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# MultiModem<sup>®</sup> ZDX



**Model MT5656ZDX-Series  
Voice/Data/Fax Modem**

**User Guide**



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**MT5656ZDX-Series**  
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# Chapter 1 - Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of the Multi-Tech MT5656ZDX-Series modem.

- The Multi-Tech MT5656ZDX modem is your data/fax modem.
- The MT5656ZDX-V offers your voice option.

You have acquired one of the finest intelligent data/fax or voice/data/fax modems available today from one of the world's oldest modem manufacturers: Multi-Tech Systems, Inc. This user guide will help you install, configure, test, and use your modem.

## Product Description

The Multi-Tech MT5656ZDX and MT5656ZDX-V modems are compatible with the ITU-TV.92 protocol that provide quick connections, downstream transmissions at speeds up to 56K bps, and upstream transmissions at speeds up to 48K bps when connected to V.92-compatible Internet Service Providers. The V.92 protocol is able to send downstream from the Internet to your computer at these speeds because data on the telephone network typically is converted from digital to analog only one before it reaches your modem. Upstream transmissions and transmissions between client modems are limited to 33.6K bps, as are upstream transmissions that are converted more than once on the telephone lines.

Modem features include Plug and Play operation. In standard mode, the modem can store up to four command lines or telephone numbers of up to 40 characters each in nonvolatile memory. Other modem capabilities include modem-on-hold, AT&T calling card tone detection, pulse and tone dialing, adaptive answer, V.42bis and V.44 data compression, and self-resetting lightning protection.

Please note that some V.92 features are turned off in the factory default configuration, and may need to be turned on, depending on your needs.

# Chapter 2 - Hardware Installation

This chapter shows you step-by-step how to set up your Multi-Tech modem, test it, and make your first calls.

## Ship Kit Contents

- One MultiModem ZDX (MT5656ZDX)
- One set of four self-adhesive rubber feet
- One power supply
- One RS-232 cable (a DB9F to DB25M serial cable)
- One RJ-11 telephone cable
- One printed Quick Start Guide

One MT5656ZDX CD containing modem drivers, communications software (PhoneTools), this User Guide, AT Commands Reference Guide, and a link to Adobe Acrobat software

## You Supply

- A computer with an available serial port.
- A nearby AC power outlet
- A nearby phone jack

Optional: If you want speakerphone functions along with the ability to record sound or .WAV files through the sound card at the same time, you will need:

- One stereo PC microphone
- One stereo male to male patch cord
- One sound card
- Speakers

## Safety Warnings

- Use this product only with UL- and CUL-listed computers.
- To reduce the risk of fire, use only UL-listed 26 AWG (.41mm) or larger telephone wiring.
- Never install telephone wiring during a lightning storm.
- Never install a telephone jack in a wet location unless the jack is specifically designed for wet locations.
- Never touch uninsulated telephone wires or terminals unless the telephone line has been disconnected at the network interface.
- Use caution when installing or modifying telephone lines.
- Avoid using a telephone during an electrical storm; there is a risk of electrical shock from lightning.
- Do not use a telephone in the vicinity of a gas leak.
- The telephone cord is to be disconnected before accessing the inside of the equipment.

## Technical Specifications

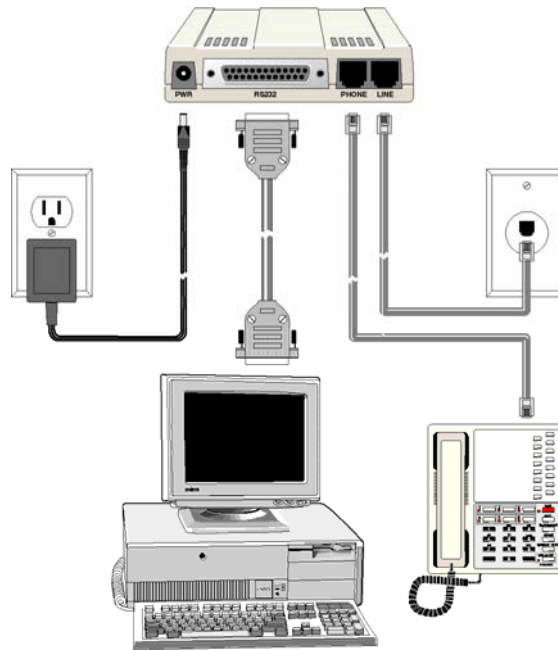
The MultiModemZDX modem meets the following specifications:

<b>Trade Name</b>	MultiModemZDX™
<b>Model Number</b>	MT5656ZDX
<b>Server-to-Client Data Rates</b>	V.90 speeds when accessing a V.90 or V.92 server (actual speed depends on server capabilities and line conditions) *Though these modems are capable of 56K bps download performance, line impairments, public telephone infrastructure and other external technological factors currently prevent maximum 56K bps connections.
<b>Client-to-Server Data Rates</b>	Up to 50Kbps when accessing a V.92 server (actual speed depends on server capabilities and line conditions); otherwise, the same as client-to-client data lines.
<b>Client-to-Client Data Rates</b>	33600,31200, 28800, 26400, 24000, 21600, 19200, 16800, 14400, 12000, 9600, 7200, 4800, 2400, 1200, 0-300 bps
<b>Fax Data Rates</b>	14400, 12000, 9600, 7200, 4800, 2400, 1200, 0-300 bps
<b>Data Format</b>	Serial, binary, asynchronous
<b>Modem Compatibility</b>	ITU-T V.92, V.90, V.34 enhanced, V.34, V.34bis, V.32, V.22bis, V.22; Bell 212A and 103; ITU-T V.21; V.42, V.42bis, V.44
<b>Fax Compatibility</b>	T.4, T30, V.21, V.27ter, V.29, V.34, V.17; TIA/EIA 578 Class 1 and Class 2, TR29.2
<b>Video Compatibility</b>	ITU-T V.80 for H.34 video conferencing
<b>Voice Compatibility</b>	AT+V/TAM command set
<b>Voice Mode Sampling</b>	Up to 44.100 KHz (down-sampled to 11.025 KHz)
<b>Error Correction</b>	ITU-T V.42 (LAP-M or MNP 4)
<b>Data Compression</b>	ITU-T V.44 (4:1 throughput), V.42bis (4:1 throughput), MNP 5 (2:1 throughput)
<b>Speed Detection</b>	Automatic speed detection and switching between available speeds
<b>Speed Conversion</b>	Serial port data rates adjustable to 300; 1200; 2400; 4800; 9600; 19,200; 38,400; 57,600; 115,200 bps
<b>Mode of Operation</b>	Fax online modes, full duplex data over dial-up; voice
<b>Flow Control</b>	XON/XOFF (software), RTS/CTS (hardware)
<b>Intelligent Features</b>	Plug and play, full AT command compatible, autodial, redial, repeat dial, pulse or tone dial, dial pauses, auto answer, adaptive answer; EIA extended automode; caller ID, adaptive line probing; automatic symbol and carrier frequency during start-up, retrain and rate renegotiation, DTMF detection, call status display, auto-parity and data rate selections, keyboard-controlled modem options, non-volatile memory, US Caller ID reporting; quick-connect startup
<b>Command Buffer</b>	40 Characters
<b>Transmission Level</b>	-11 dBm (North America and Pan Euro) - varies by country setting
<b>Frequency Stability</b>	±0.01%
<b>Receiver Sensitivity</b>	-43 dBm under worst-case conditions
<b>AGC Dynamic Range</b>	43 dB
<b>Connectors</b>	Two RJ-1 1 phone jacks, DB25F RS-232C connector, power connector

<b>Cables</b>	One modular telephone cable
<b>Diagnostics</b>	Local analog loop, local digital loop, remote digital loop
<b>Speaker</b>	Speaker for call progress monitoring
<b>Speaker and Microphone Jacks</b>	MultiModemZDXV
<b>Manual Controls</b>	Power switch
<b>Environmental</b>	Temperature range 0°–50°C (32°–120°F); humidity range 20–90% (non-condensing)
<b>Storage Temperature</b>	-10° to +85°C (14°- 185° F)
<b>Power Consumption</b>	150 mA @ 9 VDC
<b>Dimensions</b>	10.8 cm wide x 14.8 cm long x 2.9 high (4.25" x 5.8" x 1.15")
<b>Weight</b>	224 g (8 oz)
<b>Operating Systems</b>	Tested for use with Windows 2000+ and Linux (2.2.x kernel)
<b>Warranty</b>	2 years

## Overview – Connecting the Modem to Your System

Turn off your computer. Placing the modem in a convenient location, connect it to your computer's serial port, to the phone line, to AC power, and to your phone (phone is optional).



***MT5656ZDX Connections.***

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#### ***Connect the Modem to Your PC (RS-232 Connection)***

Plug one end of the RS-232 serial cable into the RS-232 connector on the modem, and plug the other end into a serial port connector on your computer.

#### ***Connect the Modem to the Telephone Line (Line Connection)***

Plug one end of the phone cable into the modem's LINE jack and the other end into a phone wall jack. The phone cable is included with your modem.

**Note:** The LINE jack is not interchangeable with the PHONE jack. Do not plug the phone into the LINE jack or the line cable into the PHONE jack.

#### ***(Optional) Connect the Modem to the Phone***

For voice-only calls, plug a phone into the modem's PHONE jack.

#### ***Connect the Power***

Make sure the power switch is set to OFF. The power switch is located on the side panel of the modem.

Plug the power supply into a power outlet or power strip. Plug the other end into the PWR jack on the modem.

**Caution:** Use only the power supply cable supplied with the modem. Use of any other power supply voids the warranty and can damage the modem.



### ***A Note About Power Connection, Surge Protectors, and Lightning***

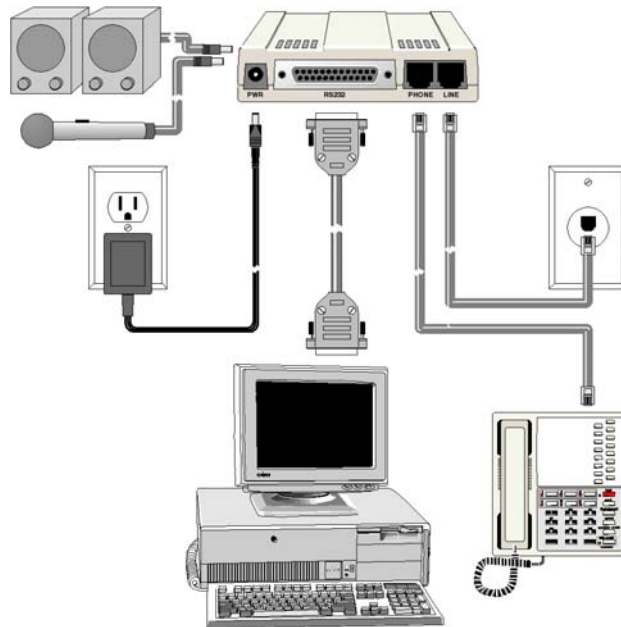
Power surges and other transient voltages on power lines, such as those caused by lightning strikes, can damage or destroy your modem. Therefore, we recommend that you plug the modem into a surge protector rather than directly into a wall outlet, preferably a surge protector that provides protection against electrical spikes on the phone line as well as on the power line. Note that not even a surge protector can guard against damage from a nearby lightning strike. During an electrical storm, it is safest to unplug your computer equipment from both the power outlet and the phone line.

### ***Power-On Test***

Test the modem by turning it on (an on-off switch is located on the side panel). When you apply power, the modem performs a diagnostic self-test. The **PWR** indicator lights; and if a terminal program is running, the TR indicator also lights. If this does not happen, check that the power switch is on, the power supply is solidly connected, and the AC outlet is live. If these measures do not work see the *Troubleshooting* chapter.

**Note:** The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Industry Canada impose certain restrictions on equipment connected to public phone systems. For more information, see Appendix B.

## Voice Connections (Voice option only)



### Voice Connections for Voice Models

#### ***(Optional) Connect the Modem to the Phone***

For voice-only calls, plug a phone into the modem's PHONE jack.

#### ***Connect the Microphone***

For voice mail or speakerphone applications, plug an unamplified microphone into the MIC jack on the side of the modem. The microphone should have a stereo 1/8-inch (3.5mm) mini plug. Do not use a monophonic microphone.

#### ***Connect the Speaker***

For speakerphone or voice mail applications, use a 1/8-inch (3.5mm) plug male-to-male stereo patch cord to connect the SPKR jack on the side of the modem to the LINE IN jack on your sound card. If your sound card does not have a LINE IN jack, use its MIC jack. The stereo male-to-male patch cord can be purchased at a local PC retail store.

If you do not have a sound card, you can plug an amplified speaker directly into the SPKR jack.

## Installing the Modem Driver

If you use Windows 2000 or newer, you must install the modem driver. If you use another operating system, see Appendix C.

When operating the modem under Windows, the modem driver can be installed by using the Plug and Play feature. Follow the 4-step procedure below.

1. Make sure your modem is connected properly, and then turn on your computer. Windows should detect your new modem and open the **Welcome to the Found New Hardware** wizard.

**Note:** If Windows cannot find a modem, your modem may be turned off, it may be plugged into the wrong connector on your computer. See “Troubleshooting” in the *User Guide*.

2. Insert the MT5656ZDX CD.
3. Windows installs and configures the modem.
4. Click Finish to exit.

## Installing Your Data Communications Software

Data communications software is designed to send and receive messages. Multi-Tech includes data communications software with your modem. However, the modem will work with most data communications software. To install the data communications software provided with this modem, insert the CD into the CD-ROM drive and click on the PhoneTools icon. You will be asked to choose your language. The software will automatically load onto your PC.

## Connecting to the Internet

Your Multi-Tech modem is your gateway to the Internet and the World Wide Web. To access the Internet and Web via your modem, you must establish a dial-up account with an Internet service provider (ISP). To locate an ISP near you, look in a local directory or computer publication. Your ISP should provide you with the following information:

- User name (also called user ID)
- Password
- Access number (the number you call to connect to the server)
- Host name and/or domain name
- Domain Name Server (DNS) server address

If, besides the Web, you use the Internet for email and newsgroups, your ISP should also provide you with the following information:

- Email or POP mail address
- POP server address
- Mail or SMTP address
- News or NNT server address

## Dial-Up Networking

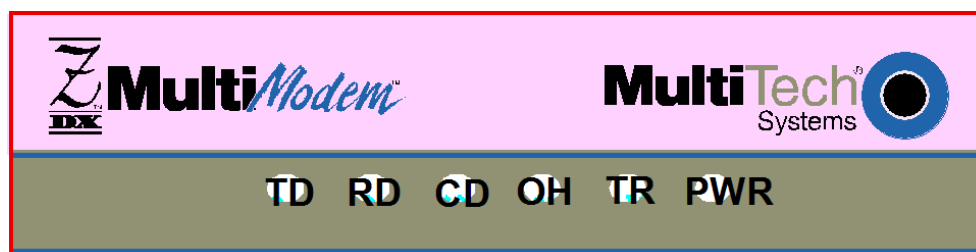
Before you can connect to the Internet, you must set up a remote-node client program on your computer. The Windows version is called Dial-Up Networking. Dial-Up Networking establishes your connection to the ISP's server, which is the shared computer that manages calls from clients (your computer) to the Internet. Most, if not all, Windows browsers start Dial-up Networking automatically when you open them.

For instructions on how to set up Dial-Up Networking, consult your ISP or your operating system's online help or printed documentation. Many ISPs include with their service a program that will instruct and configure Dial-Up Networking automatically for you.

## Chapter 3 - Operation

Like any modem, your Multi-Tech modem operates only under the control of a communications program, such as the communications program included with your modem. It also operates under other general-purpose data communication programs, such as Windows Terminal and HyperTerminal. For information on how to use the modem with the communications program of your choice, please refer to the documentation provided with the data communications program.

An experienced modem user can configure the program's software to change the way the software interacts with a modem and configure the modem to change the way it operates.



*Front Panel*

### About the LED Indicators

The modem has ten LED indicators on the front panel that indicate status and activity:

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|-----------|---|
| <b>TD</b> | <b>Transmit Data</b><br>Flashes when the modem is transmitting data to another modem.   |
| <b>RD</b> | <b>Receive Data</b><br>Flashes when the modem is receiving data from another modem.   |
| <b>CD</b> | <b>Carrier Detect</b><br>Lights when the modem detects a valid carrier signal from another modem. It is on when the modem is communicating with the other modem, and off when the link is broken.   |
| <b>OH</b> | <b>Off-Hook</b><br>Lights when the modem is off-hook, which occurs when the modem is dialing, online, or answering a call. The LED flashes when the modem pulse-dials.  |
| <b>TR</b> | <b>Terminal Ready</b><br>Lights when a communication program is using the modem. It means the modem is ready for an outgoing or incoming call. It goes off when the communication program disconnects the serial port. When it goes off, a connected modem will disconnect. |

**Note:** When you turn on the modem, the **PWR** indicator lights; and if a terminal program is running, the **TR** indicator also lights.

## Configuring Your Software

You may use either the communication program included with your modem or a third-party program. Communication programs designed for Windows normally do not need to be manually configured, since they obtain configuration information from Windows. Though each communication program is different, the following procedure should work with most of them.

1. Turn on your computer and run your communications program.
2. Find the dialog box or menu that lets you select your modem. (In Windows Terminal select **Settings | Modem Commands**; in HyperTerminal select **File | Properties | Phone Number**; and in the communications program select **Configure | General Configuration | Communication | Change Modem**.)
3. Choose your modem from the program's modem list. If it isn't listed, choose a generic modem and modify the settings as necessary.
4. Change the modem initialization string, if necessary. The factory default configuration works well for most purposes. To load the factory default configuration, use **AT&F**. To load a custom configuration that was saved using the **&W** command, use **ATZ**. Note that the **Z** command must be in a command string by itself. For a Macintosh, the initialization string should include the **&D0** command. If you do not want the modem to always answer the phone, add **S0=0** to the string. To use Caller ID with the modem, add **S0=2** to the string (Caller ID information is sent between the first and second rings, so the phone must ring at least twice before the modem picks up the line). Depending on the software, you might have to end the string with a carriage return character (**^M**).

**Note:** To change the modem's default configuration, type new commands in the communication program's terminal window, adding the **&W** command to store them in the modem's nonvolatile memory. For instance, to create a default configuration for a Macintosh computer that turns off autoanswer, type **AT&F&D0S0=0&W**. The new configuration loads automatically whenever the modem is turned on or receives the **ATZ** command.

5. Select the port the modem is connected to (normally COM1 or COM2).
6. Select your serial port speed. This can be labeled "maximum speed," "DTE bps," or "baud rate." Ideally, if you use data compression, you should set your serial port baud rate to four times the modem's maximum transmission speed or faster; however, few files can be compressed enough to require speeds that high, and not all serial ports can handle speeds that high.
7. If the communication program has an autobaud selection, make sure it is disabled. Autobaud applies only to older modems, and can cause problems if enabled.
8. If the program allows you to edit the no-connect messages (*NO CARRIER*, *BUSY*, *NO ANSWER*, *NO DIAL TONE*), make sure there is no space between *DIAL* and *TONE* in *NO DIAL TONE*.
9. Refer to the program manual or online help for other configuration choices. In most cases you can accept the default values.

## Configuring Your Modem

Your modem normally is configured through Windows or through the communication program you are using. The default settings work best for most purposes. However, you also can configure your modem by sending **AT** commands to the modem. See the AT Command Reference Guide for a list of **AT** (data) commands and how to use them.

## Sending a Fax

With your data communications software, you can use your modem to send and receive faxes directly from your computer. The following steps show you how to fax a document directly from a Windows application without opening the data communications program.

1. Create a document in a Windows application, such as Word, a graphics editor, or a spreadsheet. Keep the application and the document open, and select **Print** from the **File** menu.
2. Select **CAPTURE FAX BVRP** as the printer driver, and then click **OK**. The **Send Fax** wizard appears.
3. In the **Recipient** section, type the required information or extract it from the Phone Book by clicking this icon.
4. In the **Template** section, optionally select a cover page and type a cover message.
5. Select the document to be sent. The default file when sending from within a Windows application is **Capture.dgr**.
6. Select the date and time to send the document, if you do not want to send it immediately.
7. Click **Finish** to start the transmission.

## **Chapter 4 - AT Commands**

### **See Commands Reference Guides**

AT Commands and Voice Commands are in the AT Command Reference Guide.

Fax Class 1 Commands and Fax Class 2 Commands are documented in separate Fax Reference Guides. All Reference Guides are included on the MT5656ZDX CD and on the Multi-Tech Web site.



## Chapter 5 - Troubleshooting

Your modem was thoroughly tested at the factory before it was shipped. If you are unable to make a successful connection, or if you experience data loss or garbled characters during your connection, check the list of troubleshooting procedures before calling Multi-Tech.

- None of the LEDs light when the modem is on.
- The modem does not respond to commands.
- The modem dials but is unable to make a connection.
- The modem disconnects while online.
- The modem cannot connect when answering.
- File transfer is slower than it should be.
- Data is being lost.
- There are garbage characters on the monitor.
- The modem doesn't work with Caller ID.
- Fax and data software can't run at the same time.

If you experience problems, please check the following possibilities before calling Technical Support (refer to Appendix A).

### None of the Indicators Light Up

When you turn on the modem, the PWR indicator and the terminal turn on. If the LEDs remain off, the modem is probably not receiving power.

- Make sure the modem's power switch is on, especially if you normally turn the modem on by turning on a power strip.
- If the modem is plugged into a power strip, make sure the power strip is plugged in and its power switch is on.
- Make sure the transformer module is firmly connected to the modem and to the wall outlet or power strip.
- If the power strip is on and the modem switch is on, try moving the transformer module to another outlet on the power strip.
- Test that the outlet is live by plugging another device, such as a lamp, into it.
- The modem or the DC power transformer may be defective. If you have another Multi-Tech modem, try swapping modems. If the problem goes away, the first modem or the DC power transformer may be defective. Call Technical Support for assistance.

**CAUTION:** Do not under any circumstances replace the transformer module with one designed for another product. Doing so can damage the modem and void your warranty.

## The Modem Does Not Respond to Commands

- Make sure the modem is plugged in and turned on. (See “None of the Indicators Light.”)
- Make sure you are issuing the modem commands from the data communications program, either manually in terminal mode or automatically by configuring the software. (You cannot send commands to the modem from the DOS prompt.)
- Make sure you are in terminal mode in your data communications program, then type **AT** and press ENTER. If you get an *OK* response from your modem, your connections are good and the problem likely is in the connection setup in your communications program.
- If you don't get an *OK*, the problem may still be in the communications program. Make sure you have done whatever is necessary in your software to make a port connection. Not all communication programs connect to the COM port automatically. Some connect when the software loads and remain connected until the program terminates. Others can disconnect without exiting the program. The modem's TR indicator lights to show that the software has taken control of the modem through the COM port.
- Your communications program settings may not match the physical port the modem is connected to. The serial cable might be plugged into the wrong connector—check your computer documentation to make sure. Or you might have selected a COM port in your software other than the one the modem is physically connected to—compare the settings in your software to the physical connection.
- If the modem is on, the cable is plugged into the correct port, the communications program is configured correctly, and you still don't get an *OK*, the fault might be in the serial cable. Make sure it is firmly connected at both ends.
- Is this the first time you have used the cable? If so, it may not be wired correctly. Check the cable description on the packaging to make sure the cable is the right one for your computer.
- Peripheral expansion cards, such as sound and game cards, might include a serial port preconfigured as COM1 or COM2. The extra serial port, or the card itself, may use the same COM port, memory address, or interrupt request (IRQ) as your communication port. Be sure to disable any unused ports.

**Windows 9x and 2000:** Right-click on My Computer, select **Properties** from the menu, click on the **Device Manager** tab, double-click on **Ports**, then double-click on the communication port your modem is connected to. In the port's **Properties** sheet, click on the **Resources** tab to see the port's input/output range and interrupt request. If another device is using the same address range or IRQ, it appears in the **Conflicting Device List**. Uncheck **Use automatic settings** to change the port's settings so they do not conflict with the other device, or select the port the conflicting device is on and change it instead. If you need to open your computer to change switches or jumpers on the conflicting device; refer to the device's documentation.

- The serial port might be defective. If you have another serial port, install the modem on it, change the COM port setting in your software, and try again.
- The modem may be defective. If you have another Multi-Tech modem, try swapping modems. If the problem goes away, the first modem may be defective. Call Technical Support for assistance (Refer to Appendix A).

## The Modem Dials But Cannot Connect

There can be several reasons the modem fails to make a connection. Possibilities include:

- Lack of a physical connection to the telephone line.
- A missing dial tone.
- A busy signal.
- A wrong number.
- No modem at the other end.
- A faulty modem, computer, or software at the other end.
- Incompatibility between modems.

You can narrow the list of possibilities by using extended result codes. Extended result codes are enabled by default. If they have been disabled, include **V1X4** in the modem's initialization string, or in terminal mode enter **ATV1X4** and press ENTER. When you dial again, the modem reports the call's progress.

- If the modem reports *NO DIAL TONE*, check that the modem's phone line cable is connected to both the modem's LINE jack (not the PHONE jack) and the phone wall jack. If the cable looks secure, try replacing it. If that doesn't work, the problem might be in your building's phone installation. To test the building installation, plug a phone into your modem's phone wall jack and listen for a dial tone. If you hear a dial tone, your modem might be installed behind a corporate phone system (PBX) with an internal dial tone that sounds different from the normal dial tone. In that case, the modem might not recognize the dial tone and might treat it as an error. Check your PBX manual to see if you can change the internal dial tone; if you can't, change your modem's initialization string to replace **X4** with **X3**, which will cause the modem to ignore dial tones (note, however, that **X3** is not allowed in some countries, such as France and Spain).
- If the modem reports BUSY, the other number might be busy, in which case you should try again later, or it might indicate that you have failed to add a **9**, prefix to the phone number if you must dial **9** for an outside line.

If you must dial **9** to get an outside line, the easiest way to dial it automatically is to include it in the modem's dial prefix, e.g., **ATDT9**. Note the comma, which inserts a pause before the number is dialed. By inserting **9**, into the dial prefix, you do not have to include it in each directory entry.

- If the modem reports NO ANSWER, the other system has failed to go off-hook, or you might have dialed a wrong number. Check the number.
- If the modem reports NO CARRIER, the phone was answered at the other end, but no connection was made. You might have dialed a wrong number, and a person answered instead of a computer, or you might have dialed the correct number but the other computer or software was turned off or faulty. Check the number and try again, or try calling another system to make sure your modem is working. Also, try calling the number on your telephone. If you hear harsh sounds, then another modem is answering the call, and the modems might be having problems negotiating because of modem incompatibilities or line noise. Try connecting at a lower speed.

## The Modem Disconnects While Online

- If you have Call Waiting on the same phone line as your modem, it can interrupt your connection when someone tries to call you. If you have Call Waiting, disable it before each call. In most phone areas in North America, you can disable Call Waiting by preceding the phone number with **\*70** (check with your local phone company).

You can automatically disable Call Waiting by including the disabling code in the modem's dial prefix (e.g., **ATDT\*70**,—note the comma, which inserts a pause before the number is dialed). To change the dial prefix in Windows Terminal, select **Settings | Modem Commands**. To change it in HyperTerminal, select **Connect** from the **Call** menu, click **Dialing Properties**, check **This location has Call Waiting**, and select the correct code for your phone service.

- If you have extension phones on the same line as your modem, you or someone else can interrupt the connection by picking up another phone. If this is a frequent problem, disconnect the extension phones before using the modem, or install another phone line especially for the modem.
- Check for loose connections between the modem and the computer, the phone jack, and AC power.
- You might have had a poor connection because of line conditions or the problem might have originated on the other end of the line. Try again.
- If you were online, it might have hung up on you because of lack of activity on your part or because you exceeded your time limit for the day. Try again.

## The Modem Cannot Connect When Answering

Autoanswer might be disabled. Turn on autoanswer in your data communications program or send the command **ATS0=1** (**ATS0=2** if you have Caller ID service) to your modem in terminal mode.

## There Are Garbage Characters on the Monitor

- Your computer and the remote computer might be set to different word lengths, stop bits, or parities. If you have connected at 8-N-1, try changing to 7-E-1, or vice-versa, using your communications program.
- You might be experiencing line noise. Enable error correction, if it is disabled, or hang up and call again; you might get a better connection the second time.
- Try entering the **&V1** command to display information about the last connection, making a screen print of the connection statistics, and checking for parameters that might be unacceptable.

## The Modem Doesn't Work with Caller ID

- Caller ID information is transmitted between the first and second rings, if the modem is set to answer after only one ring (**S0=1**), the modem will not receive Caller ID information. Check your initialization string, and if necessary change it to set the modem to answer after the second ring (**S0=2**).
- Make sure that you have Caller ID service from your telephone company.

# Appendix A – Regulatory Compliance

## **FCC Part 15**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a **Class B** digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy, and if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Plug the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation of this device is subject to the following conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference that may cause undesired operation.

**WARNING:** Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

### **Industry Canada**

This Class B digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B respecte toutes les exigences du Règlement Canadien sur le matériel brouilleur.

## **FCC Part 68 Telecom**

1. This equipment complies with part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission Rules. On the outside surface of this equipment is a label that contains, among other information, the FCC registration number. This information must be provided to the telephone company.
2. The suitable USOC jack (Universal Service Order Code connecting arrangement) for this equipment is shown below. If applicable, the facility interface codes (FIC) and service order codes (SOC) are shown.
3. An FCC-compliant telephone cord and modular plug is provided with this equipment. This equipment is designed to be connected to the telephone network or premises wiring using a compatible modular jack that is Part 68 compliant. See installation instructions for details.
4. The ringer equivalence number (REN) is used to determine the number of devices that may be connected to the telephone line. Excessive RENs on the telephone line may result in the device not ringing in response to an incoming call. In most, but not all, areas the sum of the RENs should not exceed 5.0. To be certain of the number of devices that may be connected to the line, as determined by the total RENs, contact the local telephone company.
5. If this equipment causes harm to the telephone network, the telephone company will notify you in advance that temporary discontinuance of service may be required. But if advance notice is not practical, the telephone company will notify you as soon as possible. Also, you will be advised of your right to file a complaint with the FCC if you believe it is necessary.
6. The telephone company may make changes in its facilities, equipment, operations, or procedures that could affect the operation of the equipment. If this happens, the telephone company will provide advance notice in order for you to make necessary modifications in order to maintain uninterrupted service.
7. If trouble is experienced with this equipment (the model of which is indicated below) please contact Multi-Tech Systems, Inc. at the address shown below for details of how to have repairs made. If the trouble is causing harm to the telephone network, the telephone company may request you remove the equipment from the network until the problem is resolved.
8. No repairs are to be made by you. Repairs are to be made only by Multi-Tech Systems or its licensees. Unauthorized repairs void registration and warranty.
9. This equipment should not be used on party lines or coin lines.
10. If so required, this equipment is hearing-aid compatible.

<b>Manufacturer:</b>	Multi-Tech Systems, Inc.
<b>Trade Name:</b>	MultiModem
<b>Model Number:</b>	MT5656ZDX
<b>Registration No:</b>	US:AN7M501B56ZDX
<b>Ringer Equivalence No:</b>	0.3B
<b>Modular Jack (USOC):</b>	RJ1 1C or RJ1 1W (single line)
<b>Service Center in USA:</b>	Multi-Tech Systems, Inc. 2205 Woodale Drive Mounds View, MN 55112

## Canadian Limitations Notice

**Notice:** The ringer equivalence number (REN) assigned to each terminal device provides an indication of the maximum number of terminals allowed to be connected to a telephone interface. The termination on an interface may consist of any combination of devices subject only to the requirement that the sum of the ringer equivalence numbers of all the devices does not exceed 5.

**Notice:** The Industry Canada label identifies certificated equipment. This certification means that the equipment meets certain telecommunications network protective, operational and safety requirements. The Industry Canada label does not guarantee the equipment will operate to the user's satisfaction.

Before installing this equipment, users should ensure that it is permissible to be connected to the facilities of the local telecommunications company. The equipment must also be installed using an acceptable method of connection. The customer should be aware that compliance with the above conditions may not prevent degradation of service in some situations. Repairs to certified equipment should be made by an authorized Canadian maintenance facility designated by the supplier. Any repairs or alterations made by the user to this equipment or equipment malfunctions may give the telecommunications company cause to request the user to disconnect the equipment.

Users should ensure for their own protection that the electrical ground connections of the power utility, telephone lines and internal metallic water pipe system, if present, are connected together. This precaution may be particularly important in rural areas.

**Caution:** Users should not attempt to make such connections themselves, but should contact the appropriate electric inspection authority, or electrician, as appropriate.

## International Modem Restrictions

Some dialing and answering defaults and restrictions may vary for international modems. Changing settings may cause a modem to become non-compliant with national telecom requirements in specific countries. Also note that some software packages may have features or lack restrictions that may cause the modem to become non-compliant.

## EMC, Safety, and R&TTE Directive Compliance



The CE mark is affixed to this product to confirm compliance with the following European Community Directives:

- Council Directive 89/336/EEC of 3 May 1989 on the approximation of the laws of Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility;  
and
- Council Directive 73/23/EEC of 19 February 1973 on the harmonization of the laws of Member States relating to electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits;  
and
- Council Directive 1999/5/EC of 9 March on radio equipment and telecommunications terminal equipment and the mutual recognition of their conformity.

# Appendix B – Installing a Modem in Linux

This appendix explains how to install a modem on a PC operating under the RedHat Linux 6.2 operating system. Other versions of RedHat and other Linux operating systems should be similar. Briefly, in Linux, you do not need drivers for most standard external modems and most internal ISA bus modems. Programs in Linux commonly call upon the port, rather than the modem.

## **Standard Linux Serial Port Definitions**

<b>Port</b>	<b>Linux Port</b>
Com 1	ttyS0
Com 2	ttyS1
Com 3	ttyS2
Com 4	ttyS3

## **Installation**

Connect the external modem to an available serial port.

## **Setup**

This section describes how to make sure Linux can talk to the modem and be able to dial up to the Internet.

## **Using the Terminal Program Minicom to Verify Operation**

1. At the command prompt, type **minicom -s** and press ENTER.
2. Select **Serial port setup** and press ENTER.
3. From **Serial port setup**, use the A key to access **Serial Device**, and then press ENTER.
4. Press ESC.
5. You are now in the Minicom terminal. Type **AT** and press ENTER. The screen should display **OK** to verify the operation. Alternately, dial a phone number to verify line operation
6. To leave Minicom, press CTRL + A, and then press Z. 7. On the help menu, press X to exit.

## **Using the Modem to Call the Internet**

Linux allows different graphic user interfaces (GUI). In the following steps, we'll use the Gnome Desktop GUI and assume that the Internet Service Provider (ISP) you are calling assigns you the Domain Name Service (DNS) and Internet Protocol (IP) addresses. For more information on DNS or IP, see the Linux OS owner's manual or contact your ISP.

1. On the Task Bar at the bottom of the screen, select the Gnome Footprint.
2. Select **Internet** from the menu.
3. Select **Dialup Configuration Tool**.
4. Select **Add**, and then click **Next**.
5. Enter the connection name and phone number, and then click **Next**.
6. Enter your user name and password, and then click **Next**.
7. Select **Normal ISP** if your ISP is not listed, and then click **Next**.
8. Click **Finish**.

## ***Calling the ISP***

1. On the Task Bar at the bottom of the screen, select the Gnome Footprint.
2. Select **Internet** from the menu.
3. Select **RH PPP Dialer**.
4. Select the connection name you entered in step 5 of the previous section. 5.
5. Click **OK**.

That's basically it. Linux can use different programs and desktops depending on who made the Linux operating system and what version it is. The above procedures use the most commonly installed components of Red Hat 6.2. More details can be found in the Linux OS owner's manual.

To use the system for answering calls, Linux requires other programs to be installed, such as Mgetty, Mgetty+Sendfax and others, depending what you require. Each vendor of Linux usually has more than adequate information on installing these programs.



# Appendix C – Upgrading the Modem

Your modem is controlled by semi-permanent software, called *firmware*, which is stored in flash memory. Firmware is nonvolatile; that is, it remains stored in memory when the modem is turned off. However, it can be changed by either the manufacturer or the user.

Since the firmware in your modem is stored in flash memory, you can upgrade it yourself in a few minutes by using the following procedures.

## Upgrade Overview

The upgrade procedure consists of the following steps, which are described in greater detail in the following sections.

1. Identify the model number and firmware version of your modem.
2. Identify the current version of the firmware at the Multi-Tech Web site. If your modem already has the current firmware, there is no need to update it.
3. Download the upgrade file for your modem.
4. Extract the firmware .HEX file and the appropriate flash upgrade program from the file you downloaded.
5. Document and clear your stored parameters.
6. Upgrade the modem's firmware using the .HEX file and the flash upgrade program.
7. Restore your parameters.

### *Step 1: Identify the Modem Firmware*

You must know the model number and firmware version of your Multi-Tech modem to know whether or not you should update it.

1. Run your favorite terminal program. If you are using Windows 95, 98, 2000 or Windows NT, you can use HyperTerminal. If you are using Windows 3.1, you can use Windows Terminal.
2. In the program's terminal window, type **AT&F**. Even if you cannot see the **AT&F** command on your screen, be sure to type it completely, and then press ENTER. If the modem does not respond with *OK*, repeat the **AT&F** command.
3. Now type **ATI3** and record your results. The firmware version should appear first in the response, which should look **similar** to the following:  
V2.300G-V90\_2M\_DLS

### *Step 2: Identify the Current Firmware Version*

Identify the current version of the firmware at the Multi-Tech Web site. If your modem already has the current firmware, there is no need to update it.

1. Using your favorite Web browser, go to <http://www.multitech.com/support/MultiModemZDX/firmware.asp>.
2. Scroll down the table to your modem model number.
3. Look at the firmware version number for your modem.
4. If the firmware version number matches the firmware version number found in "Step 1: Identify the Modem Firmware," your modem has the current firmware version, and does not need to be updated.
5. If the firmware version number is greater than the firmware version number found in "Step 1: Identify the Modem Firmware," your modem has an older firmware version. Continue with "Step 3: Download the Upgrade File."

**Warning:** The first digit of the new firmware must match the first digit of the old firmware, or the modem may not work properly; e.g., if your current firmware version is 4.16, replace it only with 4.xx firmware, not 6.xx firmware.

### ***Step 3: Download the Upgrade File***

1. If you are not already at the MultiModemZDX firmware page of the Multi-Tech Web site, follow the procedure in “Step 2: Identify the Current Firmware.”
2. Download the upgrade file for your modem by clicking its name, and save the file in a temporary folder on your hard disk.
3. In the same section of the Web page, download the Flash Wizard utility for your operating system by clicking it, and save it in the same folder.

### ***Step 4: Extract the Upgrade Files***

1. Install the Flash Wizard utility by double-clicking the file name in Windows Explorer.
2. Extract the upgrade files by double-clicking the file name. The extracted files include a .HEX file, which contains the upgrade data, and a Readme file.
3. Copy the upgrade .S37 file into the Flash Wizard folder, which, in a default installation, is at [C:\Program Files\MultiTech Systems\Flash Wizard\](#).

### ***Step 5: Upgrade the Modem's Firmware***

Before you begin the following procedure, read the README.TXT file extracted from the upgrade archive file. Note the file name for the boot code (e.g., 2MBPFL1 1 .S37) and the file name for the new firmware (e.g., BkQg300G.hex).

**Warning:** Never install an older version of firmware over a newer version. Doing so will destroy the Flash PROM! If the Flash PROM is destroyed, the modem must be sent in for repair.

1. Run Flash Wizard by double-clicking its icon or file name, or by selecting it from the Start menu. The **Identifying Devices** dialog box is displayed as Flash Wizard locates and identifies the devices connected to your system.  
**Note:** If the message *ERROR: No valid devices detected* is displayed, verify that the device is powered on and that all cables are correctly and securely attached.
2. Click the modem to be upgraded, and then click **Next** to proceed.
3. Select the port to be upgraded from the **Port** list, select the appropriate .HEX file from the **Hex File** list, and then click **Next** to continue.  
**Note:** Do not use FLASHLDR.HEX. This file is used internally by Flash Wizard.
4. The **Progress** dialog box appears, showing a status bar that indicates the progress of the upgrade.  
**Caution:** Any disruption of the program during this stage of the upgrade can cause your modem to become inoperable. Wait for the **Next** button to become active before proceeding.
5. When the flash upgrade is complete, the message *Programming Complete* appears. Click **Next** to continue.
6. The **Results** dialog box appears next. Click **Finish** to exit Flash Wizard.

### ***Step 6: Restore Your Parameters***

Your modem has been updated. You can now open your terminal program to reprogram your modem parameters or to confirm the update by typing **AT13** in the terminal window and pressing **Enter**.

# Appendix D – Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive (WEEE)

## ***Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive***

The WEEE directive places an obligation on manufacturers, distributors and retailers to take-back electronic products at the end of their useful life. A sister Directive, ROHS (Restriction of Hazardous Substances), complements the WEEE Directive by banning the presence of specific hazardous substances in the products at the design phase. The WEEE Directive covers all Multi-Tech products being sold into the EU as of August 13, 2005. Manufacturers, distributors and retailers are obliged to finance the costs of recovery from municipal collection points, reuse, and recycling of specified percentages per the WEEE requirements.

## ***Instructions for Disposal of WEEE by Users in the European Union***

The symbol shown below is on the product or on its packaging which indicates that this product must not be disposed of with other waste. Instead, it is the user's responsibility to dispose of the user's waste equipment by handing it over to a designated collection point for the recycling of electrical and electronic waste equipment. The separate collection and recycling of waste equipment at the time of disposal will help to conserve natural resources and ensure that it is recycled in a manner that protects human health and the environment. For more information about where you can drop off your waste equipment for recycling, please contact your local city office, your household waste disposal service or the seller from whom you purchased the product.



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