

FM RDS on Flashlog 7

Note: This is a value-added feature available for an additional one-off charge. Contact the Innes Corporation office to purchase this option.

Flashlog 7 can now record FM RDS Program Information and RadioText. On playback, the programme service name is displayed on the channel button, while any RadioText is shown in the “DLS box” in the bottom left hand corner of the Flashlog and Flashback windows.

Requirements

- Flashlog / Flashback version 7.12 or later.
- An FM Radcap 6 or FM Radcap 24 radio capture card installed in the Flashlog 7 recorder, with driver version 7.0.0.3511 or later (the latest driver can be downloaded from the Innes Corporation website).

Applying an RDS licence to an existing Flashlog 7

- Make sure you have Flashlog version 7.12 or later installed on your logger.
- Close the Flashlog 7 window on the logger (note that the logger will continue to record, as this is done by a separate background service).
- Open a command prompt window and enter “cd c:\logger”.
- Type “flashlog7 /a” and press Enter.
- When the activation dialog box appears, contact Innes Corporation and quote your hardware key. Make sure you say you’re requesting RDS activation. Type in the activation key you receive in response and click on OK.
- After a few seconds, the normal Flashlog 7 window will appear.

Enabling RDS on the FM Radcap

- Open the Windows Device Manager, right-click on the FM Radcap driver, select Properties and click on the Driver tab. If the driver version is earlier than 7.0.0.3511, obtain the latest driver and unzip the contents onto a removable media. Click on Update Driver, select “Browse my computer for driver software” and choose the 64-bit driver location on the removable media. Proceed with the update and reboot if required.

- Again in Device Manager under the FM Radcap driver properties, click on the Configuration tab, tick the RDS Decoding checkbox and click OK.
- After the logger has rebooted, go to the Flashlog Sources tab and confirm that the RDS indicators are showing on stations known to be transmitting RDS. Note that marginal reception or multipath distortion can prevent reliable RDS decoding.
- Allow the logger to record for a couple of minutes, then go to the Player window and check that the RDS logo and RadioText (if any) appear when playing back FM stations with RDS.

