# CalCommand Software User's Manual

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# **Product Description**

The FORCE America® Incorporated *Cal***Command**, a software package for the Microsoft® Windows® platform, assists in the communications of the Datavator Data Retrieval Unit (Datavator) and SSC5100 Spreader Control (5100) with a personal computer (PC).

## **Data Transfer**

CalCommand provides the following data transfer features:

- Synchronize data files with the press of a button.
- Download standard data files and upload them to the reporting database for use with *Report***Command** software.
- Download legacy event data files for use with ForceReport or utilize the comma-separated text files with spreadsheet software.
- Download standard or event data error files to capture any inconsistent data recorded on the 5100 spreader control.
- Download Datavator errors to help with troubleshooting.
- Transfer 5100 calibration settings to retrieve and restore settings for backup and sharing using a PC.

# **Firmware Transfer**

CalCommand provides the following firmware transfer features:

- Upgrade the Datavator firmware with the latest version.
- Upload 5100 spreader firmware files to store on the Datavator and later perform 5100 upgrades.
- Upgrade the 5100 spreader firmware with the latest version.

# **File Management**

CalCommand provides the following file management features:

- Open, view, modify, save, and close small text files.
- Calibration settings editor.
- Print calibration files or text files containing data and/or error information.

# **System Requirements**

The CalCommand software must be installed and operated on an IBM-compatible PC with the following system specifications:

- Microsoft® Windows® 98, Windows® NT 4.0, Windows® 2000, Windows® Me, or Windows® XP
- 64 MB RAM or greater recommended
- CD-ROM drive
- Super VGA monitor or better
- 250 MB of disk space for the following components
  - o CalCommand
  - Dot NET Framework version 1.1 redistributable
  - Microsoft SQL Destop Engine
- Available RS-232 COM port or USB port with RS-232 COM port adapter

# Note:

FORCE America recommends that the FORCE America P/N 54593A001, RS-232 COM port adaptor, be used to connect the USB port of your PC to your FORCE America Datavator base unit.

# **Warnings and Precautions**

- To prevent fire or shock hazard do not expose the Datavator to rain or moisture.
- To prevent damage to the Datavator, connect the wall adapter to a standard 110/120V outlet only.

# Setup

# Installation and Uninstallation

# To install the FORCE America CalCommand program:

# Windows 98/2000/NT/Me/XP

STEP 1	Close all applications on the PC.
STEP 2	Insert the CalCommand CD into the CD tray on the PC and close the tray.
STEP 3	A website should open automatically containing a link to the $Cal$ Command program, in which case proceed to step 8. If it does not, then follow steps $4-7$ .
STEP 4	Open 'My Computer' from the desktop or 'Windows Explorer' from the 'Start' menu.
STEP 5	Locate the CD drive in My Computer. (Typically D: for computers with one hard drive).
STEP 6	Browse the CD drive and locate the file "index.html".
STEP 7	Double-click on the file to open the website.
STEP 8	Click on the link to the "CalCommand Installer".
STEP 9	Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation.

# To uninstall the FORCE America CalCommand program:

# Windows 98/2000/NT/Me/XP

STEP 1	Close all applications on the PC.										
STEP 2	Open 'Control Panel' from the 'Start' menu.										
STEP 3	Double-click 'Add/Remove Programs' and the 'Add/Remove Programs Properties' dialog appears.										
STEP 4	Select 'CalCommand' from the list under the 'Install/Uninstall' tab.										
STEP 5	EP 5 Click the 'Add/Remove' button to remove 'CalCommand'.										
STEP 6	Click 'Yes' to verify the removal of 'CalCommand'.										
STEP 7	After uninstallation has completed, restart the PC when prompted.										
STEP 8	Uninstallation is complete.										

# What's Included



The 9897A001 Datavator Base Unit Kit includes this manual and the following items:

- A. 9895A001 Datavator Base Unit
- B. 9898A001 Datavator Utility Software
- C. 54505A001 Serial Cable, 9-pin, male-to-female
- D. 54506A001 Power Supply Adapter, 12VDC, 1A

# Connecting the Base Unit to a PC



Figure 1: Connecting the Wall Adapter from the Serial Cable to the Base Unit



Figure 2: Connecting the Serial Cable to the PC

STEP 1 Turn off the PC.

STEP 2 Connect the serial cable to the Datavator base unit.

STEP 3 Connect the opposite end of the serial cable to the computer's serial port or communication port (com port) and secure it as necessary. (See the computer documentation for details)

STEP 4 Plug the wall adapter into the base unit.

Plug the wall adapter into an electrical outlet [~120V AC]. (It is recommended to connect the wall adapter through a surge protector to avoid damage to the Datavator Data Retrieval Unit.)

# **Getting Started**

To launch the CalCommand software, utilize one of the following methods:

- Locate the FORCE America menu under "Program Files" in the Start menu, and click on the *Cal***Command** icon to launch the software. The starting application window appears in Figure 3.
- Locate the *Cal***Command** shortcut icon on the Desktop and double-click the icon to launch the software. The starting application window appears as shown in Figure 3.

The following section outlines the interface to familiarize the user with the operation of the software utility.

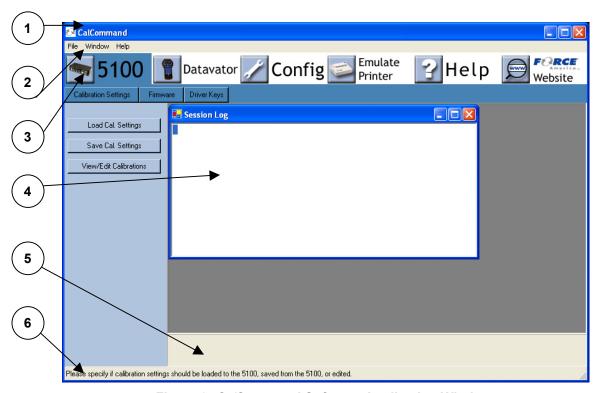


Figure 3: CalCommand Software Application Window

# 1) Title Bar

The title bar contains the name for the software as well as shortcut icons for minimizing, maximizing and closing the application window.



Figure 4: CalCommand Title Bar

# 2) Menu Bar

The menu bar can be used to edit and print files. It contains the following menus and menu items:

## File Menu

# o Open

Opens files to view and edit through the Open File Dialog in Figure 5.

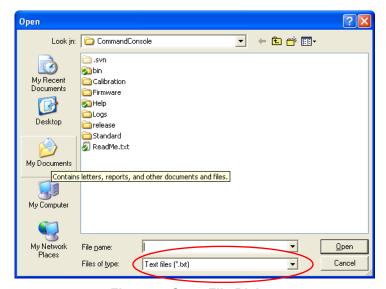


Figure 5: Open File Dialog

- To change the file type that is being opened, simply click the pull down circled and choose the desired file type. It supports the following file types:
  - Calibration files (files ending in .cal)
  - Event Log files (files ending in .evt)
  - Text files (files ending in .txt)
  - · Error files (files ending in .err)
  - Backup files (files ending in .bak)
  - Files that contain corrupted lines that were filtered out of a standard data or event log file (files ending in .bad)
- The shortcut for this operation is Ctrl + O.

# Save

- Saves the currently selected file under its current file name. If the file name it currently has does not exist, then the Save As operation will be executed.
- The shortcut for this key is Ctrl + S.

### Save As

Saves the currently selected file through the Save File Dialog in Figure 6.

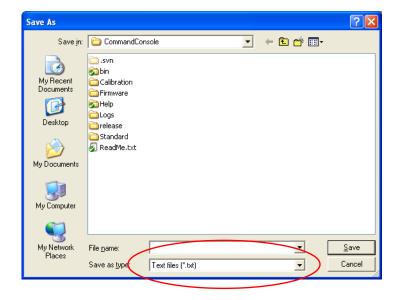


Figure 6: Save File Dialog

- It is easy to change the file type of the file being saved. Simply click the pull down circled and choose the desired file type. It supports the following file types:
  - Calibration files (files ending in .cal)
  - Event Log files (files ending in .evt)
  - Text files (files ending in .txt)
  - Error files (files ending in .err)
  - Backup files (files ending in .bak)
  - Files that contain corrupted lines that were filtered out of a standard data or event log file (files ending in .bad)
- The shortcut for this operation is Ctrl + Shift + S.

#### Close

Closes the currently selected file. If the file was modified since the last time it was saved, the dialog in Figure 7 will open asking if the changes made should be saved. Clicking "Yes" will run the Save operation. Clicking "No" will close the file and all of the changes made to the file since it was last saved would be lost. Clicking "Cancel" will cancel the close operation.

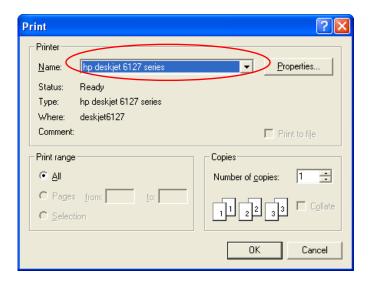


**Figure 7: Close Confirmation** 

The shortcut for this operation is Ctrl + Shift + C.

### Print

Prints the currently selected file through the Print Dialog in Figure 8. Simply select
the desired printer from the pull down menu circled. If needed, please consult the
desired printer's manual to configure its properties.



**Figure 8: Print Dialog** 

The shortcut for this operation is Ctrl + P.

# Print Preview

Shows an image of how the currently selected file looks after being printed. Figure 9 is an example of using print preview.



Figure 9: Print Preview Dialog

The shortcut for this operation is Ctrl + Shift + P.

### o Exit

■ Terminates the CalCommand application. If files that are open were modified, the dialog in Figure 10 will be displayed asking if the changes should be saved. Clicking "Yes" will run the Save operation. Clicking "No" will close the file and all of the changes made to the file since it was last saved would be lost. Clicking "Cancel" will cancel the close operation.



Figure 10: Exit confirmation

The shortcut for this operation is Ctrl + Q.

#### Windows

o This menu contains a listing of all of the files opened from within *Cal***Command**.

## Help

- Help Topics
  - Displays help information for CalCommand.
- About
  - Displays information about the CalCommand and its proprietor, FORCE America.

# 3) Toolbar

The toolbar pictured below consists of several icons which link to the 5100, Datavator, Configuration, or Printer main menus of the program. Menus are accessed by clicking on the desired icon. The currently selected menu (In Figure 11 the 5100 menu is currently selected) is highlighted in blue.



Figure 11: CalCommand Tool Bar

The icons are listed in order (left to right) and explained briefly below:

- 5100
  - All communications with the 5100 including:
    - Saving and loading calibration settings.
    - Reading and writing driver keys.
    - Upgrading firmware.
- Datavator
  - All communications with the Datavator including:
    - Uploading and downloading calibration settings.
    - Transferring 5100 Firmware.
    - Upgrading the Datavator.
    - Event Log and Standard Data transfer.
    - Datavator Automatic Synchronization.
- Config
  - All configurable settings including:
    - Selecting the Serial Port
    - Clearing the CalCommand error logs.
    - File Folder Locations
- Printer
  - o Emulates a serial printer at a user-specified baud rate.
    - As the data is put onto the serial port by an external device (like a 5100 spreader control or Datavator) it is printed on the screen. This data can be edited and/or saved similar to other files.
- Help
  - Opens the CalCommand Help file.
- FORCE America Website
  - o Opens the current FORCE America software download website.

## 4) Active Window

This window contains files opened by the application. The screenshot in Figure 12 shows the active window after a file has been opened.

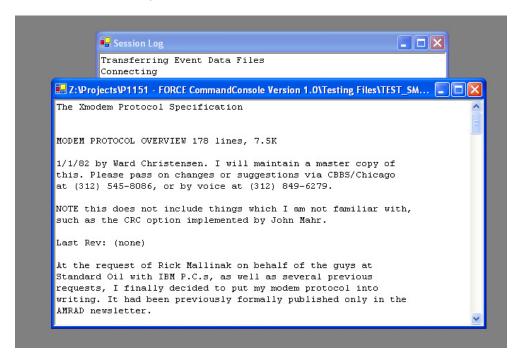


Figure 12: Active Window

# 5) Progress Bar

The progress bar displays transfer information graphically. When a transfer is occurring the progress bar will grow across the screen until the transfer is finished. The screenshot in Figure 13 shows the progress bar about halfway through a transfer.



Figure 13: Progress Bar

## 6) Status Bar

The status bar communicates messages to the user. When selected, icons and menu items display explanations of their operation. Messages also appear during operation alerting the user of actions and progress. The screenshot in Figure 14 displays the status bar with its welcome greeting displayed.

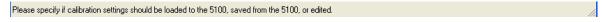


Figure 14: Status Bar

# **Operation**

# Transferring with the Datavator

The Datavator must be placed on the base station to transfer files or firmware, as shown in Figure 15:



Figure 15: Datavator Mounted on the Base Station

After placing the Datavator on the base station a startup screen is displayed (cursor begins to blink in the upper left corner of the display or a Matrix Orbital splash screen is displayed). The word INITIALIZING then appears, followed by the screen shown in Figure 16.

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		b	b	b	b	k	В		Α	٧	Α	Ι	L	Α	В	L	Ε		

Figure 16: Datavator Startup Screen

Where: 'x.x' is the firmware version for the Datavator.
mm/yy is the month and year of the version release.
zz is the percentage of storage memory used.
bbbb is the amount of free memory in kilobytes (kB).

The message CONNECTING follows the startup screen. The Datavator waits for the PC to establish communication, and to begin the download. If the PC program does not establish communication within 5 minutes, the CONNECTING message will disappear, and the display will go blank. This mode is the Datavator sleep mode. In this mode, the PC program can still "wake up" the Datavator and initiate a transfer. The display does not have to be on for communication to begin.

# Transferring with the 5100

The 5100 must be connected to the PC via a serial port to transfer files or firmware, as shown in Figure 17:



Figure 17: Connecting the 5100 to the PC

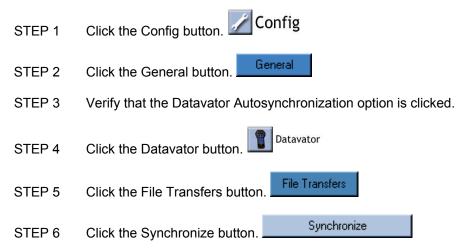
To save and load calibrations on a 5100 spreader control, the 5100 must be configured to save or load calibrations. Refer to the 5100 Operation Manual for more information.

To upgrade firmware or read/write driver keys on a 5100 spreader control, the 5100 must be in "RUN PC LOADER PROG" mode. This is accomplished by holding the spinner knob in while powering on the 5100 spreader control.

# Transferring Data

## **SYNCHRONIZING DATA**

The synchronization feature increases productivity and is very simple to use. It allows the user to transfer all of the event data logs, standard data logs, and Datavator log files in one click. It will also update the time currently set on the Datavator to the PC's current time.



While downloading, the transfer progress bar relays information about the current file being transferred. After the Datavator time is synchronized, the status box will read "Synchronization complete". After that, each file transfer will cause the status box to read "No files to download" or "File downloaded successfully."

# Note:

Event data is downloaded to the "C:\Force Spreader Data\Raw Data" folder, Standard data is uploaded to the database, and Datavator log files are downloaded to the "Logs" folder in the CalCommand directory.

#### Note:

Please refer to CONNECTION ERRORS section in the troubleshooting guide for more information.

## **DOWNLOADING DATA LOGS**

If only one of the types of log files stored on the Datavator needs to be transferred, then the Data Logging menu can be used. Just click on the button that corresponds to the desired data logs.

STEP 1 Click the Datavator button.

STEP 2 Click the Data Logging button. File Transfers

STEP 3 Select the type of Data log to download:



While downloading, a transfer progress bar relays information about the current file being transferred. The status box and progress bar convey information about the transfer progress and the operation currently being executed. If data files were transferred, the status box will display "Files downloaded successfully." If there were no data files transferred, the status box will display "No files downloaded."

#### Note:

Event data is downloaded to the "C:\Force Spreader Data\Raw Data" folder, Standard data is uploaded to the database, and Datavator log files are downloaded to the "Logs" folder in the CalCommand directory.

#### Note:

Please refer to the CONNECTION ERRORS section in the troubleshooting guide for more information.

#### **UPGRADING 5100 FIRMWARE**

FORCE America will periodically release updated firmware for the 5100 spreader control. These updates contain new features and enhancements over previously released firmware. *Cal***Command** is capable of upgrading the 5100 spreader control. The newest firmware is can be located by clicking on the FORCE America website icon...

- STEP 1 Click the 5100 button. 5100

  STEP 2 Click the Firmware button. Firmware

  STEP 3 Click the Upgrade 5100 button. Upgrade 5100

  STEP 4 Select a file by clicking on the file. The file name then appears in the "File name" text box.
- STEP 5 Click the "Open" button to continue or click the "Cancel" button to abort the upgrade.

While uploading, the transfer progress bar relays information about the current file being transferred. The status box and progress bar convey information about the transfer progress and the operation currently being executed. If the file was transferred correctly, the status box will indicate that the file was transferred successfully. If there was an error in the transmission, the status box will indicate that the file was not transferred successfully.

#### Note:

The 5100 must be placed into "RUN PC LOADER" mode in order to upgrade the firmware. For more information, please see Manual M0005, the 5100 Spreader Upgrade Manual.

#### Note

Please refer to CONNECTION ERRORS section in the troubleshooting guide for more information.

# **Transferring Calibration Settings**

## **UPLOADING 5100 CALIBRATION SETTINGS**

CalCommand can transfer calibration files to and from a Datavator. The Datavator can then be used to calibrate any number of 5100 spreader controls in a fraction of the time it takes to calibrate one by hand. To upload a calibration file to the Datavator, simply follow these steps:

- STEP 1 Click the Datavator button.

  STEP 2 Click the Calibration Settings button.

  Calibration Settings

  Upload Calibrations

  Upload Calibrations
- STEP 4 Select a file by clicking on the file. The file name then appears in the "File name" text box.
- STEP 5 Click the "Open" button to continue or click the "Cancel" button to abort the upgrade.
- STEP 6 If the file already exists on the Datavator the confirmation dialog in Figure 18 is displayed.

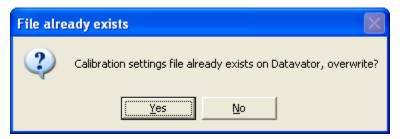


Figure 18: Calibration File Exists

STEP 7 Click 'Yes' to overwrite the existing calibration settings file on the Datavator, or click 'No' to cancel the current calibration settings transfer.

#### Note:

Any calibration settings overwritten on the Datavator cannot be restored. A possible alternative is to rename the calibration settings file before transferring.

While uploading, a transfer progress bar relays information about the current file being transferred. The status box and progress bar convey information about the transfer progress and the operation currently being executed. If the file was transferred correctly, the status box will indicate that the file was transferred successfully. If there was an error in the transmission, the status box will indicate that the file was not transferred successfully.

#### Note:

Please refer to CALIBRATION SETTING TRANSFER ERRORS section in the troubleshooting guide for more information.

#### **DOWNLOADING 5100 CALIBRATION SETTINGS**

Calibrating a 5100 spreader control can be a complicated and arduous task. *Cal***Command** can transfer calibration files to and from a Datavator. The Datavator can then be used to calibrate any number of 5100 spreader controls in a fraction of the time it takes to calibrate one by hand. To download all of the calibration files that are currently stored on a Datavator, simply follow these steps:

STEP 1 Click the Datavator button.

STEP 2 Click the Calibration Settings button. Calibration Settings

STEP 3 Click the Download Calibrations button. Download Calibrations

While downloading, a transfer progress bar relays information about the current file being transferred. The status box and progress bar convey information about the transfer progress and the operation currently being executed. If the files were transferred correctly, the status box will indicate that the files were transferred successfully. If there was an error in the transmission, the status box will indicate that some of the files were not transferred successfully.

Note:

Please refer to CONNECTION ERRORS section in the troubleshooting guide for more information.

#### **SAVING CALIBRATION FILES FROM THE 5100**

CalCommand can save the calibration settings of a currently calibrated 5100 spreader control and then load those calibrations onto other 5100 spreader controls, reducing the time spent calibrating. CalCommand makes it simple and easy to save calibration settings from a 5100 spreader control. Follow these simple steps to save calibration settings:

STEP 1 Setup the 5100 so that it is ready to save a calibration file. Refer to the 5100 Calibration Manual for more information.

STEP 2 Click the 5100 button. 5100

STEP 3 Click the Calibration Settings button.

STEP 4 Click the Save Calibration Files button. Save Cal. Settings

While saving, a transfer progress bar relays information about the current file being transferred. The status box and progress bar convey information about the transfer progress and the operation currently being executed. If the file was transferred correctly, the status box will indicate that the file was transferred successfully. If there was an error in the transmission, the status bar will indicate that the file was not transferred successfully.

After the calibration file is saved, it is immediately opened inside of CalCommand.

#### Note:

Please refer to CONNECTION ERRORS section in the troubleshooting guide for more information.

#### **LOADING CALIBRATION FILES TO THE 5100**

Calibrating a 5100 spreader control can be a complicated and arduous task. *Cal***Command** can save the calibration settings of a currently calibrated 5100 spreader control and then load those calibrations onto other 5100 spreader controls, reducing the time spent calibrating. *Cal***Command** makes it simple and easy to load calibration settings to a 5100 spreader control. Follow these simple steps to load calibration settings:

- STEP 1 Setup the 5100 so that it is ready to load a calibration file. Refer to the 5100 Calibration Manual for more information.
- STEP 2 Click the 5100 button. 5100
- STEP 3 Click the Calibration Settings button. Calibration Settings
- STEP 4 Click the Load Calibration Files button. Load Cal. Settings
- STEP 5 Select a file by clicking on the file. The file name then appears in the "File name" text box.
- STEP 6 Click the "Open" button to continue or click the "Cancel" button to abort the upgrade.

While loading, a transfer progress bar relays information about the current file being transferred. The status box and progress bar convey information about the transfer progress and the operation currently being executed. If the file was transferred correctly, the status box will indicate that the file was transferred successfully. If there was an error in the transmission, the status box will indicate that the file was not transferred successfully.

#### Note:

Please refer to CALIBRATION SETTING TRANSFER ERRORS section in the troubleshooting guide for more information.

#### **VIEW/EDIT CALIBRATION FILES**

Calibration files can also be viewed and edited using *CalCommand*. This is very useful when creating many different calibration files that are very similar. Simply create a template file and then change the template for the specific truck that the calibration file is going to be loaded on (i.e. be changing the vehicle ID). Follow these simple steps to view and edit a calibration file.

- STEP 1 Setup the 5100 so that it is ready to load a calibration file. Refer to the 5100 Calibration Manual for more information.
- STEP 2 Click the 5100 button. 5100
- STEP 3 Click the Calibration Settings button.
- STEP 4 Click the View/Edit Calibration Files button. View/Edit Calibrations
- STEP 5 Select a file by clicking on the file. The file name then appears in the "File name" text box.
- STEP 6 Click the "Open" button to continue or click the "Cancel" button to abort.

A window will open with the calibration file information aligned in a datagrid. Use this window to edit the values.

#### Note:

Do not forget to save changes made to the calibration settings. Closing a calibration settings file without saving may result in lost work.

## Note:

When editing a field in a calibration file, a small pencil icon ( ) will appear to show that the field is in an "edit" state. A field must leave the "edit" state for its new value to be saved. To commit a change, simply press ENTER, TAB, or click a different field in the calibration file.

# **Using the Data**

After the data has been saved to the PC, there are several ways to utilize it. Event data is organized in a commadelimited format, whereas standard data is automatically placed in the database. This allows the event data to be imported into a spreadsheet program or to use specialized data formatting software to prepare reports. The standard data contained within the database can be used with the *Report*Command report generator. See a FORCE America Sales Representative for more information on current FORCE America report-generating software solutions.

# **Troubleshooting Guide**

The following provides an interpretation of the *Cal***Command** error and warning messages. If any of these messages appear, please follow the steps provided to eliminate or continue past the error message.

# DATAVATOR UPGRADE ERRORS

PROBLEM: File size and file name does not match that of a valid firmware file and an error message as indicated below is displayed.



**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** An invalid firmware file was selected.

**SOLUTION:** Select a valid FORCE America firmware file when performing an upgrade.

Download all Datavator firmware files from the FORCE America website icon or

obtain it from a FORCE America Resource CD.

PROBLEM: The status box reads "Error: Datavator Upgrade Failure":

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The Datavator was powered down during the transfer.

**SOLUTION:** Reboot the Datavator, acknowledge any error message by pressing the

appropriate function key, and then reattempt the transfer.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Serial cable is not securely connected.

**SOLUTION:** Verify that all connectors are secured properly and retry the transfer.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Datavator is not aligned properly on the base unit.

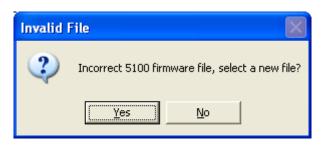
**SOLUTION:** Remove the Datavator from the base unit and place the Datavator back on the

base unit making sure to align it properly.

# 5100 FIRMWARE TRANSFER ERRORS

PROBLEM: File size or file name does not match that of a valid 5100 firmware file and an error message

as indicated below is displayed.



**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** An invalid firmware file was selected.

**SOLUTION:** Select a valid FORCE America firmware file when performing an upgrade.

Download all 5100 firmware files from the FORCE America website icon or obtain

it from a FORCE America Resource CD.

PROBLEM: The status box displays "Error: 5100 firmware transfer failure"

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The firmware file has already been stored to the Datavator.

**SOLUTION:** Check the display on the Datavator for a detailed explanation of the failure.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The Datavator was powered down during the transfer.

**SOLUTION:** Reboot the Datavator, acknowledge any error message by pressing the

appropriate function key, and then reattempt the transfer.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Serial cable is not securely connected.

**SOLUTION:** Verify that all connectors are secured properly and retry the transfer.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Datavator is not aligned properly on the base unit.

**SOLUTION:** Remove the Datavator from the base unit and place the Datavator back on the

base unit making sure to align it properly.

PROBLEM: The error message indicated below appears



**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The Datavator is out of memory.

**SOLUTION:** Verify this by watching the Datavator as it starts up. It will indicate how much

memory is being used. If this number is over 95%, then clear some unused files

from the Datavator.

# **CALIBRATION SETTING TRANSFER ERRORS**

PROBLEM: File size or file name does not match that of a valid 5100 calibrations file and an error message as indicated below is displayed



**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** An invalid 5100 calibration settings file was selected.

**SOLUTION:** Select a valid FORCE America 5100 calibration settings file when uploading 5100

calibration settings files.

PROBLEM: The status box displays "Error: Calibration settings upload failure" or "Error: Calibration

settings download failure"

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The Datavator was powered down during the transfer.

**SOLUTION:** Reboot the Datavator, acknowledge any error message by pressing the

appropriate function key, and then reattempt the transfer.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Serial cable is not securely connected.

**SOLUTION:** Verify that all connectors are secured properly and retry the transfer.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Datavator is not aligned properly on the base unit.

**SOLUTION:** Remove the Datavator from the base unit and place the Datavator back on the

base unit making sure to align it properly.

# **CONNECTION ERRORS**

PROBLEM: Ca/Command is unable to establish a connection to the Datavator and an error message

indicated below is displayed:



**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The Datavator contains an incompatible firmware version.

**SOLUTION:** Upgrade the Datavator to the latest firmware version. Contact a FORCE America

Sales Representative to find out more information about upgrading the Datavator.

PROBLEM: Ca/Command is unable to establish a connection to the Datavator and an error message

indicated below is displayed:



**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The serial port is not set up correctly.

**SOLUTION:** Verify that the correct serial port is selected in the Configuration.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The Datavator is not powered up or initialized correctly.

**SOLUTION:** Remove the Datavator from the base unit and place the Datavator back on the

base unit making sure to align it properly.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The timing between the PC and the Datavator is out of sync.

**SOLUTION:** Close the *Cal***Command** application and power down the Datavator. Reopen the

utility and power up the Datavator, and then retry the previous operation.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Serial cable is not securely connected.

**SOLUTION:** Verify that all connectors are secured properly, and then retry the previous

operation.

PROBLEM: CalCommand displays the following error message:



**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The user is currently transferring files to or from the Datavator.

**SOLUTION:** Wait until all other transfers have completed before attempting another transfer.

Exit the application and reopen the application if all transfers have completed and

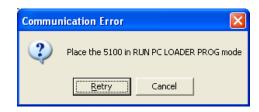
the warning still appears.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Another device or application is using the serial port.

**SOLUTION:** Close any applications using the serial port. Close and restart *Cal***Command**, and

reattempt the transfer.

PROBLEM: Ca/Command is unable to establish a connection to the 5100 and an error message indicated below is displayed



**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The serial port is not set up correctly.

**SOLUTION:** Verify that the correct serial port is selected in the Configuration.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** The 5100 is not powered up or initialized correctly.

**SOLUTION:** Verify that the 5100 spreader control has power and is in RUN PC LOADER

MODE (to enable this mode hold the spinner knob while powering up the 5100),

and then reattempt the transfer.

**POSSIBLE CAUSE:** Serial cable is not securely connected.

**SOLUTION:** Verify that all connectors are secured properly, and then retry the previous

operation.

# **Additional Help Information**

For additional help consult the help document provided with *Cal***Command**. To view the help document select "Help Topics" in the "Help Menu" of *Cal***Command**. Consult a FORCE America Sales Representative for additional information on using the *Cal***Command** software



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