

**NK-80**

**[ NMEA2000  
Adaptor ]**

# User's Manual





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WARNING	WARNING
 <p><b>ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD.</b></p> <p>Do not disassemble the equipment. Only qualified personnel should service the product.</p>	<p><b>PLEASE KEEP AWAY FROM DIRECT WATER CONTACT.</b></p> <p>Even though the equipment is waterproof, it is recommended to keep water away from reach. Water leaking into the equipment may cause electrical shock or fire.</p>
<p><b>TURN OFF THE POWER IMMEDIATELY IF WATER LEAKS IN OR OBJECT DROPS ONTO THE EQUIPMENT.</b></p> <p>Continue operating the equipment could cause electrical shock or fire. Contact your nearest distributor for service.</p>	<p><b>AVOID OPERATING THE EQUIPMENT WITH WET HANDS.</b></p> <p>Despite the fact that it is safe, but like any other electric appliances, operate with dry hands.</p>



## **FOREWORD**

Congratulations on the purchase of NK-80 NMEA 2000 adaptor. NK-80 NMEA 2000 adaptor is clever designed to enable communication between NMEA 2000 and NMEA 0183. Unless improper used, installed, or maintained, the equipment should perform at its optimum.

The operation instructions contained in this manual is applied only to NK-80. AMEC and the authorized local agent/dealer will not bear any responsibilities of damages resulted from improper installations made by unauthorized agent/dealer.

**We thank you for choosing our product**



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## 1. NK-80 Introduction

### 1.1. What is NMEA 2000?

The NMEA 2000 transmits data through Controller Area Network (Can Bus). It simplifies the connections and enables information sharing among different devices through a single trunk cable. Compared with NMEA 0183 in “RS422” interface, NMEA 2000 has better transmission reliability and shares data easier in a network.

### 1.2. NK-80 Overview

NK-80 NMEA 2000 adaptor (as known as NK-80) is a gateway between NMEA 0183 electronic devices and NMEA 2000 device/network. NK-80 allows users to connect their existing NMEA 0183 devices to the NMEA 2000 network.



The key features of NK-80 are shown as follows:

**High-Performance 32-bit RISC CPU** has a performance of 80 DMIPS to manage high traffic loading of NMEA data transactions.

**Build-in memory storage** with 64KB RAM and 256KB Flash ROM, it is more effective to control the dataflow.

**Configurable through a serial connection** allows users to monitor/control NMEA data transactions.

**NMEA 2000 Certified** ensures product quality is reliable in most extreme conditions.

**Isolated power** is provided through NMEA 2000 network, NK80 requires no additional battery source.

**Fully galvanically isolated for electrical spike protection**

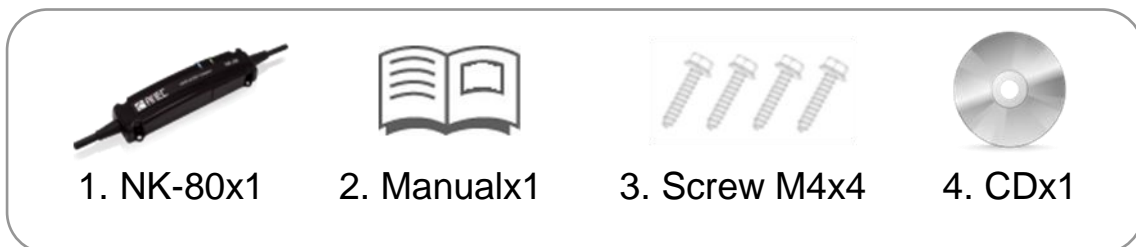
## 2. Installation

### 2.1. Items in the Package

The NK-80 standard package is listed in Table 2.1. It is also illustrated in Figure 2.1.

**Table 2.1 Standard Equipment List**

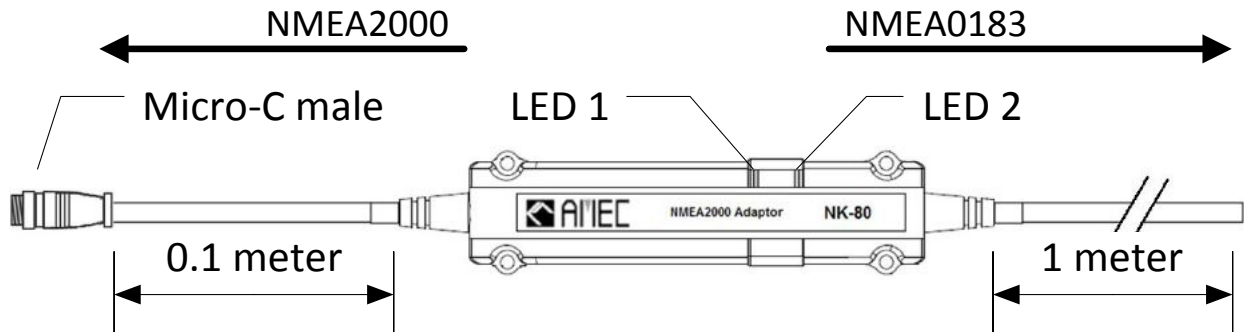
No.	Description	Qty
1	AMEC NK-80 NMEA 2000 adaptor	1
2	Manual	1
3	Screw M4	4
4	CD	1



**Figure 2.1 Standard Package**

## 2.2. Connection

Diagram below shows the physical attributes of NK-80.



### 2.2.1. NMEA 2000 Connections

The Micro-C male connector is an NMEA 2000 standard connector. Connect this connector to any available Micro-C female connector in the NMEA2000 network.

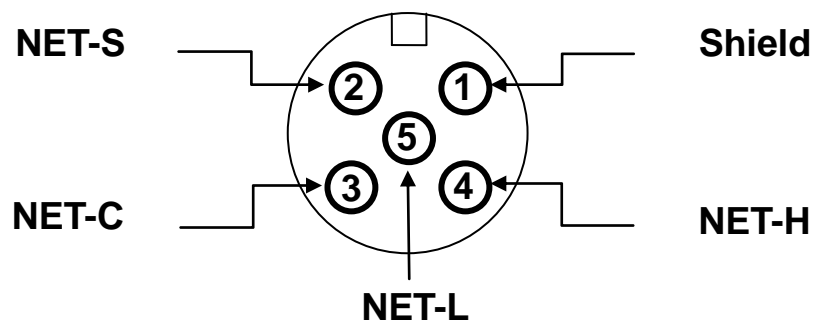


Figure 2.2.1 Pin Definitions of the Micro-C Male Connector



## 2.2.2.NMEA 0183 Connections

The NMEA 0183 cable provides flexible wiring to devices. Please follow the NMEA 0183 cable description below when wiring to an NMEA 0183 device.

**Table 2.2.2. Wire Information for NMEA 0183 Cable**

Pin	Wire color	Name	Function
1	RED	TXP	Positive(+); NMEA 0183 Data output
2	GREEN	TXN	Negative (-); NMEA 0183 Data output
3	BLACK	RXP	Positive(+); NMEA 0183 Data input
4	BLUE	RXN	Negative (-); NMEA 0183 Data input
5	SHIELD	GND	Ground

- **Wiring NMEA 0183 to NMEA 0183/RS-422 Device**

Please follow the wiring diagram below to connect an NMEA 0183/RS-422 device.

**NK-80 NMEA 0183**

**NMEA 0183/RS-422 device**

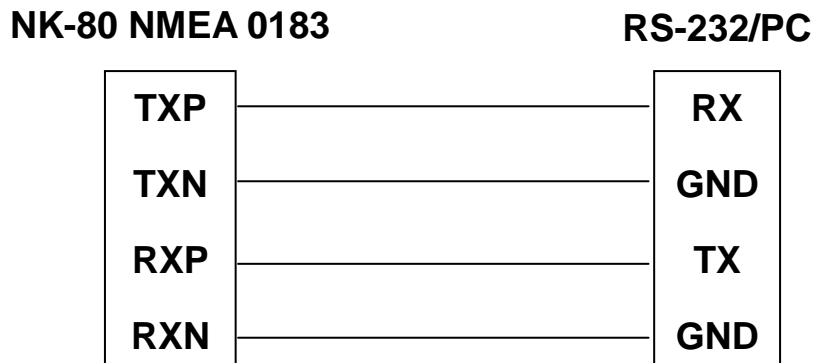


**Figure 2.2.2.1-1 NMEA 0183 to RS-422 Connection**

**NOTE:** Please ensure the connecting device is fully NMEA 0183 compliant.

- **Wiring NMEA 0183 to RS-232/PC**

Please follow the wiring diagram below to connect to RS-232/PC



**Figure 2.2.2.1-2 NMEA 0183 to RS-232 Connection**

**NOTE:** Please ensure the wire definitions of RS-232/PC are correct during wiring.

### 3. Operation

#### 3.1. Operation in NMEA 2000 Network

NK-80 NMEA 2000 adaptor converts messages from NMEA 2000 to NMEA 0183 and vice versa. NK-80 enables NMEA 0183 devices to communicate to a NMEA 2000 network.

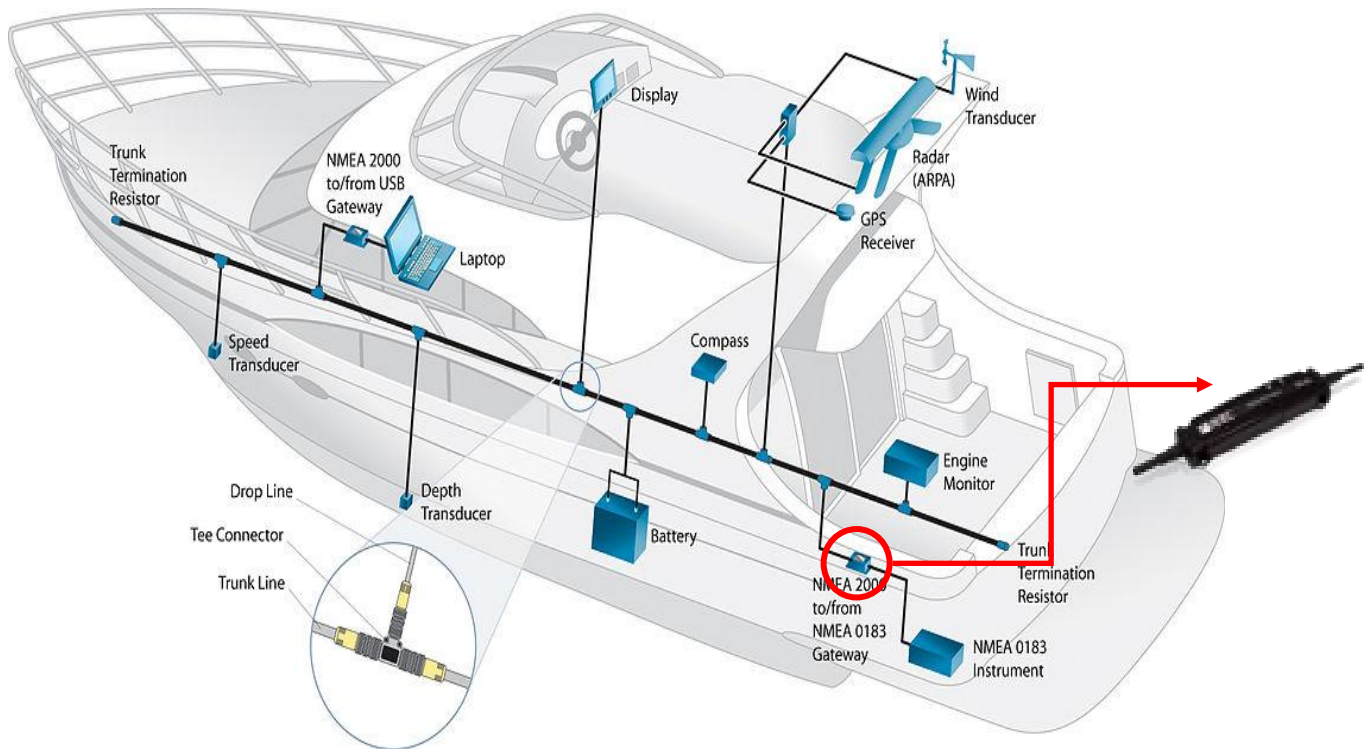


Figure 3.1 NK-80 in an NMEA 2000 Network (reference from NMEA association)

### 3.2. LED Indication

NK-80 has two LED indicators: LED 1 and LED 2.

- LED 1 flashes blue light when processing/receiving NMEA 2000 messages.
- LED 2 flashes green light when processing/receiving NMEA 0183 messages.



Figure 3.2 LED Indication of NK-80

The details on indicators statuses are shown in the following table.

Table 3.2 Description of Indicator Statuses

Indication	Status	Description
LED 1 ●(Blue)	Flash	Receiving NMEA 2000 messages
LED 2 ●(Green)	Flash	Receiving NMEA 0183 messages
LED 1 ●(Blue) LED 2 ●(Green)	Flash simultaneously in a 5 seconds interval	Normal Operation
LED 1 ●(Blue) LED 2 ●(Green)	Steady	During Firmware Upgrading
LED 1 ●(Blue) LED 2 ●(Green)	Flash takes more than 5 seconds	System/Power Failure*

**\*NOTE:** If it takes more than 5 seconds to see LED activities, please verify your NMEA 2000 network power output voltage.

### 3.3. Configuration Utility

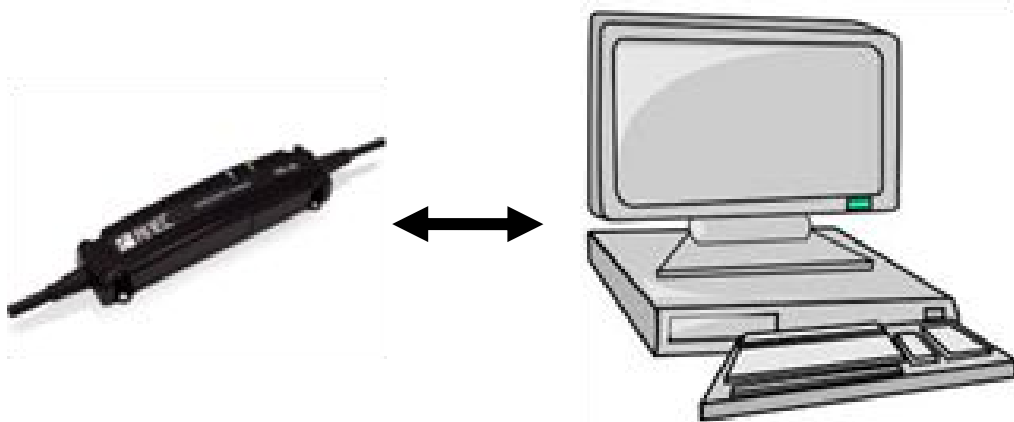
In a general usage, no configuration is required for the NK-80 NMEA 2000 adaptor to work.

For advanced operations\*, NK-80 provides the following configuration settings.

- Change default NMEA 0183 baud rate (38,400 bps)
- Filter NMEA 0183 / NMEA 2000 output messages
- Save NMEA 0183 output message log

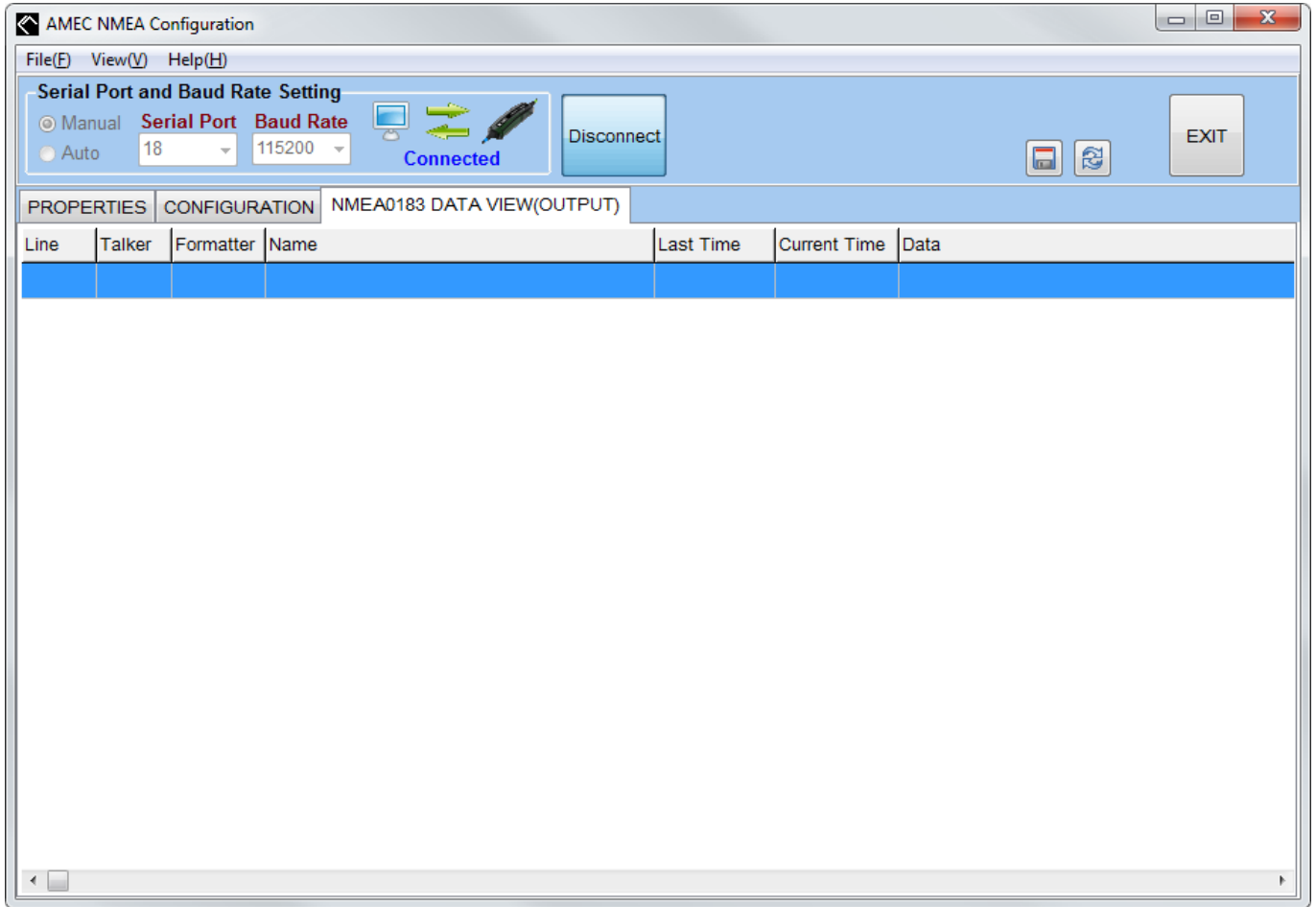
How to configure NK-80 NMEA 2000 adaptor?

**Step 1:** Connect NK-80 NMEA 2000 adaptor to PC through RS-232/USB and ensure power is available from the NMEA 2000 network.



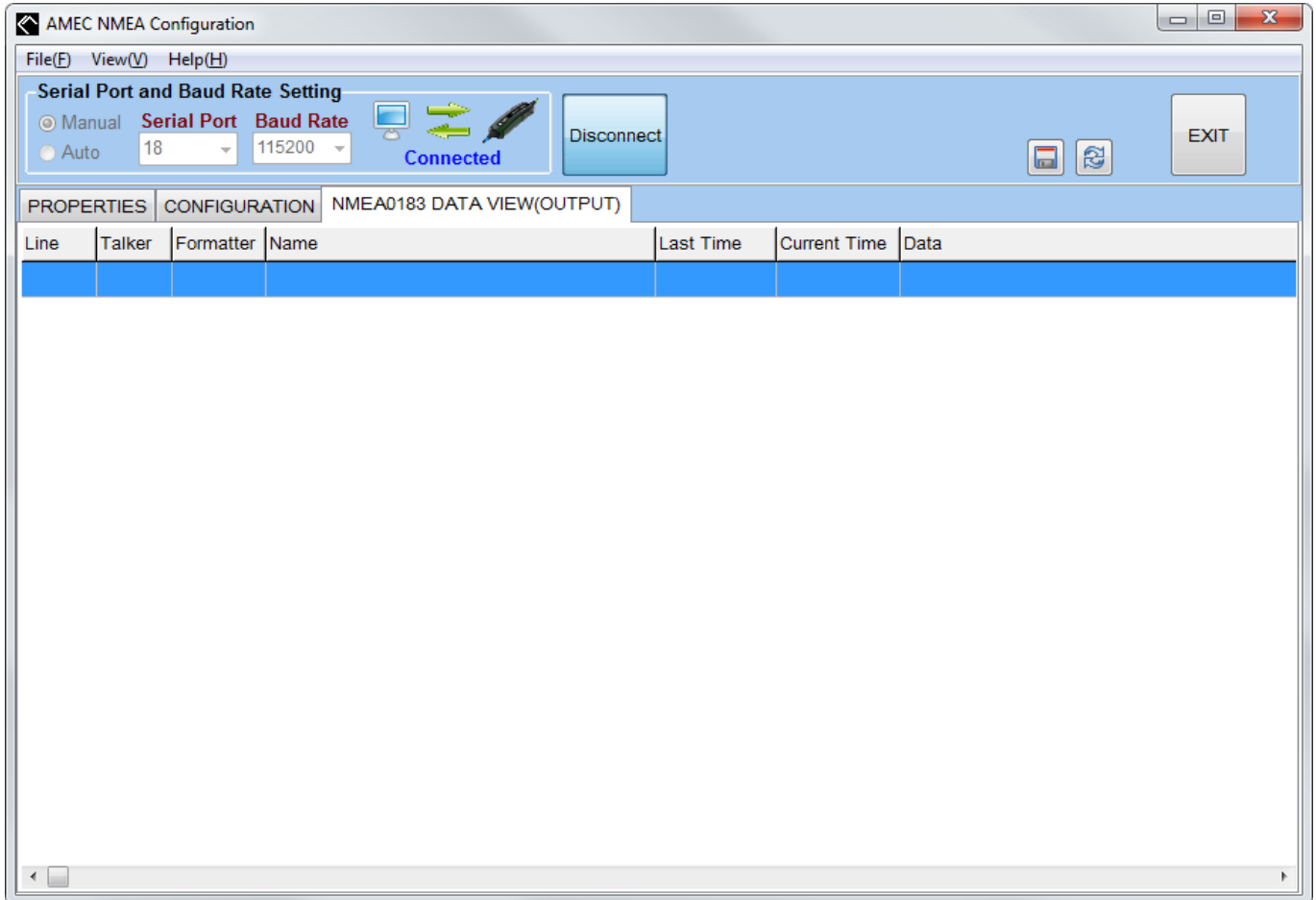
**\*NOTE:** PC connection is required for advanced configuration.

**Step 2:** Run AMEC NMEA Configuration utility.



**Figure 3.3-1 AMEC NMEA Configuration Utility**

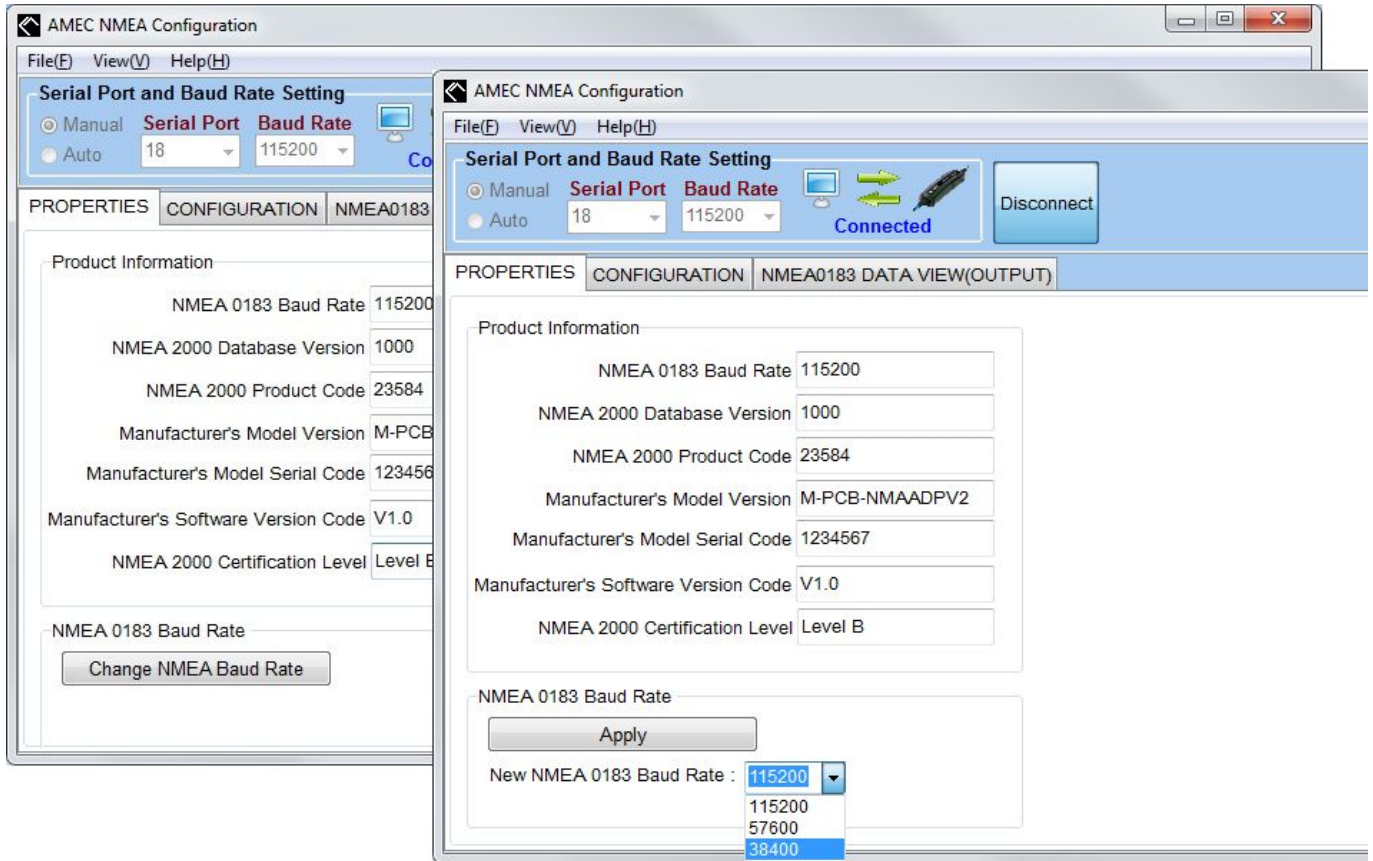
**Step 3:** Manually enter port value and NMEA 0183 baud rate. If unknown, choose **Auto**. Now, click **Connect** to connect NK-80.



**Figure 3.3-2 Configuration Utility Connected to PC**

### 3.3.1. Change NMEA 0183 Default Baud Rate (38,400 bps)

At the **PROPERTIES** tab, click on the **Change NMEA Baud Rate** button. Choose the desired baud rate and click on the **Apply** button.

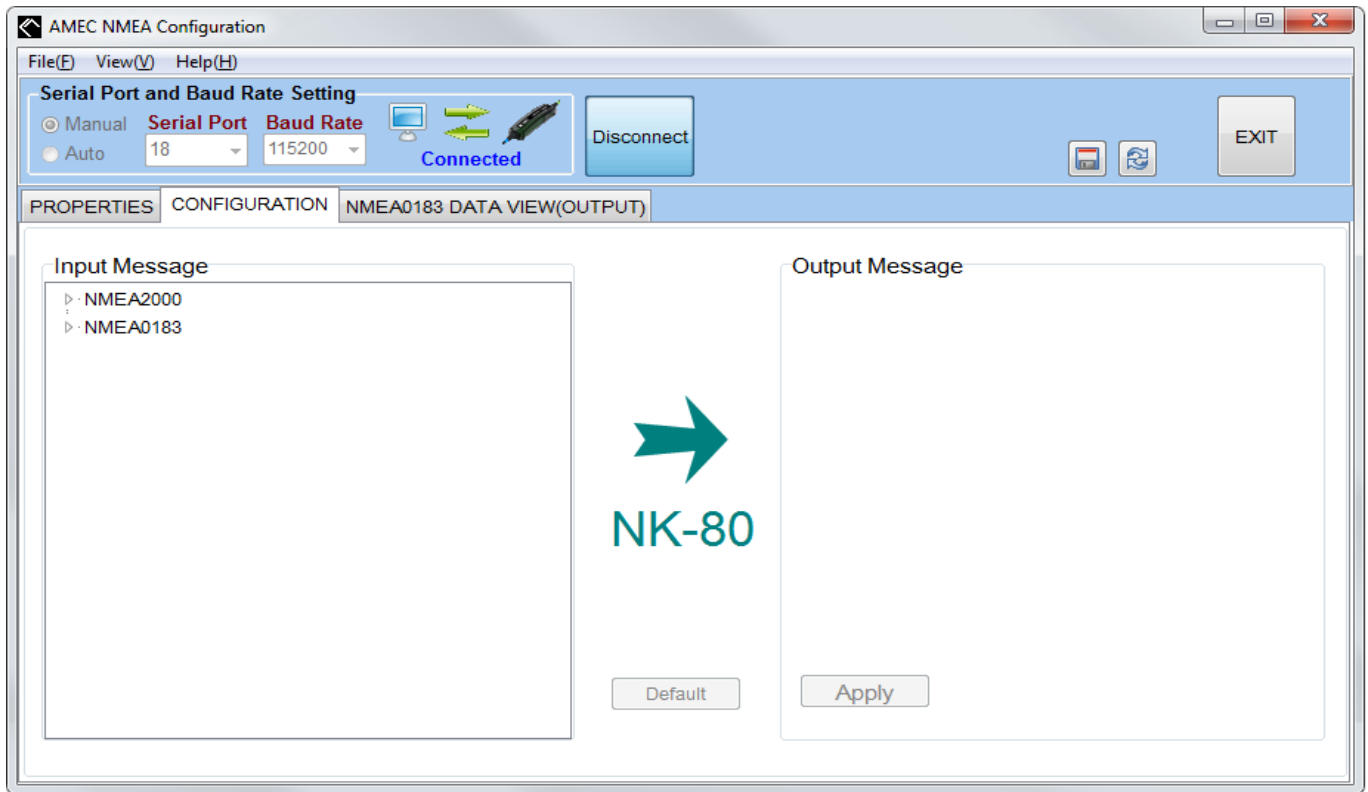


**Figure 3.3.1 Properties Tab**



### 3.3.2.Filter NMEA 0183 / NMEA 2000 Output Messages

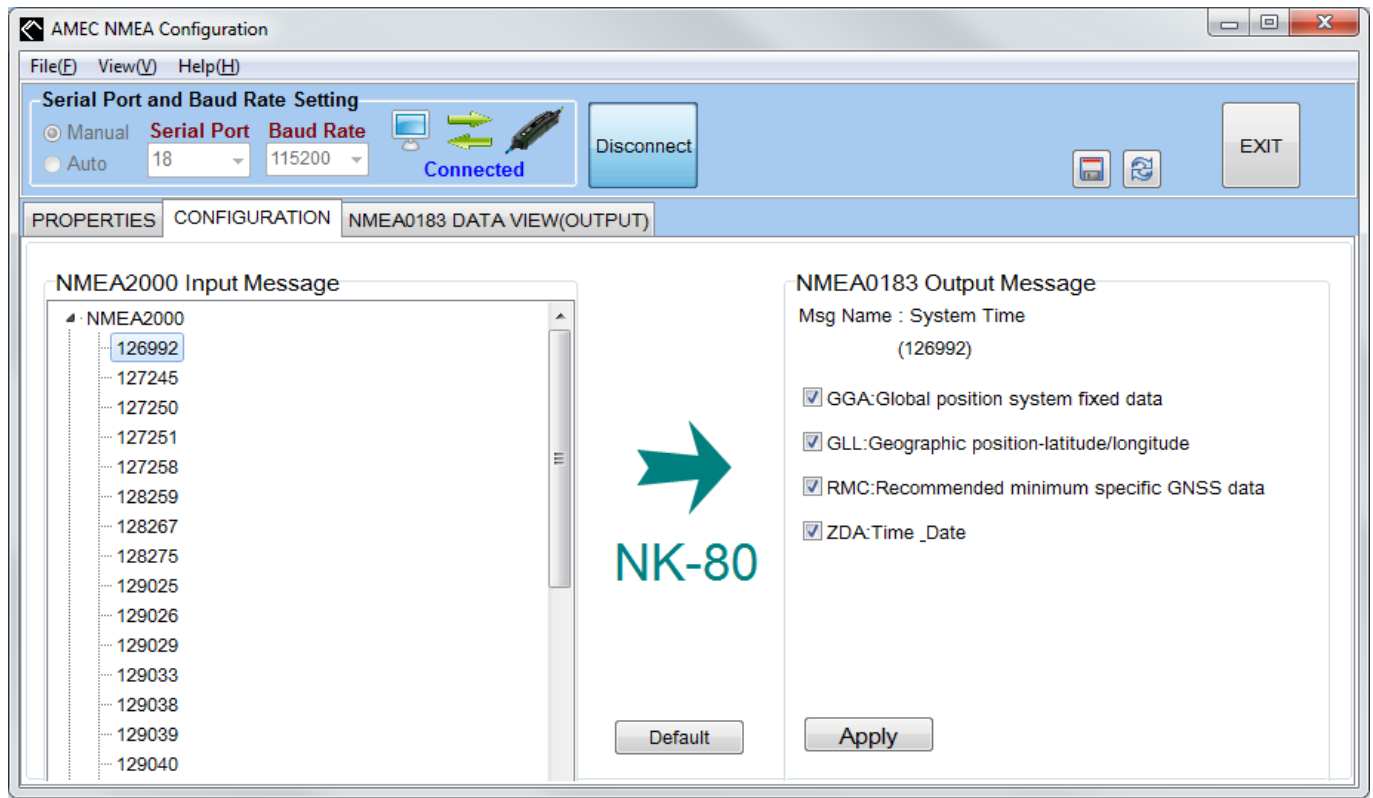
**Step 1:** At the **CONFIGURATION** tab, expand the message list on the left and click on a desired message to configure.



**Figure 3.3.2-1 NMEA Message Filtering**

**HINT:** Double click to expand the message groups will show their message names.

**Step 2:** Once clicked on the desired message, the message properties will reveal on the right panel. On the panel choose the needed attributes and click on **Apply**.



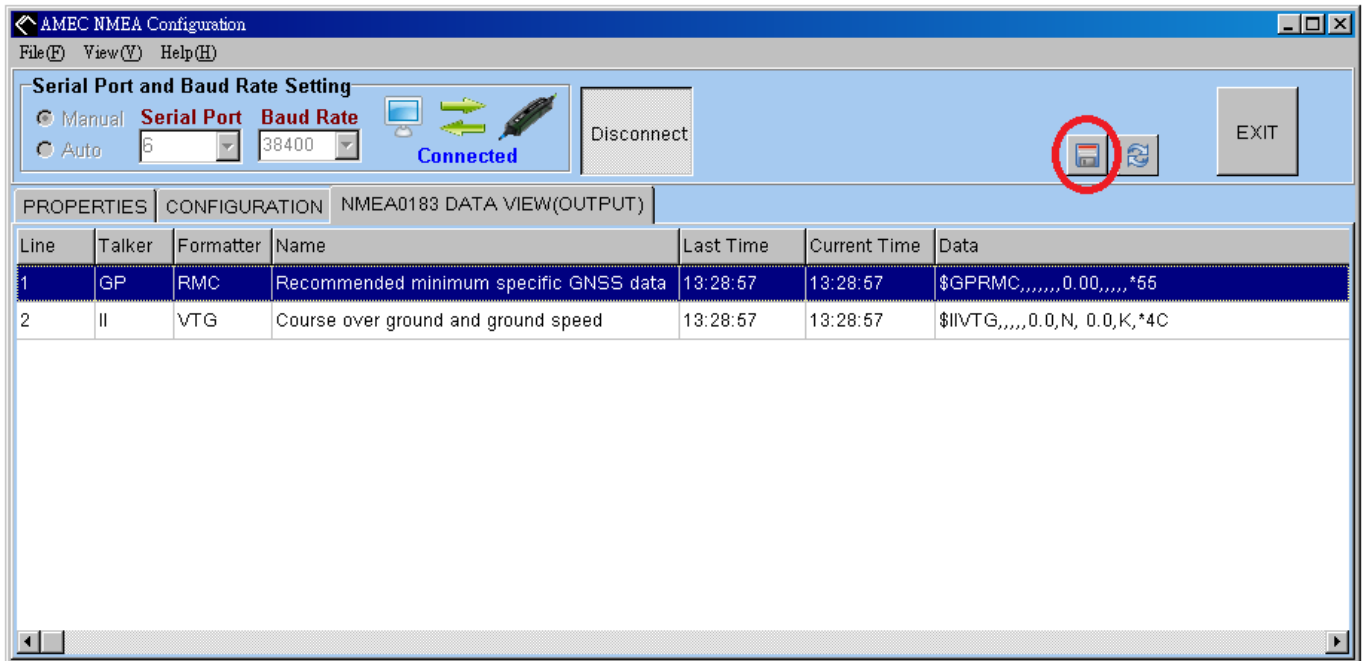
**Figure 3.3.2-2 NMEA Message Filtering**

**Note:** All message settings are enabled in factory default. The **Default** button restores all message settings back to factory default.

### 3.3.3. Save NMEA 0183 Output Message Log

Click on the **NMEA 0183 DATA VIEW (OUTPUT)** tab to view message log history.

To record a log session, click on the disk button to start recording. The system will prompt you first to save the log. It continues logging till the icon is click again.



**Figure 3.3.3-1 NMEA 0183 Data Log**

**NOTE:** NK-80 configuration utility can only log NMEA 0183 output sentences processed from NMEA 2000 messages.

Shown below is the content of a log file.

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Start Time (13:15:36)
Time      Message Type  Data
=====
13:16:34  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,275.60,,,,*4D
13:16:34  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,275.6,T,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*30
13:16:34  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,,,,,*55
13:16:34  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,,,,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*4C
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,275.60,,,,*4D
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,275.6,T,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*30
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,,,,,*55
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,,,,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*4C
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,275.60,,,,*4D
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,275.6,T,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*30
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,,,,,*55
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13:16:35  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,,,,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*4C
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,275.60,,,,*4D
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13:16:35  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,,,,,*55
13:16:35  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,,,,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*4C
13:16:36  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,275.60,,,,*4D
13:16:36  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,275.6,T,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*30
13:16:36  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,,,,,*55
13:16:36  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,,,,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*4C
13:16:36  NMEA0183      $GPRMC,,,,,,0.00,275.60,,,,*4D
13:16:36  NMEA0183      $IIUTG,275.6,T,,0.0,N, 0.0,K,*30
End Time (13:16:45)|

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Figure 3.3.3-2 A Sample Log File

## 4. Appendix

### 4.1. Product Specifications

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#### APPLICABLE STANDARDS

NMEA 2000 standard version 1.2 (2004)

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#### CERTIFICATIONS

NMEA 2000 ®

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#### NMEA 2000 CAN Bus line Transmitter

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Max.
Recessive bus voltage	VTXD = VDD; no load.	2.0V.	3.0V.
Dominant bus voltage NET-H	VTXD = 0.8V	2.75V	4.5V
Dominant bus voltage NET-L	VTXD = 0.8V	0.5V	2.25V
Recessive differential output voltage	VTXD = 2V; no load	-500mV	50mV
Dominant differential output voltage	40Ω < RL < 60Ω	1.5V	3.0V

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#### NMEA 2000 CAN Bus line Receiver

NET-H, NET-L common-mode input resistance	typical 100 KΩ
Differential input resistance	typical 100 KΩ

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#### Input/Output

Configurable Baud rate	4,800, 9,600, 38,400 (default), 57,600, 115,200 bps
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#### Environmental

Operation Temperature	-20°C~+55°C
Storage Temperature	-25°C~+70°C
Water Proofing	IP54
Humidity	0~80%RH

## PHYSICAL

Length	132 mm
Width	30 mm
Height	22.8 mm
Cable Lengths	NMEA 2000 cable: 0.1m NMEA 0183 cable: 1 m
Weight	< 150 g

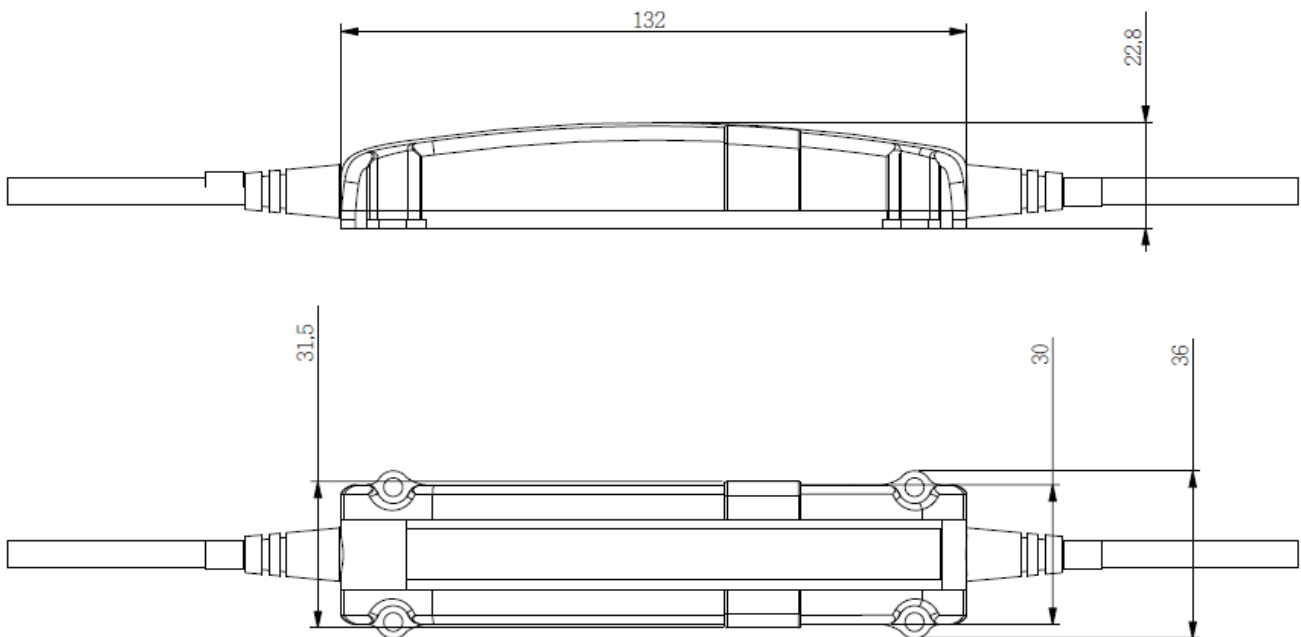
## ELECTRICAL

NMEA 2000 Load	1 (under 50 mA)
Equivalency Number (LEN)	

## POWER SUPPLY

Supply Voltage from CAN Bus	12VDC / 24VDC (Typical)
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### 4.2. Dimension



**Figure 4.2 NK-80 Main Body Dimension (mm)**

### 4.3. PGN Information

Table 4.3 PGN Information

Transmit	
PGN	Description
<b>59392</b>	ISO Acknowledgment
<b>59904</b>	ISO Request
<b>60928</b>	ISO Address Claim
<b>126464</b>	PGN List - Transmit PGN's group function
<b>126992</b>	System Time
<b>126996</b>	Product Information
<b>127245</b>	Rudder
<b>127250</b>	Vessel Heading
<b>127251</b>	Rate of Turn
<b>127258</b>	Magnetic Variation
<b>128259</b>	Speed, Water referenced
<b>128267</b>	Water Depth
<b>129025</b>	Position, Rapid Update
<b>129026</b>	COG & SOG, Rapid Update
<b>129029</b>	GNSS Position Data
<b>129033</b>	Time & Date
<b>129038</b>	AIS Class A Position Report
<b>129039</b>	AIS Class B Position Report
<b>129040</b>	AIS Class B Extended Position Report
<b>129041</b>	AIS Aids to Navigation (AtoN) Report
<b>129283</b>	Cross Track Error
<b>129284</b>	Navigation
<b>129291</b>	Set & Drift, Rapid Update
<b>129539</b>	GNSS DOPs
<b>129540</b>	GNSS Sats in View

Receive	
PGN	Description
<b>59392</b>	ISO Acknowledgment
<b>59904</b>	ISO Request
<b>60928</b>	ISO Address Claim
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<b>128267</b>	Water Depth
<b>129025</b>	Position, Rapid Update
<b>129026</b>	COG & SOG, Rapid Update
<b>129029</b>	GNSS Position Data
<b>129033</b>	Time & Date
<b>129038</b>	AIS Class A Position Report
<b>129039</b>	AIS Class B Position Report
<b>129040</b>	AIS Class B Extended Position Report
<b>129041</b>	AIS Aids to Navigation (AtoN) Report
<b>129283</b>	Cross Track Error
<b>129284</b>	Navigation
<b>129291</b>	Set & Drift, Rapid Update
<b>129539</b>	GNSS DOPs
<b>129540</b>	GNSS Sats in View

<b>129792</b>	AIS DGNSS Broadcast Binary Message
<b>129793</b>	AIS UTC and Date Report
<b>129794</b>	AIS Class A Static and Voyage Related Data
<b>129795</b>	AIS Addressed Binary Message
<b>129796</b>	AIS Acknowledge
<b>129797</b>	AIS Binary Broadcast Message
<b>129800</b>	AIS UTC/Date Inquiry
<b>129801</b>	AIS Addressed Safety Related Message
<b>129802</b>	AIS Safety Related Broadcast Message
<b>129803</b>	AIS Interrogation
<b>129804</b>	AIS Assignment Mode Command
<b>129805</b>	AIS Data Link Management Message
<b>129806</b>	AIS Class A Position Report
<b>129807</b>	AIS Group Assignment
<b>129808</b>	DSC Call Information
<b>129809</b>	AIS Class B “CS” Static Data Report, Part A
<b>129810</b>	AIS Class B “CS” Static Data Report, Part B
<b>130306</b>	Wind Data
<b>130311</b>	Environmental Parameters
<b>130312</b>	Temperature

<b>129792</b>	AIS DGNSS Broadcast Binary Message
<b>129793</b>	AIS UTC and Date Report
<b>129794</b>	AIS Class A Static and Voyage Related Data
<b>129795</b>	AIS Addressed Binary Message
<b>129796</b>	AIS Acknowledge
<b>129797</b>	AIS Binary Broadcast Message
<b>129800</b>	AIS UTC/Date Inquiry
<b>129801</b>	AIS Addressed Safety Related Message
<b>129802</b>	AIS Safety Related Broadcast Message
<b>129803</b>	AIS Interrogation
<b>129804</b>	AIS Assignment Mode Command
<b>129805</b>	AIS Data Link Management Message
<b>129806</b>	AIS Class A Position Report
<b>129807</b>	AIS Group Assignment
<b>129808</b>	DSC Call Information
<b>129809</b>	AIS Class B “CS” Static Data Report, Part A
<b>129810</b>	AIS Class B “CS” Static Data Report, Part B
<b>130306</b>	Wind Data
<b>130311</b>	Environmental Parameters
<b>130312</b>	Temperature



## 4.4. NMEA0183 Information

Table 4.4 NMEA0183 Information

Formatter mnemonic code	Name
<b>RMC</b>	Recommended minimum specific GNSS data
<b>GSA</b>	GNSS DOP and active satellites
<b>GGA</b>	Global positioning system (GPS) fix data
<b>GSV</b>	GNSS satellites in view
<b>GLL</b>	Geographic position – latitude/longitude
<b>VTG</b>	Course over ground and ground speed
<b>ZDA</b>	Time and date
<b>VDM</b>	AIS VHF data-link message
<b>VDO</b>	AIS VHF data-link own-vessel report
<b>DSC</b>	Digital selective calling information
<b>RSA</b>	Rudder sensor angle
<b>VHW</b>	Water speed and heading
<b>VLW</b>	Dual ground/water distance
<b>DPT</b>	Depth
<b>DBT</b>	Depth below transducer
<b>XTE</b>	Cross-track error, measured
<b>APB</b>	Heading/track controller (autopilot) sentence B
<b>ROT</b>	Rate of turn
<b>VWR</b>	Relative Wind Speed and Angle
<b>MWV</b>	Wind speed and angle
<b>MWD</b>	Wind direction and speed
<b>MTW</b>	Water temperature
<b>VDR</b>	Set and drift
<b>BWC</b>	Bearing and distance to waypoint – great circle
<b>BWR</b>	Bearing and distance to waypoint – rhumb line



## 5. FCC INTERFERENCE STATEMENT

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of 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 of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect 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 is subject to the following two conditions: **1)** This device may not cause harmful interference, and **2)** this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

## 6. DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

Hereby, Alltek Marine Electronics Corp. (AMEC) declares that this NK-80 is in compliance with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of Directive 1999/5/EC.