ŧ | LSB | Ŧ | IPO | | Off | * | Ant1 | - | | |
| 800 | 7095000 | Simplex | - | LSB | - | IPO | - | Off | - | Ant1 | - | | |
| 009 | 7100000 | Simplex | * | LSB | * | IPO | - | Off | - | Ant1 | - | | |
| 010 | 7105000 | Simplex | Ŧ | LSB | • | IPO | • | Off | - | Ant1 | - | | |
| 011 | 7110000 | Simplex | + | LSB | • | IPO | 4 | Off | | Ant1 | - | | |
| 012 | 7120000 | Simplex | * | LSB | * | IPO | * | Off | * | Ant1 | * | | |

A progress bar will be displayed as the rows in the worksheet are compared to the memory channels in transceiver. If you click on the *Cancel* button, the compare process will stop at the current point in time and the remaining memories will not be compared. If a difference is detected, a dialog will be displayed showing the worksheet values on the left and the transceiver values on the right:

| - | | | Wo | orkshee | t Values | 1 | 1 | Radio | Values | | | | |
|------|---------|---------|------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-----|-----------|---------|--|
| File | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mem | Rx Freq | Offset | Mode | IPO | Tone Mode | Antenna | Rx Freq | Offset | Mode | IPO | Tone Mode | Antenna | |
| 002 | | | | | | | 7045000 | Simplex | LSB | IPO | Off | Ant1 | |
| 004 | 7055000 | Simplex | LSB | IPO | Off | Ant2 | 7055000 | Simplex | LSB | IPO | Off | Ant1 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

In this case, memory channel 002 was cleared from the worksheet, but as yet it hasn't been manually deleted from the transceiver. Also, memory channel 004 has a different value for the antenna selection to that programmed for the same memory in the transceiver.

The comparison results can be viewed in a Print Preview dialog, or printed, by selecting the corresponding option on the *File* menu in the results dialog.

Downloading Memory Channels

Once you have the worksheet modified to your satisfaction, you can download the new memory channel details to the transceiver. Select the *Set Memory Channels…* option from the *Radio* memory:

| File | Edit F | Radio Settings | Help | | | | | | | | |
|------|----------|----------------|---------------|-----|---|------------------------------|------|---------|----------|----------|--|
| FTD) | (1200 on | Get Memory G | Channels | | | | | | | | |
| Mem | Rx Frequ | Set Memory C | Channels | | D | Tone | Mode | Anter | ına | Comments | |
| 001 | 35 | Compare Mer | mory Channels | • | Ŧ | Off | * | Ant1 | * | | |
| 002 | | Menu Setting | < | | ÷ | •••••• <mark>•</mark> •••••• | * | ••••••• | ¥ | | |
| 003 | 70 | | | | + | Off | + | Ant1 | + | | |
| 004 | 70 | CAT Comman | nd Terminal | | • | Off | * | Ant2 | • | | |
| 005 | 7060 | 000 Simplex 📑 | LSB 👻 | IPO | • | Off | • | Ant1 | • | | |
| 006 | | • | - | | - | | • | | • | | |
| 007 | | • | - | | • | | • | | • | | |
| 800 | | · • | • | | * | | | | • | | |
| 009 | | * | * | | * | | * | | * | | |
| 010 | | Ŧ | - | | ÷ | | * | | * | | |
| 011 | | • | | | + | l | + | | · | | |
| 012 | | + | + | | + | | + | | + | | |

A progress bar will be displayed as the currently populated rows in the worksheet are downloaded to the transceiver. If you click on the *Cancel* button, the download process will stop at the current point in time and the remaining memories will not be downloaded:

| File | Edit Radi | o Settin | gs | Help | | | | | | |
|------|---------------|----------|----|------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|--------|----------|--|
| FTD | (1200 on COM4 | | | | Set | Memory Ch | annels | | | |
| 1em | Rx Frequency | Offset | | Mode | Downloading men | norv channels to | o the radio | | Comments | |
| 001 | 3550000 | Simplex | * | LSB | | | | | | |
| 002 | | | * | | | | | | | |
| 003 | 7050000 | Simplex | • | LSB | | 26% | | | | |
| 004 | 7055000 | Simplex | ۲ | LSB | | | | Cancel | | |
| 005 | 7060000 | Simplex | • | LSB | | | | Cancer | | |
| 006 | | | • | Ļ | | | | | | |
| 007 | | | * | - | • | - | * | | | |
| 800 | | | * | * | * | * | * | | | |
| 009 | | | * | - | * | - | * | | | |
| 010 | | | * | - | • | - | * | | | |
|)11 | | | + | + | • | • | * | | | |
| 112 | | | + | · | ¥ | + | + | | | |

Remember, populated rows in the transceiver will only be updated by populated rows in the worksheet. Blank rows in the worksheet will not delete the corresponding memory channel in the transceiver. So you may want to delete the individual memories, or perform a full memory reset, in the transceiver before downloading a new configuration.

Displaying the Menu Settings Dialog

Select the *Menu Settings...* option from the *Radio* menu in order to open the Menu Settings dialog for the transceiver associated with the currently selected worksheet tab in the main window:

| File | Edit | Radio | Settings | Help | | | | | | | |
|------|----------|--------|--------------|--------------|---|------|------|-------|-----|----------|--|
| FTDX | (1200 on | G | et Memory Ch | annels | | 1 | | | | | |
| Mem | Rx Freq | Se | t Memory Cha | annels | | Tone | Mode | Anter | nna | Comments | |
| 001 | 3 | C | ompare Memo | ory Channels | | ıff | + | Ant1 | * | | |
| 002 | | м | enu Settinas | | | | • | | * | | |
| 003 | 5 | | | | | ff | + | Ant1 | - | | |
| 004 | 7 | C, | AT Command | Terminal | | ſſ | • | Ant2 | * | | |
| 005 | 7 | 060000 | Simplex | LSB | • | Off | • | Ant1 | • | | |
| 006 | | | | • | • | | - | | - | | |
| 007 | | | | • | • | | - | | - | | |
| 008 | | | | • | • | | - | | * | | |
| 009 | | | | • | • | | - | | • | | |
| 010 | | | | • | • | | • | | - | | |
| 011 | | | | • | • | | - | | * | | |
| 012 | | | | • | + | | * | | + | | |

A blank grid will be displayed the first time the *Menu Settings* dialog is opened as a menu settings file has not yet been created:

| File | Edit Radio | | |
|------|------------|---------|----------|
| Menu | Function | Setting | Comments |
| 001 | | | |
| 002 | | | |
| 003 | | | |
| 004 | | | |
| 005 | | | |
| 006 | | | |
| 007 | | | |
| 008 | | | |
| 009 | | | |
| 010 | | | |
| 011 | | | |
| 012 | | | |
| 013 | | | |
| 014 | | | |
| 015 | | T | |

Uploading Menu Settings

Select *Get Menu Settings...* on the *Radio* menu in the Menu Settings dialog order to upload the current menu settings from the transceiver:

| File | Edit | Radio | |
|------|------|-----------------------|----------|
| Menu | | Get Menu Settings | Comments |
| 001 | | Set Menu Settings | |
| 002 | | Compare Menu Settings | |
| 003 | | | 1 |
| 004 | | | |
| 005 | | | |
| 006 | | | |
| 007 | | | |
| 008 | | | |
| 009 | | | |
| 010 | | | |
| 011 | | | |
| 012 | | | |
| 013 | | | |
| 014 | | | |
| 015 | | | |

You will be warned that the current settings will be overwritten, so click on the *Yes* button to proceed. As the current menu setting details are uploaded from the transceiver, you will see a progress bar and the menu settings being filled in as rows in the grid in the background. If you click on the *Cancel* button, the upload process will stop at the current point in time and the remaining menus will not be uploaded:

| File | Edit Radio | | | | | | | |
|------|---------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Menu | Functio | n | Setting | Comments | | | | |
| 001 | AGC: FAST-DELAY | | 0 | | | | | |
| 002 | AGC: MID DELAY | | 0500 | | | | | |
| 003 | AGC: SLOW DELAY | | 1000 | | | | | |
| 004 | AGC: AGC SLOPE | | Get Menu Set | tings | | | | |
| 005 | DISPLAY: MY CALL | | Oct Mena Oct | ungo | | | | |
| 006 | DISPLAY: MY CALL TI | Uploading | menu settings from th | e radio. | | | | |
| 007 | DISPLAY: VFO COLOF | | | | | | | |
| 008 | DISPLAY: TFT LAYOU | | | | | | | |
| 009 | DISPLAY: DIMMER LE | | 20% | | | | | |
| 010 | DISPLAY: DIMMER T | | | Cancel | | | | |
| 011 | DISPLAY: BAR DISPLA | | | Concer | | | | |
| 012 | DISPLAY: METER TYP- | | <u>.</u> | | | | | |
| 013 | DISPLAY: BAR MTR PE | AK HOLD | 0 | | | | | |
| 014 | DISPLAY: ROTATOR ST | ART UP | 0 | | | | | |
| 015 | DISPLAY: ROTATOR OF | FSET ADJ | 0 | | | | | |

Once the menu settings have been uploaded, the only changes that can be made to the details in the grid is to add text in the Comments column. This is by design, because at this stage the setting

values are just the raw responses to the CAT commands sent to the transceiver to obtain the current menu settings. If you are interested in what the values mean, you can refer to the CAT Operation Reference Book for your model transceiver that is downloadable from the Yaesu web site.

The settings have not been translated into selectable dropdown list box values or other style controls, but this may be a feature to be added in the future. In the meantime, *FTRestore* is still perfectly capable of saving and restoring menu settings between firmware updates and other operations that require your preferred menu settings to be quickly restored.

Therefore, it is recommended that you use the transceiver front panel to make any menu changes as desired from the factory defaults, and then perform the *Get Menu Settings…* upload again to get the changes into the grid before saving the contents as a Menu Settings file. Each time you perform the upload, any text in the Comments column for a menu setting will be preserved.

| File | Edit Radio | | | |
|------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--|
| Menu | Function | Setting | Comments | |
| 001 | AGC: FAST-DELAY | 0500 | | |
| 002 | AGC: MID DELAY | 1000 | | |
| 003 | AGC: SLOW DELAY | 4000 | | |
| 004 | AGC: AGC SLOPE | 0 | | |
| 005 | DISPLAY: MY CALL | CHRIS VK2BYI | My Call | |
| 006 | DISPLAY: MY CALL TIME | 2 | 2 seconds (default 1) | |
| 007 | DISPLAY: VFO COLOR | 0 | | |
| 008 | DISPLAY: TFT LAYOUT | 0 | | |
| 009 | DISPLAY: DIMMER LED | 1 | | |
| 010 | DISPLAY: DIMMER TFT | 08 | | |
| 011 | DISPLAY: BAR DISPLAY SELECT | 1 | | |
| 012 | DISPLAY: METER TYPE SELECT | 1 | BAR (default ANALOG) | |
| 013 | DISPLAY: BAR MTR PEAK HOLD | 1 | 0.5 seconds | |
| 014 | DISPLAY: ROTATOR START UP | 0 | | |
| 015 | DISPLAY: ROTATOR OFFSET ADJ | 00 | | |

At this stage it would be advisable to save the values read as a Menu Settings file before continuing as the grid should now contain the currently programmed menu settings from the transceiver as set for your requirements. To save the settings select *Save As* from the *File* menu, specify a filename but don't change the selected file type and click on the *Save* button:

| ni K | | Save As | | | | × |
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| Hide Folders | | | | | Save Cancel | |

By default, files will be saved in a folder called *FTRestore* under the current user's personal Documents folder.

Comparing Menu Settings

Select the *Compare Menu Settings...* option from the *Radio* menu to see if there are any differences between the *Menu Settings* dialog and the menu settings in the transceiver:

| File | Edit | Radio | | | |
|------|------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--|
| Menu | | Get Menu Settings | 5 | Comments | |
| 001 | AGC: FAS | Set Menu Settings | | | |
| 002 | AGC: MI | Compare Menu Se | ettings | | |
| 003 | AGC: SLC | W DELAY | 4000 | | |
| 004 | AGC: AGC | SLOPE | 0 | | |
| 005 | DISPLAY: 1 | VIY CALL | CHRIS VK2BYI | My Call | |
| 006 | DISPLAY: I | VIY CALL TIME | 2 | 2 seconds (default 1) | |
| 007 | DISPLAY: N | /FO COLOR | 0 | | |
| 008 | DISPLAY: 1 | IFT LAYOUT | 0 | | |
| 009 | DISPLAY: D | DIMMER LED | 1 | | |
| 010 | DISPLAY: [| DIMMER TFT | 08 | | |
| 011 | DISPLAY: B | BAR DISPLAY SELECT | 1 | | |
| 012 | DISPLAY: N | METER TYPE SELECT | 1 | BAR (default ANALOG) | |
| 013 | DISPLAY: E | BAR MTR PEAK HOLD | 1 | 0.5 seconds | |
| 014 | DISPLAY: P | ROTATOR START UP | 0 | | |
| 015 | DISPLAY: P | ROTATOR OFFSET ADJ | 00 | | |

A progress bar will be displayed as the rows in the worksheet are compared to the memory channels in transceiver. If you click on the *Cancel* button, the compare process will stop at the current point in time and the remaining menus will not be compared. If a difference is detected, a dialog will be displayed showing the worksheet values on the left and the transceiver values on the right:

| - | Worksheet Set | ting | Radio Setting | g |
|------|-----------------------|---------|---------------|---|
| File | | | | |
| Menu | Function | Setting | Setting | |
| 006 | DISPLAY: MY CALL TIME | 2 | 3 | |
| | | | | |
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In this case, menu setting 006 was changed in the transceiver to 3 seconds before the comparison was run.

The comparison results can be viewed in a Print Preview dialog, or printed, by selecting the corresponding option on the *File* menu in the results dialog.

Downloading Menu Settings

Any time you need to restore your desired transceiver menu settings, you can download the details to the transceiver by using the previously saved menu settings files and selecting the *Set Memory Channels...* option from the *Radio* memory:

| File | Edit | Radio | | | |
|------|----------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--|
| Menu | | Get Menu Settings | i | Comments | |
| 001 | AGC: FAS | Set Menu Settings | | | |
| 002 | AGC: MI | Compare Menu Se | ettings | | |
| 003 | AGC: SLO | W DELAT | 4000 | | |
| 004 | AGC: AGC | SLOPE | 0 | | |
| 005 | DISPLAY: | MY CALL | CHRIS VK2BYI | My Call | |
| 006 | DISPLAY: | MY CALL TIME | 2 | 2 seconds (default 1) | |
| 007 | DISPLAY: | VFO COLOR | 0 | | |
| 008 | DISPLAY: | TFT LAYOUT | 0 | | |
| 009 | DISPLAY: | DIMMER LED | 1 | | |
| 010 | DISPLAY: | DIMMER TFT | 08 | | |
| 011 | DISPLAY: | BAR DISPLAY SELECT | 1 | | |
| 012 | DISPLAY: | METER TYPE SELECT | 1 | BAR (default ANALOG) | |
| 013 | DISPLAY: | BAR MTR PEAK HOLD | 1 | 0.5 seconds | |
| 014 | DISPLAY: | ROTATOR START UP | 0 | | |
| 015 | DISPLAY: | ROTATOR OFFSET ADJ | 00 | | |

A progress bar will be displayed as the currently menu settings are downloaded to the transceiver. If you click on the *Cancel* button, the download process will stop at the current point in time and the remaining menus will not be downloaded

CAT Command Terminal

There is a built in terminal that can be used to send CAT commands to a radio and to display any response. You need to refer to the CAT Operation Reference Book for the transceiver for details on the CAT command formats. Remember to end each command with a semicolon ';'. In this example FA; was sent to the transceiver to read the current VFO A frequency on an **FTDx1200**:

| | CAT Serial Terminal |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Exit | |
| Serial port (COM3) | CAT Command |
| Disconnect | FA; |
| Settings | Clear command send |
| Clear | Send |
| ent Av | |
| <u>ceived</u> 107065000; | |
| | |

Unless you know what you are doing, it is not recommended to arbitrarily 'play' with this feature. You can refer to the CAT Operation Reference Book for your model transceiver that is downloadable from the Yaesu web site to determine the correct syntax for the commands and the responses.

Preferences

The *FTRestore* application preference settings dialog can be displayed by selecting the *Preferences* option on the *Settings* menu.

| Save open works | sh <mark>eet ta</mark> bs | Progress Style |
|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Default Worksheet | Туре | Percentage |
| Excel 2013 (*.xlsx) | * | O Step Number |

The *Save open worksheet tabs* option determines whether or not *FTRestore* will save all currently opened worksheets when the application is closed. The next time the *FTRestore* application is run it will automatically open the worksheets. Tick this checkbox setting to save the worksheet list when the application closes.

The *Default Worksheet Type* option is used to specify the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet file format to be selected by default in the File Save (and File Open) dialog. You can change the type in the actual File Save/Open dialogs each time you save/open a worksheet file, or you can set a new default preference with this setting. You would only change the *Default Worksheet Type* setting to a different value as a convenience when saving files for use with another application that cannot read the current file format. Otherwise, the value for this preference setting doesn't matter as *FTRestore* can read any of the types in the *Default Worksheet Type* list box.

The *Progress Style* option is used to select between *Percentage* completed, or *Step Number* of total steps, to be displayed on the progress bar when performing the various get, set and compare operations.

Setting Time and Date

Once you have opened a worksheet and *FTRestore* has automatically detected the transceiver model connected to the specified COM port, the *Set Radio Time/Date* menu option will be enabled on the *Settings* menu. This will set the current Date and Time UTC, and the local time offset in multiples of 30 minutes, in a **FT-991** transceiver using the current time and date from the operating system.

In the case of a **FTDx1200**, only the time can be set in that transceiver. In this case you will prompted as to whether you want the clock in the transceiver to be set to Time UTC or your local time:



Select Coordinated Universal Time or your local time with the radio buttons, and click on the *OK* button to set the time in the **FT**_{DX}**1200** transceiver.

Check for Updates

You can check periodically for new releases of *FTRestore* by selecting *Check for Updates...* from the *Help* menu:

| File | Edit Radi | o Setting | 5 | Help | | | | | |
|------|---------------|-------------|---|----------|------------|----------|---------|----------|--|
| FTD) | (1200 on COM4 | 1 | | Check fo | or Updates | | | | |
| Mem | Rx Frequency | Offset | | About F | TRestore | one Mode | Antenna | Comments | |
| 001 | 3550000 | Simplex | + | LSB 👻 | IPO * | Off * | Ant1 | * | |
| 002 | | | * | + | + | - | | - | |
| 003 | 7050000 | Simplex | * | LSB 🔻 | IPO * | Off 🔹 | Ant1 | • | |
| 004 | 7055000 | Simplex | * | LSB 💌 | IPO * | Off 🔹 | Ant2 | - | |
| 005 | 7060000 | Simplex | • | LSB 🔻 | IPO * | Off 🔹 | Ant1 | - | |
| 006 | | · · · · · · | • | • | • | • | | • | |
| 007 | | | * | - | • | - | | - | |
| 008 | | | * | - | * | * | | - | |
| 009 | | | * | - | - | - | | • | |
| 010 | | | * | - | • | • | | - | |
| 011 | | | + | - | + | + | | • | |
| 012 | | | * | + | + | * | | + | |

If you are currently running the latest release of *FTRestore*, there is no further action required other than to click the *OK* button:

| Checking for Updates | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Your version of FTRestore | is up to date. |
| | ОК |

If a later release of FTRestore has been released, then details of the new release will be displayed in a dialog similar to the following:

| There is a new release of | FTRestore available: |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Version:1.1.0.38170 (rele | eased 201 <mark>5-05-10</mark>). |
| Do you want to download | and install the new release? |
| | |

If you wish to postpone downloading the latest release, click on the *No* button. We would always encourage our users to download the latest release as it will most likely contain new features and/or fixes for defects.

In order to download and install the latest release, click on the *Yes* button. A progress dialog will display as the installation program is downloaded:

| Downloading | the latest version of FTRestore. | |
|-------------|----------------------------------|--|
| | 5467 | |
| | 2176 | |

Once the installation program has finished being downloaded, the following dialog will be displayed:



Once again you can postpone installing the latest release by clicking on the *No* button. In order to install the latest release, click on the *Yes* button.

The currently running version of *FTRestore* will have to be closed in order for the latest version to be installed. If you have any modified Memory Channel worksheets currently open, you will be given an opportunity to save them before *FTRestore* is automatically closed and the installation program is launched.

Once the installation program starts you will be warned that the current version will need to be uninstalled before continuing:



Click on the *Yes* button in order for the uninstallation to continue at which time a further confirmation dialog from will be displayed:



Click on the *Yes* button and all program files (executables and assemblies) from the current version will be uninstalled. All Memory Channel worksheets and Menu Settings files will <u>not</u> be removed.

Once the removal of the current version has completed, the installation of the new version will proceed in a similar way as described previously in the *Installation* section.

If a new release involves changes in the layout of memory channel worksheets, existing ones will be automatically updated the next time they are opened – either when they are loaded as *FTRestore* starts, or when they are manually opened by selecting Open... (Ctrl+O) on the File menu.

Additional Notes

Prior to applying firmware upgrades to either of these transceivers, it is highly recommended that a copy of the memory channels be uploaded to an *FTRestore* worksheet and saved and a copy of the menu settings be uploaded and saved as a menu settings file. After the firmware upgrade to the transceiver is complete, the memory channels and menu settings can be downloaded again.

IMPORTANT: Memory Channels can be overwritten but cannot be erased via CAT control. They can only be erased via front panel control or by carrying out a Memory Reset or a Full Reset of the transceiver. If you intend deleting any memory channels within *FTRestore*, then carry out a Memory Reset before writing the new configuration back to the radio, and NOT BEFORE getting the radio memory channel details.

Installing the Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5.1

- 1. The *FTRestore* installation program will open the web browser at the correct page, or you can manually enter <u>http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=40773</u>, to run the *Microsoft*.*NET Framework 4.5.1* web installer.
- 2. Click on the Download button to start the download:



3. If you get the security warning from Internet Explorer, click where it says *Click here for options* and select *Download File...* from the menu:



4. The web installer will download and when the following prompt appears, click on the *Run* button:



5. When the web installer runs, the following prompt or something similar may appear. Click on the *Run* (or *Yes*) button:



6. Accept the license terms by checking the box and then click *Install*:



7. The web installer will then start downloading and installing the Framework and will display the follow progress dialog:

| Installation Progress Please wait while the .NET Framework is being installed. | ess a the .NET Framework is being installed. |
|---|--|
| Download progress: | ess: |
| Downloading netfx_Full_LDR_x64.msi | tfx_Full_LDR_x64.msi |
| | ress: |
| Installation progress: | |
| | |

8. Wait until the installation is complete and then click the *Finish* button:



The installation of the *Microsoft* .NET Framework 4.5 is complete.