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## Engineering Release Notes

You can update your card by downloading the new Update software by going to the **Support>Firmware Downloads** link at [www.cobaltdigital.com](http://www.cobaltdigital.com). Download "Firmware Update Guide", which provides simple instructions for downloading the latest firmware for your card onto your computer, and then uploading it to your card through DashBoard™. **Software updates are field-installed without any need to remove the card from its frame.** The table below lists released software versions and describes the corresponding functions additions, improvements and/or corrections.

- Notes:**
- Some features and/or functions described below are available on a card only when certain licensable features have been activated (e.g., DSP loudness processing licensed feature), or card equipped with corresponding daughtercard (e.g., Dolby® encoder module).
  - Date ranges are approximate. Software versions listed may not be available for all COMPASS® cards; refer to **Support>Firmware** web page for specific card firmware availability.

Software Version (Date)	Description
Release 14 (9/12/2014 – present)	<p><b>Corrections:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Corrects issue where SD timecode insertion line control may not function.</li><li>• Corrects issue where large-scale upstream shifts in timing could cause card lock-up/spontaneous reboot.</li></ul> <p><b>Known Issues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• When processing SD video, if timecode or text positioning is moved too far vertically off-screen, line 21 waveform closed captioning may be become corrupted. Normal, proper use of these controls to position timecode and text burn within the active image area avoids this condition.</li></ul>
Release 13 (12/18/2013 – 9/12/2014)	<p><b>Additions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adds full timecode controls. Card can select and prioritize from input video SMPTE HD and SD embedded formats, VITC waveform on reference, and/or RS-485 LTC sources as output video/burn-in timecode.</li><li>• LTC port controls add ability to source or send RS-485 LTC to or from either card video path (dual-path controls only on dual-path 9392 card).</li><li>• Adds burn-in/output video count-down/count-up timecode generator. Count-down mode can be set to wrap at zero or halt at zero.</li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Due to functional additions and numerous user interface additions, we recommend obtaining a new manual for your card after uploading this firmware version to your card. Download the manual (pdf) from the card Product page or at Cobalt&gt;Support&gt;Documents&gt;Product Information and Manuals.</p> <p><b>Corrections:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Corrects issue where PAL rates would count using drop frame counting even if drop frame counting was disabled.</li><li>• Corrects initial power-up/boot issue noted for previous releases below.</li></ul> <p><b>Known Issues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• When processing SD video, if timecode or text positioning is moved too far vertically off-screen, line 21 waveform closed captioning may be become corrupted. Normal, proper use of these controls to position timecode and text burn within the active image area avoids this condition.</li></ul>
Release 9 (6/20/2012 – 12/18/2013)	<p><b>Corrections:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Frame-digits burn-in for interlaced formats properly increments, with expected cycling of 0-10-20 0-10-20.</li><li>• Displayed "0" (zero) burn-in character reformatted to appear as standard 0 without diagonal element.</li></ul> <p><b>Known Issues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• When processing SD video, if timecode or text positioning is moved too far vertically off-screen, line 21 waveform closed captioning may be become corrupted. Normal, proper use of these controls to position timecode and text burn within the active image area avoids this condition.</li><li>• In extremely rare case, upon initial frame power-up the card may not boot up, resulting in the card not producing an output nor appearing in DashBoard. If this happens, manually power-cycle the card by unseating the card and then re-seating the card in its slot.</li></ul>