

iMIV Classic Owners Manual

Version 2.1



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1.0 – Product Features / Requirements

Thank you for purchasing the iMIV Classic iPod Adaptor!

By reading this manual and using the iMIV Classic you will soon find that this adapter has the most feature rich and multipurpose functionality of any available adapter. The iMIV Classic takes full advantage of the extendible Volvo audio system and was designed to seamlessly integrate into the factory audio and video components without any of the limitations found in similar products.

1.1 Product Features

- Seamless integration into the OEM Volvo audio system.
- Works with RTI (navigation), the external 10 CD Changer (CDC), MD Changer (MDC), Satellite (SAT) and Television (TV) channel.
- All HU-xxx models supported (S40(classic), V40, S60, V/XC70, S80).
- User selectable HU-channel configuration. The iPod can be controlled via CDC, MDC or SAT and video/audio integration through the TV channel.
- ALL described iPod features controlled via HU.
- Steering wheel controls can be used to select tracks and playlists.
- Integration of video and audio utilized via the HU TV-channel

1.1 – Product Features

- Fewer connections and cables than previous versions mean a more straightforward installation, fully Plug 'n Play
- Works with RTI (navigation), OEM satellite radio and a CD-Changer present
- Supports all HU-XXX models, as well as the HU-1205
- iPod can be integrated into either CDC, SAT or MDC channels
- Use steering wheel controls to select tracks and playlists, HU controls all features
- SAT and MDC channels display playlist name, artist and song title
- Seamless integration with rear view camera! (RTI systems only, requires cable)

1.2 – Supported Volvos

The iMIV Classic only supports the following Volvos (including model year):

Vehicle	Model Year Range
S80	1999-2006
S60, S60R	1999-2009
V70, V70R, XC70	1999-2007
S40	2001-2004
V40	2001-2004

1.3 – Supported Radios/Channels

Volvo radios, also called “Head Units” or “HUs”, support a variety of different devices for audio/video playback. Each of these devices runs on its own ‘channel’ and will support different things, like audio, video, text display, etc.

In order for iMIV Classic to communicate with the Volvo radio it pretends to be one of these devices. What the iMIV Classic can do is limited by the channel/device it is pretending to be. This is summarized in the table below;

HU Channels

HU Channel	Description	Audio	Song Titles
CDC*	CD Changer		
MDC	Mini Disc		
SAT	Satellite		

* Default iMIV Classic Channel (because every radio support this)

If you look at the radio in your Volvo, it should have one of the following Model numbers written on it. The table below tells you which channel(s) a specific HU will support. This table combined with the one above should tell you what functionality you can expect to get out of the iMIV Classic when it is running on a particular channel.

Support Volvo Radio Models

Radio Model	CD-Changer	MD-Changer	Satellite	TV
HU-1205	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-850	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
HU-803	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-801	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-655	Yes	No	No	Yes
HU-650	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
HU-615	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-605	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-603/613	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-601/611	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-555	Yes	No	No	?
HU-450	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
HU-415	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-405	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-403/413	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-401/411	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
HU-105	No	No	No	No

NOTE: You can change what channel the iMIV Classic runs on by changing its 'firmware'. See [Section 3.0](#) for more details

NOTE #2: Despite the variety of different HU models the iMIV Classic operates quite similar on all radios. However, there might be slight differences in the iMIV Classic

operation that is described in the following chapters; we try to address these were every possible. In addition, there are HU models with so called **Preset Buttons** that are used to operate the iMIV Classic. One of those would be the HU-650 (see picture below). Others, like the HU-803 look quite different and use a **1-20/DISC** knob to operate the iMIV Classic.



All of following instructions about iMIV Classic operations are explained for the use of the **Preset Buttons** as well as the **1-20/DISC** knob.

1.4 - Supported iPod Models

With the correct cable the iMIV Classic can support audio and video from all iPod/iPhone models with a dock connector.

- *Standard iMIV Classic iPod/iPhone Cable*: Supports audio for all devices, video for devices that do not require authentication and charging for all USB based devices. Comes stock with all iMIV Classic packages.
- *iVA iMIV Classic iPod/iPhone Cable*: Supports audio and video for all iPod/iPhone devices. Charges all USB based devices. Optionally available with all iMIV Classic packages.
- Below is a compatibility chart for iPod and iPhone devices. **Features in blue require the 'iVA' iPod Cable.**

iPod Model	Generation	Audio Compatibility	Video Compatibility	Charging Compatibility
iPod	G1 and G2	No	No	No
iPod	G3	Yes	No	No
iPod Photo	G4	Yes	No	Yes
iPod Video	G5	Yes	Yes	Yes

iPod Model	Generation	Audio Compatibility	Video Compatibility	Charging Compatibility
iPod Classic	G6	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes
iPod Mini	G1 and G2	Yes	No	Yes
iPod Nano	G1 and G2	Yes	No	Yes
iPod Nano	G3	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes
iPod Nano	G4	Yes	Yes	Yes
iPod Nano	G5	Yes	Yes	Yes
iPod Touch	G1, G2, G3	Yes	Yes	Yes
iPhone	G1, 3G, 3GS	Yes	Yes	Yes

- ¹Video for this device is only supported with iPod firmware version 1.0.2 along with the iMIV Classic iPod Cable **OR** later iPod firmware versions (1.0.3+) along with the iVA Cable.

1.5 iVA iPod/iPhone Cable Operation

The iPod Video Authentication, or iVA cable can only be used in conjunction with the Apple® Composite Video Authentication Cable (Apple® PN:MB129LL/B) to unlock the video feeds from the newest iPod and iPhone models. This allows the iMIV Classic to display the video feed on the Volvo RTI screen. Please note that only original Apple® brand composite cables can be used. Aftermarket cables are not compatible with the iVA cable.

The iVA Cable is designed for the iMIV Classic and will not work with any other iMIV adaptors.

How does it work?

The iVA cable has the same functionality of the standard iPod/iPhone cable with the added feature of being able to unlock the video feeds from devices that need authentication. This is accomplished by plugging in the Apple® Composite Video Authentication Cable (Apple® PN:MB129LL/B) to the dock connector of this cable.

Why do I need to plug in Apple's composite cable?

The newest iPod and iPhone models need authentication before any video feed is streamed through the dock connector. By plugging in the Apple® Composite Video Authentication Cable, we are able to use the authentication chip in the Apple cable to output video to the iMIV Classic.

Does the composite cable always need to be plugged in?

Yes, always. The composite cable must be present when you switch to the TV channel on your radio for video playback. If you switch channels or turn the radio off the

authentication is lost; when you switch back to the TV channel the iPod or iPhone will once again need authentication.

Does the other (RCA) end of the Apple® Composite Cable need to be plugged in?

No, the end with the RCA style connectors does not need to be connected anywhere. The authentication chip is in the dock connector housing. The RCA connectors can simply be tied off and stored safely somewhere within the vehicle.

Are there any software patches that need to be applied to the iMIV Classic?

Yes, there is a small update that must be applied to the iMIV Classic when this cable is in use. It is available under the Downloads tab.

Do you sell the Apple® Composite Authentication Cable?

No, this will need to be purchased from your authorized Apple® retailer.

2.0 – iMIV Classic Operation

2.1 – iMIV Classic Overview

Volvo radios, also called “Head Units” or “HUs”, support a variety of different devices for audio/video playback. An example of such a device is the *10 CD Changer*. In order for iMIV Classic to communicate with the Volvo radio, it pretends to be one of these devices. Exactly which device it can pretend to be will depend on your Radio/HU model and which firmware is installed on the iMIV Classic. Please check out the supported [HU listing](#) above for complete details.

The iMIV Classic can control the iPod in two different modes, simple and advanced.

[Simple mode](#) is used for basic playback/control of your iPod/iPhone without some of the iMIV's extra features (and complications). You can use the radios buttons to control playback or you can still use your iPod as you would normally by using its playback buttons.

[Advanced Mode](#) lets you control the playback with your HU buttons as well, however, it locks the iPod (so you can no longer use its buttons to control playback). The advantage of this however, is that in advanced mode you also get some additional features you don't get in simple mode like; playlist control, advanced playback controls, and song title display to name a few.

2.2 – Installation

The installation of the iMIV Classic will differ greatly depending on your car configuration and the cables you have purchased. On our website we provide another manual, the “iMIV Installation Manual” for instructions on how to do this yourself. The rest of this manual assumes you have installed the iMIV Classic and it is operating correctly.

2.3 – Powering the Device On/Off

When you turn the ignition in your car on, the iMIV Classic is also powered on. This is indicated by the green LED light on the side of the unit. You should also notice, when your iPod/iPhone is connected to the iMIV Classic, it should begin charging.

When ignition is switched off, the iMIV Classic remains powered for approximately 15-20 seconds before it shuts down completely. Once the iMIV Classic has shutdown, the LED on the side should also be turned off. Your car battery should never drain because the adapter does not use any power when the ignition is off. If your iPod was playing when you turned off the ignition, it should automatically pause. The iPod will continue to charge for about 6 seconds before the iMIV Classic has completely shutdown. Once shutdown, the iPod will stop charging.

In *Advanced Mode* the adapter unlocks the iPod display at the same time the power is switched off to the iPod (so after approximately 6 seconds). By doing so, the iPod can always be operated when it is disconnected - regardless of the mode that had been active before and regardless of the adapter being powered or not.

2.4 AUX Input

The iMIV Classic adapter is capable of connecting an external audio source which is available on a separate HU channel. The audio source has to be connected to the adapter using two RCA audio connectors (Red and white RCA connectors for audio left and right).

Your adapter comes pre-installed with firmware where the AUX input is available on the **TV channel** of the HU. Since this default firmware also supports the iPod Video (5th generation) two aux/video inputs are available, utilized via **TV 1** and **TV 2**.

TV 1 selects the iPod as audio/video input and **TV 2** selects the external audio/video source (RCA connectors). The user can switch between **TV 1** and **TV 2** by using, or the steering wheel controls.

The AUX channel is available on two other channels besides TV which are CD-CHGR or MD-CHGR. The user can customize that by downloading another firmware version into the adapter. The AUX channel is always different from the iPod channel. See our list of downloadable firmware files on our website for possible combinations of channel configurations on your HU.

If the AUX input is configured as the **CD-CHGR channel**, the HU will display **CD01 TRK01** constantly. Pressing buttons on the HU will not affect the display.

If the AUX input is configured as the **MD-CHGR channel**, the HU will display **MD01 TRK01** constantly. Pressing buttons on the HU will not affect the display.

If the AUX input is configured as the **TV channel** (using a firmware for non-video-iPods), the HU displays **TV 1** or **TV 0** (Some HU models display 'TV 0' while other models display 'TV' without the '0' indication). Pressing the buttons on the HU will toggle between **TV 0**

and **TV 1**. **TV 1** connects the video output to the RTI and **TV 0** disconnects the video output from the RTI (no video signal on

2.5 – Selecting the iPod Channel

In order to begin playing music from your iPod/iPhone you need to select the right channel on your HU. By default this will be the CD-Channel. If you have changed firmware or we pre-installed a different firmware when you ordered, you will need to select the appropriate channel (ie. Select the MDC channel if you have the MDC firmware installed).

To select the channel on your HU use the *Source Knob* button. By default your iMIV Classic will be in simple mode.

2.6 – Simple Mode

When the iMIV runs in simple mode you can use your iPod/iPhone as normally would by pressing the iPod/iPhone buttons to control playback. In addition, you can control playback with your HU buttons or steering wheel buttons;

	Button	HU Button	Steering Wheel Button	iPod Operation
				Skip to next track
				Skip to previous track
				Fast forward in current track
				Fast reverse in current track

As soon as the iPod channel is selected on the HU (using the *Source Knob*) the iPod starts playing. If the channel is changed, then the iPod will pause. The iPod will also pause if the HU is interrupted, for example, by a telephone call (if you have telephone mute or the integrated car phone/hands free kit installed) or by a traffic announcement via the radio (if TP has been enabled). Once the interruption has completed, the iPod resumes playing.



Always connect the iPod to the adapter when the iPod is paused. The adapter expects this and will otherwise reverse the Play/Pause operation.

2.7 – Advanced Mode

In the *Advanced Mode* the iPod is locked and displays the iMIV Classic-Volvo logo, as shown below. The iPod cannot be manually operated. All iPod control is accomplished by using the HU buttons and all relevant information, such as song and playlist number, can be shown on the HU display.

The *Advanced Mode* of the iMIV Classic adapter is used to access the playlists on your iPod. Up to 99 playlists are supported by the adapter.

2.7.1 – Getting into Advanced Mode

While the iPod is connected to the dock connector, complete the following actions to get from *Simple Mode* into *Advanced Mode*:

With the **1-20/DISC** knob:



Description	Button
Rotate 1 click clockwise to switch from <i>Simple</i> to <i>Advanced Mode</i> .	



With the **Preset Buttons**:



Channel	Description	Button
Ext. 10 CD Changer (CDC)	Press the Preset 1 button once	
Satellite Channel (SAT)	Press the Preset 3 button once	

When *Advanced Mode* has been activated the iMIV Classic adapter locks the iPod and displays the iMIV Classic logo on its screen (see picture above). This will take a few seconds. After that the *Advanced Mode* starts in *Playlist View* with **CD01** flashing. The desired Playlist can now be selected.

2.7.2 – Playlist View vs. Song View

It is important to understand the purpose of the **CD** and **TRK** numbers in *Advanced Mode*. The CD portion on the HU screen will always be either **CD01** or **CD02**. The TRK portion will vary from **TRK01** to **TRK99**.

CD01 indicates that we're in *Playlist View* and therefore the number displayed after "TRK" is the playlist number.

CD02 indicates that we're in *Song View* and therefore the number displayed after "TRK" is the current song number.



View Type	CD# Display Indication (Adv. Mode)	TRK# Display Indication (Adv. Mode)
Playlists	CD01	Indicates the iPod's current playlist. E.g. with CD01 TRK15 playlist 15 is selected.
Songs	CD02	Indicates the iPod's current song. E.g. with CD02 TRK33 song 33 is currently playing.

The HU display is able to show TRK numbers from **TRK01** to **TRK99**. Therefore, if a song number or playlist number is greater than 100, only the last two digits are visible. Example; The song numbers 100, 200, 300, etc. are displayed as **TRK01**.

2.7.3 – Changing Between Views

- **Using the 1-20/Disc rotary knob**

The **1-20/Disc** rotary knob on the HU is used to change from *Song View* to *Playlist View*. By turning the **1-20/Disc** knob once (1 click) clockwise or counterclockwise, the *Playlist View* is activated and the HU displays the current selected Playlist.



Description	Button
Rotate 1 click clockwise or counter clockwise to change from <i>Song View</i> back to <i>Playlist View</i> .	

- **Using the preset button**

If your HU doesn't have the **1-20/Disc** knob, but has the **1-6** preset buttons instead you will have to use **Preset Buttons** to activate *Playlist View*.



Channel	Description	Button
Ext. 10 CD Changer (CDC)	Get from Song View into Playlist View with preset button (see right for button number)	1
Satellite Channel (SAT)		3

2.7.4 – Playlist View

2.7.4.1 - Naming Conventions

Playlists names have to be set in a certain way that is called *Indexed Enumeration*.

When the playlist *Advanced Mode* starts, the iMIV Classic adapter always checks the name of the *first* playlist. If the first two characters of this playlist name are numbers, the playlist is not assigned to index number 1 but to the index number that is formed by the first two numbers in the name. This index will show on the HU as Playlist number.

For example, if your first playlist is named "28 – Pop classics" then it is displayed on the HU as: **CD01 TRK28**. If the first two characters of the playlist name had not been numbers, it would have displayed as: **CD01 TRK01**). To maintain control over the playlists it is therefore essential to use *Indexed Enumeration*.

A few rules apply to use this type of enumeration:

1. You have to make sure that the first playlist in the list **begins with two numbers**. This means index number one has to be typed as "01", **NOT** "1". Change the names of your playlists accordingly if this is not the case.
2. Number **"00" as first characters in the Playlist name cannot be used** for indexed enumeration, because this can be confused with "Simple Mode" operation.
3. The enumeration will stop as soon as a playlist is found where one or both of the first two characters are not numeric. It is important to understand that

when the first playlist begins with two numbers, all successive playlists that do not begin with two numbers will not be enumerated and then cannot be accessed.



Do not use Playlist names that exceed 50 characters in length. The iMIV Classic-Volvo adapter may not function correctly in this case.

Example:

- Imagine your playlists would look like this:
 - o "10 - Miscellaneous pop music"
 - o "11 - Number one hits from the 90's"
 - o "12 - Pop Classics"
 - o "20 - Modern classical"
 - o "21 - Mozart's symphonies"
 - o "30 - Greatest hits of Jazz"
 - o "31 - North Sea Jazz Festival 2000"
 - o "32 - The best of Miles Davis"
 - o "40 - Birthday songs for kids"
 - o "41 - Sing along songs"
 - o "On-The-Go 1"
 - o "On-The-Go 2"
 - o "On-The-Go 3"
 - o "On-The-Go 4"

- Scrolling through the playlists on the HU will show:

CD01 TRK10 → CD01 TRK11 → CD01 TRK12 → CD01 TRK20 → CD01 TRK21 →
 CD01 TRK30
 → CD01 TRK31 → CD01 TRK32 → CD01 TRK40 → CD01 TRK41

Note that because On-The-Go playlists are not using *Indexed Enumeration*, they do not display on the HU. The enumeration stopped at "On-The-Go 1".

2.7.4.2 - Selecting playlists

Once the current view is *Playlist View*, the playlist can be changed. Either the rotary

1-20/Disc knob, the ⏮ and ⏭ buttons or the steering wheel controls may be used to change the playlist.



Button	Operation
	Use the 1-20/Disc knob to search through the playlists. CD01 starts blinking to indicate that a new playlist can be selected. Turning the knob clockwise goes to the next and turning the knob counterclockwise goes to the previous playlist.



Button	Channel	Operation
1	CDC	CD01 starts blinking to indicate that a new playlist can be selected.
3	SAT	
		Skip to next playlist
		Skip to previous playlist

You can search through the available playlists by using any of the buttons above as long as **CD01** blinks. **CD01** will continue to blink for a few seconds after you stopped scrolling. Once the blinking stops the playlist you selected becomes the active playlist and after a short delay the iPod starts playing the first song of the new playlist.

2.7.4.3 - Automatic Playlist Turnover

The iMIV Classic adapter will turn over automatically to the next indexed playlist if the current playlist has reached the end. The adapter switches to *Simple Mode* if it is through the last indexed playlist and the iPod starts playing the first song of all available music.

Tip!



If you want the playlist to turn over to the first song of that playlist after you played the last song set the "Repeat" option on your iPod to "All".

2.7.5 - Song View

During normal operation, when the iPod plays songs, the *Song View* is active and the HU display represents the current playing song number.

For example, **CD02 TRK13** shows that song number 13 of the selected Playlist is playing currently (because CD02 indicates were in song view). As soon as the next song starts playing, the HU display will update the song number accordingly.

2.7.5.1 - Selecting songs

You can search through the songs using the HU buttons when the *Song View* is active. The HU display will immediately update the song number to the one you have selected.



Button	iPod Operation
	Skip to next track
	Skip to previous track
*	1. Press button short: Skips 10 songs forward

	2.	Hold button down: Fast forward in current track
◀* ▶*	1.	Press button short: Skips 10 songs backwards
	2.	Hold button down: Fast reverse in current track

* not existent on all HUs

When searching through songs is completed there is a short delay before the selected song actually starts playing. The delay is approximately 0.5 seconds and within this time frame search buttons can be combined to scroll to your favourite song with speed and convenience. During this time the ▶▶ button acts as a “ten song advance” and the ◀◀ button acts as a “ten songs back.”

For example, if you're current song is number 11 and you want to scroll to song number 32 press ▶▶ twice shortly and immediately press ◀◀ once after that.

2.7.6 – Playlist/Artist/ Song Text Display

Text display is only available if your iMIV Classic is in Advanced Mode and running on the MD Channel or the SAT Channel.

To change the HU display, you'll need to push one of the following buttons;

Channel	Button	Operation
SAT	 RND*	Push RND to switches display and scrolls through lines like playlist name, artist name, song name and status.
MDC	 1-20 / DISC PUSH MEM	Push 1-20/DISC to switch the display, scrolling through lines like playlist name, artist name, song name and status.

*In some rare HUs (Usually HU-850 or HU-450) that don't have the preset 1-6 buttons, you need to press the **SCAN** button instead of the **RND** button to change the display

2.7.7 – Switching back to Simple Mode

Simple Mode is seen as the LAST playlist in the *Advanced Mode*, so to get back to it you just have scroll through your playlists until you get to the last one.

For example (using the CDC firmware), Simply just switch to *Playlist View*, select playlist **CD01 TRK99** and wait until the iPod screen unlocks and the iMIV Classic logo disappears. While doing that the iPod will pause for a few seconds and after that continues to play the current song.

2.8 – Playback Button Reference

Here is a listing of HU button controls ordered by the HU channel used in playback / display.

2.8.1 – External 10 CD Changer (CDC)

- In Simple Mode:

Button	Operation
	Skip to next track
 or 	Press Preset 1 or rotate the 1-20/DISC knob 1 click clockwise to switch to <i>Advanced Mode</i>
	1. Short Press: Skip to next track 2. Hold: Scan forward through current track
	1. Short Press: Skip to previous track 2. Hold: Scan backwards through current track

- In Advanced Mode:

Button	Operation
	Switch <i>Random</i> on/off
 or 	Press Preset 1 or rotate 1-20/DISC knob 1 click clockwise to switch between <i>Song View</i> and <i>Playlist View</i>
	1. Short press: Skip to next track 2. Hold: Scan forward through current track 3. In <i>Playlist View</i> : Next playlist
	1. Short press: Skip to previous track 2. Hold: Scan backwards through current track 3. In <i>Playlist View</i> : Previous playlist

2.8.2 – External MD Changer (MDC)

- In Simple Mode:

Button	Operation
	Skip to next track



	Rotate 1-20/DISC knob 1 click clockwise to switch into <i>Advanced Mode</i>
	1. Short press: Skip to next track 2. Hold: Scan forward through current track
	1. Short press: Skip to previous track 2. Hold: Scan backwards through current track

- In Advanced Mode:



Button	Operation
	Switch <i>Random</i> on/off
	Rotate 1-20/DISC knob 1 click clockwise to switch between <i>Song View</i> and <i>Playlist View</i>
	Push 1-20/DISC to switch the display, scrolling through lines like playlist name, artist name, song name and status. The status line shows the playlist and song number currently playing, e.g. P01 03% (the percentage sign '%' indicates <i>Random</i> mode, see above)
	Press short: skip 10 songs forward
	Press short: skip 10 songs backwards
	1. Short press: Skip to next track 2. Hold: Scan forward through current track
	1. Short press: Skip to previous track 2. Hold: Scan backwards through current track

2.8.3 – External Satellite Receiver

- In Simple Mode:



Button	Operation
	Switches display and scrolls through a static display (Simple Mode , SENSOLUTIONS INC , iMIV Classic for iPod , -iPod-)
	Switch to <i>Advanced Mode</i>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Short press: Skip to next track 2. Hold: Scan forward through current track
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Short press: Skip to previous track 2. Hold: Scan backwards through current track

- In Advanced Mode:



Button	Operation
	Switches display and scrolls through lines like playlist name, artist name, song name and status. The status line shows the playlist and song number currently playing, e.g. P01 03% (the percentage sign '%' indicates <i>Random</i> mode, see below)
	Switches <i>Random</i> play mode on/off. A percentage sign in the status line indicates if <i>Random</i> mode is on.
	Switch between <i>Song View</i> and <i>Playlist View</i> *
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Press short: Skip to next track 2. Hold: Scan forward through current track
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Press short: Skip to previous track 2. Hold: Scan backwards through current track

* ... HU display should be in *status* or *playlist name* line in order to see the new playlist selection

3.0 – All About Firmware

When using the stock firmware file the device will show up on the *CD Changer* input and the display will show: **CD01 TRK01**

Changing the firmware version to a different channel makes sense if there is already a device running on the external 10 CD Changer. In that case you would just choose one of the other options that are still available in your Volvo's HU. The new channel will be added to your HU's source list once the firmware has been uploaded to your iMIV Classic (as long as it supports it).

3.1 – Firmware Updates

You can download new firmware files and versions from our iMIV website, www.imiv.ca. In order to do so you have to sign up and create a user account; after that you are able to access a download page with all available firmware files.

There are three possible firmware channels you can load onto the iMIV Classic. They will change the channel that it emulates on the HU. The possible channels are:

- CDC
- MDC
- SAT

To ensure that you download the correct file, please select the appropriate HU, iMIV, iPod and desired channel from the drop down menus near the top of the download page. Installing an incompatible firmware will cause the adaptor to fail and will necessitate an emergency update.

3.1.2 – Update Process Over iPod, Non-Emergency

The iMIV Classic adapter features a sophisticated but simple method of uploading new firmware into the adapter's flash memory by simply playing a sound file on the iPod. It is highly recommended to upgrade the firmware when a new firmware release becomes available.

Before firmware uploading can be commenced, the firmware sound file needs to be uploaded to your iPod. After selecting and downloading the appropriate firmware file it has to be transferred to the iPod using iTunes.

It is recommended to place the firmware sound file in a unique music library location in iTunes, so the file is isolated from the rest of your music collection and can be easily found and selected. For example create a new genre named "iMIV" and label the new firmware file with it. Then, when the iPod is synced with iTunes the firmware file can be located easily.

3.1.2.1 – Putting the iMIV Classic Into Service Mode

First of all you have to select the channel of your current firmware (which would be the external 10 CD Changer for the pre-installed version). Have it in *Simple Mode* and pause the iPod if it is playing. It might even be a good idea to navigate to the firmware. Then switch into *Service Mode* using the procedure below:

- Using the **Preset Buttons –CDC or MDC Channel**



Button	Operation
2 + ⏩	Press the Preset 2 button 10 times and press ⏩ in order to put the iMIV Classic into firmware mode (iMIV Classic adapter is waiting for a new firmware file)
2 + ⏪	Press the Preset 2 button 10 times and press ⏪ in order to see the firmware revision number and iMIV Classic serial number on the iPod display

- Using the **Preset Buttons – SAT Channel**



Button	Operation
5 + ⏩	Press the Preset 5 button 10 times and press ⏩ in order to put the iMIV Classic into firmware mode (iMIV Classic adapter is waiting for a new firmware file)
5 + ⏪	Press the Preset 5 button 10 times and press ⏪ in order to see the firmware revision number and iMIV Classic serial number on the iPod display

- Using the **1-20/DISC** knob:



Button	Operation
 + 	Rotate the 1-20/DISC knob 10 clicks counter clockwise and press  in order to put the iMIV Classic into firmware mode (iMIV Classic adapter is waiting for a new firmware file)
 + 	Rotate the 1-20/DISC knob 10 clicks counter clockwise and press  in order to see the firmware revision number and iMIV Classic serial number on the iPod display

When the iMIV Classic is in service mode the HU will display either a **CD ERROR**, **MD ERROR** or

SAT ERROR. This is normal behavior. As well, the LED on the side of the iMIV Classic starts flashing red and green and the iPod stops charging.

3.1.2.2 -Uploading The New Firmware File

1. Start playing the firmware sound file on your iPod. The adapter expects the firmware sound file to be started within approximately 30 seconds. The indication LED remains blinking red/green during this time to indicate that a firmware file can be started. If the adapter does not recognize a valid firmware file or the file has not been started during the blinking of the indication LED it breaks off the procedure without uploading firmware and returns to normal operation. The indication LED will light green and the iPod starts charging again.
2. When uploading has started (user started playing the firmware file within the 30 seconds) the indication LED lights red constantly with a short green flash every 2 seconds. This process will take a few minutes to finish. A beeping/crackling noise is heard on the audio system. You can select another channel or turn down the volume completely. *It is very important **NOT to pause the firmware file during uploading**, that could result in corrupted firmware and causes the adapter to fail, from which it can only be recovered through a new upload cycle!* Once the sound file is played all the way through, the indication LED flashes green 4 times shortly to indicate a

successful upload. The adapter returns to normal operation with a green indication LED and the HU reflects the changes after a few seconds.

3. After that turn the ignition off and wait for at least 30 seconds or until the indication LED has switched off. Turn the ignition back on and check if everything works as expected. If the expected HU channels do not show up at all, something went wrong with the upload and the adapter fails to operate normally. In that case you can use the emergency update procedure to restore a correct firmware onto the adapter.



The adapter stops charging the iPod once the firmware uploading is enabled. Therefore it is critical that the iPod is charged sufficiently since firmware uploading takes a few minutes to finish. If the iPod stops in the middle of firmware uploading for any reason, the firmware of the adapter is corrupted and the adapter will not operate normally anymore. Only the emergency procedure can be used in this case to upload new firmware and have the adapter operational again.

3.1.3 – Update Process Over iPod, Emergency

In rare occasions, uploading firmware may have been unsuccessful for any reason, causing corrupted firmware of the adapter and failure of its operation. The most likely reason is that the transfer of the sound file has been interrupted, e.g. because the iPod was paused accidentally or the iPod lacked enough power to play for a few minutes or the external factors introduced some kind of unacceptable electrical noise.

1. Turn off the ignition and wait for at least 30 seconds or until the indication LED is switched off.
2. Set the switch on the side of the adapter marked as “prg” to position “1”.
3. Connect your iPod, pause the iPod and navigate to the firmware sound file on your iPod but do not start playing it yet.
4. Turn on the ignition. The indication LED on the adapter lights red.
5. Wait approximately 2 seconds. The adapter starts up in firmware upload mode just as if normal firmware uploading had been activated via the HU and is ready to receive new firmware. The iPod is not being charged. The indication LED starts blinking red/green after approximately 2 seconds. The adapter will not communicate with the HU which results in an error being displayed on the HU (depending on the current firmware version **CD ERROR**, **MD ERROR** or **SAT ERROR**). *This is normal behavior.*

6. Start playing the firmware sound file on your iPod. The adapter expects the firmware sound file to be started within approximately 30 seconds. The indication LED remains flashing red/green during this time to indicate that a firmware file can be started. If the adapter does not recognize a valid firmware file or the file has not been started within 30 seconds it stops the procedure without uploading firmware and returns to normal operation.
7. If uploading has started the LED lights constantly red with a short green flash every 2 seconds. The uploading will take a few minutes to finish. *It is very important **NOT to pause the firmware file during uploading**, that could result in corrupted firmware and causes the adapter to fail, from which it can only be recovered through a new upload cycle!* Once the sound file has finished playing, the indication LED flashes green 4 times shortly to indicate a successful upload. The adapter returns to normal operation with a green indication LED and the HU reflects the changes after a few seconds.
8. Turn off the ignition and wait for at least 30 seconds or until the indication LED is switched off. Reset the switch from position "1" back to position "2".
9. Turn on the ignition and check if everything works as expected. If the additional HU channels do not show up, something went wrong with the upload and the adapter fails to operate normally. Re-engage the emergency procedure to restore correct firmware to the adapter.

3.1.4 - Possible Issues And How To Resolve Them



The iMIV Classic adapter is in *Service Mode* but the LED is solid green just a few seconds after the firmware file has been started.



The reason for that problem is a version conflict. That means that either the firmware file is not compatible with the hardware revision of your iMIV Classic or the firmware does not match the iPod model.

Solutions:

1. Check, that you downloaded the right revision number for your iMIV Classic hardware revision (see **Error! Reference source not found.** for details and use the filter function on our download page)
2. Select the right iPod model in your profile. Firmware files are being pre-filtered by your profile settings so if you want to perform a successful firmware upgrade with an iPod Nano (2nd generation) you have to select exactly this model in your profile.

4.0 – Warranty, Disclaimer and Liability

4.1- Warranty

Please retain the receipt as proof of purchase, write down the following information and keep it in a safe place in the unlikely event that you need to obtain support information.

- Sensolutions Product (MII, iMIV Classic etc)
- Date of Purchase
- Serial Number
- Invoice Number and/or Dealer

The Sensolutions MII LE carries a one year limited warranty that protects you from defects in materials and workmanship. We do not warranty any installation. Should a product fail to perform as described above within the warranty period, it will be repaired or replaced with a product of the same functional equivalency by Sensolutions Inc, at its discretion, free of charge to you. To be eligible for warranty services you need to:

1. Obtain a Return Materials Authorization (RMA) number from Sensolutions
2. Return the failed product to a Sensolutions designated repair facility with shipping charges paid. Please follow the shipping instructions provided to you as they will prevent excess shipping charges.
3. Provide Sensolutions with proof of the original date of purchase.

Repaired or replaced products will be returned to you with shipping charges prepaid. If Sensolutions is unable to repair or replace the defective product, you will be issued a refund and fair market value. Warranty does not cover normal wear and tear, improper installation or operation, or damage due to negligence. Warranty is void if product is opened. The maximum liability of Sensolutions Inc. under this warranty is limited to the purchase price of the product covered by the warranty. Prior to returning any defective product, you must obtain a Return Materials Authorization (RMA) number from Sensolutions.

All defective products must be returned to Sensolutions with shipping charges prepaid. Sensolutions will not accept collect shipments. Products found to be in full

working condition will be returned to the customer at their expense. Therefore please double check your setup and configuration. If in doubt call us!

4.2 – Disclaimer and Liability

The iMIV Classic adapter's design and specifications are subject to change without notice.

Future firmware updates for your iPod may affect the features and functions described in this manual.

In general, the iPod has not been designed to withstand temperature extremes in automobiles. Consult the iPod's Owner Manual regarding acceptable operation and storage temperatures.

Sensolutions is not liable for any incidental, consequential or indirect damages. Nor can we be held liable for warranties that are voided because of the use of this adapter.

In case of erratic behavior of your car's electrical system please disconnect your iMIV Classic first and have it checked by your installer. Sensolutions assumes no liability for any diagnostic fees or added installation costs.

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