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# Introduction

## Product Description

The American Power Conversion (APC®) NetBotz® Rack Monitor 200 software interface provides the information you need to monitor and control your environment. Depending on the protocol you use to access the Rack Monitor 200, one of two software interfaces opens: the control console or the Web interface. Each software interface allows you to configure your system, monitor the physical environment, view logs and graphs, and perform administration tasks such as set up users and user notifications.

## Document Overview

This document provides complete details on how to use the NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 software interface.

## Additional Documentation

Unless otherwise noted, the following documentation is available on the CD provided with the appliance or on the applicable product page on the APC Web site, [www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com). To quickly find a product page, enter the product name or part number in the Search field.

***NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Installation and Quick Configuration Manual*** – includes a physical description, system installation procedures, configuration instructions, access instructions, specifications, warranty, and life support details for the NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 (NBRK0200).

***NetBotz Rack Sensor Pod 150 Installation Manual*** – includes a physical description, installation procedures, configuration instructions, specifications, warranty, and life support details for the NetBotz Rack Sensor Pod 150 (NBPD0150).

# Terminology

Below are key terms used throughout this document. Familiarize yourself with the terminology below before reading further.

**Expansion Module.** Term used throughout this document and in the software interface to refer to the Rack Sensor Pod 150.

**Main Module.** Term used throughout this document and in the software interface to refer to the Rack Monitor 200.

**module.** Term used to refer to either a Main Module and any Expansion Modules.

**NetBotz Rack Sensor Pod 150.** The actual name for the Expansion Modules.

**NetBotz Rack Monitor 200.** The actual name for the Main Module.

**remote sensor.** Any sensor in the system connected to an A-Link port.

**system.** The Rack Monitor 200 and all connected sensors, Rack Sensor Pod 150s, and any other devices.

# Access Procedures

## Overview

Two interfaces (Web interface and control console) provide menus with options that allow you to manage the Main Module.



For more information about the internal user interfaces, see [Control Console](#) or [Web Interface](#).

The Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) interface allows you to use an SNMP browser with the PowerNet<sup>®</sup> Management Information Base (MIB) to manage the Main Module.



To use the PowerNet MIB with an SNMP browser, see the *PowerNet SNMP Management Information Base (MIB) Reference Guide*, which is provided on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD*.

## Initial setup

You must define the following three TCP/IP settings for the Main Module before it can operate on the network:

- IP address of the Main Module
- Subnet mask
- IP address of the default gateway



Do not use the loopback address (127.0.0.1) as the default gateway address for the Main Module. Doing so disables the Main Module. You must then log on using a serial connection and reset TCP/IP settings to their defaults.



To configure the TCP/IP settings, see the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Installation and Quick Configuration Manual*, provided in printed form and in PDF form on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD*.

For detailed information on how to use a DHCP server to configure the TCP/IP settings at the Main Module, see [TCP/IP and Communication Settings](#).

## Access priority for logging on

Only one user at a time can log on to the Main Module to use its interface. The priority for access, beginning with the highest priority, is as follows:

- Local access to the control console from a computer with a direct serial connection to the Main Module.
- Telnet or Secure SHell (SSH) access to the control console from a remote computer.
- Web access, either directly or through the InfraStruXure<sup>®</sup> Central or InfraStruXure Manager.



See [SNMP](#) for information about how SNMP access to the Main Module is controlled.

## Types of user accounts

The Main Module has three levels of access (Administrator, Device User, and Read-Only User), all of which are protected by user name and password requirements.

- An Administrator can use all of the menus in the Web interface and control console. The default user name and password are both **apc**.
- A Device User can access only the following menus:
  - In the Web interface, the menus on the **Home**, **Sensors**, and **Outputs** tabs, and the event and data logs, accessible under **Events** and **Data** left navigation menu options of the **Logs** tab.
  - In the control console, the equivalent features and options. (The Device User account-type is called Device Manager in the control console.)  
The default user name is **device**, and the default password is **apc**.
- A Read-Only User has the following restricted access:
  - Access through the Web interface only.
  - Access to the same tabs and menus as the Device User, but without the capability to change configurations, control devices, delete data, or use file transfer options. Links to configuration options are visible but disabled, and the event and data logs display no buttons to clear the logs or to open them in another window.  
The default user name is **readonly**, and the default password is **apc**.



You must use the Web interface to configure values for the Read-Only User.



To set **User Name** and **Password** values for the three account types, see [Setting user access \(Administration>Security>Local Users>options\)](#).

# Recovering From a Lost Password

Use a local computer connected to the Main Module to access the control console.

1. Select a serial port at the local computer; disable any service that uses the port.
2. Connect the serial cable (APC part number 940-0024 or 940-1524) to the selected port on the computer and to the RS-232 Console Port at the Main Module.
3. Run a terminal program (such as HyperTerminal<sup>®</sup>) on your computer and configure the selected port to have 9600 bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, and no flow control.
4. Press ENTER, repeatedly if necessary, to display the **User Name** prompt. If you are unable to display the **User Name** prompt, verify the following:
  - The serial port is not in use by another application.
  - The terminal settings are correct as specified in step 3.
  - The correct cable is being used as specified in step 2.
5. Press the **Reset** button on the front of the Main Module. The Status LED will flash alternately orange and green. Press the **Reset** button a second time immediately while the LED is flashing to reset the user name and password to their defaults temporarily.
6. Press ENTER as many times as necessary to redisplay the **User Name** prompt, then use the default, **apc**, for the user name and password. (If you take longer than 30 seconds to log on after the **User Name** prompt is redisplayed, you must repeat step 5 and log on again.)
7. From the **Control Console** menu, select **System**, then **User Manager**.
8. Select **Administrator**, and change the **User Name** and **Password** settings, both of which are now defined as **apc**.
9. Select **Accept changes**.
10. Press CTRL+C, log off, reconnect any serial cable you disconnected, and restart any service you disabled.

# Watchdog Features

## Overview

To detect internal problems and recover from unanticipated inputs, the Main Module uses internal, system-wide watchdog mechanisms. When it restarts to recover from an internal problem, a **System: Warmstart** event is recorded in the event log.

## Network interface watchdog mechanism

The Main Module implements internal watchdog mechanisms to protect itself from becoming inaccessible over the network. For example, if the Main Module does not receive any network traffic for 9.5 minutes (either direct traffic, such as SNMP, or broadcast traffic, such as an Address Resolution Protocol [ARP] request), it assumes that there is a problem with its network interface and restarts.

## Resetting the network timer

To ensure that the Main Module does not restart if the network is quiet for 9.5 minutes, the Main Module attempts to contact the Default Gateway every 4.5 minutes. If the gateway is present, it responds to the Main Module, and that response restarts the 9.5-minute timer. If your application does not require or have a gateway, specify the IP address of a computer that is running on the network most of the time and is on the same subnet. The network traffic of that computer will restart the 9.5-minute timer frequently enough to prevent the Main Module from restarting.

# Control Console

## How to Log On

### Overview

You can use either a local (serial) connection or a remote (Telnet or SSH) connection with a computer on the same network (LAN) as the Main Module (Rack Monitor 200) to access the control console.

Use case-sensitive **User Name** and **Password** entries to log on (by default, **apc** and **apc** for an Administrator, or **device** and **apc** for a Device Manager, which is the same user account as Device User in the Web interface). A Read-Only User has no access to the control console.



If you cannot remember your user name or password, see [Recovering From a Lost Password](#).

### Remote access to the control console

An Administrator can access the control console through Telnet or SSH. Telnet is enabled by default. Enabling SSH automatically disables Telnet.

To enable or disable these access methods:

- In the Web interface, on the **Administration** tab, select **Network** on the top menu bar, then the **access** option under **Console** on the left navigation menu.
- In the control console, choose the **Network** menu, then the **Telnet/SSH** option.

**Telnet for basic access.** Telnet provides the basic security of authentication by user name and password, but not the high-security benefits of encryption.

To use Telnet to access the control console:

1. From a computer on the same network as the Main Module, at a command prompt, type `telnet` and the system IP address for the Main Module (when the Main Module uses the default Telnet port of 23), and press ENTER. For example:

```
telnet 198.168.6.133
```



If the Main Module uses a non-default port number (from 5000 to 32768), you must include a colon or a space (depending on your Telnet client) between the IP address and the port number.

2. Enter the user name and password (by default, **apc** and **apc** for an Administrator, or **device** and **apc** for a Device Manager).

**SSH for high-security access.** If you use the high security of SSL for the Web interface, use Secure SHell (SSH) for access to the control console. SSH encrypts user names, passwords, and transmitted data. The interface, user accounts, and user access rights are the same whether you access the control console through SSH or Telnet, but to use SSH, you must first configure SSH and have an SSH client program installed on your computer.

## Local access to the control console

For local access to the control console, use a computer that connects to the Main Module through the serial port on the front of the unit.

1. Select a serial port at the computer, and disable any service that uses the port.
2. Connect the supplied serial cable (APC part number 940-0103) from the selected port on the computer to the serial port on the front of the Main Module.
3. Run a terminal program (e.g., HyperTerminal) on your computer, and configure the selected port for 9600 bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, and no flow control.
4. Press ENTER, repeatedly if necessary, to display the **User Name** prompt.
5. Enter your user name and password.

# Main Screen

## Sample main screen

Following is an example of the screen displayed when you log on to the control console at a Main Module.

```
American Power Conversion          Network Management Card AOS      vx.x.x
(c) Copyright 2007 All Rights Reserved NetBotz 200 App                vx.x.x
-----
Name       : myMgmt System          Date : 07/29/2007
Contact    : Eileen Jenson         Time : 10:06:10
Location   : Testing lab 1         User  : Administrator
Up Time    : 0 Days 19 Hours 28 Minutes Stat : P+ N+ A+

T/H Sensors : Normal              Outputs      : Normal
Input Sensors: Normal             Module       : Critical

----- Control Console -----

1- Device Manager
2- Network
3- System
4- Logout

<ESC>- Main Menu, <ENTER>- Refresh, <CTRL-L>- Event Log
```



The module name appears only when an A-Link Power Overload alarm exists.

## Information and status fields

### Main screen information fields.

- Two fields identify the APC operating system (AOS) and application (APP) firmware versions. The application firmware name identifies the type of device that connects to the network. In the preceding example, [Sample main screen](#), the application firmware for the Main Module (NetBotz 200 App) is displayed.

```
Network Management Card AOS      vx.x.x
NetBotz 200 App                  vx.x.x
```

- Three fields identify the system name, contact person, and location of the Main Module. (To set these values at the control console, select the **System** menu, then **Identification**.)

```
Name       : myMgmt System
Contact    : Eileen Jenson
Location   : Testing lab 1
```

- The **Up Time** field reports how long the Main Module has been running since it was last reset or since power was applied.

```
Up Time: 0 Days 19 Hours 28 Minutes
```

- Two fields identify the most recent date and time the screen was refreshed.

```
Date : 07/29/2007
Time : 10:06:10
```

- The **User** field identifies whether you logged on through the Administrator or Device Manager account. (The Read-Only User account cannot access the control console.)

```
User : Administrator
```

## Main screen status fields.

- A **Stat** field reports the Main Module status.

Stat : P+ N+ A+

<b>P+</b>	The APC operating system (AOS) is functioning properly. <b>NOTE:</b> If the AOS status is not P+, contact <a href="#">APC Worldwide Customer Support</a> , even if you can still access the Main Module.
<b>N+</b>	The network is functioning properly.
<b>N?</b>	A BOOTP request cycle is in progress.
<b>N-</b>	The Main Module failed to connect to the network.
<b>N!</b>	Another device is using the IP address of the Main Module.
<b>A+</b>	The application is functioning properly.
<b>A-</b>	The application has a bad checksum.
<b>A?</b>	The application is initializing.
<b>A!</b>	The application is not compatible with the AOS.

**Status fields.** The status fields display the status of each device connected to the Main Module or an Expansion Module. **Normal**, **Warning**, or **Critical** is displayed.

# Control Console Menus

## How to use control console menus

The menus in the control console list options by number and name. To use an option, type the option's number and press ENTER, then follow any on-screen instructions. If you use an option that changes a setting or value, select **Accept Changes** to save your changes before you exit the menu.

While using a menu, you can also do the following:

- Type ? and press ENTER to access brief menu option descriptions, if help exists for the menu.
- Press ENTER to refresh the menu.
- Press ESC to go back to the menu from which you accessed the current menu.
- Press CTRL+C to return to the main (**Control Console**) menu.
- Press CTRL+D to toggle through the **T/H Sensors**, **Input Sensors**, **Outputs**, and **Module Identification** menus.
- Press CTRL+L to access the event log.

## Control console structure

For menus that are not specific to the Main Module or Expansion Modules, option names and location of options may be different from the Web interface. These menu items are shared among APC network-enabled devices, and the menu structure in the control console ensures compatibility with scripts and programs that may rely on that structure.

## Main menu

Use the **Main** menu to access the management features of the control console.

- 1- Device Manager
- 2- Network
- 3- System
- 4- Logout



When you log on as Device Manager, you can access only the **Device Manager** menus and the **Logout** option.

## Device Manager menus

Use the **Device Manager** menu to select the components to manage. For example:

- 1- T/H Sensors
- 2- Input Sensors
- 3- Outputs
- 4- Module Identification

Use the **T/H Sensors** option to view the temperature, humidity (if applicable), and alarm status recorded by each temperature and humidity sensor connected to the system. This option also allows users to configure temperature thresholds and rate-of-change settings, enable or disable alarm generation, and reset rate-of-change alarms.

Use the **Input Sensors** option to view the name, status, location, and identification information for each dry contact sensor connected to the system and to configure dry contact sensors.



See [Dry Contact Inputs](#) page for information about configuration settings.

Use the **Outputs** option to view information about the beacon, the switched outlet, or the relay output. Configure the identification information and normal state of the output devices, map alarms that will activate the output device, and manually change the state of the device.

Use the **Module Identification** option to view the model number, serial number, and hardware version of each Main Module or Expansion Module, and the version of firmware it is running. Configure the name and location of the device and, for an Expansion Module, cause the identification LED to blink.

## Network menu

Use the **Network** menu to complete the following tasks:

- Configure the TCP/IP settings for the Main Module.
- Use the Ping utility (available only through the control console).
- Define settings that affect the DNS, FTP, Telnet/SSH, Web interface, SSL, SNMPv1, SNMPv3, e-mail, Modbus, and Syslog features of the Main Module.

## System menu

Use the **System** menu to complete the following tasks:

- Control **Administrator** and **Device Manager** access. (You cannot control Read-Only User access through the control console.)
- Define the system **Name**, **Contact**, and **Location** values.
- Set the **Date** and **Time** used by the Rack Monitor 200.
- Through the **Tools** menu:
  - Restart the Main Module interface.
  - Reset parameters to their default values.
  - Delete SSH host keys and SSL certificates.
  - Upload an initialization file.
  - Transfer files.
- Through the **RADIUS** menu:
  - Define access, primary and secondary servers, and primary and secondary server secrets.
  - Set Timeout in seconds.
- Access system information about the Main Module.

# Web Interface

## Introduction

### Overview

The Web interface provides options to manage the Main Module (Rack Monitor 200), the Rack Sensor Pod 150 connected to the Main Module, and other supported devices.



See [Web \(Administration>Network>Web>options\)](#) for information on how to select, enable, and disable the protocols that control access to the Web interface and to define the Web-server ports for the protocols.

### Supported Web browsers

You can use Microsoft® Internet Explorer® (IE) 5.5 and higher (on Windows® operating systems only), Firefox, version 1.x, by Mozilla Corporation (on all operating systems), or Netscape® 7.x and higher (on all operating systems) to access the Main Module through its Web interface. Other commonly available browsers also may work but have not been fully tested by APC.



To use the Web interface, it is not required that you enable JavaScript® for your Web browser. It is recommended, however, for optimal functioning of the interface.

In addition, the Main Module cannot work with a proxy server. Therefore, before you can use a Web browser to access the Web interface, you must do one of the following:

- Configure the Web browser to disable the use of a proxy server for the Main Module.
- Configure the proxy server so that it does not proxy the specific IP address of the Main Module.

# How to Log On

## Overview

You can use the DNS name or System IP address of the Main Module for the URL address of the Web interface. Use your case-sensitive user name and password to log on. The default user name differs by account type:

- **apc** for an Administrator
- **device** for a Device User
- **readonly** for a Read-Only User

The default password is **apc** for all three account types.



If you are using HTTPS as your access protocol, your login credentials are compared with information in a server certificate. If the certificate was created with the APC Security Wizard, and an IP address was specified as the common name in the certificate, you must use an IP address to log on to the Main Module. If a DNS name was specified as the common name on the certificate, you must use a DNS name to log on.



For information about the Web page displayed when you log on, see [Overview Page](#).

## URL address formats

Type the DNS name or IP address of the Main Module in the Web browser's URL address field and press ENTER. When you specify a non-default Web server port in Internet Explorer, you must include `http://` or `https://` in the URL.

### Common browser error messages at log-on.

Error Message	Browser	Cause of the Error
"You are not authorized to view this page" or "Someone is currently logged in..."	Internet Explorer, Netscape, Firefox	Someone else is logged on.
"The connection was refused..."	Netscape	Web access is disabled, or the URL was not correct.
"This page cannot be displayed."	Internet Explorer	
"Unable to connect..."	Firefox	

### URL format examples.

- For a DNS name of Web1:
  - `http://Web1` if HTTP is your access mode
  - `https://Web1` if HTTPS is your access mode
- For a System IP address of 198.168.6.133, when the Main Module uses the default Web server port (80):
  - `http://198.168.6.133` if HTTP is your access mode
  - `https://198.168.6.133` if HTTPS is your access mode
- For a System IP address of 198.168.6.133, when the Main Module uses a non-default Web server port (5000, in this example):
  - `http://198.168.6.133:5000` if HTTP is your access mode
  - `https://198.168.6.133:5000` if HTTPS is your access mode

# Overview Page

## Overview

The first time you log on at the Web interface, the **Home** tab **Overview** page shows a summary of active alarm conditions and the most recent events recorded in the event log.



To change the page that displays at login, see [System Preferences \(Administration>General>Preferences\)](#).

## Quick status icons

One or more icons and accompanying text indicate the current operating status of the devices connected to the Main Module:

	<b>Critical:</b> A critical alarm exists, which requires immediate action.
	<b>Warning:</b> An alarm condition requires attention and could jeopardize your data or equipment if its cause is not addressed.
	<b>Normal:</b> No alarms are present. The Main Module and all connected devices are operating normally.

At the upper right corner of every page, the Web interface displays the same icons to report the status of the devices connected to the Main Module:

- The **Normal** icon if no alarms exist.
- One or both of the other icons (**Critical** and **Warning**) if any alarms exist, and after each icon, the number of active alarms of that severity.

To return to the **Overview** page to view a summary of the Main Module status, including the active alarms, click a quick status icon on any page of the interface.

## Recent Device Events

On the **Overview** page, **Recent Device Events** displays, in reverse chronological order, the events that occurred most recently, and the dates and times they occurred. Click **More Events** to view the entire event log.

## Help

Click **Help**, located in the upper right hand corner of the Web interface, to view context-sensitive information.

# How to Use the Tabs, Menus, Tables, and Links

## Tabs

In addition to the tab for the **Home** page, the following tabs are available. Click a tab to display a set of menu options.

- **Home**—view a summary of active alarm or warning conditions; this tab is displayed at login.
- **Sensors**—view the status of temperature and humidity sensors and dry contact sensors and configure sensors for alarm conditions.
- **Outputs**—view the status of and configure the beacon, relay output, and switched outlet.
- **Logs**—view and configure event and data logs.
- **Administration**—configure security, network connection, notification, and device settings.

## Menus

**Top menu bar.** The row of buttons underneath the tabs. Once you have selected a tab, use the top menu bar to begin navigating the tab. Clicking an option from the top menu bar changes the current page. The Logs tab does not have a top menu bar.

**Left navigation menu.** The Logs and Administration tabs have navigation menus along the left side of the page. A bold heading is a navigational link only if it does not have indented option names listed below it.

## Tables

Tables in the Web interface share some common functionality.

**To sort.** By default, rows in a table are typically sorted according to the left-most column, as indicated by a small triangle next to the column name. To sort by another column, click the column name. To change the sort order from ascending or descending, click the triangle next to the column name.

**To filter.** Some tables include filter buttons above or below the table that allow you to specify which records in the table you would like to view. For example, you can use a filter to configure a specific group of sensors. When you use the filtering feature, a funnel symbol appears at the top of any columns to which filter criteria applies. Filter settings are cleared when you log out.

**To modify filter settings:** Click the filter symbol in a column heading, or click the **Filter** button again.

**To clear filter settings and display all records:** Click the **Clear Filter** button.

## Quick Links

At the lower left on each page of the interface, there are three configurable links. By default, the links access the URLs for these Web pages:

- **Link 1:** The home page of the APC Web site
- **Link 2:** A demonstration page where you can use samples of APC Web-enabled products
- **Link 3:** Information about APC Remote Monitoring Services



To reconfigure the links, see [Configuring Links](#) (Administration>General>Quick Links).

# How to Troubleshoot

## Overview

This section covers how to troubleshoot problems related to the physical system setup including:

- Alarms that appear in the [Overview page](#) and the [Alarm Status page](#) of the Web interface
- Problems that you may notice when viewing the software interface

## A-Link Power Overload Alarm

An A-Link Power Overload alarm occurs due to the following:

- Too many devices connected to the A-Link ports
- A hardware problem
- An improper device connected to the A-Link bus

Perform the following steps until the alarm condition is corrected and the alarm clears:



This procedure requires you to troubleshoot your setup on-site while monitoring the Web interface or control console. See the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Installation and Quick Configuration Manual* for local access to the control console, if needed, and for system setup details. The *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Installation and Quick Configuration Manual* was provided with your Rack Monitor 200 and is also available on the APC Web site, [www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com).



If at any time you need assistance or if performing these steps does not resolve the problem, contact [APC Worldwide Customer Support](#) for further assistance.

1. Make sure your system setup does not exceed the number of allowable devices that can be cascaded from the A-Link ports.
2. Make sure all cables for devices connected to A-Link ports are connected correctly.
3. Disconnect cables from one or both A-Link ports of the Rack Monitor 200, as applicable.
  - If the alarm remains, a hardware problem exists with the Rack Monitor 200.
  - If the alarm cleared, reconnect cables to the A-Link ports and continue this procedure.
4. To find the device with the hardware problem:
  - a. Remove the A-Link terminator from the last device on the A-Link chain.
  - b. Disconnect the cable from the A-Link **out** port of the second to last device and install in its place the A-Link terminator you removed. If the alarm cleared, the device that you disconnected has a hardware problem.
  - c. If the error did not clear, remove the A-Link terminator and repeat [step a](#) and [step b](#) shortening the chain by one more device until all devices have been tested.

# Device Disconnected (or Lost Comm) Alarms

This section applies to the following devices and device alarms.

Device	Alarm
Temperature Sensor Temperature and Humidity Sensor Dry Contact Sensor Remote Temperature and Humidity Sensor	Sensor Disconnected
Main Module Expansion Module	Expansion Module Lost Comm
Beacon	Beacon Lost Comm or Beacon Disconnected

For a Sensor Disconnected alarm, the module to which the sensor is connected will report a Status of Critical on the [Module View page](#). If you click the module name to view the module details, Lost Comm will be displayed as the Status for the sensor with the alarm.

Causes of this alarm include:

- An improper connection
- A disconnected device
- A faulty device
- A bad cable



If you intentionally disconnected a sensor, module, or beacon, you can clear the Sensor Disconnected alarm from the Administration > General > Reset/Reboot page. From the Overview page or the Alarm Status page, perform the following:

1. Click the Reset Alarms link to go to the Reset/Reboot page.
2. Select **Reset Only**.
3. Select the **Lost Communication Alarms** checkbox.
4. Click **Apply**.

Perform the following steps until the alarm is cleared:



This procedure requires you to troubleshoot your setup on-site while monitoring the Web interface or control console. See the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Installation and Quick Configuration Manual* for local access to the control console, if needed, and for system setup details. The *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Installation and Quick Configuration Manual* was provided with your Rack Monitor 200 and is also available on the APC Web site, [www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com).



For additional assistance or if performing these steps does not resolve the problem, contact [APC Worldwide Customer Support](#).

Device Connection	Procedure
Universal Sensor Port or Beacon port	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make sure the device cable connection is secure and that the cable has not been damaged.</li> <li>2. Replace the device with a known good device of the same type. Did an alarm appear for the known good device?  <b>No.</b> The device was bad.  <b>Yes.</b> There is a problem with the Main Module or Expansion Module to which the device is connected.</li> </ol>
A-Link port	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make sure cables are correctly and securely connected to the <b>in</b> and <b>out</b> ports of all devices on the A-Link bus.</li> <li>2. Make sure A-Link terminators are securely installed in unused A-Link ports.</li> <li>3. Make sure the maximum combined length of all A-Link cables does not exceed 1000 m (3,280 ft).</li> </ol> <p><b>NOTE:</b> When one remote sensor or Expansion Module has a problem that causes a Device Disconnected alarm, all devices cascaded from the output port of the device will also report a Device Disconnected alarm.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. If more than one Device Disconnected alarm exists for devices that connect to A-Link ports, starting from the Main Module, identify the first device on the A-Link chain with the alarm.</li> <li>5. Make sure the cable to the device input port has not been damaged.</li> <li>6. Disconnect cables from one or both A-Link ports on the Main Module (Rack Monitor 200), as applicable. Did the alarm go away?  <b>No.</b> A hardware problem exists with the Rack Monitor 200.  <b>Yes.</b> Re-connect cables to the A-Link ports and continue this procedure.</li> <li>7. Replace the device with a known good device. Did the alarm go away?  <b>No.</b> Replace the cable to the device input connector.  <b>Yes.</b> The device that was removed was bad.</li> </ol>

# Software Interface Shows “Err”

Use the following instructions if **Err** appears anywhere in the software interface.



This procedure requires you to troubleshoot your setup on-site while monitoring the Web interface or control console. See the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Installation and Quick Configuration Manual* for local access to the control console, if needed, and for system setup details. The *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Installation and Quick Configuration Manual* was provided with your Rack Monitor 200 and is also available on the APC Web site, [www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com).

**Do you have one or more Temperature Sensors with Digital Display (AP9520T) or Temperature/Humidity Sensors with Digital Display (AP9520TH) connected to your system?**

No

Contact [APC Worldwide Customer Support](#) for further assistance.

**Do you have one or more Temperature Sensors with Digital Display (AP9520T) or Temperature/Humidity Sensors with Digital Display (AP9520TH) connected to your system?**

Yes

Older sensors with older firmware can cause **Err** to appear.

1. To identify any older sensors:

- Check the serial number. The serial number for older units will be less than ZA0635011442.
- Remove then reapply power by disconnecting then connecting the cable to the sensor **in** port. Note whether the firmware version number appears during the start-up sequence. Older units will not display the software version number. If **v 1.2.3** or higher appears, the sensor is running the new firmware and should work with your system.

2. Remove any old sensors from your system. The problem should be resolved when all older sensors with a digital display are removed from your system.

3. Contact [APC Worldwide Customer Support](#) for further assistance. For the older sensors, be sure to have the model number and serial number available.

## Sensors Connected, but Software Interface Shows “0 Connected”

This problem can occur if you have one or more older remote sensors, Temperature Sensors with Digital Display (AP9520T) or Temperature/Humidity Sensors with Digital Display (AP9520TH), connected to your system. If you have one or more remote sensors connected to your system, follow the troubleshooting procedure under [Software Interface Shows “Err”](#) on page 29 to determine if you have an older sensor. If you do not have any remote sensors connected to your system, contact [APC Worldwide Customer Support](#) for further assistance.

# Operation and Monitoring

## Commonly Performed Tasks

This chapter describes the Home, Sensors, and Outputs tabs of the Web interface. From these tabs you perform most of your daily tasks involving monitoring the system. Through these tabs you also access configuration pages for modules and sensors:



- To configure a module, see [Module View page](#)
- To configure a sensor, see [Temperature & Humidity page](#) or [Dry Contact Inputs page](#)

## Home Tab

### Overview page

The Overview page appears at initial login. Use the Overview page to view system status.



- To change the page that displays at login, see [System Preferences \(Administration>General>Preferences\)](#).

The Overview page displays the number of devices connected to the system, the ten most recent active alarms, and the five most recent device events, in reverse chronological order.

Normally, the top half of this page includes five regions titled Temperature & Humidity Sensors, Dry Contact Input Sensors, Beacon, Relay Output, and Switched Outlet. However, if a hardware alarm occurs for a module or if an A-Link Power Overload Alarm occurs, another region will appear displaying the alarm details.

If communication is lost to a device or if a temperature sensor's rate-of-change is exceeded, in addition to an alarm, a Reset Alarms link will appear.

**To clear a device disconnected (lost comm) or rate-of-change alarm:** Click the Reset Alarms link if, for example, you intentionally disconnected a sensor or you want to acknowledge a rate of change. The Administration tab's General page appears where you can reset the alarm.



For additional details on how to clear the alarm, see [How to Reboot, Reset Settings, and Clear Alarms \(Administration>General>Reset/Reboot\)](#).



If you have a Sensor Disconnected alarm and did not intentionally disconnect a sensor, see [Device Disconnected \(or Lost Comm\) Alarms](#) for troubleshooting details.

## System View page

Use the System View page to view all sensors currently connected to the system and the status of outputs (beacon, relay, and switched outlet).



To view the most recent data from each sensor, see [Temperature & Humidity page](#) and [Dry Contact Inputs page](#).



Any sensors with a Sensor Disconnected alarm will not be displayed in the System View page.

The System View page displays the following information about system devices:

- Status—Critical (a device connected to this module is reporting an alarm that requires immediate action), Warning (a device requires attention), or Normal (no device alarms are detected).
- Name—The name of the device. Click the device name to view or configure its settings.
- Location—The physical location of the device.
- Type—The type of device connected to the system.
- Module Name—The name of the module to which the device is connected. Click the name of a module to view or configure its settings.

## Module View page

Use the Module View page to view your system setup and to configure modules. The Module View page displays the following information for each module in your system.

- Status—Critical (a device connected to this module is reporting an alarm that requires immediate action), Warning (a device requires attention), or Normal (no device alarms are detected).
- Module Name—The name of the module.
- Module ID—**MM** for the Main Module. For Expansion Modules, the number displayed on the Identifier # LED.
- Location—The physical location of the module.



You perform the following tasks by first clicking the module name from the Module View page to display module details. Note that you can also display module details and perform the tasks in this section by clicking a module name anywhere in the Web interface when it is shown underlined.

**To view details for a module:** Click the module name to view all devices connected to the module, the module model and serial numbers, and the module hardware and firmware versions.



Any temperature and humidity sensors connected to an A-Link port will be displayed in the TH Sensors table for the Main Module details, even if they are connected to an A-Link port of an Expansion Module.

**To change a module name or location:** Click the module name. The system automatically detects all modules and displays them in the Web interface with default names shown in the table below. Change the Name and Location, then click **Apply**.

Type of module	Default Name
Main Module	MM
Expansion Module	Exp XX (where XX= Identifier #)

**To blink the identifier number LED on an Expansion Module:** Click the module name. Set the length of time for which you want the LED to blink. Select the **Blink Identifier #** checkbox and then click **Apply**.

**To configure a device connected to the module:** Click the module name. Then click the sensor or output to configure. Another page appears where you can configure the device. For further assistance go to [Temperature & Humidity page](#), [Dry Contact Inputs page](#), [Beacon page](#), [Relay Output page](#), or [Switched Outlet page](#).

## Alarm Status page

Use the Alarm Status page to view all active alarms for temperature and humidity sensors, dry contact sensors, a beacon, the relay output, and the switched outlet.

For each category, an icon reports the status:

- The **Normal** icon if no alarms exist.
- One or both of the other icons (**Critical** and **Warning**) if any alarms exist, and after each icon, the number of active alarms of that severity.

If communication is lost to a device or if a temperature sensor's rate-of-change is exceeded, in addition to an alarm, a Reset Alarms link will appear.

**To clear a device disconnected (lost comm) or rate-of-change alarm:** Click the Reset Alarms link if, for example, you intentionally disconnected a sensor or you want to acknowledge a rate of change. The Administration tab's General page appears where you can reset the alarm.



For additional details on how to clear the alarm, see [How to Reboot, Reset Settings, and Clear Alarms \(Administration>General>Reset/Reboot\)](#).



If you have a Sensor Disconnected alarm and did not intentionally disconnect a sensor, see [Device Disconnected \(or Lost Comm\) Alarms](#) for troubleshooting details.



Normally, the top half of this page includes five regions titled Temperature & Humidity Sensors, Dry Contact Input Sensors, Beacon, Relay Output, and Switched Outlet. However, if a hardware alarm occurs for a module or if an A-Link Power Overload Alarm occurs, another region will appear displaying the alarm details.

# Sensors Tab

## Temperature & Humidity page

Use the Temperature & Humidity page to view current readings for all temperature and humidity sensors connected to the system and to configure sensors.

**To change readings to Celsius or to Fahrenheit:** Click the thermometer icon in the upper right corner of the table.



To permanently change the temperature units, see [Changing the default temperature scale](#).



You perform the following tasks by first clicking the sensor name from the Temperature & Humidity page to display sensor details. Note that you can also display sensor details and perform the tasks in this section by clicking a sensor name anywhere in the Web interface when it is shown underlined.

**To change a sensor's name or location:** Click the sensor name. Change the **Name** and **Location**, then click **Apply**.

The system assigns any detected sensors a default name. For any remote sensors connected to A-Link ports, the default name includes **Rem**. For sensors connected to universal sensor ports, the default name includes the module to which the sensor is connected and the universal sensor port number. For example, **Sensor Exp03:4** is a sensor connected to universal sensor port 4 of Expansion Module 3.

**To enable or disable alarm generation:** Click the sensor name. Select or deselect the **Enable** checkbox, then click **Apply**.

When alarm generation is enabled for a sensor, the sensor reports an alarm for a threshold violation and the alarm is recorded in the event log. When alarm generation is disabled, the sensor continues to monitor the temperature of the surrounding air, but does not generate an alarm if the temperature violates a threshold setting.

**To configure a sensor's threshold or rate of change settings:** Click the sensor name. Click **Threshold Settings** or **Rate of Change Settings**, alter the settings (see descriptions below), then click **Apply**.

<b>Threshold Settings</b>	
Minimum Temperature Threshold	Set the minimum temperature threshold for this sensor. If the temperature drops below this threshold, an alarm occurs.
Low Temperature Threshold	Set the low temperature threshold for this sensor. If the temperature drops below this threshold, an alarm occurs. This threshold must be greater than <b>Minimum Temperature Threshold</b> .
High Temperature Threshold	Set the high temperature threshold for this sensor. If the temperature rises above this threshold, an alarm occurs. This threshold must be greater than the sum of <b>Low Temperature Threshold</b> and <b>Temperature Threshold Hysteresis</b> .
Maximum Temperature Threshold	Set the maximum temperature threshold for this sensor. If the temperature rises above this threshold, an alarm occurs. This threshold must be greater than <b>High Temperature Threshold</b> .
Temperature Threshold Hysteresis	The difference between the temperature threshold violation and the clearing point. Increasing this value prevents frequent alarms if temperature wavers slightly above and below the threshold before corrective actions restore the temperature to the clearing point.
Minimum Humidity Threshold	Set the minimum humidity threshold for this sensor. If the humidity drops below this threshold, an alarm occurs.
Low Humidity Threshold	Set the low humidity threshold for this sensor. If the humidity drops below this threshold, an alarm occurs. This threshold must be higher than <b>Minimum Humidity Threshold</b> .
High Humidity Threshold	Set the high humidity threshold for this sensor. If the humidity rises above this threshold, an alarm occurs. This threshold must be higher than the sum of <b>Low Humidity Threshold</b> and <b>Humidity Threshold Hysteresis</b> .
Maximum Humidity Threshold	Set the maximum humidity threshold for this sensor. If the humidity rises above this threshold, an alarm occurs. This threshold must be greater than <b>High Humidity Threshold</b> .

Humidity Threshold Hysteresis	The difference between the humidity threshold violation and the clearing point. Increasing this value prevents frequent alarms if humidity wavers slightly above and below the threshold before corrective actions restore the humidity to the clearing point.
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Rate of Change Settings	
Short-term Increasing Temperature Rate of Change	Set the maximum short-term increase in temperature that you want your system to allow. An alarm will occur if the temperature increases at a rate that is greater than the rate you have set.
Short-term Decreasing Temperature Rate of Change	Set the maximum short-term decrease in temperature that you want your system to allow. An alarm will occur if the temperature decreases at a rate that is greater than the rate you have set.
Long-term Increasing Temperature Rate of Change	Set the maximum long-term increase in temperature that you want your system to allow. An alarm will occur if the temperature increases at a rate that is greater than the rate you have set.
Long-term Decreasing Temperature Rate of Change	Set the maximum long-term decrease in temperature that you want your system to allow. An alarm will occur if the temperature decreases at a rate that is greater than the rate you have set.

**To configure all sensors or a defined group:** Follow this procedure to mass configure all sensors or a defined group of sensors. You can mass configure temperature and humidity thresholds, rate of change settings, the alarm generation setting, and the name and location. When mass-configuring **Name** and **Location** fields, you can use wildcards so the system creates unique names and locations based on automatically detected data about the module to which the sensor is connected.

1. Use filter settings to display the group of sensors to mass configure. (For information on setting filters, see [Tables](#).)
2. Click **Mass Configuration**. Make selections, then click **Next**.

3. Enter data in fields. If you chose **Name** or **Location**, include wildcard characters.



If wildcards are used during a mass configuration and then you make a change to your system upon which a wildcard character was based (for example, redefining the module location), you will have to repeat the mass configuration for the affected sensors.

Wildcard Character	Description
%m	The identification number of the Expansion Module to which the sensor is connected or <b>MM</b> for all remote sensors or sensors connected to the Main Module.
%p	The port number, from 1 to 6, for sensors connected to a universal sensor port, or for remote sensors, a number from 1 to 8, as defined by the remote sensor's DIP switch settings.
%l	The <b>Location</b> field of the module to which the sensor is connected.

4. Click **Apply**, then click **Finish**.

## Dry Contact Inputs page

Use the Dry Contact Inputs page to configure and to view the current status and state for all dry contact sensors, including APC door contact sensors connected to your system.

**To configure a sensor:** Click the name of the sensor to modify. Change settings, then click **Apply**.

Setting	Description
Normal State	Set this contact to either normally open or normally closed.
Severity	<b>Informational</b> , <b>Warning</b> (device status requires attention), or <b>Critical</b> (device status requires immediate attention).  Selecting the <b>Informational</b> severity setting causes all devices to display a status of Normal, even if devices are in an alarm state.
Alarm Generation	Enable or disable this sensor's ability to send alarms.

**To configure all sensors or a defined group:** Follow this procedure to mass configure all sensors or a defined group of sensors. When mass configuring **Name** and **Location** fields, you can use wildcards so the system creates unique names and locations based on automatically detected data about the module to which the sensor is connected.

1. Use filter settings to display the group of sensors to mass configure. (For information on setting filters, see [Tables](#).)
2. Click **Mass Configuration**. Make selections, then click **Next**.

3. Enter data in fields. If you chose **Name** or **Location**, include wildcard characters as desired.



If wildcards are used during a mass configuration and then you make a change to your system upon which a wildcard character was based (for example, redefining the module location), you will have to repeat the mass configuration for the affected sensors.

Wildcard Character	Description
%m	The identification number of the Expansion Module to which the sensor is connected or <b>MM</b> for all remote sensors or sensors connected to the Main Module.
%p	The port number, from 1 to 6, for sensors connected to a universal sensor port, or for remote sensors, a number from 1 to 8, as defined by the remote sensor's DIP switch settings.
%l	The <b>Location</b> field of the module to which the sensor is connected.

4. Click **Apply**, then click **Finish**.

# Outputs Tab

## Beacon page

Use the beacon page to manage a beacon, if installed. When the beacon is on, the Alarm Status will be **Abnormal State** and the State will be **On**.

**To turn off the beacon:** Select **Turn Beacon Off**, then click **Apply**.

**To change the Name or Location information for the beacon:** Click the appropriate field, make changes, then click **Apply**.

**To test the beacon:** Select **Turn Beacon On**. Then click **Apply**. To stop the beacon, select **Turn Beacon Off**. Then click **Apply**.

**To map alarm conditions to activate the beacon:** You can configure your system so that the beacon turns on when an alarm condition occurs for one, many, or all temperature and humidity sensors connected to the system.

1. In the section **Mapping: Alarm Reaction**, select types of alarms that will activate the beacon.
2. If, for a particular alarm, you do not want all applicable sensors to activate the beacon, click the alarm. Deselect sensors as desired, and then click **Apply**.



You cannot select or deselect specific sensors connected to Expansion Modules. Under **Expansion Modules**, select the **Any sensor** checkbox so that all sensors connected to all Expansion Modules will activate the beacon for the alarm. Deselect the **Any sensor** checkbox so that no sensors connected to Expansion Modules will activate the beacon for the alarm.

3. Click **Apply** again.

## Relay Output page

Select the **Outputs** tab and then the top menu item **Relay Output** to configure the relay output. Enter the name and location in the appropriate fields. Set the normal state of the output, open or closed.

To change the state of the output manually, select the setting in the **Control** field.

**To map a device alarm to activate a relay:** The relay can be activated only by the alarm states of sensors connected to the Main Module.

1. In the section **Mapping: Alarm Reaction**, select the alarm states that will activate the relay.
2. By default, all sensors connected to the Main Module are mapped to activate the relay output when in an abnormal state. Click the name of the abnormal state to view the sensors connected to the module.
3. Select devices to include in the alarm. Any selected device, in its abnormal state, activates the relay.
4. Click **Apply**.

## Switched Outlet page

Select the **Outputs** tab and then the top menu item **Switched Outlet** to configure the switched outlet. Enter the name and location in the appropriate fields. Set the normal state of the outlet, on or off.

To change the state of the outlet manually, select the setting in the **Control** field.

**To map a device alarm to activate an outlet:** The outlet can only be activated by the alarm states of sensors on the Main Module.

1. In the section **Mapping: Alarm Reaction**, select the alarm states that will activate the outlet.
2. By default, all sensors connected to the Main Module are mapped to activate the switched outlet when in an abnormal state. Click the name of the abnormal state to view the sensors connected to the module.
3. Select devices to include in the alarm. Any selected device, in its abnormal state, activates the outlet.
4. Click **Apply**.

# Administration: Security

## Local Users

### Setting user access (Administration>Security>Local Users>options)

You set the user name and password for each of the account types in the same manner. The maximum length of the user name is 10 characters; the maximum length of the password is 32 characters. Blank passwords (passwords with no characters) are not allowed.



For information on the permissions granted to each account type (Administrator, Device User, and Read-Only User), see [Types of user accounts](#).

Account Type	Default User Name	Default Password	Permitted Access
Administrator	apc	apc	Web interface and control console
Device User	device	apc	
Read-Only User	readonly	apc	Web interface only

# Remote Users

## Authentication (Administration>Security>Remote Users>Authentication)

Use this option to select how to administer remote access to this Main Module



For information about local authentication (authentication that can be administered without the centralized authentication provided by a RADIUS server), see the *Security Handbook* provided on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD* and available on the APC Web site at [www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com).

APC supports the authentication and authorization functions of RADIUS (Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service).

- When a user accesses the Main Module with RADIUS enabled, an authentication request is sent to the RADIUS server to determine the user's permission level.
- RADIUS user names used with the Main Module are limited to 32 characters.

Select one of the following:

- **Local Authentication Only:** RADIUS is disabled. Local authentication is enabled.
- **RADIUS, then Local Authentication:** RADIUS and local authentication are enabled. Authentication is requested from the RADIUS server first. If the RADIUS server fails to respond, local authentication is used.
- **RADIUS Only:** RADIUS is enabled. Local authentication is disabled.



If **RADIUS Only** is selected, and the RADIUS server is unavailable, improperly identified, or improperly configured, you must use a serial connection to the control console and change the **Access** setting to **Local Authentication Only** or **RADIUS, then Local Authentication** to regain access.

## RADIUS (Administration>Security>Remote Users>RADIUS)

Use this option to do the following:

- List the RADIUS servers (a maximum of two) available to the Main Module, and the time-out period for each.
- Click **Add Server**, and configure the parameters for authentication by a new RADIUS server.
- Click a listed RADIUS server to display and modify its parameters

RADIUS Setting	Definition
<b>RADIUS Server</b>	The server name or IP address of the RADIUS server. <b>NOTE:</b> RADIUS servers use port 1812 by default to authenticate users. To use a different port, add a colon followed by the new port number to the end of the RADIUS server name or IP address.
<b>Secret</b>	The shared secret between the RADIUS server and the Main Module.
<b>Timeout</b>	The time, in seconds, that the Main Module waits for a response from the RADIUS server.
<b>Test Settings</b>	Enter the Administrator user name and password to test the RADIUS server path that you have configured.
<b>Skip Test and Apply</b>	Do not test the RADIUS server path.
<b>Switch Server Priority</b>	Change which RADIUS server will authenticate users if two configured servers are listed and <b>RADIUS, then Local Authentication</b> or <b>RADIUS Only</b> is the enabled authentication method.

# Configuring the RADIUS Server

## Summary of the configuration procedure

You must configure your RADIUS server to work with the Main Module.



For examples of the RADIUS users file with Vendor Specific Attributes (VSAs) and an example of an entry in the dictionary file on the RADIUS server, see the *APC Security Handbook*.

1. Add the IP address of the Main Module to the RADIUS server client list (file).



RADIUS servers use port 1812 by default to authenticate users. To use a different port, add a colon followed by the new port number to the end of the RADIUS server name or IP address.

2. Users must be configured with Service-Type attributes unless Vendor Specific Attributes (VSAs) are defined. If no Service-Type attributes are configured, the user will have read-only access (on the Web interface only).



See your RADIUS server documentation for information about the RADIUS users file, and see the *APC Security Handbook* for an example.

3. Vendor Specific Attributes (VSA) can be used instead of the Service-Type attributes provided by the RADIUS server. VSAs require a dictionary entry and a RADIUS users file. In the dictionary file, define the names for the ATTRIBUTE and VALUE keywords, but not for the numeric values. If you change numeric values, RADIUS authentication and authorization will fail. VSAs take precedence over standard RADIUS attributes.



For examples of the RADIUS users file with VSAs and an example of an entry in the dictionary file on the RADIUS server, see the *APC Security Handbook*.

## Configuring a RADIUS server on UNIX<sup>®</sup>, with shadow passwords

If UNIX shadow password files are used (/etc/passwd) with the RADIUS dictionary files, the following two methods can be used to authenticate users:

- If all UNIX users have administrative privileges, add the following to the RADIUS **user** file. To allow only Device Users, change the APC-Service-Type to **Device**.

```
DEFAULT      Auth-Type = System
              APC-Service-Type = Admin
```

- Add user names and attributes to the RADIUS **user** file and verify password against /etc/passwd. The following example is for users **bconners** and **thawk**:

```
bconners     Auth-Type = System
              APC-Service-Type = Admin

thawk        Auth-Type = System
              APC-Service-Type = Device
```

### Supported RADIUS servers

APC supports FreeRADIUS and Microsoft Windows IAS Server. Other commonly available RADIUS applications may work but have not been fully tested by APC.

## Inactivity Timeout (Administration>Security>Auto Log Off)

Use this option to configure the time (3 minutes by default) that the system waits before logging off an inactive user.

# Administration: Network Features

## TCP/IP and Communication Settings

### TCP/IP settings (Administration>Network>TCP/IP)

The **TCP/IP** option on the left navigation menu, selected by default when you choose **Network** on the top menu bar, displays the current IP address, subnet mask, default gateway, and MAC address of the Main Module.

On the same page, **TCP/IP Configuration** provides the following options for how the TCP/IP settings will be configured when the Main Module turns on, resets, or restarts: **Manual**, **BOOTP**, **DHCP**, and **DHCP & BOOTP**.



For information on DHCP and BOOTP options, see **RFC2131** and **RFC2132**.

Setting	Description
Manual	The IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway must be configured manually. Click <b>Next&gt;&gt;</b> , and enter the new values.
BOOTP	<p>A BOOTP server provides the TCP/IP settings. At 32-second intervals, the Main Module requests network assignment from any BOOTP server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the Main Module receives a valid response, it starts the network services.</li> <li>• If the Main Module finds a BOOTP server, but the request to that server fails or times out, the Main Module stops requesting network settings until it is restarted.</li> <li>• By default, if previously configured network settings exist, and the Main Module receives no valid response to five requests (the original and four retries), it uses the previously configured settings so that it remains accessible.</li> </ul> <p>Click <b>Next&gt;&gt;</b> to access the <b>BOOTP Configuration</b> page to change the number of retries or the action to take if all retries fail<sup>1</sup>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Maximum retries:</b> Enter the number of retries that will occur when no valid response is received, or zero (0) for an unlimited number of retries.</li> <li>• <b>If retries fail:</b> Select <b>Use prior settings</b> (the default) or <b>Stop BOOTP request</b>.</li> </ul>
DHCP	<p>At 32-second intervals, the Main Module requests network assignment from any DHCP server. By default, the number of retries is unlimited.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the Main Module receives a valid response, by default it requires the APC cookie from the DHCP server in order to accept the lease and start the network services.</li> <li>• If the Main Module finds a DHCP server, but the request to that server fails or times out, the Main Module stops requesting network settings until it is restarted.</li> </ul> <p>To change these values, click <b>Next&gt;&gt;</b> to access the <b>DHCP Configuration</b> page<sup>1</sup>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Require vendor specific cookie to accept DHCP Address:</b> Disable or enable the requirement that the DHCP server provide the APC cookie.</li> <li>• <b>Maximum retries:</b> Enter the number of retries that will occur when no valid response is received, or zero (0) for an unlimited number of retries.</li> </ul>
<p>1 The default values for these three settings on the configuration pages generally do not need to be changed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vendor Class:</b> APC</li> <li>• <b>Client ID:</b> The MAC address of the Main Module, which uniquely identifies it on the local area network (LAN)</li> <li>• <b>User Class:</b> The name of the application firmware module</li> </ul>	

Setting	Description
DHCP & BOOTP	<p>The default setting. The Main Module tries to obtain its TCP/IP settings from a BOOTP server first, and then, if it cannot discover a BOOTP server, from a DHCP server. If it obtains its TCP/IP settings from either server, it switches this setting to <b>BOOTP</b> or <b>DHCP</b>, depending on the type of server that supplied the TCP/IP settings to the Main Module.</p> <p>Click <b>Next&gt;&gt;</b> to configure the same settings that are on the <b>BOOTP Configuration</b> and <b>DHCP Configuration</b> pages<sup>1</sup> and to specify that the <b>DHCP and BOOTP</b> setting be retained after either type of server provides the TCP/IP values.</p>
<p>1 The default values for these three settings on the configuration pages generally do not need to be changed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•<b>Vendor Class:</b> APC</li> <li>•<b>Client ID:</b> The MAC address of the Main Module, which uniquely identifies it on the local area network (LAN)</li> <li>•<b>User Class:</b> The name of the application firmware module</li> </ul>	

## DHCP response options

Each valid DHCP response contains options that provide the TCP/IP settings that the Main Module needs to operate on a network plus other information that affects Main Module operation.

**Vendor Specific Information (option 43).** The Main Module (NetBotz Rack Monitor 200) requires option 43 in a DHCP response to determine whether the DHCP response is valid. This option contains up to two APC-specific options in a TAG/LEN/DATA format: the APC Cookie and the Boot Mode Transition.



To disable the requirement for an APC cookie, see [DHCP](#).

- **APC Cookie. Tag 1, Len 4, Data “1APC”**

Option 43 communicates to the Main Module that a DHCP server is configured to service APC devices. By default, the DHCP response must contain the APC Cookie for the Main Module to accept the lease.

Following, in hexadecimal format, is an example of a Vendor Specific Information option that contains the APC cookie:

```
Option 43 = 0x01 0x04 0x31 0x41 0x50 0x43
```

- **Boot Mode Transition. Tag 2, Len 1, Data 1/2**

Boot Mode Transition enables or disables the Main Module option **Remain in DHCP & BOOTP mode after accepting TCP/IP settings**, which is disabled by default.

- A data value of 1 enables the option **Remain in DHCP & BOOTP mode after accepting TCP/IP settings**. When the Main Module reboots, it will request its network assignment first from a BOOTP server and then, if necessary, from a DHCP server.
- A data value of 2 disables the option **Remain in DHCP & BOOTP mode after accepting TCP/IP settings**. The **TCP/IP Configuration** setting switches to **DHCP** when the Main Module accepts this DHCP response. Thereafter, whenever the Main Module reboots, it will request its network assignment from a DHCP server only.

Following, in hexadecimal format, is an example of the Vendor Specific Information option that contains the APC cookie and the data value to disable the **Remain in DHCP & BOOTP mode after accepting TCP/IP settings**:

```
Option 43 = 0x01 0x04 0x31 0x41 0x50 0x43 0x02 0x01 0x01
```

**TCP/IP options.** The Main Module uses the following options within a valid DHCP response to define its TCP/IP settings. All of these options except the first are described in **RFC2132**.

- **IP Address** (from the **yiaddr** field of the DHCP response, described in **RFC2131**): The IP address that the DHCP server is leasing to the Main Module.
- **Subnet Mask** (option 1): The Subnet Mask value that the Main Module needs to operate on the network.
- **Router**, i.e., Default Gateway (option 3): The default gateway address that the Main Module needs to operate on the network.
- **IP Address Lease Time** (option 51): The time duration for the lease of the IP Address to the Main Module.

- **Renewal Time, T1** (option 58): The time that the Main Module must wait after an IP address lease is assigned before it can request a renewal of that lease.
- **Rebinding Time, T2** (option 59): The time that the Main Module must wait after an IP address lease is assigned before it can seek to rebind that lease.

**Other options.** The Main Module also uses the following options within a valid DHCP response. All of these options except the last are described in **RFC2132**.

- **Network Time Protocol Servers** (option 42): Up to two NTP servers (primary and secondary) that the Main Module can use.
- **Time Offset** (option 2): The offset of the Main Module's subnet, in seconds, from Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).
- **Domain Name Server** (option 6): Up to two Domain Name System (DNS) servers (primary and secondary) that the Main Module can use.
- **Host Name** (option 12): The host name that the Main Module will use (32-character maximum length).
- **Domain Name** (option 15): The domain name that the Main Module will use (64-character maximum length).
- **Boot File Name** (from the **file** field of the DHCP response, described in **RFC2131**): The fully qualified directory-path to an APC user configuration file (.ini file) to download. The **siaddr** field of the DHCP response specifies the IP address of the server from which the Main Module will download the .ini file. After the download, the Main Module uses the .ini file as a boot file to reconfigure its settings.

## Port Speed (Administration>Network>Port Speed)

The **Port Speed** setting defines the communication speed of the TCP/IP port.

- For **Auto-negotiation** (the default), Ethernet devices negotiate to transmit at the highest possible speed, but if the supported speeds of two devices are unmatched, the slower speed is used.
- Alternatively, you can choose either 10 Mbps or 100 Mbps, each with the option of half-duplex (for communication in only one direction at a time) or full-duplex (for communication simultaneously in both directions on the same channel).

# DNS (Administration>Network>DNS>options)

Use the options under **DNS** on the left navigation menu to configure and test the Domain Name System (DNS):

**Servers.** Select **servers** to specify the IP addresses of the primary and optional secondary DNS server. For the Main Module to send e-mail, at least the IP address of the primary DNS server must be defined.

The Main Module waits up to 15 seconds for a response from the primary DNS server or the secondary DNS server (if a secondary DNS server is specified). If the Main Module does not receive a response within that time, e-mail cannot be sent. Therefore, use DNS servers on the same segment as the Main Module or on a nearby segment (but not across a wide-area network [WAN]).



To verify that DNS is working correctly after you define the IP addresses of the DNS servers, see [Test](#).

**Naming.** Select **naming** to define the Main Module host name and domain name:

- **Host Name:** After you configure a host name here and a domain name in the **Domain Name** field, users can enter a host name in any field in the Main Module interface (except e-mail addresses) that accepts a domain name.
- **Domain Name:** You need to configure the domain name here only. In all other fields in the Main Module interface (except e-mail addresses) that accept domain names, the Main Module adds this domain name when only a host name is entered.
  - To override all instances of the expansion of a specified host name by the addition of the domain name, set the domain name field to its default, `somedomain.com`, or to `0.0.0.0`.
  - To override the expansion of a specific host name entry (for example, when defining a trap receiver) include a trailing period. The Main Module recognizes a host name with a trailing period (such as `mySnmpServer.`) as if it were a fully qualified domain name and does not append the domain name.

**Test.** Select **test** to send a DNS query that tests the setup of your DNS servers:

- As **Query Type**, select the method to use for the DNS query:
  - **by Host**: the URL name of the server
  - **by FQDN**: the fully qualified domain name
  - **by IP**: the IP address of the server
  - **by MX**: the Mail Exchange used by the server
- In the **Query Question** field, identify the value to be used for the selected query type:

Query Type Selected	Query Question to Use
by Host	the URL
by FQDN	the fully qualified domain name, <i>my_server.my_domain.</i>
by IP	the IP address
by MX	the Mail Exchange address

- View the result of the test DNS request in the **Last Query Response** field.

## Web (Administration>Network>Web>options)

Option	Description
access	<p>To activate changes to any of these selections, log off from the Main Module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Disable:</b> Disables access to the Web interface. (You must use the control console to re-enable access. Select <b>Network</b> and <b>Web/SSL/TLS</b>. For HTTP access, select <b>Access</b> and <b>Enabled</b>. For HTTPS access, also select <b>Web/SSL</b> and <b>Enabled</b>.)</li><li>• <b>Enable HTTP</b> (the default): Enables Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP), which provides Web access by user name and password, but does not encrypt user names, passwords, and data during transmission.</li><li>• <b>Enable HTTPS:</b> Enables Hypertext Transfer Protocol over Secure Sockets Layer (HTTPS) to provide Web access. Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) encrypts user names, passwords, and data during transmission, and authenticates the Main Module by digital certificate. When HTTPS is enabled, your browser displays a small lock icon.</li></ul> <p>See “Creating and Installing Digital Certificates” in the <i>Security Handbook</i> on the <i>NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD</i> to choose among the several methods for using digital certificates.</p> <p><b>HTTP Port:</b> The TCP/IP port (80 by default) used to communicate by HTTP with the Main Module.</p> <p><b>HTTPS Port:</b> The TCP/IP port (443 by default) used to communicate by HTTPS with the Main Module.</p> <p>For either of these ports, you can change the port setting to any unused port from 5000 to 32768 for additional security. Users must then use a colon (:) in the address field of the browser to specify the port number. For example, for a port number of 5000 and an IP address of 152.214.12.114:</p> <pre>http://152.214.12.114:5000 https://152.214.12.114:5000</pre>

Option	Description
ssl cipher suites	<p>Enable or disable any of the SSL encryption ciphers and hash algorithms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DES</b>: A block cipher that provides authentication by Secure Hash Algorithm.</li> <li>• <b>RC4_MD5</b> (enabled by default): A stream cipher that provides authentication by MD5 hash algorithm.</li> <li>• <b>RC4_SHA</b> (enabled by default): A stream cipher that provides authentication by Secure Hash Algorithm.</li> <li>• <b>3DES</b>: A block cipher that provides authentication by Secure Hash Algorithm.</li> </ul>
ssl certificate	<p>Add, replace, or remove a security certificate.</p> <p><b>Status:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Not installed</b>: A certificate is not installed, or was installed by FTP or SCP to an incorrect location. Using <b>Add or Replace Certificate File</b> installs the certificate to the correct location, <b>/sec</b> on the Main Module.</li> <li>• <b>Generating</b>: The Main Module is generating a certificate because no valid certificate was found.</li> <li>• <b>Loading</b>: A certificate is being activated on the Main Module.</li> <li>• <b>Valid certificate</b>: A valid certificate was installed or was generated by the Main Module. Click on this link to view the certificate's contents.</li> </ul> <p><b>If you install an invalid certificate, or if no certificate is loaded when you enable SSL, the Main Module generates a default certificate, a process which delays access to the interface for up to five minutes.</b> You can use the default certificate for basic encryption-based security, but a security alert message displays whenever you log on.</p> <p><b>Add or Replace Certificate File:</b> Enter or browse to the certificate file created with the Security Wizard.</p> <p>See "Creating and Installing Digital Certificates" in the <i>Security Handbook</i> on the <i>NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD</i> to choose a method for using digital certificates created by the Security Wizard or generated by the Main Module.</p> <p><b>Remove:</b> Delete the current certificate.</p>

## Console (Administration>Network>Console>options)

Option	Description
access	<p>Choose one of the following for access by Telnet or Secure SHell (SSH):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Disable:</b> Disables all access to the control console.</li><li>• <b>Enable Telnet</b> (the default): Telnet transmits user names, passwords, and data without encryption.</li><li>• <b>Enable SSH v1/v2:</b> Do not enable both versions 1 and 2 of Secure SHell (SSH) unless you require both. (Security protocols use extensive processing power.)</li><li>• <b>Enable SSH v1 only:</b> SSH version 1 encrypts user names, passwords, and data for transmission. There is little or no delay as you log on.</li><li>• <b>Enable SSH v2 only:</b> SSH version 2 transmits user names, passwords, and data in encrypted form with more protection than version 1 from attempts to intercept, forge, or alter data during transmission. There is a noticeable delay as you log on.</li></ul> <p>Configure the TCP/IP ports to be used by these protocols:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Telnet Port:</b> The Telnet port used to communicate with the Main Module (23 by default). You can change the port setting to any unused port from 5000 to 32768 for additional security. Users must then use a colon (:) or a space, as required by your Telnet client program, to specify the non-default port. For example, for port 5000 and an IP address of 152.214.12.114, your Telnet client requires one of the these commands: <pre>telnet 152.214.12.114:5000 telnet 152.214.12.114 5000</pre></li><li>• <b>SSH Port:</b> The SSH port used to communicate with the Main Module (22 by default). You can change the port setting to any unused port from 5000 to 32768 for additional security. See the documentation for your SSH client for the command line format required to specify a non-default port.</li></ul>
ssh encryption	<p>Enable or disable encryption algorithms (block ciphers) compatible with SSH version 1 or version 2 clients:</p> <p>If your SSH v1 client cannot use <b>Blowfish</b>, you must also enable DES.</p> <p>Your SSH v2 client selects the enabled algorithm that provides the highest security. If the client cannot use the default algorithms (<b>3DES</b> or <b>Blowfish</b>), enable an AES algorithm that it can use (<b>AES 128</b> or <b>AES 256</b>).</p>

Option	Description
ssh host key	<p><b>Status</b> indicates the status of the host key (private key):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SSH Disabled: No host key in use:</b> When disabled, SSH cannot use a host key.</li> <li>• <b>Generating:</b> The Main Module is creating a host key because no valid host key was found.</li> <li>• <b>Loading:</b> A host key is being activated on the Main Module.</li> <li>• <b>Valid:</b> One of the following valid host keys is in the <b>/sec</b> directory (the required location on the Main Module): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 1024-bit host key created by the APC Security Wizard</li> <li>• A 768-bit RSA host key generated by the Main Module</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Add or Replace:</b> Browse to and upload a host key file created by the Security Wizard.</p> <p>If you use FTP or Secure CoPy (SCP) instead to transfer the host key file, you must specify the <b>/sec</b> directory as the target location in the command.</p> <p>To use the APC Security Wizard, see the <i>Security Handbook</i> on the <i>NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD</i>.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> To reduce the time required to enable SSH, create and upload a host key in advance. <b>If you enable SSH with no host key loaded, the Main Module takes up to 5 minutes to create a host key, and the SSH server is not accessible during that time.</b></p> <p><b>Remove:</b> Remove the current host key.</p>



To use SSH, you must have an SSH client installed. Most Linux and other UNIX platforms include an SSH client, but Microsoft Windows operating systems do not. SSH clients are available from various vendors.

# SNMP

## SNMPv1 (Administration>Network>SNMPv1>options)

All user names, passwords, and community names for SNMP are transferred over the network as plain text. If your network requires the high security of encryption, disable SNMP access or set the access for each community to Read. (A community with Read access can receive status information and use SNMP traps.)

When using InfraStruXure Manager to manage the Main Module on the public network of an InfraStruXure system, you must have SNMP enabled in the Main Module interface. Read access will allow InfraStruXure Manager to receive traps from a Main Module, but Write access is required while you use the interface of the Main Module to set InfraStruXure Manager as a trap receiver.



For detailed information on enhancing and managing the security of your system, see the *Security Handbook*, available on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD* or from the APC Web site, [www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com).

Option	Description
access	<p><b>Enable SNMPv1 Access:</b> Enables SNMP version 1 as a method of communication with this device.</p>
access control	<p>You can configure up to four access control entries to specify which Network Management Systems (NMSs) have access to this device. The opening page for access control, by default, assigns one entry to each of the four available SNMPv1 communities, but you can edit these settings to apply more than one entry to any community to grant access by several specific IP addresses, host names, or IP address masks. To edit the access control settings for a community, click its community name.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you leave the default access control entry unchanged for a community, that community has access to this device from any location on the network.</li> <li>• If you configure multiple access control entries for one community name, the limit of four entries requires that one or more of the other communities must have no access control entry. If no access control entry is listed for a community, that community has no access to this device.</li> </ul> <p><b>Community Name:</b> The name that an NMS must use to access the community. The maximum length is 15 ASCII characters, and the default community names for the four communities are <code>public</code>, <code>private</code>, <code>public2</code>, and <code>private2</code>.</p> <p><b>NMS IP/Host Name:</b> The IP address, IP address mask, or host name that controls access by NMSs. A host name or a specific IP address (such as 149.225.12.1) allows access only by the NMS at that location. IP addresses that contains 255 restrict access as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 149.225.12.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149.225.12 segment.</li> <li>• 149.225.255.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149.225 segment.</li> <li>• 149.255.255.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149 segment.</li> <li>• 0.0.0.0 (the default setting) which can also be expressed as 255.255.255.255: Access by any NMS on any segment.</li> </ul> <p><b>Access Type:</b> The actions an NMS can perform through the community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Read:</b> GETS only, at any time</li> <li>• <b>Write:</b> GETS at any time, and SETS when no user is logged onto the Web interface or control console</li> <li>• <b>Write+:</b> GETS and SETS at any time</li> <li>• <b>Disabled:</b> No GETS or SETS at any time</li> </ul>

## SNMPv3 (Administration>Network>SNMPv3>options)

For SNMP GETs, SETs, and trap receivers, SNMPv3 uses a system of user profiles to identify users. An SNMPv3 user must have a user profile assigned in the MIB software program to perform GETs and SETs, browse the MIB, and receive traps.



To use SNMPv3, you must have a MIB program that supports SNMPv3.

The Main Module supports only MD5 authentication and DES encryption.

Option	Description
access	<b>SNMPv3 Access:</b> Enables SNMPv3 as a method of communication with this device.
user profiles	<p>By default, lists the settings of four user profiles, configured with the user names <b>apc snmp profile1</b> through <b>apc snmp profile4</b>, and no authentication and no privacy (no encryption). To edit the following settings for a user profile, click a user name in the list.</p> <p><b>User Name:</b> The identifier of the user profile. SNMPv3 maps GETs, SETs, and traps to a user profile by matching the user name of the profile to the user name in the data packet being transmitted. A user name can have up to 32 ASCII characters.</p> <p><b>Authentication Passphrase:</b> A phrase of 15 to 32 ASCII characters (<b>apc auth passphrase</b>, by default) that verifies that the NMS communicating with this device through SNMPv3 is the NMS it claims to be, that the message has not been changed during transmission, and that the message was communicated in a timely manner, indicating that it was not delayed and that it was not copied and sent again later at an inappropriate time.</p> <p><b>Privacy Passphrase:</b> A phrase of 15 to 32 ASCII characters (<b>apc crypt passphrase</b>, by default) that ensures the privacy of the data (by means of encryption) that an NMS is sending to this device or receiving from this device through SNMPv3.</p> <p><b>Authentication Protocol:</b> The APC implementation of SNMPv3 supports MD5 authentication. Authentication will not occur unless MD5 is selected as the authentication protocol.</p> <p><b>Privacy Protocol:</b> The APC implementation of SNMPv3 supports DES as the protocol for encrypting and decrypting data. Privacy of transmitted data requires that DES is selected as the privacy protocol.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> You cannot select the privacy protocol if no authentication protocol is selected.</p>

Option	Description
access control	<p>You can configure up to four access control entries to specify which NMSs have access to this device. The opening page for access control, by default, assigns one entry to each of the four user profiles, but you can edit these settings to apply more than one entry to any user profile to grant access by several specific IP addresses, host names, or IP address masks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you leave the default access control entry unchanged for a user profile, all NMSs that use that profile have access to this device.</li> <li>• If you configure multiple access entries for one user profile, the limit of four entries requires that one or more of the other user profiles must have no access control entry. If no access control entry is listed for a user profile, no NMS that uses that profile has any access to this device.</li> </ul> <p>To edit the access control settings for a user profile, click its user name.</p> <p><b>Access:</b> Mark the <b>Enable</b> checkbox to activate the access control specified by the parameters in this access control entry.</p> <p><b>User Name:</b> Select from the drop-down list the user profile to which this access control entry will apply. The choices available are the four user names that you configure through the <b>user profiles</b> option on the left navigation menu.</p> <p><b>NMS IP/Host Name:</b> The IP address, IP address mask, or host name that controls access by the NMS. A host name or a specific IP address (such as 149.225.12.1) allows access only by the NMS at that location. An IP address mask that contains 255 restricts access as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 149.225.12.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149.225.12 segment.</li> <li>• 149.225.255.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149.225 segment.</li> <li>• 149.255.255.255: Access only by an NMS on the 149 segment.</li> <li>• 0.0.0.0 (the default setting) which can also be expressed as 255.255.255.255: Access by any NMS on any segment.</li> </ul>

# FTP Server (Administration>Network>FTP Server)

The **FTP Server** settings enable (by default) or disable access to the FTP server and specify the TCP/IP port (21 by default) that the FTP server uses for communication with the Main Module. The FTP server uses both the specified port and the port one number lower than the specified port.

You can change the **Port** setting to the number of any unused port from 5001 to 32768 for added security. Users must then use a colon (:) to specify the non-default port number. For example, for port 5001 and the IP address 152.214.12.114, the command would be:

```
ftp 152.214.12.114:5001
```



FTP transfers files without encryption. For higher security, disable the FTP server, and transfer files with Secure CoPy (SCP). Selecting and configuring Secure SHell (SSH) enables SCP automatically.

## Related topics



See these related topics:

- [Console \(Administration>Network>Console>options\)](#) to configure SSH.
- [Using FTP or SCP to retrieve log files](#) to obtain a text version of the event or data log.

# Administration: Notification & Logging

## Event Actions (Administration>Notification>Event Actions>options)

### Types of notification

You can configure event actions to occur in response to an event or a group of events. These actions notify specified users in any of several ways:

- Active, automatic notification. The following actions notify specified users or monitoring devices directly:
  - E-mail notification
  - SNMP traps
  - Syslog notification



To set up other types of active notification not included in the **Event Action** options, see [Beacon page](#) and [Relay Output page](#).

- Indirect notification through the event log. Users must check the log to determine which events have occurred.



Other methods of indirect notification, not included in the **Event Action** options, are informational queries. See [Serial Modbus \(Administration>General>Serial Modbus\)](#) to configure and use the request/response structure of Modbus. See [SNMP](#) for SNMP access types that enable an NMS to perform informational queries. For SNMPv1, configuring the most restrictive SNMP access type, READ, enables informational queries without the risk of allowing remote configuration changes.

You can also log system performance data to use for device monitoring. See [Data log \(Logs>Data>options\)](#) for information on how to configure and use this data-logging option.

## Configuring event actions

**Notification Parameters.** For events that have an associated clearing event, you can also set the following parameters as you configure events individually or by group, as described in the next two sections. To access the parameters, click the receiver or recipient name.

Parameter	Description
Delay x time before sending	If the event persists for the specified time, notification is sent. If the condition clears before the time expires, no notification is sent.
Repeat at an interval of x time	The notification is sent at the specified interval (e.g., every 2 minutes).
Up to x times	During an active event, the notification repeats for this number of times.
Until condition clears	The notification is sent repeatedly until the condition clears or is resolved.

**Configuring by event.** To define event actions for an individual event:

1. Select the **Administration** tab, **Notification** on the top menu bar, and **by event** under **Event Actions** on the left navigation menu.
2. In the list of events, review the marked columns to see whether the action you want is already configured. (By default, logging is configured for all events.)
3. To view or change the current configuration, such as recipients to be notified by e-mail or paging, or Network Management Systems (NMSs) to be notified by SNMP traps, click on the event name.



If no Syslog server is configured, items related to Syslog configuration are not displayed.



When viewing details of an event's configuration, you can change the configuration, enable or disable event logging or Syslog, or disable notification for specific e-mail recipients or trap receivers, but you cannot add or remove recipients or receivers. To add or remove recipients or receivers, see the following:

- [Identifying Syslog Servers \(Logs>Syslog>servers\)](#)
- [E-mail recipients \(Administration>Notification>E-mail>recipients\)](#)
- [Trap Receivers \(Administration>Notification>SNMP Traps>trap receivers\)](#)

**Configuring by group.** To configure a group of events simultaneously:

1. Select the **Administration** tab, **Notification** on the top menu bar, and **by group** under **Event Actions** on the left navigation menu.
2. Choose how to group events for configuration:
  - Choose **Grouped by severity**, and then select all events of one or more severity levels. You cannot change the severity of an event.
  - Choose **Grouped by category**, and then select all events in one or more pre-defined categories.
3. Click **Next>>** to move from page to page to do the following:
  - a. Select event actions for the group of events.
    - To choose any action except **Logging** (the default), you must first have at least one relevant recipient or receiver configured.
    - If you choose **Logging** and have configured a Syslog server, select **Event Log** or **Syslog** (or both) on the next page.
  - b. Select whether to leave the newly configured event action enabled for this group of events or to disable the action.

# Active, Automatic, Direct Notification

## E-mail notification

**Overview of setup.** Use the Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) to send e-mail to up to four recipients when an event occurs.

To use the e-mail feature, you must define the following settings:

- The IP addresses of the primary and, optionally, of the secondary Domain Name System (DNS) servers



See [DNS \(Administration>Network>DNS>options\)](#).

- The IP address or DNS name for **SMTP Server** and the **From Address** setting for SMTP



See [SMTP \(Administration>Notification>E-mail>server\)](#).

- The e-mail addresses for a maximum of four recipients



See [E-mail recipients \(Administration>Notification>E-mail>recipients\)](#).



You can use the **To Address** setting of the **recipients** option to send e-mail to a text-based pager.

### SMTP (Administration>Notification>E-mail>server).

Setting	Description
Local SMTP Server	<p>The IP address (or if DNS is configured, the DNS name) of the local SMTP server.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> This definition is required only when <b>SMTP Server</b> is set to <b>Local</b> when e-mail recipients are being configured. See <a href="#">E-mail recipients (Administration&gt;Notification&gt;E-mail&gt;recipients)</a>.</p>
From Address	<p>The contents of the <b>From</b> field in the format <i>user@ [IP_address]</i> (if an IP address is specified as <b>Local SMTP Server</b>) or <i>user@domain.com</i> (if DNS is configured and the DNS name is specified as <b>Local SMTP Server</b>) in the e-mail messages sent by the Main Module.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The local SMTP server's configuration may require that you use a valid user account on the server for this setting. See the server's documentation for more information.</p>

**E-mail recipients (Administration>Notification>E-mail>recipients).** Use this option to identify up to four e-mail recipients.

Setting	Description
To Address	<p>Defines the user and domain names of the recipient. To use e-mail for paging, use the e-mail address for that recipient's pager gateway account (for example, <b>myacct100@skytel.com</b>). The pager gateway will generate the page.</p> <p>You can bypass the DNS lookup of the mail server's IP address by using the IP address in brackets instead of the e-mail domain name. For example, use <b>jsmith@[xxx.xxx.x.xxx]</b> instead of <b>jsmith@company.com</b>. This is useful when DNS lookups are not working correctly.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The recipient's pager must be able to use text-based messaging.</p>
SMTP Server	<p>Selects one of the following methods for routing e-mail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Local:</b> Through the Main Module's SMTP server (the recommended setting). This option ensures that the e-mail is sent before the Main Module's 20-second time-out, and, if necessary, is retried several times. Also do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enable forwarding at the Main Module's SMTP server so that it can route e-mail to external SMTP servers. Typically, SMTP servers are not configured to forward e-mail. Always check with the administrator of your SMTP server before changing the configuration of the SMTP server to allow forwarding.</li> <li>• Set up a special e-mail account for the Main Module to forward e-mail to an external mail account.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Recipient:</b> Directly to the recipient's SMTP server. On a busy remote SMTP server, the time-out may prevent some e-mail from being sent because, with this option, the Main Module tries to send the e-mail only once.</li> </ul> <p>When the recipient uses the Main Module's SMTP server, this setting has no effect.</p>
E-mail Generation	Enables (by default) or disables sending e-mail to the recipient.

**E-mail test (Administration>Notification>E-mail>test).** Use this option to send a test message to a configured recipient.

## SNMP Traps

**Trap Receivers (Administration>Notification>SNMP Traps>trap receivers).** View trap receivers by NMS IP/Host Name. You can configure up to six trap receivers.

- To open the page for configuring a new trap receiver, click **Add Trap Receiver**.
- To modify or delete a trap receiver, first click its IP address or host name to access its settings. (If you delete a trap receiver, all notification settings configured under Event Actions for the deleted trap receiver are set to their default values.)
- To specify the trap type for a trap receiver, select either the SNMPv1 or SNMPv3 radio button. For an NMS to receive both types of traps, you must configure two trap receivers for that NMS, one for each trap type.

Item	Definition
Trap Generation	Enable (the default) or disable trap generation for this trap receiver.
NMS IP/Host Name	The IP address or host name of this trap receiver. The default, 0.0.0.0, leaves the trap receiver undefined.

### SNMPv1 option.

Community Name	The name ( <code>public</code> by default) used as an identifier when SNMPv1 traps are sent to this trap receiver.
Authenticate Traps	When this option is enabled (the default), the NMS identified by the NMS IP/Host Name setting will receive authentication traps (traps generated by invalid attempts to log on to this device). To disable that ability, clear the checkbox.

**SNMPv3 option.** Select the identifier of the user profile for this trap receiver. (To view the settings of the user profiles identified by the user names selectable here, choose **Network** on the top menu bar and **user profiles** under **SNMPv3** on the left navigation menu.)



See [SNMPv3 \(Administration>Network>SNMPv3>options\)](#) for information on creating user profiles and selecting authentication and encryption methods.

## SNMP Trap Test (Administration>Notification>SNMP Traps>test)

**Last Test Result.** The result of the most recent SNMP trap test. A successful SNMP trap test verifies only that a trap was sent; it does not verify that the trap was received by the selected trap receiver. A trap test succeeds if all of the following are true:

- The SNMP version (SNMPv1 or SNMPv3) configured for the selected trap receiver is enabled on this device.
- The trap receiver is enabled.
- If a host name is selected for the **To** address, that host name can be mapped to a valid IP address.

**To.** Select the IP address or host name to which a test SNMP trap will be sent. If no trap receiver was ever configured, a link to the **Trap Receiver** configuration page is displayed.

## Syslog (Logs>Syslog>options)

The Main Module can send messages to up to four Syslog servers when an event occurs. The Syslog servers record events that occur at network devices in a log that provides a centralized record of events.



This user's guide does not describe Syslog or its configuration values in detail. See **RFC3164** for more information about Syslog.

## Identifying Syslog Servers (Logs>Syslog>servers).

Setting	Definition
Syslog Server	Uses IP addresses or host names to identify from one to four servers to receive Syslog messages sent by the Main Module.
Port	The user datagram protocol (UDP) port that the Main Module will use to send Syslog messages. The default is <b>514</b> , the UDP port assigned to Syslog.

## Syslog Settings (Logs>Syslog>settings).

Setting	Definition
Message Generation	Enables (by default) or disables the Syslog feature.
Facility Code	<p>Selects the facility code assigned to the Main Module's Syslog messages (<b>User</b>, by default).</p> <p><b>NOTE: User</b> best defines the Syslog messages sent by the Main Module. <b>Do not</b> change this selection unless advised to do so by the Syslog network or system administrator.</p>
Severity Mapping	<p>Maps each severity level of Main Module events to available Syslog priorities. You should not need to change the mappings.</p> <p>The following definitions are from RFC3164:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Emergency:</b> The system is unusable</li> <li>• <b>Alert:</b> Action must be taken immediately</li> <li>• <b>Critical:</b> Critical conditions</li> <li>• <b>Error:</b> Error conditions</li> <li>• <b>Warning:</b> Warning conditions</li> <li>• <b>Notice:</b> Normal but significant conditions</li> <li>• <b>Informational:</b> Informational messages</li> <li>• <b>Debug:</b> Debug-level messages</li> </ul> <p>Following are the default settings for the <b>Local Priority</b> settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Critical</b> is mapped to <b>Critical</b></li> <li>• <b>Warning</b> is mapped to <b>Warning</b></li> <li>• <b>Informational</b> is mapped to <b>Info</b></li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> To disable Syslog messages, see <a href="#">Configuring event actions</a>.</p>

**Syslog Test and Format Example (Logs>Syslog>test).** Send a test message to the Syslog servers configured through the **servers** option.

1. Select a severity to assign to the test message.
2. Define the test message, according to the required message fields:
  - The priority (PRI): The Syslog priority assigned to the message's event, and the facility code of messages sent by the Main Module.
  - The Header: A time stamp and the IP address of the Main Module.
  - The message (MSG) part:
    - The TAG field, followed by a colon and space, identifies the event type.
    - The CONTENT field is the event text, followed (optionally) by a space and the event code.

For example, **APC: Test Syslog** is valid.

# Indirect Notification through Logs or Queries

## Event log (Logs>Events>options)

**Displaying and using the event log (Logs>Events>log).** View or delete the event log. By default, the log displays all events recorded during the last two days, in reverse chronological order.

- **Displaying the event log:** You can view the event log as a page of the Web interface (the default view) or, to see more of the listed events without scrolling, click **Launch Log in New Window** from that page to display a full-screen view of the log.



In your browser's options, JavaScript must be enabled for you to use the **Launch Log in New Window** button.



You can also use FTP or Secure CoPy (SCP) to view the event log. See [Using FTP or SCP to retrieve log files](#).

- **Filtering the log by date or time:** To display the entire event log, or to change the number of days or weeks for which the log displays the most recent events, select **Last**. Select a time range from the drop-down menu, then click **Apply**. The filter configuration is saved until the device restarts.  
To display events logged during a specific time range, select **From**. Specify the beginning and ending times (using the 24-hour clock format) and dates for which to display events, then click **Apply**. The filter configuration is saved until the device restarts.
- **Filtering the log by event:** To specify the events that display in the log, click **Filter Log**. Clear the checkbox of an event category or alarm severity level to remove it from view. Text at the upper right corner of the event log page indicates that a filter is active. The filter is active until you clear it or the device restarts. To remove an active filter, click **Filter Log**, then **Clear Filter (Show All)**.



Events are processed through the filter using **OR** logic.

- Events that you do not select from the Filter By Severity list never display in the filtered event log, even if the event occurs in a category you selected from the Filter by Category list.
  - Events that you do not select from the Filter by Category list never display in the filtered event log, even if devices in the category enter an alarm state you selected from the Filter by Severity list.
- **Deleting the event log:** To delete all events recorded in the log, click **Clear Event Log** on the Web page that displays the log. Deleted events cannot be retrieved.



To disable the logging of events based on their assigned severity level or their event category, see [Configuring by group](#).

For lists of all configurable events and their current configuration, select the **Administration** tab, **Notification** on the top menu bar, and **by event** under **Event Actions** on the left navigation menu.



See [Configuring by event](#).

**Reverse Lookup (Logs>Events>reverse lookup).** Reverse lookup is disabled by default. Enable this feature unless you have no DNS server configured or have poor network performance because of heavy network traffic.

With reverse lookup enabled, when a network-related event occurs, both the IP address and the domain name for the networked device associated with the event are logged in the event log. If no domain name entry exists for the device, only its IP address is logged with the event. Since domain names generally change less frequently than IP addresses, enabling reverse lookup can improve the ability to identify addresses of networked devices that are causing events.

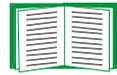
## Data log (Logs>Data>options)

**Displaying and using the data log (Logs>Data>log).** View a log that stores periodic measurements of the ambient temperature and relative humidity for each sensor managed by the Main Module and its Expansion Module. Each entry is listed by the date and time the data was recorded.

- **Displaying the data log:** You can view the data log as a page of the Web interface (the default view) or, to see more of the data without scrolling, click **Launch Log in New Window** from that page to display a full-screen view of the log.



In your browser's options, JavaScript<sup>®</sup> must be enabled for you to use the **Launch Log in New Window** button.



Alternatively, you can use FTP or Secure CoPy (SCP) to view the data log. See [Using FTP or SCP to retrieve log files](#).

- **Filtering the log by date or time:** To display the entire data log, or to change the number of days or weeks for which the log displays the most recent events, select **Last**. Select a time range from the drop-down menu, then click **Apply**. The filter configuration is saved until the device restarts.

To display data logged during a specific time range, select **From**. Specify the beginning and ending dates and times for which to display data, then click **Apply**. The filter configuration is saved until the device restarts.



Enter the time using the 24-hour clock format.

- **Deleting the data log:** To delete all data recorded in the log, click **Clear Data Log** on the Web page that displays the log. Deleted data cannot be retrieved.

**Graphing the data log (Logs>Data>graphing).** Use this option to display the logged data records in a graph.



Data log graphing is an enhancement of the data log feature. To use this enhancement, JavaScript must be enabled in your browser. Alternatively, you can use FTP or SCP to import the data log into a spreadsheet application, and then graph data in the spreadsheet. For FTP and SCP instructions, see [Using FTP or SCP to retrieve log files](#).

How the graphing enhancement displays data and how efficiently it performs will vary depending on computer hardware, computer operating system, and the Web browser used to access the interface of the unit. Reducing the number of data points or data lines being graphed may improve performance.

Parameter	Description
Graph Data	Graph up to 4 data items. To graph multiple data items, hold down the CTRL key (or the Command key, for Macintosh® computers), then select the data items that correspond to the abbreviated column headings in the data log.
Graph Time	Specify the time period for which the data items will be graphed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Last:</b> Select the beginning time from which to graph the data records (2, 4, or 8 hours ago; 1, 2, or 4 days ago; or 1, 2, or 4 weeks ago). The graph will end at the most recent data record.</li> <li>• <b>From:</b> To customize the time period for the logged data records to graph, enter the beginning and end date and time. For the date, each letter m (for month), d (for day), and y (for year) represents one digit. For the time, each letter h (for hour) and m (for minute) represents one digit. Single-digit hours, minutes, days, and months are displayed with a leading zero.</li> </ul>

Click **Apply** to view the graph, or click **Cancel** to discard the changes. Click **Launch Graph in New Window** to display the graph in a new browser window that provides a full-screen view.

The graph legend shows the color of the graph line for each selected data item. If the data items do not have the same unit of measurement, the units are displayed in the legend. If the data items do have the same units, the unit is displayed on the left side of the graph.

Move the mouse pointer over any horizontal line to view the date, time, and Y-axis value for that data record.

Use the **Zoom** menu to increase or decrease the magnification of the graph. The blue bar at the top left corner of the graph changes size to indicate the number of total data records being displayed and the relative location of the displayed data records. To re-center the graph, click any point on the graph or the blue bar.

**Setting the data collection interval (Logs>Data>interval).** Define how frequently data is sampled and stored in the data log and view the calculation of how many days of data the log can store, based on the interval you selected. When the log is full, the older entries are deleted. To avoid automatic deletion of older data, enable and configure data log rotation, described in the next section.

**Configuring data log rotation (Logs>Data>rotation).** Set up a password-protected data log repository on a specified FTP server. Enabling rotation causes the contents of the data log to be appended to the file you specify by name and location. Updates to this file occur at the upload interval you specify.

Parameter	Description
Data Log Rotation	Enable or disable (the default) data log rotation.
FTP Server Address	The location of the FTP server where the data repository file is stored.
User Name	The user name required to send data to the repository file. This user must also be configured to have read and write access to the data repository file and the directory (folder) in which it is stored.
Password	The password required to send data to the repository file.
File Path	The path to the repository file.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
Filename	The name of the repository file (an ASCII text file).
Delay <i>X</i> hours between uploads.	The number of hours between uploads of data to the file.
Upload every <i>X</i> minutes	The number of minutes between uploads of data to the file.
Maximum Retries	The maximum number of times the upload will be attempted after initial failure.
Failure Wait Time	How long in minutes before an attempt to upload data times out.

## Using FTP or SCP to retrieve log files

An Administrator or Device User can use FTP or SCP to retrieve a tab-delineated event log file (*event.txt*) or data log file (*data.txt*) and import it into a spreadsheet.

- The file reports all of the events or data recorded since the log was last deleted or (for the data log) truncated because it reached maximum size.
- The file includes information that the event log or data log does not display.
  - The version of the file format (first field)
  - The date and time the file was retrieved
  - The **Name**, **Contact**, and **Location** values and IP address of the Main Module
  - The unique **Event Code** for each recorded event (*event.txt* file only)



The Main Module uses a four-digit year for log entries. You may need to select a four-digit date format in your spreadsheet application to display all four digits of the year.

If you are using the encryption-based security protocols for your system, use Secure CoPy (SCP) to retrieve the log file.

If you are using unencrypted authentication methods for the security of your system, use FTP to retrieve the log file.



See the *Security Handbook*, available on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD* and on the APC Web site ([www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com)) for information on the available protocols and methods for setting up the type of security you need.

**To use SCP to retrieve the files.** To use SCP to retrieve the *event.txt* file, use the following command:

```
scp username@hostname_or_ip_address:event.txt ./event.txt
```

To use SCP to retrieve the *data.txt* file, use the following command:

```
scp username@hostname_or_ip_address:data.txt ./data.txt
```

**To use FTP to retrieve the files.** To use FTP to retrieve the *event.txt* or *data.txt* file:

1. At a command prompt, type `ftp` and the Main Module's IP address, and press ENTER.

If the **Port** setting for the **FTP Server** option (which you select on the **Network** menu of the **Administration** tab) has been changed from its default value (**21**), you must use the non-default value in the FTP command. For Windows FTP clients, use the following command, including spaces. (For some FTP clients, you must use a colon instead of a space between the IP address and the port number.)

```
ftp>open ip_address port_number
```



To set a non-default port value to enhance security for the FTP Server, see [FTP Server \(Administration>Network>FTP Server\)](#). You can specify any port from 5001 to 32768.

2. Use the case-sensitive user name and password for Administrator or Device User to log on. For Administrator, **apc** is the default for user name and password. For the Device User, the defaults are **device** for user name and **apc** for password.
3. Use the `get` command to transmit the text-version of the event log or data log to your local drive.

```
ftp>get event.txt
```

or

```
ftp>get data.txt
```

4. You can use the `del` command to clear the contents of the event log or data log.

```
ftp>del event.txt
```

or

```
ftp>del data.txt
```

You will not be asked to confirm the deletion.

- If you clear the data log, the event log records a deleted-log event.
- If you clear the event log, a new *event.txt* file is created to record the deleted-log event.

5. Type `quit` at the `ftp>` prompt to exit from FTP.

## Queries (Modbus requests and SNMP GETs)



See [Serial Modbus \(Administration>General>Serial Modbus\)](#) for information on configuring and using the request/response structure of Modbus, and see [SNMP](#) for a description of SNMPv1 and SNMPv3 settings that enable an NMS to perform informational queries. With SNMPv1, which does not encrypt data before transmission, configuring the most restrictive SNMP access type, READ, enables informational queries without allowing remote configuration changes.

# Administration: General Options

## Identification (Administration>General>Identification)

Define values for the **Name** (the device name), **Location** (the physical location), and **Contact** (the person responsible for the device) used by the Main Module's SNMP agent. These settings are the values used for the MIB-II **sysName**, **sysContact**, and **sysLocation** Object Identifications (OIDs).



For more information about the MIB-II OIDs, see the *PowerNet SNMP Management Information Base (MIB) Reference Guide* provided on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD* and on the APC Web site, [www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com).

## Set the Date and Time

### Method (Administration>General>Date & Time>mode)

Set the time and date used by the Main Module. You can change the current settings manually, or through a Network Time Protocol (NTP) Server.

- **Manual:** Do one of the following:
  - Enter the date and time for the Main Module.
  - Select **Apply Local Computer Time** to match the date and time settings of the computer you are using, and click **Apply**.
- **Synchronize with NTP Server:** Have an NTP Server define the date and time for the Main Module.

Setting	Definition
Primary NTP Server	Enter the IP address or domain name of the primary NTP server.

Setting	Definition
Secondary NTP Server	Enter the IP address or domain name of the secondary NTP server, when a secondary server is available.
Time Zone	Select a time zone. The number of hours preceding each time zone in the list is the offset from Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), formerly Greenwich Mean Time.
Update Interval	Define how often, in hours, the Main Module accesses the NTP Server for an update. <i>Minimum: 1; Maximum: 8760 (1 year).</i>
Update Using NTP Now	Initiate an immediate update of date and time by the NTP Server.

### Daylight Saving (Administration>General>Date & Time>daylight saving)

Enable either traditional United States Daylight Saving Time (DST) or enable and configure a customized daylight saving time to match how Daylight Saving Time is implemented in your local area. DST is disabled by default.

When customizing Daylight Saving Time (DST):

- If the local DST always starts or ends on the fourth occurrence of a specific weekday of a month (for example, the fourth Sunday), choose Fourth/Last. If a fifth Sunday occurs in that month in a subsequent year, the time setting still changes on the fourth Sunday.
- If the local DST always starts or ends on the last occurrence of a specific weekday of a month, whether it is the fourth or the fifth occurrence, choose Fifth/Last.

### Format (Administration>General>Date & Time>date format)

Select the numerical format in which to display all dates in this interface. In the selections, each letter m (for month), d (for day), and y (for year) represents one digit. Single-digit days and months are displayed with a leading zero.

# System Preferences (Administration>General>Preferences)

## Color-coding events in the event log

This option is disabled by default. Select the **Event Log Color Coding** checkbox to enable color-coding of alarm text recorded in the event log. System-event entries and configuration-change entries do not change color.

Text Color	Alarm Severity
Red	<b>Critical:</b> A critical alarm exists, which requires immediate action.
Orange	<b>Warning:</b> An alarm condition requires attention and could jeopardize your data or equipment if its cause is not addressed.
Green	<b>Normal:</b> No alarms are present. The Main Module and all connected devices are operating normally.

## Changing the default temperature scale

Select the temperature scale (Fahrenheit or Celsius) in which to display all temperature measurements in this user interface.

## Configuring the default Home page

To change the Web page that displays by default at login, select a Web page from the **Log On Start Page** drop-down menu.

# Serial Modbus (Administration>General>Serial Modbus)

To configure Modbus, select the **Administration** tab, **General** on the top menu bar, and **Serial Modbus** on the left navigation menu. You can enable or disable Modbus, choose a baud rate, and specify a unique identifier.

Modbus defines a request/response message structure for a client/server environment. The APC implementation of Modbus uses Remote Terminal Unit (RTU) mode. You can use Modbus to view the Main Module through your building management system interface. It is read-only.

- The Modbus interface supports 2-wire RS-485.
- Modbus runs at 9600 or 19200 bps.

The Modbus register map for the Main Module defines the data (type, location, and valid responses) available through Modbus. To download the Modbus register map or any updates to this register map, go to the APC Web site ([www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com)), search by part number for NBRK0200, and click the link to the register map in the list of documentation. Check the publication date at the start of the file.



For more information on Modbus, see the Modbus Standard Library at [www.modbus.org](http://www.modbus.org).

# How to Reboot, Reset Settings, and Clear Alarms (Administration>General>Reset/Reboot)

Use the radio buttons and checkboxes on the Reset/Reboot Network Interface page to perform the functions described below.

Option	Description
Reboot Management Interface	Restarts the Main Module. All configuration settings are retained.
Reset All	Resets all configuration settings to system defaults and clears all alarms. Configuration settings and alarms include the following: TCP/IP, Event Configuration, Lost Communication Alarms, Temperature Rate Of Change Alarms, Module Configuration Including Identifier Numbers. (See the next row of this table for details.)
Exclude TCP/IP	Select this option to exclude TCP/IP settings when the Reset All function is executed.
Reset Only	Resets only the options below that you select.
TCP/IP	Resets the TCP/IP configuration method to DHCP & BOOTP, and all other TCP/IP settings to system defaults. For details, see <a href="#">TCP/IP settings (Administration&gt;Network&gt;TCP/IP)</a> .
Event Configuration	Resets all event actions to their default configuration, which includes logging for all events and, for some events, includes e-mail notification. For events with default e-mail notification, the notification settings include all recipients added to the system. (For details on event configuration, see <a href="#">Configuring event actions</a> .)
Lost Communication Alarms	Clears a lost communication or device disconnected alarm caused when communication is lost to a device, for example, when you intentionally remove a device from the system. (For troubleshooting details on this alarm, see <a href="#">Device Disconnected (or Lost Comm) Alarms</a> .)
Temperature Rate Of Change Alarms	Clears an alarm caused when a temperature rate of change is exceeded. (For details on rate-of-change settings, see <a href="#">Temperature &amp; Humidity page</a> .)

## Configuring Links (Administration>General>Quick Links)

Select the **Administration** tab, the **General** option on the top menu bar, and the **Quick Links** option on the left navigation menu to view the three URL links displayed at the bottom left of each page of the interface.

By default, these links access the following Web pages:

- **APC's Web Site:** The APC home page.
- **Testdrive Demo:** A demonstration page where you can use samples of APC Web-enabled products.
- **APC Monitoring:** The home page of the APC Remote Monitoring Service.

To reconfigure a link, click that link in the **Display** column, and change any of the following:

- **Display:** The short link name displayed on each interface page
- **Name:** A name that fully identifies the target or purpose of the link
- **Address:** Any URL—for example, the URL of another device and server

## About the Main Module (Administration>General>About)

The hardware information is especially useful to APC Customer Support in helping to troubleshoot problems with the Main Module. The serial number and MAC address accessible through the **About** menu option are also available on the Main Module itself.

Firmware information, listed under Application Module and APC OS (AOS), indicates the name, firmware version number, and the date and time each firmware module was created. This information may also be useful in troubleshooting and enables you to determine quickly if updated firmware is available to download from the APC Web site.

# APC Device IP Configuration Wizard

## Capabilities, Requirements, and Installation

### How to use the Wizard to configure TCP/IP settings

The APC Device IP Configuration Wizard configures the IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway of one or more Network Management Cards or APC network-enabled devices (devices containing an embedded Network Management Card). You can use the Wizard in either of the following ways:

- Remotely over your TCP/IP network to discover and configure unconfigured Network Management Cards or devices on the same network segment as the computer running the Wizard.
- Through a direct connection from a serial port of your computer to a Network Management Card or device to configure or reconfigure it.

### System requirements

The Wizard runs on computers with Microsoft Windows 2000, Windows Server<sup>®</sup> 2003, or Windows XP operating systems.

### Installation

To install the Wizard from the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD*:

1. If autorun is enabled, the user interface of the CD starts when you insert the CD. Otherwise, open the file **contents.htm** on the CD.
2. Click **Device IP Configuration Wizard** and follow the instructions.

To install the Wizard from a downloaded executable file:

1. Go to **[www.apc/tools/download](http://www.apc/tools/download)**.
2. Download the Device IP Configuration Wizard.
3. Run the executable file in the folder to which you downloaded it.

# Use the Wizard



Most software firewalls must be temporarily disabled for the Wizard to discover unconfigured Network Management Cards or devices.

## Launch the Wizard

The installation creates a shortcut link in the **Start** menu to launch the Wizard.

## Configure the basic TCP/IP settings remotely

**Prepare to configure the settings.** Before you run the Wizard:

1. Contact your network administrator to obtain valid TCP/IP settings.
2. If you are configuring multiple unconfigured Network Management Cards or network-enabled devices, obtain the MAC address of each one to identify it when the Wizard discovers it. (The Wizard displays the MAC address on the screen on which you then enter the TCP/IP settings.)
  - For a Network Management Card that you install, the MAC address is on a label on the bottom of the card.
  - For a network-enabled device (with an embedded Network Management Card), the MAC address is on a label on the device.
  - You can also obtain the MAC address from the Quality Assurance slip that came with the Network Management Card or device.

**Run the Wizard to perform the configuration.** To discover and configure unconfigured Network Management Cards or network-enabled devices over the network:

1. From the **Start** menu, launch the Wizard. The Wizard detects the first Network Management Card or network-enabled device that is not configured.
2. Select **Remotely (over the network)**, and click **Next >**.
3. Enter the system IP, subnet mask, and default gateway for the Network Management Card or device identified by the MAC address. Click **Next >**.

On the **Transmit Current Settings Remotely** screen, if you select **Start a Web browser when finished**, the default Web browser connects to the Network Management Card or device after the Wizard transmits the settings.

4. Click **Finish** to transmit the settings. If the IP address you entered is in use on the network, the Wizard prompts you to enter an IP address that is not in use. Enter a correct IP address, and click **Finish**.
5. If the Wizard finds another unconfigured Network Management Card or device, it displays the screen to enter TCP/IP settings. Repeat this procedure beginning at **step 3**, or to skip the Network Management Card or device whose MAC address is currently displayed, click **Cancel**.

## Configure or reconfigure the TCP/IP settings locally

1. Contact your network administrator to obtain valid TCP/IP settings.
2. Connect the provided serial configuration cable from an available communications port on your computer to the serial port of the Network Management Card or device. Make sure no other application is using the computer port.
3. From the **Start** menu, launch the Wizard application.
4. If the Network Management Card or network-enabled device is not configured, wait for the Wizard to detect it. Otherwise, click **Next>**.
5. Select **Locally (through the serial port)**, and click **Next >**.
6. Enter the system IP, subnet mask, and default gateway for the Network Management Card or device, and click **Next >**.
7. On the **Transmit Current Settings Remotely** screen, if you select **Start a Web browser when finished**, the default Web browser connects to the Network Management Card or device after the Wizard transmits the settings.
8. Click **Finish** to transmit the TCP/IP settings. If the IP address you entered is in use on the network, the Wizard prompts you to enter an IP address that is not in use. Enter a correct IP address, and click **Finish**.
9. If you selected **Start a Web browser when finished** in [step 7](#), you can now configure other parameters through the Web interface of the Network Management Card or device.

# Exporting Configuration Settings

## Retrieving and Exporting the .ini File

### Summary of the procedure

An Administrator can retrieve the .ini file of a Main Module and export it to another Main Module or to multiple Main Modules.

1. Configure a Main Module to have the settings you want to export.
2. Retrieve the .ini file from that Main Module.
3. Customize the file to change at least the TCP/IP settings.
4. Use a file transfer protocol supported by the Main Module to transfer a copy to one or more other Main Modules. For a transfer to multiple Main Modules, use an FTP or SCP script or the APC .ini file utility.

Each receiving Main Module uses the file to reconfigure its own settings and then deletes it.

### Contents of the .ini file

The config.ini file you retrieve from a Main Module contains the following:

- *section headings* and *keywords* (only those supported for the device from which you retrieve the file): Section headings are category names enclosed in brackets ([ ]). Keywords, under each section heading, are labels describing specific Main Module settings. Each keyword is followed by an equals sign and a value (either the default or a configured value).
- The **Override** keyword: With its default value, this keyword prevents the exporting of one or more keywords and their device-specific values, e.g., in the **[NetworkTCP/IP]** section, the default value for **Override** (the MAC address of the Main Module) blocks the exporting of values for the **SystemIP**, **SubnetMask**, **DefaultGateway**, and **BootMode**.

## Detailed procedures

**Retrieving.** To set up and retrieve an .ini file to export:

1. If possible, use the interface of a Main Module to configure it with the settings to export. Directly editing the .ini file risks introducing errors.
2. To use FTP to retrieve config.ini from the configured Main Module:
  - a. Open a connection to the Main Module, using its IP address:

```
ftp> open ip_address
```

b. Log on using the Administrator user name and password.

c. Retrieve the config.ini file containing the Main Module's settings:

```
ftp> get config.ini
```

The file is written to the folder from which you launched FTP.



To retrieve configuration settings from multiple Main Modules and export them to other Main Modules, see *Release Notes: ini File Utility, version 1.0*, available on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD* and at [www.apc.com](http://www.apc.com).

**Customizing.** You must customize the file before you export it.

1. Use a text editor to customize the file.
  - Section headings, keywords, and pre-defined values are not case-sensitive, but string values that you define are case-sensitive.
  - Use adjacent quotation marks to indicate no value. For example, `LinkURL1=""` indicates that the URL is intentionally undefined.
  - Enclose in quotation marks any values that contain leading or trailing spaces or are already enclosed in quotation marks.
  - To export scheduled events, configure the values directly in the .ini file.
  - To export a system time with the greatest accuracy, if the receiving Main Modules can access a Network Time Protocol server, configure `enabled` for `NTPEnable`:

```
NTPEnable=enabled
```

Alternatively, reduce transmission time by exporting the `[SystemDate/Time]` section as a separate .ini file.
  - To add comments, start each comment line with a semicolon (`;`).
2. Copy the customized file to another file name in the same folder:
  - The file name can have up to 64 characters and must have the .ini suffix.
  - Retain the original customized file for future use. **The file that you retain is the only record of your comments.**

**Transferring the file to a single Main Module.** To transfer the .ini file to another Main Module, do either of the following:

- From the Web interface of the receiving Main Module, select the **Administration** tab, **General** on the top menu bar, and **User Config File** on the left navigation menu. Enter the full path of the file, or use **Browse**.
- Use any file transfer protocol supported by Main Modules (i.e., FTP, FTP Client, SCP, or TFTP). The following example uses FTP:

- a. From the folder containing the copy of the customized .ini file, use FTP to log in to the Main Module to which you are exporting the .ini file:

```
ftp> open ip_address
```

- b. Export the copy of the customized .ini file to the root directory of the receiving Main Module:

```
ftp> put filename.ini
```

**Exporting the file to multiple Main Modules.** To export the .ini file to multiple Main Modules:

- Use FTP or SCP, but write a script that incorporates and repeats the steps used for exporting the file to a single Main Module.
- Use a batch processing file and the APC .ini file utility.



To create the batch file and use the utility, see *Release Notes: ini File Utility, version 1.0* on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD*.

# The Upload Event and Error Messages

## The event and its error messages

The following event occurs when the receiving Main Module completes using the .ini file to update its settings.

Configuration file upload complete, with *number* valid values

If a keyword, section name, or value is invalid, the upload by the receiving Main Module succeeds, and additional event text states the error.

Event text	Description
Configuration file warning: Invalid keyword on line <i>number</i> . Configuration file warning: Invalid value on line <i>number</i> .	A line with an invalid keyword or value is ignored.
Configuration file warning: Invalid section on line <i>number</i> .	If a section name is invalid, all keyword/value pairs in that section are ignored.
Configuration file warning: Keyword found outside of a section on line <i>number</i> .	A keyword entered at the beginning of the file (i.e., before any section headings) is ignored.
Configuration file warning: Configuration file exceeds maximum size.	If the file is too large, an incomplete upload occurs. Reduce the size of the file, or divide it into two files, and try uploading again.

## Messages in config.ini

A device associated with the Main Module from which you download the config.ini file must be discovered successfully in order for its configuration to be included. If the device is not present or, for another reason, is not discovered, the config.ini file contains a message under the appropriate section name, instead of keywords and values. If you did not intend to export the configuration of the device as part of the .ini file import, ignore these messages.

## Errors generated by overridden values

The **Override** keyword and its value will generate error messages in the event log when it blocks the exporting of values.



See [Contents of the .ini file](#) for information about which values are overridden.

Because the overridden values are device-specific and not appropriate to export to other Main Modules, ignore these error messages. To prevent these error messages, you can delete the lines that contain the **override** keyword and the lines that contain the values that they override. Do not delete or change the line containing the section heading.

## Related Topics

On Windows operating systems, instead of transferring .ini files, you can use the APC Device IP Configuration Wizard to update the basic TCP/IP settings of Main Modules and configure other settings through their user interface.



See [APC Device IP Configuration Wizard](#).

# Firmware Upgrades

## Overview

When you upgrade Main Module firmware, any Expansion Modules are automatically updated. If your network includes more than one Main Module, you must perform the upgrade on all Main Modules. Valid data is not available during the upgrade.



Never use the tool for one APC product to upgrade firmware of another.

## How to Upgrade a Single Main Module

Upgrading your Main Module requires you to transfer the latest firmware obtained from the APC Web site to your Main Module. To upgrade the firmware of one Main Module, use one of the following methods.

- For a Main Module that is on your network:
  - From a networked computer running a Microsoft Windows operating system, use the firmware upgrade tool, included as part of the download from the APC Web site. (See [Firmware upgrade tool](#).)
  - From a networked computer on any supported operating system, use FTP ([FTP](#)) or SCP ([Secure CoPy \(SCP\)](#)).
- For a Main Module that is not on your network, use XMODEM with a serial connection ([Secure CoPy \(SCP\)](#)).

## Firmware upgrade tool

1. Download the latest firmware release for your NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 (NBRK0200) from [www.apc.com/tools/download](http://www.apc.com/tools/download).
2. Make a note of the IP address of the Main Module. To view the IP address, from the **Administration** tab, click **Network**, then **TCP/IP**.
3. Create a directory to which you will extract the files.
4. Double-click the file you downloaded from the APC Web site and follow the prompts to extract the files to the folder created in the previous step and then to upgrade your Main Module. The upgrade tool starts automatically.

## FTP

1. Download the latest firmware release for your NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 (NBRK0200) from [www.apc.com/tools/download](http://www.apc.com/tools/download).
2. From the NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 software interface, check the FTP Server settings:
  - From the **Administration** tab, click **Network**, then **FTP Server** to verify that the **Access** option is enabled.
  - Note whether the **Port** setting has changed from the default value of 21.
3. Create a directory to which you will extract the files.
4. Double-click the file you downloaded from the APC Web site and follow the prompts to extract the files to the folder created in the previous step. You will download to the Main Module two files extracted: the APC Operating System (AOS) file and the NetBotz application file. When a window opens and prompts you for the IP Address, close the window.
5. Open a command prompt window of a computer on the network. Go to the directory that contains the extracted files, and list the files:

```
C:\>cd\apc
C:\apc>dir
```
6. Open an FTP client session: `C:\apc>ftp`

7. Type **open** and the Main Module IP address, then press ENTER. If the **port** setting for the FTP Server has changed from its default of **21**, use the non-default port number you obtained in step 2 in the FTP command.
  - For Windows FTP clients, separate a non-default port number from the IP address by a space. For example:  

```
ftp> open 150.250.6.10 21000
```
  - Some FTP clients require a colon instead of a space before the non-default port number.
8. Log on to the NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 as Administrator; **apc** is the default user name and password.



For a successful firmware upgrade, you must first transfer the AOS file and then transfer the application file.

9. Upgrade the AOS; the file name you enter must match the name of the binary AOS file you extracted. In the example below, **x**'s were substituted for version numbers.

```
ftp> bin
ftp> put apc_hwxx_aos_xxx.bin
```

10. When FTP confirms the transfer, type **quit** to close the session.
11. After 20 seconds, repeat **step 6** through **step 8**.
12. Upgrade the application file; the file name you enter must match the name of the binary application file you extracted. In the example below, **x**'s were substituted for version numbers.

```
ftp> bin
ftp> put apc_hwxx_nb200_xxx.bin
```

13. When FTP confirms the transfer, type **quit** to close the session.

## Secure CoPy (SCP)

1. Download the latest firmware release for your NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 (NBRK0200) from [www.apc.com/tools/download](http://www.apc.com/tools/download).
2. Create a directory to which you will extract the files.
3. Double-click the file you downloaded from the APC Web site and follow the prompts to extract the files to the folder created in the previous step. You will download to the Main Module two files extracted: the APC Operating System (AOS) file and the NetBotz application file. When a window opens and prompts you for the IP Address, close the window.



For a successful firmware upgrade, you must first transfer the AOS file and then transfer the application file.

4. Use an SCP command line to transfer the APC Operating System (AOS) to the Main Module; the file name you enter must match the name of the binary AOS file you extracted. In the example below, **x**'s were substituted for version numbers.

```
scp apc_hw03_aos_xxx.bin apc@158.205.6.185:apc_hw03_aos_xxx.bin
```

5. Use an SCP command line with the name of the application file to transfer the application file to the Main Module.

```
scp apc_hw03_nb200_xxx.bin  
apc@158.205.6.185:apc_hw03_nb200_xxx.bin
```

## XMODEM

1. Download the latest firmware release for your NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 (NBRK0200) from [www.apc.com/tools/download](http://www.apc.com/tools/download).
2. Create a directory to which you will extract the files.
3. Double-click the file you downloaded from the APC Web site and follow the prompts to extract the files to the folder created in the previous step. You will download to the Main Module two files extracted: the APC Operating System (AOS) file and the NetBotz application file. When a window opens and prompts you for the IP Address, close the window.
4. Select a serial port at the local computer and disable any service using the port.
5. Connect the provided RS-232 configuration cable to the selected port and to the serial port at the Main Module.
6. Run a terminal program such as HyperTerminal, and configure the selected port for 9600 bps, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, and no flow control.
7. Press ENTER to display the **User Name** prompt.
8. Enter the Administrator user name and password (**apc** by default for both).
9. From the **Control Console** menu, select **System**, then **Tools**, then **File Transfer**, then **XMODEM**; and type **Yes** at the prompt to continue.
10. Select a baud rate, change the terminal program's baud rate to match your selection, and press ENTER. A higher baud rate causes faster upgrades.



For a successful firmware upgrade, you must first transfer the AOS file and then transfer the application file.

11. From the terminal program's menu, select and transfer the binary AOS file using XMODEM-CRC. After the XMODEM transfer is complete, set the baud rate to 9600. The Main Module automatically restarts.
12. Repeat **step 6** through **step 11** to install the application module. In **step 11**, use the application file name, not the AOS file name.

# How to Upgrade Multiple Main Modules

**Export configuration settings.** You can create batch files and use an APC utility to retrieve configuration settings from multiple Main Modules and export them to other Main Modules.



See *Release Notes: ini File Utility, version 1.0*, available on the *NetBotz Rack Monitor 200 Utility CD*.

**Use FTP or SCP to upgrade multiple Main Modules.** To upgrade multiple Main Modules using an FTP client or using SCP, write a script which automatically performs the procedure.

# How to Verify an Upgrade

## Verify the success or failure of the transfer

To verify whether a firmware upgrade succeeded, use the **Network** menu in the control console and select the **FTP Server** option to view the **Last Transfer Result** field, or use an SNMP GET to the **mfiletransferStatusLastTransferResult** OID.

## Last Transfer Result codes

Code	Description
Successful	The file transfer was successful.
Result not available	There are no recorded file transfers.
Failure unknown	The last file transfer failed for an unknown reason.
Server inaccessible	The TFTP or FTP server could not be found on the network.
Server access denied	The TFTP or FTP server denied access.
File not found	The TFTP or FTP server could not locate the requested file.
File type unknown	The file was downloaded but the contents were not recognized.
File corrupt	The file was downloaded but at least one Cyclical Redundancy Check (CRC) failed.

## Verify the version numbers of installed firmware

Use the Web interface to verify the versions of the upgraded firmware modules by selecting the **Administration** tab, **General** on the top menu bar, and **About** on the left navigation menu, or use an SNMP GET to the MIB II **sysDescr** OID.

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