

Upgrading Firmware on PEL Instruments **Models**52, 102, 103, 105, 112, 113 & 115









PEL 102

PEL 103

PEL 112

PEL 113









PEL 52

PEL 105

PEL 115

POWER & ENERGY LOGGERS





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INTRODUCTION

The firmware for the PEL series Power and Energy Loggers (Models PEL 52, 102, 103, 105, 112, 113 and 115) controls the features and functionality of each instrument model. AEMC® Instruments provides firmware updates free of charge to download through our DataView® PEL Control Panel software.

The procedure for updating PEL firmware has been significantly upgraded, to provide a more streamlined user experience. The process of opening the AEMC® Instruments Download web page, navigating to the PEL firmware downloads, checking the firmware revision number and comparing it to the version running on your instrument, and other tasks has been fully automated.

PEL FIRMWARE UPGRADE PROCESS



WARNING: Updating the PEL firmware could reset the configuration of your PEL and cause loss of stored data. Before you begin, we suggest you save the data to a computer before updating firmware. Also, ensure that an active recording is not running on the instrument.

To update the firmware, your computer must be running DataView with the latest version of the PEL Control Panel. In addition, the Control Panel option Check automatically for new firmware for connected instruments upon start of program (found inside the Tools > Options menu) must be selected, as it is by default. Then proceed as follows:

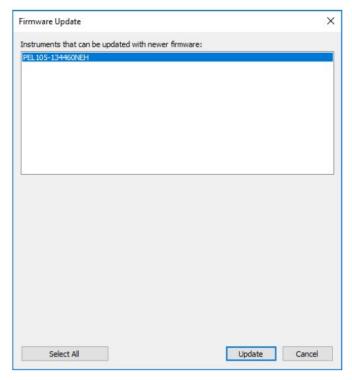
- 1. Power **ON** the instrument using external power, to ensure the instrument remains **ON** throughout the update procedure.
 - Also ensure that the battery is at least 50 % (and ideally fully) charged. **Do not** perform an update with the instrument running on battery power, or with low battery charge. If the instrument turns OFF while firmware updating is in progress, it could become inoperative and require you to send it back to AEMC® Instruments for repair. External power with a sufficiently charged battery for backup helps minimize the risk of power interruptions during updating.
- 2. Connect the PEL instrument to the computer:
 - PEL 52: Connect via Wi-Fi (direct or access point)
 - PEL 102, 103, 105, 112, 113, 115: Connect via the provided USB cable
- 3. Launch the DataView PEL Control Panel.
- 4. Ensure the instrument is listed in the PEL Network navigation tree. If it is, skip this step and go to step 5 below.

If not, click **Instrument** in the menu bar and select **Add an Instrument**, then connect the instrument using the **Add an Instrument Wizard**. (Press F1 if you need assistance).

 Ensure the instrument is listed with a green check mark next to its name, indicating it is connected. If not, select the instrument and click Instrument > Reconnect Instrument.

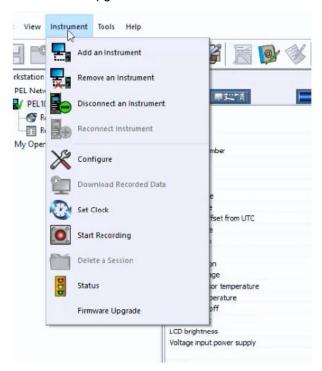


6. By default, the PEL Control Panel automatically checks the connected instrument's firmware. If it is out of date, the Firmware Update dialog box appears, listing the instrument and any other instrument running out-of-date firmware.



Click **Update** (or click Select **All** to update multiple instruments). This displays the **Firmware Upgrade dialog box** listing the latest firmware revisions for the PEL DSP and microprocessor; proceed as instructed in Step 7 below.

If the PEL Control Panel option Check automatically for new firmware for connected instruments upon start of program has been previously de-selected, the automatic firmware check does not occur. In this case, click **Instrument** in the menu bar. This includes the option Firmware Upgrade.



If the selected instrument is running the latest firmware, this option is grayed out and inactive. If the instrument is not running the latest firmware, click **Firmware Upgrade** to display the **Firmware Upgrade** dialog box.

Click the **Start** button to begin the update. During this process, status bars display the progress of the DSP and microprocessor firmware updates.



NOTE: The progress status bar only appears if firmware requires updating. If either the DSP or microprocessor firmware does not require updating, their status bar will not appear.

8. When the firmware update is complete, click the **Close** button to exit.

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