R100 Series Receiver
User Guide
Part No. 875-0173-000 Rev F1
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Receiver Product Matrix
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The R100™ Series consists of multiple GPS receiver models that track GPS and SBAS, with some models tracking differential radio beacon signals and/or L-Band (OmniSTAR® VBS).

All R100 Series receivers utilize Hemisphere GPS’ exclusive COAST™ technology that maintains accuracy during temporary loss of differential signal and are capable of using Hemisphere GPS’ e-Dif® technology.

Receiver Product Matrix

Table 1-1 lists all the available R100 Series receiver models.

Table 1-1: R100 Series receiver models

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Model</th>
<th>Application</th>
<th>Beacon</th>
<th>L-Band</th>
<th>1 PPS Output</th>
<th>Rack Mount</th>
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<td>R100</td>
<td>Marine/GIS/survey</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>DB9</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>R110</td>
<td>Marine/GIS/survey</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>DB9</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
<td>DB9</td>
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<td>R130</td>
<td>Marine/GIS/survey</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>DB9</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>R101</td>
<td>Air</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>PWR/Data</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>R121</td>
<td>Air</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>PWR/Data</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R131</td>
<td>Marine/GIS/survey</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>SMA</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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</table>

Note:
- Any reference to the R100 Series refers to all the receivers listed in Table 1-1.
- Any reference to “Beacon only” applies to the R110, R130, or R131.
- Any reference to “OmniSTAR VBS only” applies to the R120, R121, R130, or R131.

Features Specific to the R131

The R131 is the only model in the R100 Series that includes the following features:
- Rack-mountable enclosure
- Soft power switch located on front display - all other R100 Series models have a push-button power switch located on the bottom of the unit
- 1 PPS output support via an SMA connector on the back of the unit
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What’s Included

You can purchase any R100 Series receiver as a standalone receiver or as part of a kit. Although they vary by receiver model R100 Series kits contain the following parts:

- Receiver
- Receiver mounting hardware
- Antenna
- Antenna mounting hardware (Marine/GIS/survey models only)
- Cables
- R100 Series User Guide (Air models only - R101 and R121)

Look over the parts shipped with your system. If any part appears to have been damaged during shipping, contact your freight carrier. If any parts are missing, contact your Hemisphere GPS dealer.

Parts List

Table 1-2 lists available accessories for the R100 Series. The information contained in this table is accurate at time of printing. Contact your Hemisphere GPS dealer to obtain replacement parts or to order accessories.

Table 1-2: R100 Series parts list

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<th>Part</th>
<th>Models</th>
<th>Qty</th>
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<td>803-0043-000#</td>
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<td>R130</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>803-0044-000#</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>R131</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>803-0053-000#</td>
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<td>Receiver mounting hardware kit</td>
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<td>710-0056-000#</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>R121, R130, R131</td>
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<td>054-0118-000#</td>
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<td>Power cable (circular)</td>
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<td>Data cable, DB-9 female to DB-9 male, 3 m</td>
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<td>050-0011-022#</td>
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<td>R110, R130, R131</td>
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<td>A31 antenna mounting hardware kit</td>
<td>R110, R130, R131</td>
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<tr>
<td>Antenna cable, TNC-TNC, 5 m</td>
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<td>R121, R130, R131</td>
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Mounting the Antenna
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The R100 Series is designed for easy setup, with the following steps described in this chapter:

- Mounting the receiver
- Mounting the antenna
- Connecting the cables
- Connecting the receiver to external devices

Mounting the Receiver

Note: Although you are not required to mount the receiver, you may want to do so to prevent damage to the receiver and any cables connected to the receiver.

Before mounting the receiver ensure the following:

- Menu screen, LEDs, and buttons are visible and accessible
- Back panel is accessible for connecting/switching out cables and powering the receiver on/off
- Receiver is mounted inside and away from the elements and in a location that minimizes vibration, shock, extreme temperatures, and moisture
- **R131 only:** Soft power switch is accessible

Note: There is an option within the menu system to switch (flip 180°) the direction of the display. If it is easier to mount the unit upside down, you can mount it this way and still operate the display.

Figure 2-1 illustrates the typical mounting orientation of the R100 Series receivers, indicating that the R131 receiver is rack-mountable.

![Figure 2-1: Receiver mounting orientation](image-url)
To mount the receiver:

1. Locate the thumb screws, nuts, and brackets included in your R100 Series kit.
2. Slide the nuts through the openings along both sides of the receiver (see Figure 2-1 on page 6 for example of opening).
3. Place the bracket alongside the receiver and insert the thumbscrews so they screw into the nuts.
4. Screw down the brackets.
5. Install the receiver with brackets in the desired location.

**Mounting the Antenna**

Antenna placement is crucial to the system’s operation. The GPS engine inside the R100 Series computes a position based on measurements from each satellite to the phase center of the antenna; therefore, mount the antenna at the location where the reference position should be.

When considering the mounting location keep the following in mind:

- Make sure the antenna has a clear view of the sky so that GPS satellites are not masked by obstructions (which may potentially reducing system performance)
- Mount the antenna on, or as close to, the measurement center point
- Position the antenna as high as possible

You have three options when mounting the antenna:

- Magnetic mount
- Pole mount
- Surface mount

**Magnetic Mount**

The magnetic mount can be screwed into the bottom of the antenna and mounted to metal surfaces. The magnetic mount includes a metal disc and foam adhesive that allow you to bond the metal disc to the desired mounting location if there are no metal surfaces. You then place the magnetic mount on the metal disc.

To attach the antenna using the magnetic mount:

1. Clean and dry the surface where you will attach the metal disc.
2. Remove the backing from one side of the foam adhesive and press the adhesive onto the mounting surface.
3. Remove the backing from the other side of the foam adhesive and press the metal disc onto the mounting surface, applying firm pressure to ensure good adhesion.
4. Place the magnetic mount (with antenna attached) on top of the metal disc.

**Pole Mount**

The center thread of the antenna is 5/8 inches for compatibility with a survey pole (not included). Simply thread the pole into the antenna.
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Surface Mount
As an alternative to the magnetic mount, you can attach the antenna directly to the mounting surface with four machine screws (no. 8-32).

To attach the antenna directly to the mounting surface:

1. Photocopy the bottom of the antenna and use it as a template to plan the mounting hole locations.
   
   **WARNING:** Make sure the photocopy is scaled one to one with the mounting holes on the bottom of the antenna.

2. Mark the mounting hole centers, as necessary, on the mounting surface.
3. Place the antenna over the marks to ensure the planned hole centers align with the true hole centers (adjusting as necessary).
4. Use a center punch to mark the hole centers.
5. Drill the mounting holes with a 3/16-inch bit appropriate for the surface.
6. Place the antenna over the mounting holes and insert the mounting screws through the bottom of the mounting surface and into the antenna.

   **WARNING:** When installing the antenna, hand tighten only. Damage resulting from overtightening the antenna is not covered by the warranty.

Connecting and Routing the Cables
Adhere to the following when connecting and routing R100 Series cables:

- Power cable must reach an appropriate power source
- Antenna cable must reach from the antenna to the receiver
- Data cable may connect to a data storage device, computer, or other device that accepts GPS data
- Do not run cables in areas of excessive heat
- Do not expose cables to corrosive chemicals
- Do not crimp or excessively bend cables
- Do not place tension on cables
- Coil up excess cable near unit
- Secure along the cable route using plastic tie wraps as necessary
- Do not run cables near high Voltage or strong RF noise and transmitter sources

**WARNING:** Improperly installed cables near machinery can be dangerous.
Connecting the Receiver to External Devices

Communication between the R100 Series and external devices occurs through serial ports and USB ports. Table 2-1 lists these connections for each R100 Series model.

Table 2-1: R100 Series serial and USB communication

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<th>Model</th>
<th>Serial Communication Through Port A and Port B</th>
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<td>R100</td>
<td>External ports connected via DB9 cable</td>
<td>(1) USB-B port</td>
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<tr>
<td>R101</td>
<td>Internal ports connected via power/data connector</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R110</td>
<td>External ports connected via DB9 cable</td>
<td>(1) USB-B port</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R120</td>
<td>External ports connected via DB9 cable</td>
<td>(1) USB-B port</td>
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<tr>
<td>R121</td>
<td>Internal ports connected via power/data connector</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>R130</td>
<td>External ports connected via DB9 cable</td>
<td>(1) USB-B port</td>
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<tr>
<td>R131</td>
<td>External ports connected via DB9 cable</td>
<td>(1) USB-B port</td>
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If you connect a device to Port A, Port B, or the USB port you can transmit and receive data between the R100 Series and the device. Similarly, if you connect one device to Port A and another device to the USB port you can transmit and receive data between the R100 Series and each device.

**Note:** For those models that include a USB port (R100, R110, R120, R130, and R131) Port B is shared with the USB port. If you connect a device to Port B and another device to the USB port the receive functionality on Port B is disabled. Therefore, Hemisphere GPS recommends using Port A and the USB port if want to connect two devices to these R100 Series models.
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The USB port is designed to be connected to a host device such as a PC. When you connect a PC to the R100 Series the PC should recognize it as a serial device and a new COM will appear as a valid connection on the PC. Set the communication software to use this new port to access the R100 Series.

The serial ports operate at the RS-232 interface level to communicate with external data loggers, navigation systems, and other devices. Either serial port can also be used for firmware updates. Figure 2-3 illustrates the numbering for the DB9 connector (female) and the power/data connector. The associated numbering for each plug connector (male) is a mirror reflection of the scheme shown in Figure 2-3.

![DB9 connector and Power/data connector](image)

*Figure 2-3: DB9 and power/date connector socket numbering*

**Note:** For successful communication you must set the baud rate of the R100 Series serial ports to match that of the connected devices. Table 2-2 and Table 2-3 provide the pinouts for the serial ports and power/data connector.

### Default Settings

Table 2-2 below through Table 2-6 on page 11 provide serial port/data connector pinouts and other options/settings for the R100 Series.

#### Table 2-2: Port A / Port B DB9 pinout for R100, R110, R120, R130, and R131

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<th>Function</th>
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<th>Function</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Not connected</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Not connected</td>
</tr>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Transmit data Port A</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Transmit data Port B</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Receive data Port A</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Receive data Port B</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Not connected</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Not connected</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Signal ground</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>Signal ground</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Not connected</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>Event marker</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Not connected</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>Not connected</td>
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<tr>
<td>8</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Not connected</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>5V output, 350 mA max</td>
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Table 2-3: Power/data connector pinout for R101 and R121

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<td>1 PPS</td>
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<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>Port A Tx</td>
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<td>Port A Rx</td>
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<td>E</td>
<td>Port B Tx</td>
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<td>Port B Rx</td>
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<tr>
<td>G</td>
<td>Manual mark</td>
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<td>H</td>
<td>Ground</td>
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<td>Beacon (only on R110, R130, R131)</td>
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<td>External RTCM</td>
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Table 2-5: Serial port settings

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<th>Serial Ports</th>
<th>Baud Rates</th>
<th>Data Bits</th>
<th>Parity</th>
<th>Stop Bits</th>
<th>Interface Level</th>
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Table 2-6: GPS message output options

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<td>Hemisphere GPS Binary</td>
<td>1 Hz to 20 Hz</td>
<td>259,200 seconds</td>
<td>5°</td>
</tr>
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<td>NMEA 0183 GGA</td>
<td>1 Hz to 20 Hz</td>
<td>259,200 seconds</td>
<td>5°</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NMEA 0183 GLL</td>
<td>1 Hz to 20 Hz</td>
<td>259,200 seconds</td>
<td>5°</td>
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<td>NMEA 0183 GSA</td>
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<td>259,200 seconds</td>
<td>5°</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NMEA 0183 RRE</td>
<td>1 Hz</td>
<td>259,200 seconds</td>
<td>5°</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NMEA 0183 VTG</td>
<td>1 Hz to 20 Hz</td>
<td>259,200 seconds</td>
<td>5°</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NMEA 0183 ZDA</td>
<td>1 Hz</td>
<td>259,200 seconds</td>
<td>5°</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Configuring the Receiver

You can configure many aspects of the R100 Series through the serial port using Hemisphere GPS commands. Refer to the Hemisphere GPS Technical Reference (go to www.hemispheregps.com/support and click the GPS Reference icon) for details.

Note: Contact your Hemisphere GPS dealer for more information regarding configuration and the use of Hemisphere GPS commands.

Environmental Considerations

Although it is splash proof in case of accidental exposure the R100 Series is designed for indoor use. The antenna is designed for outdoor use. See Table B-5 on page 29 for environmental specifications.

Note: Changes you make to the R100 Series via the serial port are not automatically saved to memory for subsequent powerup; therefore, you must issue the $JSAVE command to save the changes. However, if you make changes via the menu system, they are automatically saved.
Chapter 3: Operating the R100 Series

Powering the Receiver On/Off
LED Indicators
Using the Menus
Chapter 3: Operating the R100 Series

The R100 Series is designed for easy operation with LED indicators and a straightforward menu system. This chapter provides information on the following topics:

- Powering the R100 Series on/off
- LED indicators
- R100 Series Main menu

**Powering the Receiver On/Off**

All R100 Series models, except the R131, have a hard power switch located on the top panel, while the R131 has a soft power switch on the front panel (see Figure 3-1).

![Hard power switch](image1)

For all R100 Series receivers (except R131)

![Soft power switch](image2)

R131 Receiver (rack mountable)

*Figure 3-1: R100 Series power switch*

The R100 Series accepts an input voltage of 8 to 36 VDC via the power cable. The supplied power should be continuous and clean for best performance. Table B-6 on page 29 provides the power specifications of the R100 Series.

**WARNING:** Do not provide a voltage higher than the input range (36 VDC). This will damage the receiver and void the warranty. Also, do not attempt to operate the R100 Series with the fuse bypassed as this will void the warranty.

The R100 Series features reverse polarity protection to prevent damage if the power leads are accidentally reversed. Although the R100 Series proceeds through an internal startup sequence when you apply power, it will be ready to communicate immediately.

Initial startup may take 5 to 15 minutes depending on the location. Subsequent startups will output a valid position within 1 to 5 minutes depending on the location and time since the last startup.

The R100 Series may take up to 5 minutes to receive a full ionospheric map from SBAS. Optimum accuracy is obtained once the R100 Series is processing corrected positions using complete ionospheric information.
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To power on the R100 Series:

1. Connect the ends of the R100 Series power cable to a clean power source providing 8 to 36 VDC.

   **Note:** Hemisphere GPS recommends you use a weather-tight connection and connector if the connection is located outside.

2. R100 Series (except R131): Press the Power button on the top panel.
   R131: Press and hold the soft power switch on the front panel until the splash screen appears.

To power off the R100 Series:

- R100 Series (except R131): Press the Power button on the top panel.
- R131: Press and hold the soft power switch on the front panel until the screen goes blank (the screen will display “Power Down in 4...3...2...1” before powering off).

### LED Indicators

The R100 Series uses LEDs to indicate power, GPS lock, and DGPS position.

- On all models except the R131 there is a corresponding icon below each LED
- On the R131 the text to the left of each LED indicates the purpose of the LED

Table 3-1 describes each LED indicator.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>LED Indicator</th>
<th>LED Color</th>
<th>Description/Function</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| or POWER      | Red       | Power indicator
|               |           | Illuminates solid red when the receiver is powered on. |
| or GPS LOCK   | Yellow    | GPS lock indicator
|               |           | Illuminates solid yellow when the receiver achieves a solid GPS lock. |
| or DIFF       | Green     | DGPS position indicator
|               |           | Illuminates solid green when the receiver achieves a differential position and a pseudorange residual of better than 10.0 m. If the residual value is worse than the current threshold, the LED blinks green indicating differential mode has been attained but the residual has not met the threshold. |
Using the Menus

The R100 Series menu system is designed for easy setup and configuration of the unit in or out of the field and supports multiple languages. You can perform most configuration tasks entirely through the menu without having to connect to a computer or PDA.

Refer to Appendix C, “Menu Maps” for a complete menu map for the following options on the Main menu.

- GPS
- Differential corrections (menu item will be the selected differential source, such as SBAS or Autonomous)
- Configuration Wizard
- System Setup

The R100 Series front panel contains three soft buttons: Up arrow, Enter, and Down arrow (see Figure 3-2).

- **Up arrow** - moves to the previous menu item or to the previous selection within a menu item
- **Enter** - displays a submenu or selects an option within a menu item
- **Down arrow** - moves to the next menu item or to the next selection within a menu item

*Figure 3-2: Menu buttons*

*Note:* On the R131 the Enter button also functions as the Power switch. See “Powering the Receiver On/Off” on page 14 for more information.
Table 3-2 describes the indicators to the right of specific menu items.

**Table 3-2: Menu item indicators**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Indicator</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Example</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| Display indicator | Go to the indicated submenu This indicator also appears to the right of the “Back” and “Top Menu” menu items.  
- Press Enter when “Back” is selected to return to the previous menu.  
- Press Enter when “Top Menu” is selected to return to the Main menu. | 1. On the Main menu press the Down arrow to highlight System Setup. The Display indicator appears to the right of System Setup.  
2. Press Enter to display the System Setup menu.  
3. Press the Down arrow again to highlight the Display Format option and then press Enter. The items on the Display Format menu appear and the Select indicator appears to the right of Disp Update (the first item on the Display Format menu).  
4. Press Enter on the Disp Update item. The Display indicator changes to the Select indicator.  
5. Press the Up or Down arrows to scroll through the available options (such as 1Hz and 5Hz).  
6. Press Enter on the highlighted option to select it. That option is now the setting for the menu item and the Select indicator changes back to the Display indicator. |
| Select indicator | Scrolls within a menu to highlight an option to select. |  |
Chapter 4: RTK/L-Dif

Installing the Base Station
Installing the Rover Radio
Using the Receiver as a Base Station or Rover
RTK Operation
Chapter 4: RTK/L-Dif

RTK and Local Differential (L-Dif) are R100 Series differential options that provide the highest accuracy (see Table B-1 on page 28 for accuracy specifications). A local base station is required for both options. Most commonly, the base station and rover are each comprised of the following:

- GPS receiver
- GPS antenna
- Radio: transmitter for base station, receiver for rover
- Power source

Installing the Base Station

The base station tracks GPS signals and broadcasts differential corrections to a radio and rover GPS receiver. You typically set up the base station near the working area and at a location with no obstructions between the base station and rover radio.

When installing the base station adhere to the following:

- Do not place the base station near metal objects
- Make sure the base station is at least 50 m from obstructions
- Make sure the base station and rover radio have a clear line of sight up to 5 km or less depending on the radio type when operating L-Dif/RTK

Installing the Rover Radio

The rover GPS system processes the corrections and outputs highly accurate position information.

When installing the rover radio adhere to the following:

- Ensure the rover radio and GPS antenna are at least 1 m apart
- Rover radio must not block the GPS antenna
- Rover radio must receive regular corrections from the base station every one to two seconds (differential age) for up to 15 minutes to achieve RTK lock (maximum accuracy) - typically, a lock is achieved within five minutes

Using the Receiver as a Base Station or Rover

Using the R100 Series as a base station or rover receiver requires a link between the base and rover to transfer differential correction data from the base to the rover. The link can be wired or wireless (such as a radio modem).
Setting Up the Receiver as a Base Station or Rover

Make sure the current R100 Series application is set to RTKBAS for a base station or LOCRTK for a rover.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Step</th>
<th>Button (where applicable)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. On the Main menu press the <strong>Up</strong> or <strong>Down</strong> arrow until System Setup is highlighted.</td>
<td>![Up or Down icon]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Press <strong>Enter</strong>. The System Setup menu appears with Display Apps highlighted.</td>
<td>![Enter icon]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. With Display Apps highlighted press <strong>Enter</strong>. Make sure In Use: displays as either:</td>
<td>![Enter icon]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- RTKBAS for an RTK or L-Dif base station</td>
<td>![RTKBAS icon]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- LOCRTK for an RTK or L-Dif rover receiver</td>
<td>![LOCRTK icon]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>If the RTK application only appears next to Other:, scroll down and select Swap Applications. The desired application will then be shown as In Use.</td>
<td>![Swap Applications icon]</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## Connecting the Receiver to a PC

You can also select the appropriate application using a terminal program such as Hyper Terminal®, SLXMon™, or PocketMax™.

When using direct commands from a PC, send the $JAPP command to view the current application. A response such as $>JAPP,RTKBASE,WAAS,1,2 will appear, indicating the RTKBASE application is active and WAAS is the secondary application. If the application was different and WAAS was first, such as $>JAPP,WAAS,RTKBASE,2,1, then send $JAPP,other to swap applications so that correct application is used.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Step</th>
<th>Button (where applicable)</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Connect either Port A or Port B of the R100 Series receiver to the serial port of the PC using the 9-pin serial cable.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| 2. Configure the port communication parameters on the receiver.  
  a. On the Main menu press the **Up** or **Down** arrows to highlight System Setup and then press **Enter**.  
  b. Press the **Up** or **Down** arrows to highlight ‘Baud Rates’ and then press **Enter**.  
  c. Press the **Up** or **Down** arrows to highlight the desired baud rate and then press **Enter**. | **Up/Down arrows**  
**Enter** |
| 3. Ensure the connected serial port on the PC has matching communication parameters. | |

See “System Setup Menu” on page 36 for more information.
Connecting the Receiver to an External Device or Base/Rover Radio

You can connect the R100 Series to an external device or a base/rover radio. Before selecting an external device or base or radio system, ensure it meets the following requirements:

- Does not interfere with GPS
- Serial connection, with a minimum of 9600 baud, set to N,8,1
- Over the air throughput of at least 300 bps

Note: Hemisphere GPS recommends testing with a wired condition prior to using a radio connection to ensure communication parameters are properly defined.

Make sure both the rover radio and base station are on the same channel or frequency in order for the rover radio to receive corrections from the base station.

RTK Operation

After you connect the receiver to the desired devices and are operating using RTK, the status LEDs indicate the following:

- Yellow: tracking GPS
- Flashing green: differential has been attained, but the residual has not met the threshold
- Solid green: RTK lock

The R100 Series will output standard NMEA messages through Port A as desired. Set the message and port output as required by the user-supplied interface.

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**Step** | **Button (where applicable)**
---|---
1. Connect either Port A or Port B of the R100 Series receiver to the serial port of the device using the 9-pin serial cable. |  
2. Configure the port communication parameters on the receiver.  
   a. On the Main menu press the **Up** or **Down** arrows to highlight System Setup and then press **Enter**.  
   b. Press the **Up** or **Down** arrows to highlight ‘Baud Rates’ and then press **Enter**.  
   c. Press the **Up** or **Down** arrows to highlight the desired baud rate and then press **Enter**. | **Up/Down arrows**
   **Enter**

See “System Setup Menu” on page 36 for more information.

3. Ensure the device has matching communication parameters for the connecting port. |  

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**Note**: Hemisphere GPS recommends testing with a wired condition prior to using a radio connection to ensure communication parameters are properly defined.
Appendix A: Troubleshooting
Table A-1 provides troubleshooting information for the R100 Series.

### Table A-1: Troubleshooting

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Problem</th>
<th>Possible Solution</th>
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</thead>
</table>
| Receiver fails to power | • Verify polarity of power leads  
• Check integrity of power cable connections  
• Check power input voltage (8 - 36 VDC)  
• Check current restrictions imposed by power source (maximum is 250 mA @ 12 VDC)  
• Press the POWER button |
| No data from R100 Series | • Check receiver power status (red LED)  
• Check integrity and connectivity of power and data cable connections  
• The volume of data requested to be output by the R100 Series could be higher than what the current baud rate supports. Try using 19200 or higher as the baud rate for all devices. |
| No GPS lock | • Check integrity of cable connections  
• Verify antenna’s clear view of the sky |
| No SBAS lock | • Check integrity of cable connections  
• Verify antenna’s clear view of the sky  
• Check SBAS visibility map |
| No beacon lock | • Check beacon listings to ensure proximity to a beacon station  
• Ensure there are no sources of interference nearby  
• Check antenna connections  
• Verify MSK rate is set correctly  
• Verify frequency of transmitting beacon  
• Select alternate antenna position |
| No OmniSTAR VBS lock | • Subscription activated and not expired  
• Check antenna connections  
• Verify antenna’s clear view of the sky |
Appendix B: Technical Specifications
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Table B-1 through Table B-7 provide the sensor, communication, environmental, power, and mechanical specifications for the R100 Series.

**Table B-1: R100 Series GPS sensor specifications**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Specification</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Receiver type</td>
<td>L1, C/A code, with carrier phase smoothing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Channels</td>
<td>12-channel, parallel tracking</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>(10-channel when tracking SBAS)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SBAS Tracking</td>
<td>2-channel, parallel tracking</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Update rate</td>
<td>Standard 10 Hz; optional 20 Hz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Horizontal accuracy</td>
<td>&lt; 0.02 m 95% confidence (RTK(^1,2))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>&lt; 0.28 m 95% confidence (L-D)(^1,2)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>&lt; 0.6 m 95% confidence (DGPS(^1,2))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>&lt; 2.5 m 95% confidence (autonomous, no SA(^1))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cold start</td>
<td>60 s (no almanac or RTC)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Table B-2: L-Band sensor specifications**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Channels</td>
<td>Single channel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Frequency range</td>
<td>1530 to 1560 MHz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Satellite selection</td>
<td>Manual or automatic (based on location)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Startup and satellite reacquisition time</td>
<td>15 seconds, typical</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Table B-3: Beacon sensor specifications**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Channels</td>
<td>2-channel, parallel tracking</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Frequency range</td>
<td>283.5 to 325 kHz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MSK bit rates</td>
<td>50, 100, and 200 bps</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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**Table B-4: Communication specifications**

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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Serial ports</td>
<td>2 full-duplex RS-232</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>USB ports</td>
<td>1 USB-B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Baud rates</td>
<td>4800 - 115200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Correction input/output protocol</td>
<td>All R100 Series except R131: RTCM SC-104</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>R131: Hemisphere GPS RTK, RTCM v2.3 (DGPS)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data input/output protocol</td>
<td>All R100 Series except R131: NMEA 0183</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>R131: NMEA 0183, Hemisphere GPS binary</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Raw data</td>
<td>All R100 Series except R131: Proprietary binary (RINEX utility available)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Timing output</td>
<td>1 PPS CMOS, active low, falling edge sync, 10 k(\Omega), 10 pF load</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
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Table B-4: Communication specifications (continued)

<table>
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<th>Item</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Event marker</td>
<td>CMOS, active low, falling edge sync, 10 kΩ</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table B-5: Environmental specifications

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Specification</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Operating temperature</td>
<td>-30°C to +70°C (-22°F to +158°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Storage temperature</td>
<td>-40°C to +85°C (-40°F to +185°F)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Humidity</td>
<td>95%, non condensing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shock and vibration</td>
<td>EP 455</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EMC</td>
<td>FCC Part 15, Subpart B, CISPR 22, CE</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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<table>
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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Specification</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Input voltage</td>
<td>8 - 36 VDC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reverse polarity protection</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Power consumption</td>
<td>3 W</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Current consumption</td>
<td>&lt;250 mA @ 12 VDC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Antenna voltage output</td>
<td>5.0 VDC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Antenna short circuit protection</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table B-7: Mechanical specifications

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>R100 Series (except R131)</th>
<th>R131</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Enclosure</td>
<td>Powder coated aluminum</td>
<td>Powder coated aluminum</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dimensions</td>
<td>16.0 L x 11.4 W x 4.5 H (cm)</td>
<td>18.8 L x 11.4 W x 7.1 H (cm)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>6.3 L x 4.5 W x 1.8 H (in)</td>
<td>7.4 L x 4.5 W x 2.8 H (in)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Weight</td>
<td>0.54 kg (1.2 lb)</td>
<td>0.86 kg (1.9 lb)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LED indicators</td>
<td>Power, GPS lock, DGPS position</td>
<td>Power, GPS lock, DGPS position</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Power connector</td>
<td>R100,R110,R120: 2-pin ODU</td>
<td>R130: 2-pin ODU</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>R101,R121: 8-pin MIL circular</td>
<td>R110,R120: 8-pin micro-Conxall</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data connectors</td>
<td>DB9-female x 2</td>
<td>DB9-female x 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Antenna connector</td>
<td>TNC-female</td>
<td>TNC-female</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 PPS connector</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>SMA</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

1 Depends on multipath environment, antenna selection, number of satellites in view, satellite geometry, and ionospheric activity

2 Up to 5 km baseline length

3 Depends also on baseline length
Appendix C: Menu Maps
Appendix C: Menu Maps

This appendix shows the complete menu map for each menu (listed below) on the R100 Series Main menu.

- GPS
- Differential corrections (menu item will be the selected differential source, such as SBAS or Autonomous)
- Configuration Wizard
- System Setup
- Data Logging

GPS Menu

Use the GPS menu to view and edit such GPS settings as data output, positioning parameters, UTC time offset, and satellite visibility/positioning information.

Figure C-1: GPS menu
Differential Corrections (Diff) Menu

Use the Diff menu to view your differential settings. The name of the differential menu shown in the display reflects your current differential source. For example, if you are using SBAS, then SBAS appears as the third menu item on the main screen and the associated SBAS submenus are available, as shown in Figure C-2.

![Figure C-2: SBAS menu]

The following available differential sources depend on the R100 Series model and the configuration you purchased.

- SBAS
- L-Band
- Beacon
- External RTCM
- Autonomous
Appendix C: Menu Maps

Figure C-3 through Figure C-6 show the complete menu maps for the L-Band, Beacon, External RTCM, and Autonomous differential sources, respectively.

Figure C-3: L-Band menu

Figure C-4: Beacon menu
Configuration Wizard Menu

The Configuration Wizard walks you through basic settings to get up and running.

Figure C-5: External RTCM menu

Figure C-6: Autonomous menu

Figure C-7: Config Wizard menu
System Setup Menu

The System Setup menu allows you to view and edit such current system settings as current applications, units, baud rates, logs, screen contrast, subscription code, display orientation (you can flip the display 180° by selecting “YES” under FLIP DISPLAY), and language.

Figure C-8: System Setup menu
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