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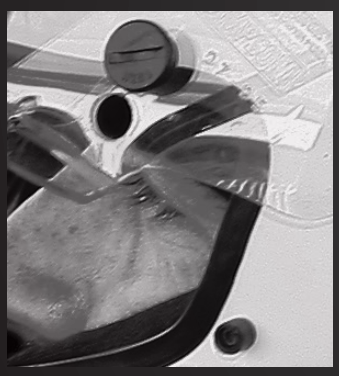

FT500
FT500LITE

Programmable Electronic Fuel Injection and Ignition System

Installation and Operation Guide

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2. Presentation

Congratulations! You are now part of the high performance world of FuelTech! Know that this equipment is exactly the same used in many winners cars around the world. From NHRA drag race cars and circuit race cars to exotic brands with 12 cylinder, the FT500 SFI and FT500LITE SFI represent the maximum technology, ease of use and performance that an ECU can provide. We, from FuelTech, wish you have many victories and have fun on your path, because winning is in our DNA!

The FuelTech FT500 SFI/FT500LITE SFI is a fully programmable ECU, which allows you to change all fuel and timing tables, as the engine conditions, in real time. You can tune your engine directly on the ECU, through its screen touchscreen 4.3" (only FT500 SFI) or via FTManager software (FT500 SFI and FT500LITE SFI) with high-speed USB communication. The tuning of main fuel and timing tables may be performed in basic (2D) or advanced (3D) mode with configurable break points. It can be applied to any type of engine Otto cycle using indirect injection, 2 or 4 strokes, up to 12 cylinders or 4 rotors, gasoline, ethanol, methanol, CNG, nitromethane and other compatible fuels.

The electronic throttle control is fully integrated to the module and configured directly in the display without any additional computer or module. It is possible to set alerts to dangerous situations for the engine, such as over rev, low oil pressure, high engine temperature, among others. These alerts can also be programmed to limit rpm or shut off the engine bringing more security the user. The ECU also features five maps fully independent, allowing different settings to engines and/or cars.

The timing control can be done through distributor or crank trigger. Thus, it is possible to work with a single coil, double coils or COP coils, on wasted spark or sequential ignition. The fuel injectors can work on sequential, semi-sequential or multipoint mode, with individual cylinder trim. Tune the injection phase angle is also possible.

The equipment also has the Favorites menu, which seeks to facilitate access to the main engine setup menus, allowing executing rapid changes in maps. The dashboard panel is fully configurable, where the user can change the display size and the types of readings for each parameter, as well as reading range presented on the screen.

The FT500LITE SFI is a FT500 SFI without touchscreen. If you want to upgrade your FT500LITE SFI to FT500 SFI, please contact our technical support.

3. Warranty terms

The use of this equipment implies the total accordance with the terms described in this manual and exempts the manufacturer from any responsibility regarding to product misuse

Read all the information in this manual before starting the product installation.

NOTE

This product must be installed and tuned by specialized auto shops and/or personnel with experience on engine tuning.

Before starting any electric installation, disconnect the battery.

The inobservance of any of the warnings or precautions described in this manual might cause engine damage and lead to the invalidation of this product warranty. The improper use of the product might cause engine damage.

This product does not have a certification for the use on aircraft or any flying devices, as it has not been designed for such use purpose.

In some countries where an annual inspection of vehicles is enforced, no modification in the OEM ECU is permitted. Be informed about local laws and regulations prior to the product installation.

Important warnings for proper installation of this product:

- Always cut the unused parts of cables off NEVER roll up the excess.
- The black wire of the harness MUST be connected directly to the battery's negative terminal, as well as each one of the sensors' ground wires.
- It is recommended to wire the **black/white** wire directly to the **battery negative** terminal, making sure that the ECU is well grounded. If the ECU wiring has not been made properly, it may cause irreparable problems to the ECU.

IMPORTANT

The all black and black/white ground wires must go SEPARATELY to the negative battery terminal.

WARNING

- ***It is a good practice to save your maps on the PC, as a security backup. In case of problems with your ECU, this will be the guarantee that your calibrations are saved. In some cases, when the ECU is upgraded by the factory, its memory may be erased also.***
- ***It's not possible to change the FT500's interface language.***

Limited Warranty

This product warranty is limited to one year from the date of purchase and covers only manufacturing defects upon presentation of purchase invoice.

This ECU has a serial number that's linked to the purchase invoice and to the warranty. In case of product exchange, please contact FuelTech tech support.

Damages caused by misuse of the unit are not covered by the warranty. This analysis is done by FuelTech tech support team.

The violation of the warranty seal results in the invalidation of the Product Warranty.

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FTManager version - 4.3

4. Characteristics

Inputs and specifications

- 103 psi internal MAP sensor (7 bar - absolute), 14.7psi of vacuum and 88psi of positive pressure (boost);
- 4.3" Touchscreen with 16,8 million colors (FT500 only);
- 375MIPS processor (Processing capabilities Millions of Instructions per Second);
- Otto cycle engine control: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 12 cylinders and 2, 3 and 4 rotors;
- 2 injector banks (staged injection banks A and B);
- Injection time resolution 0.001ms;
- Ignition angle resolution 0.01°;
- 11 input channels totally configurable (intake air temperature, coolant temperature, fuel and oil pressure, TPS, external MAP sensor, electronic throttle and pedal position sensors, etc.);
- 2 fixed inputs (RPM signal and Cam sync sensor);
- 4 outputs to control stepper motor (idle air control valve, etc.);
- 20 configurable output channels (fuel, ignition and auxiliary outputs);
- Distributor and crank trigger ignition control;
- FuelTech CAN port (CAN communication with FuelTech ECUs and Racepak IQ3 dashes and VNET Networks);
- Compatible with Racepak AiM;
- Working temperature: -10ºC a 60ºC;
- Sensors editable reading scales;

Functions

- Sequential, semi sequential and multipoint fuel control;
- Wasted spark and sequential ignition control;
- Idle speed control by electronic throttle, stepper motor, ignition timing and PWM valve;
- Main fuel map, idle speed and fuel enrichment by MAP or TPS;
- Real time programmable by the screen or PC through FTManager Software;
- Individual fuel and ignition trim per cylinder/rotor;
- Fuel and ignition maps by 2D table or 3D table (32x32 points);
- Configurable fuel and ignition map resolution (through FTManager Software and USB cable);
- Fuel injection phase angle control;
- Fuel enrichment and decay adjust;
- Dead-time compensation table by battery voltage;
- Ignition timing compensation by boost/vacuum and throttle position (TPS);
- Fuel compensation by air and coolant temperature and by battery voltage;
- RPM limiter by fuel and ignition;
- Deceleration fuel cut-off;
- Exclusive Drag Race features: burnout mode, 2-step, 3-step, timing table for rev launch, 2-step by wheel speed, time based rpm limiter by ignition cut or timing retard, time based fuel enrichment, time based speed/driveshaft rpm control by ignition cut or timing retard
- Control of up to two cooling fans by coolant temperature;
- Prime pulse and post-start enrichment maps;
- Fuel pump prime control;
- VTEC control;
- Progressive nitrous control with timing retard and fuel enrichment;
- User and tuner protection passwords;
- Audible and visual alert, including external shift light control;
- Check control with on-screen warning, safety mode and engine shut-off by exceeded pressure, RPM, coolant temperature, duty cycle, oil and fuel pressure;
- Display brightness and sound warning adjusts;
- 5 memory positions to save different adjusts and maps;

Dashboard screen

- Injection time, ignition timing (in °BTDC), RPM, TPS (in %), manifold air pressure, air and coolant temperature in °F, oil and fuel pressure in PSI;
- O2 sensor readings, boost and nitrous, internal datalogger and burnout mode buttons and battery voltage;
- Wheel speed input, driveshaft rpm input, gear change detection;

Internal datalogger

- Multiple logs recording, up to 128 channels, over 1h recording;
- Configurable sampling rate per channel (25Hz, 50Hz, 100Hz and 200Hz);
- PC communication through USB cable and channel customization via FTManager Software;

Box Content

- 1 FT500 or FT500LITE ECU;
- 1 wiring harness;
- 1 USB flash drive (contains FTManager Software, FT guides, etc.);
- 1 Mini USB cable;
- 1 FT500 / FT500LITE installation guide;
- 1 Smart clip support.

ECU Dimensions

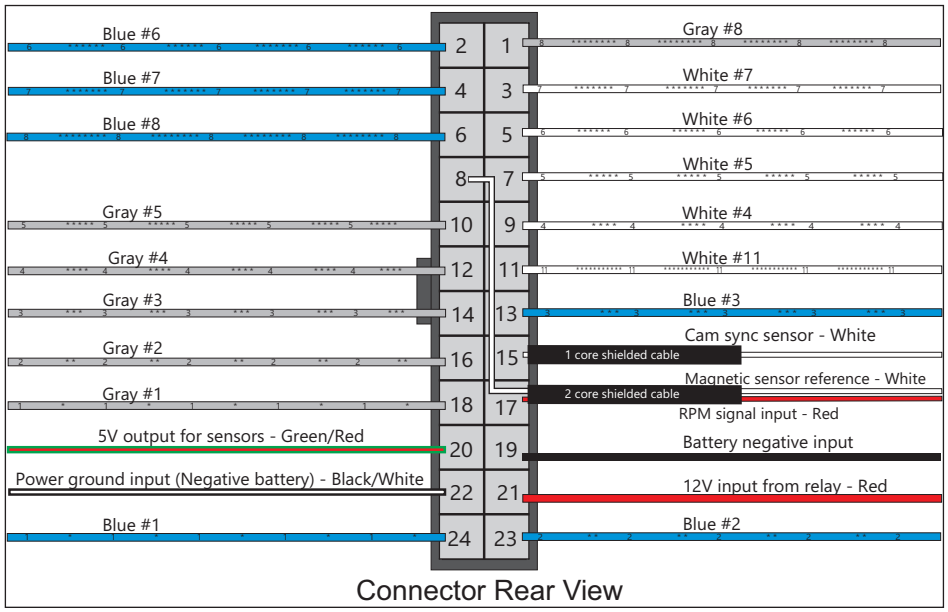
- 5,5in x 3,2in x 1,3in.

Weight

- FT500LITE SFI: 150g;
- FT500 SFI: 235g.

4.1 Harness connections - 24 way connector

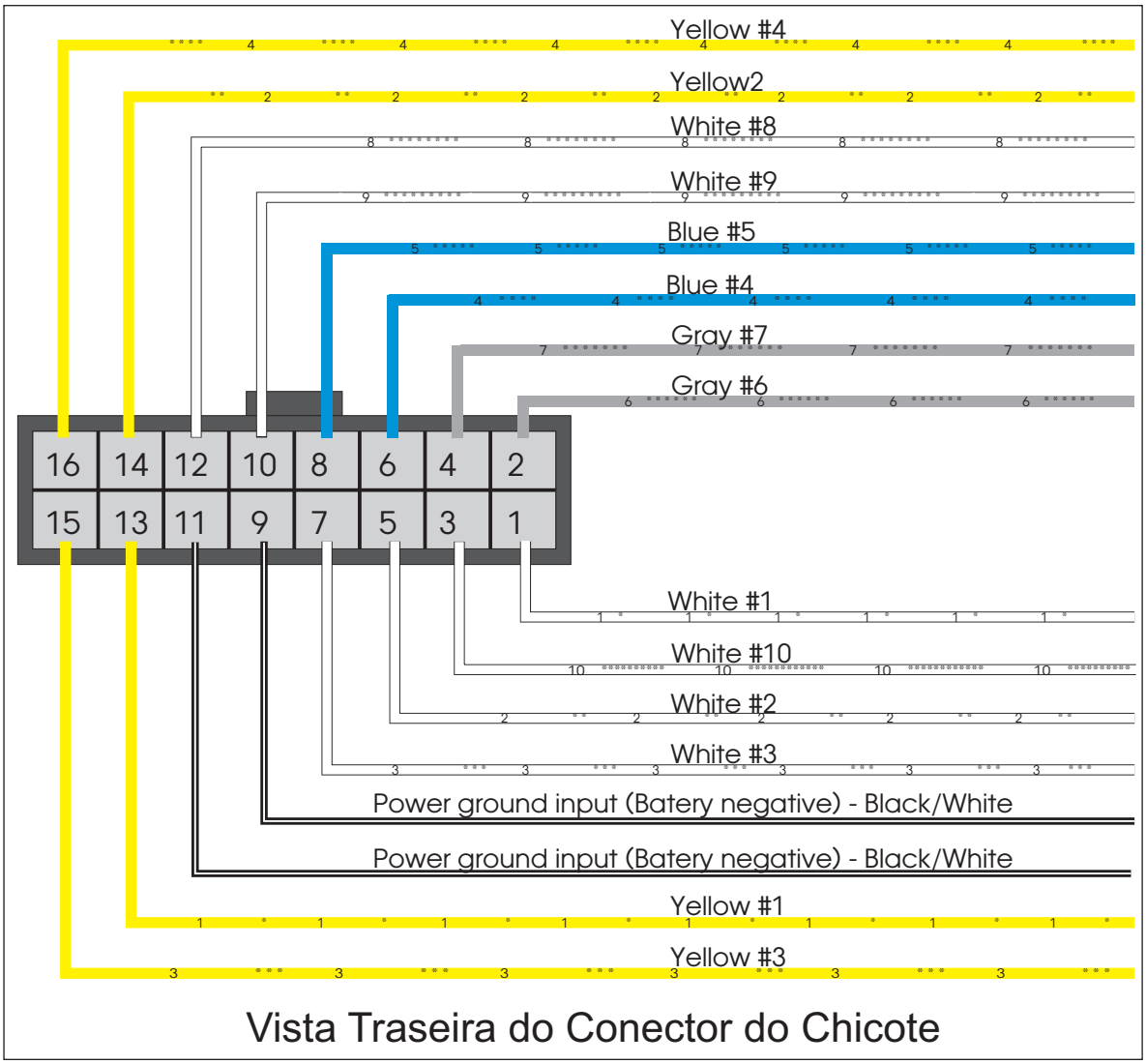
Wire color	Pin	Function	Information
Blue #1	24	Blue output #1	These outputs are usually used for injector control. When needed, they can be configured as auxiliary outputs.
Blue #2	23	Blue output #2	
Blue #3	13	Blue output #3	
Blue #6	2	Blue output #6	
Blue #7	4	Blue output #7	
Blue #8	6	Blue output #8	
White #4	9	White input #4	**Standard: oil pressure** — These inputs can be set up as any kind of analog or digital sensor.
White #5	7	White input #5	**Standard: coolant temperature**
White #6	5	White input #6	**Standard: fuel pressure**
White #7	3	White input #7	**Standard: air temperature**
White #11	11	White input #11	**Standard: TPS signal**
Gray #1	18	Gray output #1	These outputs are usually used for ignition control. When needed, they can be set up as injector outputs or auxiliary outputs. By standard, Gray output #8 is used as a tachometer output.
Gray #2	16	Gray output #2	
Gray #3	14	Gray output #3	
Gray #4	12	Gray output #4	
Gray #5	10	Gray output #5	
Gray #8	1	Gray output #8	
White wire from the 2 core shielded cable	8	**Magnetic RPM sensor reference**	Connected to the negative wire of the magnetic sensor. When OEM ECU is reading the sensor in parallel, split this wire with OEM sensor negative - Do not connect when using hall effect sensor.
Red wire from the 2 core shielded cable	17	**RPM signal input**	Connected to the crank trigger sensor (hall or magnetic) or to the distributor. To VR sensors, use the shield wire the sensor shield. To Hall sensor, use the shield as negative
White wire from the 1 core shielded cable	15	**Cam sync signal input**	Connected to the cam sync sensor (hall or magnetic) - Use the shield as negative to the sensor
Red	21	12V input from relay	Connected to the pin 87 of the Main Relay.
Black	19	Battery negative input	Connected directly to the battery negative with no seams. **Do not connect this wire to the chassis, engine block or head.**
Black/White	22	Power ground input	**Directly** wired to the battery negative terminal with no seams. Do not tap any other grounds to this wire, it must run clean straight to the battery negative terminal.
Green/Red	20	5V output for sensors	5V voltage output for TPS, electronic throttle and pedal sensors



Connector Rear View

4.2 Harness connections - 16 way connector

Wire Color	Pin	Function	Information	
White #1	1	White input #1	Standard: O2 sensor input	These inputs can be set up as any kind of analog or digital sensor. MAP signal output can only be set up on white #5, #7, #10 or #11.
White #2	5	White input #2	Standard: two-step input	
White #3	7	White input #3	Standard: air conditioning button	
White #8	12	White input #8	Standard: pedal #2 signal input	
White #9	10	White input #9	Standard: pedal #1 signal input	
White #10	3	White input #10	MAP signal output or TPS #2 (electronic throttle)	
Gray #6	2	Gray output #6	Ignition output #6 can be configured as injector or auxiliary output	
Gray #7	4	Gray output #7	Ignition output #7 can be configured as injector or auxiliary output	
Blue #4	6	Blue output #4	Injector output #4 can be configured as auxiliary output	
Blue #5	8	Blue output #5	Injector output #5 can be configured as auxiliary output	
Black/White	9	Power ground inputs	**Directly** wired to the battery negative terminal with no seams. Do not tap any other grounds to this wire, it must run clean straight to the battery negative terminal.	
Black/White	11			
Yellow #1	13	Yellow output #1	Electronic throttle and step motor outputs. Also used as injection or auxiliary outputs (cooling fan, fuel pump, etc.)	
Yellow #2	14	Yellow output #2		
Yellow #3	15	Yellow output #3		
Yellow #4	16	Yellow output #4		



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4.3 Output table of FT500

Wire color	Output type	Max current for negative activation (0V) for each output	Max current for positive activation for each output	Application	Notes
Blue	Open collector (Lo side)	5A*	Can't activate by positive	Fuel injectors, relays, solenoid valves	Drive loads always by negative
Gray	Open collector with current source in 5V (Lo side)	1A*	30mA in 5V	Inductive ignition control, fuel injectors, relays, solenoid valves	Drive loads always by negative
Yellow	PUSH-PULL or HALF BRIDGE	5A*	5A** in 12V	Electronic throttle, step motor, MSD/M&W and other ignitions activated by 12V	When used to control relays, valves or any other load by negative, there is a risk of 12V return to the ECU. This will keep the ECU always powered on. In this case, an external diode or a relay with built-in diode is required for protection.

* Total max current combined with all outputs driving loads by negative: 15A continuous

** Total max current combined with all outputs driving loads by positive: 5A continuous

NOTE

Blue outputs cannot control ignition because they do not have a pullup resistor.

4.4 Auxiliary outputs

As FT500's outputs can be set up in many different ways, they have different capacities according to the function. Bellow is some important information about them:

Blue outputs [#1 to #8]: by standard, used as injector outputs. Each one of them can control up to:

- 6 saturated injectors impedance above 10 Ohms (maximum of 12 injectors considering all of the blue outputs)
- 4 saturated injectors impedance between 7 and 10 Ohms (maximum of 8 injectors considering all of the blue outputs)

The use of a Peak and Hold driver is mandatory when the number of injectors is higher than the maximum quoted above or when using low impedance injectors (impedance below 7 Ohms).

During the Engine Setup configuration, blue outputs will be selected automatically from Blue #1 to Blue #8.

When more than 8 injector outputs are needed, the ECU will use Gray #1 to Gray #8 or Yellow #1 to Yellow #4. In this case, the use of a Peak and Hold driver is mandatory on Gray and Yellow outputs (for saturated and low impedance injectors).

Blue outputs not used to control fuel injectors may be used as auxiliary outputs (controlling fuel pump, cooling fan, etc.). In this case, the use of a relay is mandatory.

Gray outputs [#1 to #8]: by standard, used as ignition outputs. According to the engine setup, they can be set up as injectors or auxiliary outputs.

During the Engine Setup configuration, ignition outputs will be selected automatically from Gray #1 to Gray #8. It's not possible to have more than 8 ignition outputs.

Gray outputs not used for ignition control can be set up as injectors outputs (the use of a Peak and Hold driver is mandatory) or as auxiliary outputs (the use of a relay is mandatory).

Yellow outputs [#1 to #4]: by standard, they're as electronic throttle control (Yellow #1 and #2) or stepper motor control (Yellow #1 to #4).

The yellow outputs that will not be used for electronic throttle control can be used as auxiliary outputs or for injectors. When using injectors for the integrated BoostController, the output can be connected directly to the injector, but when using injectors for fuel, the use of a Peak and Hold driver is mandatory for both high and low impedance injectors. This is because this output may present minimal differences in the injection time when controlling fuel injectors without Peak and Hold.

Tach output: by default, it is configured in the gray #8, but if this pin is needed for other function, we recommend to use one of the yellow outputs for tach. If the yellow wires are being used, you can use any other output with a 1k ohms pull-up resistor connected from the signal to 12V.

4.5 Internal MAP sensor

This ECU is equipped with an internal MAP sensor. Use a **6mm pneumatic hose (4mm internal diameter)** to connect the sensor to the intake manifold. Pneumatic hoses are flexible, durable and highly resistant. Usually found in black or blue colors.

Silicon hoses are not recommended because they can be easily bent, blocking vacuum/boost readings on the ECU MAP sensor.

Use a hose exclusively for FT MAP sensor, avoiding splitting it with valves, gauges, etc. Connect it to any spot between the throttle and the engine head. Its length must be as short as possible to avoid lags and errors on the sensor readings. When using individual throttle bodies, it is a good idea to connect all intake runners into a single point and then connect to the FT MAP sensor; otherwise, MAP readings may be erratic or inaccurate.

4.6 USB port

The USB cable is used to update the ECU firmware version, setup maps and adjusts trough a computer and FTManager software and download data recorded by the internal datalogger.

4.7 FuelTech CAN network

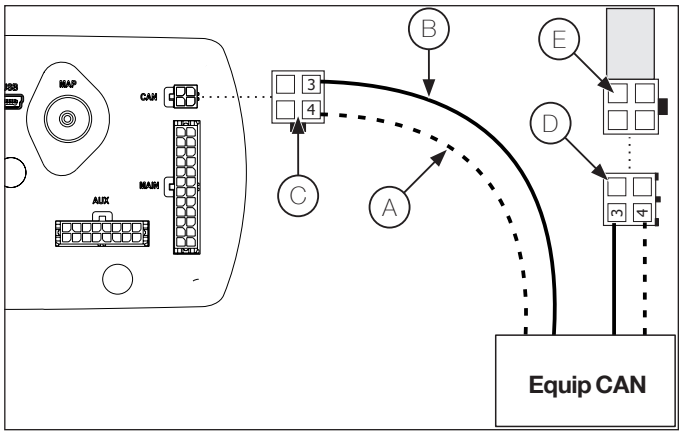
FuelTech CAN port is a 4 way connector placed on the back of the ECU and is responsible for FT500 / FT500 LITE communication with other FT modules (as KnockMeter and GearController) and Racepak dashboards. A FuelTech CAN-CAN cable is used to establish a connection between them.

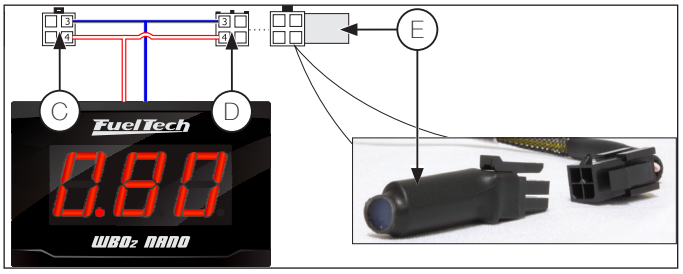
CAN Network harness

A - CAN HI (White/Red) - Pin 4;
B - CAN LOW (Yellow/Blue) - Pin 3;
C - Male Connector;
D - Female Connector;
E - CAN Network terminator;

WARNING

For the correct operation of the CAN Network, its mandatory to use the CAN resistor as shown in the following image.





5. First steps with FT500 / FT500LITE read before installation

This chapter is a step-by-step guide that must be followed to start FT500 / FT500LITE basic setup before electric installation, as the function of each wire may vary according to engine setup (number of cylinders, injectors control mode, ignition coils and auxiliary outputs).

1. Connect the flash drive in the PC USB port and install the FTManager software. Remember to check if the software and the ECU are in the lastest version at www.fueltech.net.
2. Connect FT500 / FT500LITE to the computer using the USB cable included on the package. The ECU will be powered up;
3. With the ECU in hands go through chapter 6, that introduces all basic information about menu navigation and operation;
4. Chapter 7 guides the user through all the menus where data regarding the engine must be setup (crank trigger signal, injectors and ignition control modes, etc.);
5. The last step before the electric installation is to check harness connections. Go to the "Engine Setting" menu then click the last option "Wiring harness diagram". Check and write down the connections and use it as guide to know how functions were allocated to the pins. TIP: take photos with a mobile phone.
6. Chapters 8 to 14 guide through details related to the electrical installation of injectors, coils, 12V inputs, grounds, sensors, etc. Chapter 25 shows full wiring diagrams as example for your installation;
7. Chapter 15 gathers information on sensors settings for temperature, pressure, RPM, speed, etc.
8. With the electric installation finished, proceed to chapter 15.14 and check all the information needed for the first start of the engine, ignition calibration, sensors checking, etc.
9. Lastly, chapters 17 to 24 show detailed descriptions about all functions of the ECU. It is a very interesting reading; it also details every function and operation that the FT can perform.

6. Getting to know the ECU

6.1 Main menu

Navigation through touchscreen is intuitive, because the ECU display makes the access to information very easy, eliminating physical buttons. So, all changes on maps, setups and functions are done by light touches on the screen.

To enter menus, press the screen twice, just like a double click. This is a feature that prevents the user from entering the wrong menu when managing the ECU inside the car.

1 - Dashboard: Shows real time engine information (RPM, Temperature, pressure, timing, injection time, etc.)

2 - Fuel Tables Adjust: Main fuel map, overall fuel trim, RPM compensation, TPS idle fuel table accel fuel enrich and decay, engine and intake temp, compensation battery voltage, compensation, post start enrich, etc.

3 - Ignition Tables Adjust: Main ignition map, overall ignition trim, MAP / TPS compensation, air and engine temperature compensations , individual cylinder trim, timing split, etc.

4 - Alert Settings: Access to shift alert settings, safe mode RPM limiter, alerts by fuel and oil pressure, TPS, etc.

5 - Engine Settings: Engine basics info as ignition mode, RPM signal, pedal/throttle settings, idle actuator, injectors dead-time, ignition dwell, wiring harness diagram.

6 - Interface Settings: LCD backlight and alert sounds, dashboard configs, measurement units, touchscreen calibration serial number and version.

7 - File Manager: Used to generate FuelTech Base Map, copy, delete and manager map files.

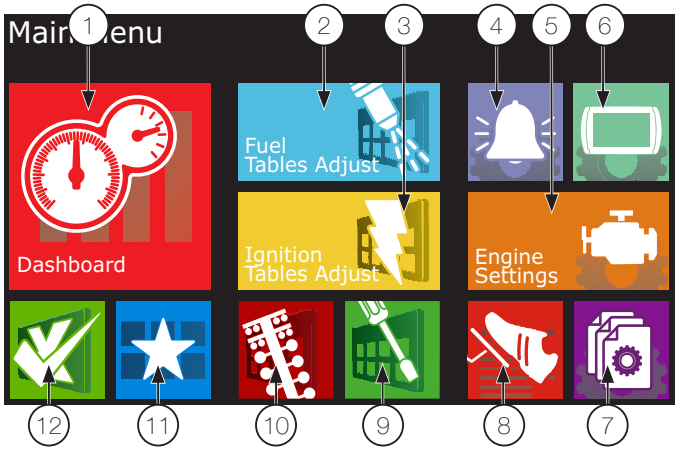
8 - Sensors and Calibration: Setup and calibrate FT500 sensors, electronic throttle, O2 sensor, etc.

9 - Other Functions: Internal datalogger, RPM limiter decel fuel cut-off, thermatic fans, progressive nitrous, boost control idle speed, etc.

10 - Drag Race Features: Burnout mode 3-step, 2-step, spool assist table, Gear shift output, time based enrichment and timing Pro-Nitous.

11 -Favorites: Shortcuts to the most used menus and functions.

12 -Diagnostic Panel: Check inputs and outputs status and all information of what the ECU is reading and doing is real time.



You can navigate through all menus with FTManager (available in the flash drive) and mini USB cable. The software initial screen is shown below:

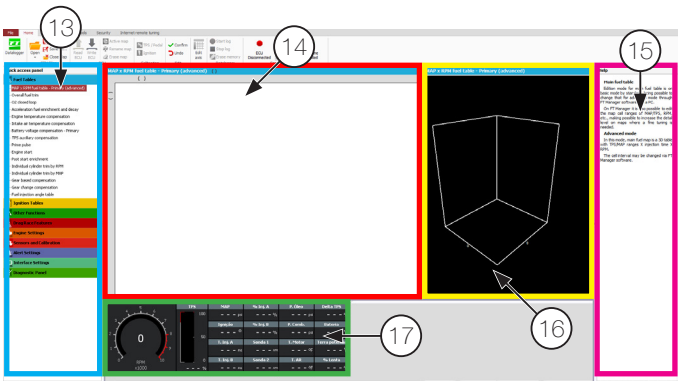
13 - Quick access

14 - Function table

15 - Help

16 - Function or map graph

17 - Real time dashboard



When entering a map or setting up a function, there are some buttons on the screen that act as described below:

18- Red area shows the point selected for edition

19- Yellow area is shown only when the engine is running and shows the actual condition of MAP, temperature, TPS, etc.

20- Button +: increases the value of the selected parameter

21- Button >: Selected next parameter on the map

22- Save/Select Button: Saves any changes done to the map or configuration and returns to the main menu

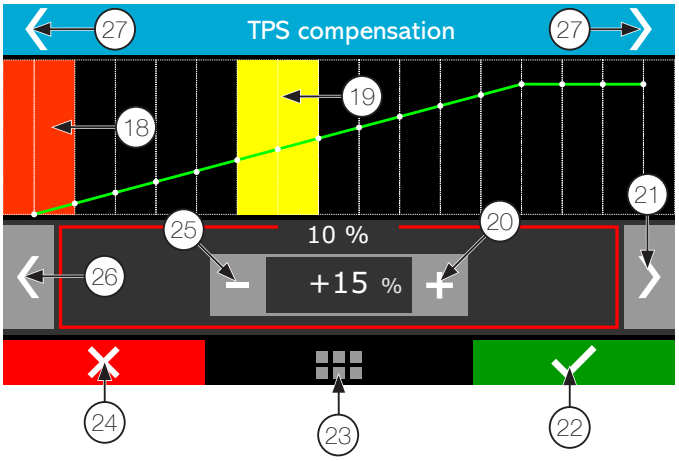
23- Home Button: Returns to the home screen. If any maps or configurations we're changed, it ask for confirmation

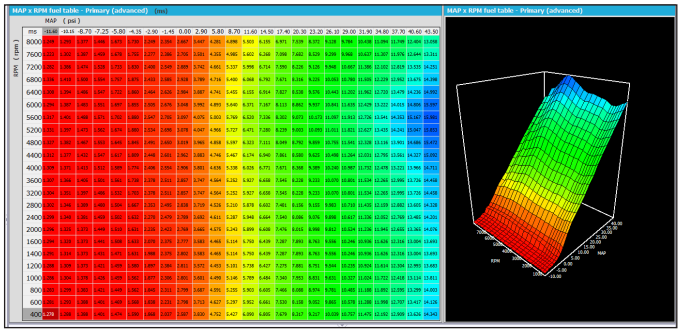
24- Cancel/Back Button: Cancels all changes done to the maps or configuration and returns to previous menu

25- Button -: Reduces the valve of the selected parameter

26- Button <: Selects previous parameter on the map

27- Button <>: Change the screen (if available on the menu)





In the FTManager all commands are accessible through mouse and keyboard. The advance (3D) fuel table is shown below:

Advanced edition mode

In the advance mode, both fuel and timing tables will be in a 3D table format. Some functions will also be presented in a 3D table only. The navigation is very simple, in the left bottom corner you can see the current position in the table. Green marker is for bank A and purple for bank B. A yellow marker will show the current engine table position. If you click this icon, you will taken to the current load/tps and rpm position.

To scroll through the vacuum/pressure or TPS, click in the horizontal direction of the table, to RPM ranges, click in the vertical direction.

1 - Injector Bank

2 - Engine RPM

3 - MAP / TPS

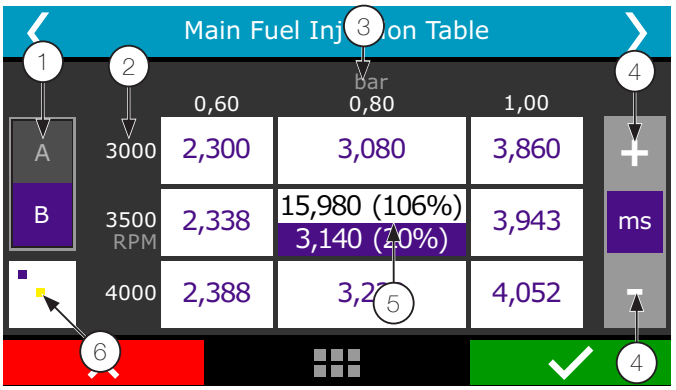
4 - Use button + and - to increase or decrease injection time;

5 - Injection time and percentage. The above value corresponds to bank A value below to bank B

6 - Table position mini map:

Yellow: click this icon to go directly to the point of the map where the engine is working at the moment;

Purple: That's the position of the table that's being shown by the screen;



6.2 FTManager shortcuts

- **F1** – Show and hide help panel
- **F2** - Show and hide quick access panel
- **F3** – Show and hide graph
- **F4** – Show and hide real time (FTManager real time dashboard)
- **F5** – display main table and hide every other function
- **F6** – change the main fuel table measurement unit: milliseconds (ms), volumetric efficiency (%VE), duty cycle (%DC), fuel flow (lb/hr or customized unit)
- **F7, F8, F9, F12** – no shortcut
- **F10** – datalog overlay - vertical split screen
- **F11** – datalog overlay - horizontal split screen
- **(Ctrl) + (C)** – copy
- **(Ctrl) + (V)** – paste
- **(Ctrl) + (+)** – fast value increment. Increases 0,100ms in the fuel table. On VE and DC the change is related to milliseconds
- **(Ctrl) + (-)** – slow value decrement. Decreases 0,100ms in the Fuel table. On VE and DC the change is related to milliseconds
- **(+)** – Increment in 0,010ms steps. On VE and DC the change is related to milliseconds

  (-) – Decrement in 0,010ms steps. On VE and DC the change is related to milliseconds
- **(Shift) + (+)** – slow value increment in 0,001ms steps. On VE and DC the change is related to milliseconds
- **(Shift) + (-)** – slow value decrement in 0,001ms steps. On VE and DC the change is related to milliseconds
- **(A)** – sum
- **(M)** – multiply
- **(Space bar)** – pops up a box to fill a value;
- **(I)** – interpolate the selected cells
- **(V)** – interpolate vertically the selected cells

- **(H)** – interpolate horizontally the selected values
- **(S)** – Smooths the fields selected in the main tables
- **(G)** – site function. Moves the cursor to actual engine position
- **(Home)** – moves the cursor to the leftmost cell
- **(End)** – moves the cursor to the rightmost cell
- **(Page Up)** – moves the cursor to the topmost cell
- **(Page Down)** – moves the cursor to the bottommost

6.3 Warning sounds in FT500LITE

The FT500LITE has several warning sounds that indicate error conditions, safety alerts or gear shifting rpm. Check out the meaning of these alerts:

Short duration alert at short intervals (40 ms with sound, 10 ms without sound)

- Shift alert: the alert turns on at a programmed rpm.

Average duration alert at short intervals (400 ms with sound, 100 ms without sound)

This warning refers to any safety configuration inserted in the Alerts Settings menu

It can refer to:

- Over rev
- Injector duty cycle
- Overboost
- High oil pressure
- Low oil pressure
- Minimum oil pressure @ RPM
- High engine temperature
- Low fuel pressure
- Base fuel pressure

The alert will only sound if the function is enabled at the Alert Settings menu.

Long duration alert with average intervals (800 ms with sound, 400 ms without sound)

This alert may correspond to different situations in ECU:

ECU firmware error: (need to update the module via the FTUpdater)

Missing cam sync sensor: a setting was sent to the module which requires the use of cam sync sensor (12 teeth crank trigger and sequential ignition). In this case, go to the RPM Signal menu and enable the cam sync sensor

Ignition must be configured as a distributor: a configuration has been sent to the module that only works in distributor mode. In this case, connect the module to the PC and go to Ignition menu and select the "Distributor" option

Disabled outputs: connect the FT500LITE to the PC, go to the Engine Setup menu and select the check box "Enable Outputs pins"

TPS not calibrated: connect the module in USB and calibrate the TPS before starting the engine

These alerts will be played continuously and will only stop when the error condition ceases to exist.

IMPORTANT

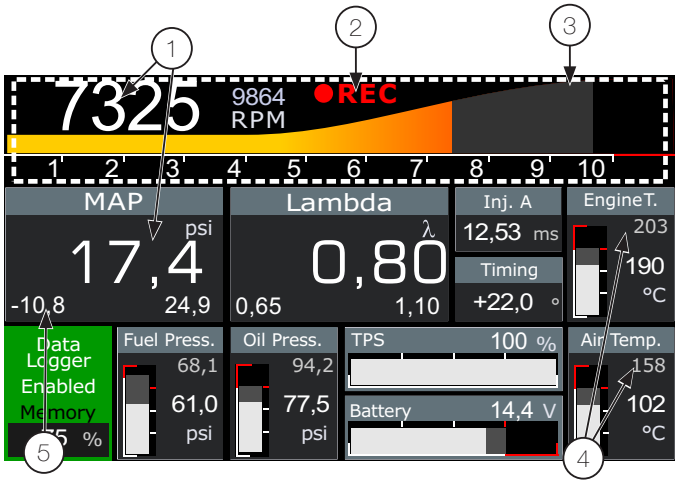
When connecting FT500LITE to the USB, it is normal that the warning sound is weak. It is a strategy to save the battery when connecting the ECU to notebooks.

6.4 Dashboard screen

When the engine is running, the dashboard screen shows real-time information of sensors that are being read by the ECU.

Chapter 23.3 has more information on how to change the instruments on this screen.

To access the dashboard screen, touch the icon , located at the main menu.

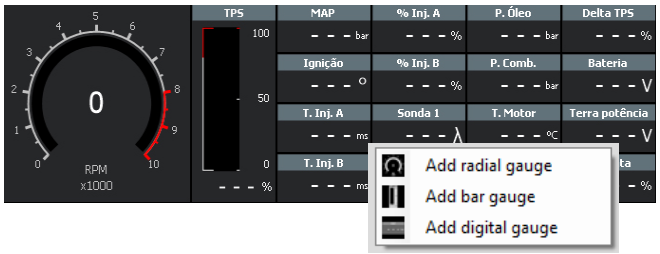


1 - Real time readings
2 - Internal datalogger status
3 - Touch this whole area to access the main menu
4 - Maximum read value
5 - Minimum read value

All maximum and minimum values are saved, and can be erased by accessing the "interface settings" menu and selecting "Clear peaks"

Minimum and maximum values reached are displayed on the bottom of each frame. Minimum values will be on the left and maximum values, on the right.

The dashboard is also shown in real time in FTManager:



To add or remove gauges, click with mouse right button in a free space and select the gauge type you want to (radial, bar or digital).

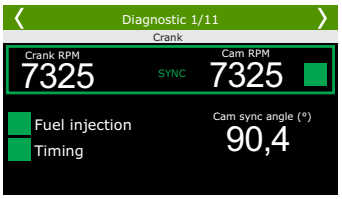
6.5 Diagnostic panel

The diagnostic panel is a function which shows all ECU inputs and outputs parameters and is very helpful to detect anomalies in FT500 tune, sensors and actuators. To access it through FTManager, click on Diagnostic Panel tab at quick access panel.

The Diagnostic Panel is a tool used to detect anomalies on FT500 inputs, outputs, sensors and actuators. In order to access it, touch its icon , at the main menu.

Information is split on 6 pages:

- Page 1: Diagnostic Crank RPM sensor and Cam RPM sensor;
- Page 2: general engine information;
- Page 3: status of white inputs;
- Page 4: status CAN Communication;
- Page 5: status of blue outputs;
- Page 6: status of gray outputs;
- Page 7: status of yellow outputs;
- Page 8: RPM reading diagnostics;
- Page 9: RPM reading diagnostics;



Pages 2 to 5 shows input/output at the left column, position/command sent to the actuator, (outputs)/voltage read (inputs) at the central column and the main information used to calculate the position/command at the right column. For a thermatic fan output, i.e., diagnostic panel shows its status at the center column and the engine coolant temperature at the right column.

On page 6 are information regarding the engine RPM signal readings. Below are some common errors and possible causes:

Crank trigger error: gap detected at the wrong spot - it detected the gap (missing teeth) in the wrong place; it can also happen with a trigger wheel without missing tooth when there is a cam sync signal in the wrong place. Also occurs in engines with a very light flywheel that accelerates and decelerates quickly during compression strokes at engine startup and running.

Crank trigger error: wrong number of teeth - number of teeth is different on the crank trigger wheel than what is set at ECU. Electrical noise can cause a reading of a "ghost" tooth, for example.

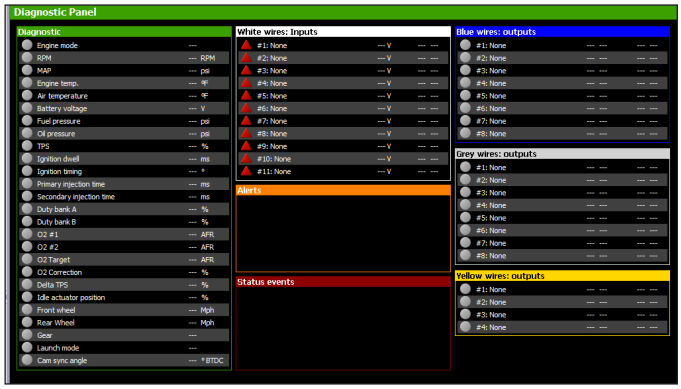
Crank trigger error: missed tooth reading - the ECU detected less teeth then it should have. Also happens in engines with a very light flywheel that accelerate and decelerate very fast during compression strokes at engine startup and running.

Crank trigger error: abnormal acceleration - tooth error detection. Usually caused by signal noise.

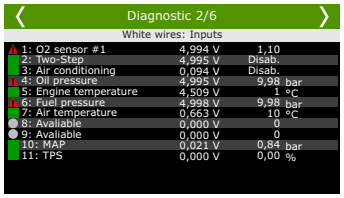
Cam sync sensor: signal noise - cam sync signal detected in the wrong spot. Typically this error is caused when the ECU detects noise in the cam sync sensor signal or when the cam trigger wheel has more than one tooth.

WARNING

When the 2-step and 3-step are set to activate by speed, its operation can be checked through the page 1 of the Diagnostic Panel, not through page 2, since you are not using an analog input (white wire) to switch.



Diagnostic panel labels

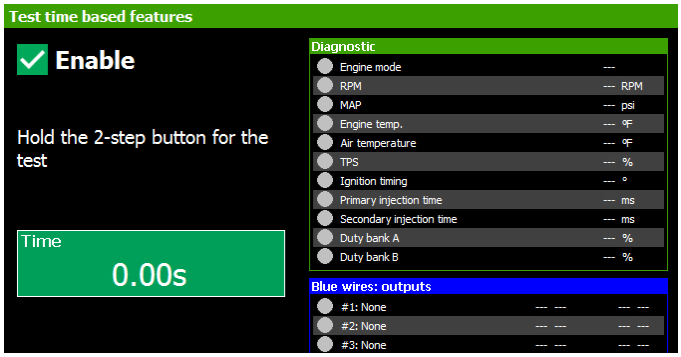


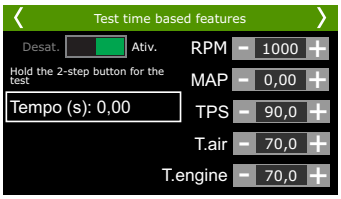
■	Input or output is configured, enabled and working properly.
□	Input or output is configured and disabled.
●	Input or output has not been set up.
⚠	Input or output is set up, but there is an abnormal behavior.

6.6 Test time based features

This menu allows to run the output test controlled by time. To start this test the engine must be turned off and the ignition switch on (12V). The test starts when the 2-step button is pressed and lasts as long as he keeps pushing.

While the test is performed the RPM values, MAP, TPS and temperatures can be changed in real time.





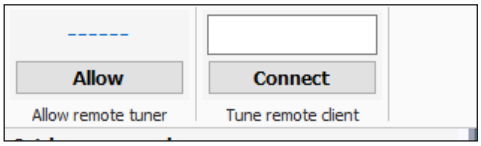
6.7 Internet Remote Tuning

Since update 3.3, FTManager has a new feature wich will make it easier to connect 2 computers that have FTManager installed.

To Start a connection go to the "Internet Remote Tuning" tab on FTManager.

- Allow remote tuner: This option allows for another remote computer to connect to your FTManager. Click on "Allow" to generate a 6 digit password wich must be informed to the tuner that's going to connect to your computer.

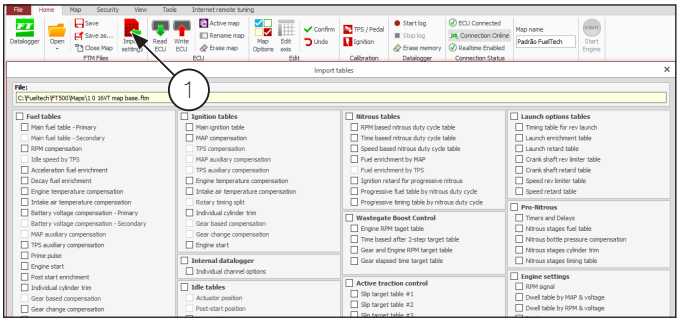
- Tune remote client: This option allows you to connect to another remote computer using the 6 digit password generated on the clients FTManager.



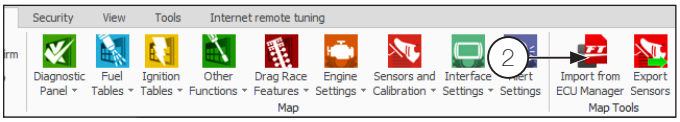
6.8 FTManager exclusive features

This section will explain some features that can only be found in the FTManager, they make it easy to create new map files based on existing ones.

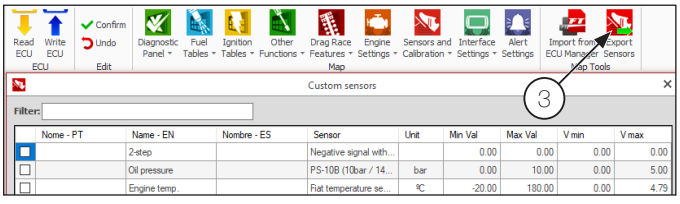
1 - Import settings: settings from another map can be imported to the currently opened map.



2 - Import from ECU Manager: Use this option to import settings from maps from FT200, FT250, FT300, FT350 and FT400 into a map in FTManager.



3 - Export sensors: export sensors from this map into another one.

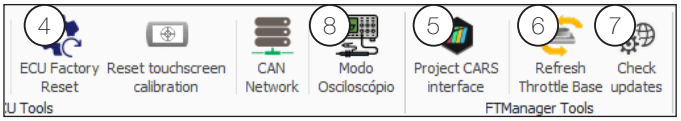


4 - ECU factory reset: Performs a factory reset and completely erases maps and settings on the ECU.

5 - Project CARS Interface: Use this option to send data from the Project CARS game to the ECU and use it as a dashboard.

6 - Refresh Throttle database: Update the compatible electronic throttle database on the software.

7 - Check Updates: Checks if a newer version of the software is available.



8 - Oscilloscope mode: Used to diagnose RPM and Cam Sync signals.

Oscilloscope mode

This tool allows the RPM and Cam sync signals received by the ECU to be drawn on screen and analyzed by the user to find any issues that can make engine start difficult as well as RPM signal losses.

By analyzing the signals, it's possible to identify damages in the trigger wheel, as well as the pattern (number of teeth), problems with the sensor itself, and the best working trigger voltages.

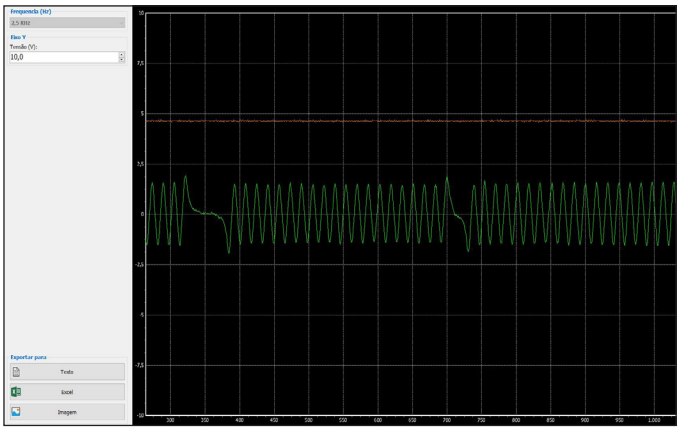
To access this function, go to "*Tools*" and then "*Oscilloscope Mode*".

There are several signal display configurations.

Frequency (Hz): adjusts the frequency that the signal is shown in a range from 1Hz to 500Hz.

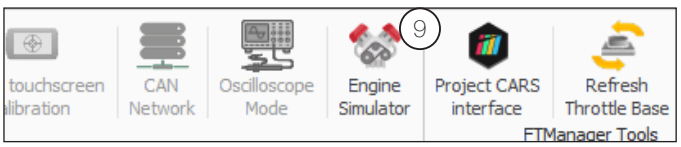
Axis Y: adjusts the voltage limits shown in the graphic from 2.5V to 25V.

Export to: This log file can be exported as text format, Excel spreadsheet or as an image.



Engine Simulator (9)

Now it's possible to change reading values from sensors and activate buttons from certain features to simulate engine operation and test actuators and solenoid response while the engine is OFF. Recommended to test the overall behavior of electronics in the engine and car;



Send Map (10)

This option allows you to send the map directly via FTManager, click on the "send map by e-mail" button.

From: enter your email or your name;

To: enter the email to whom you want to send the map;

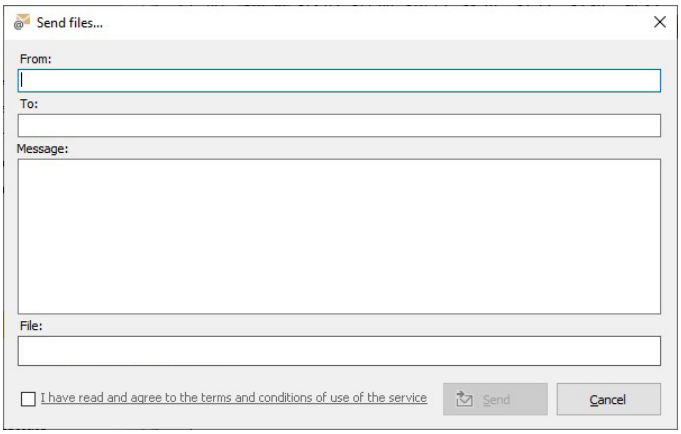
Message: Write your message, describing the subject of the email;

File: the map that is currently open will be attached.

To send it is necessary agree to the terms and conditions of use of the service.

NOTE

The computer must have access to the web, to send the map by e-mail,



6.9 FTManager - Datalogger

Used for a complete analysis of datalogs recorded in the ECU, refer to chapter 19 for instructions on how to set up which channels are going to be recorded.

1 - Options: Here the channels of the opened log can be edited without changing the settings of the map file.

2 - Set zero time: Use this to set the 0 mark of the timer, can be assigned right at the launch so the run gets properly timed in the log.

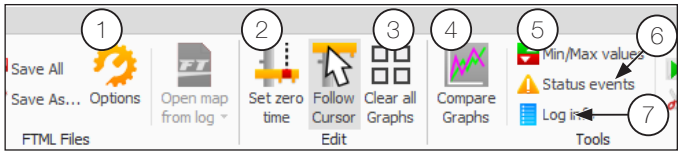
3 - Clear all graphs: hides all channels.

4 - Compare graphs: Compare graphs between 2 or more logs.

5 - Min/Max values: List all the minimum and maximum values registered for each channel.

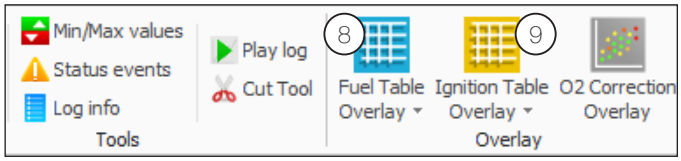
6 - Status events: Displays an alert and error report along with the time at which they occurred.

7 - Log info: This form should be filled by the tuner with information regarding track times, weather, driver and many others that pertain the opened log file.



8 - Fuel table Overlay: making it possible to see which cells were in use as you drag the cursor through the log file.

9 - Ignition table Overlay: making it possible to see which cells were in use as you drag the cursor through the log file.



10 - O2 correction overlay: This features works similarly to the regular fuel table overlay but, besides showing all the corrections performed by the O2 closed loop, it makes it possible to apply changes permanently to the fuel tables by clicking "send to FTManager".

To apply the O2 closed loop corrections follow these steps:

a) Open the datalog file to be analyzed

b) Click on O2 corrections overlay (10)

c) A screen will pop up showing corrections made to the fuel table of the currently opened map(not the one from the datalog, so make sure the log file being analyzed was made using the same map file that is currently opened in the software)

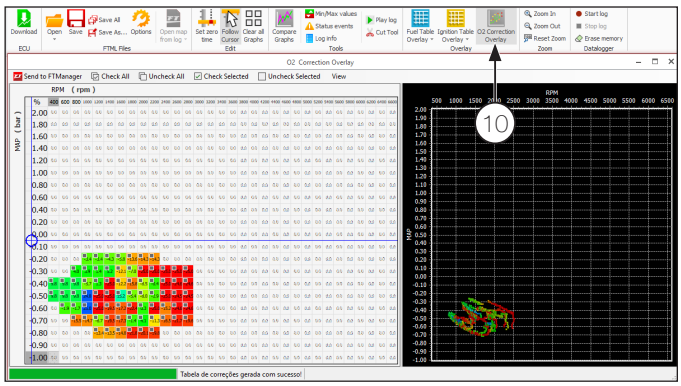
d) Analyze the colored cells and select the values to be sent to the map and click "send to FTManager"

For better results, it is recommended that the log files are recorded with similar conditions of temperature, RPM, boost, weather, etc.

As this feature does not change temperature compensation tables (IAT and ECT), the O2 closed loop compensation will be directly affected by them and may apply corrections that are not necessarily the best for your fuel table.

NOTE

- ***This feature will only work on 3D maps***
- ***The correction can be applied as many times as desired, the more it is used, the better the fuel table will get.***



7. Engine settings

FuelTech ECUs leave the factory without maps or adjustments, so you need to create the injection maps, ignition and the inputs and outputs settings before running the engine.

The FuelTech Default is an automatic calculation of the basic injection and ignition maps for your engine based on the information provided in the “Engine Settings”. Performing this automatic adjustment every injection and ignition maps, including temperature compensation, etc. Will be filled based on your engine characteristics.

The information provided must be correct and consistent, maximum RPM and boost values should be according to the engine capacity and the injectors should be properly sized to the estimated engine power.

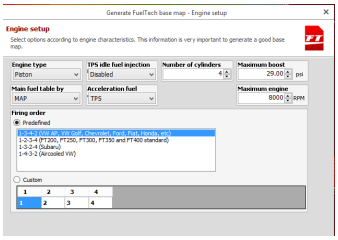
The use of an instrument, such as oxygen sensor (wideband recommended) and/or an analyzer of exhaust gases, to make the analysis of the air/fuel mixture is extremely important.

Caution, especially in the start-up, is needed, since it is an initial tune that will meet most engines, there are no guarantees for any situation. Be extreme cautious when tuning your engine, never requires high loads before it a good tune.

Start tuning with a rich map and a conservative timing, because starting with a lean map and advanced timing can severely damage the engine.

To create a default map by FTManager, click the “File” menu and then “New” to start the wizard. The menu “Engine Settings” will be passed in sequence.

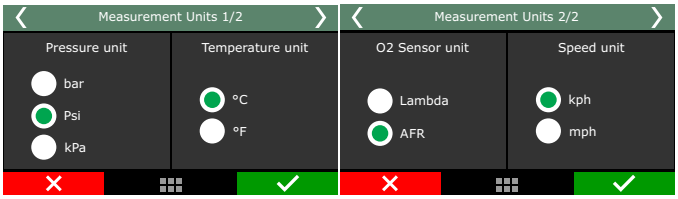
Check in later chapters the descriptions of all these options required to complete the step by step and create the default map.



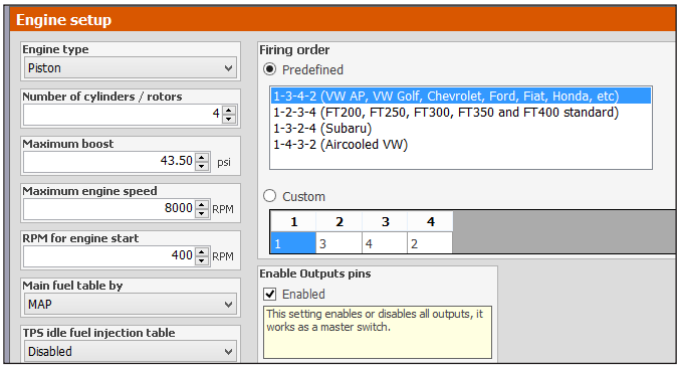
To generate a new map through the touchscreen, just get in a setting that is empty and a message appears telling you that the setting is empty and asking if you want to create a new tune.

In the first screens of the wizard are the settings for measurement units used by the ECU. Select the temperature, O2 sensor, pressure and speed units.

The following screens are part of the engine configuration menus and are described in the following chapters. Follow the wizard by reading the next pages.

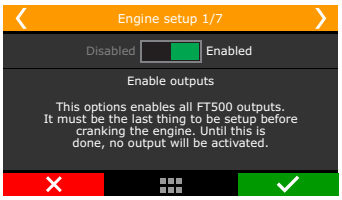


7.1 Engine setup



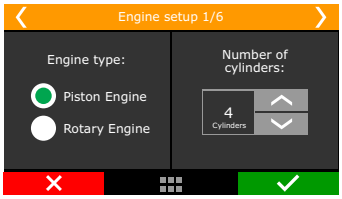
Enable outputs

Basically blocks any type of turning on outputs (injection, ignition and auxiliary outputs).



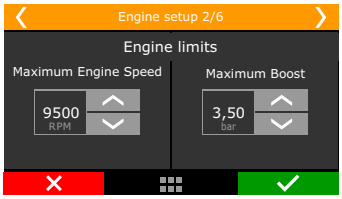
Engine type and number of cylinders

Select the type of engine, piston or rotary and the number of cylinders or rotors.



Engine limits

Setup the maximum RPM and maximum boost.

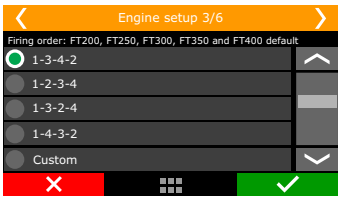


Maximum engine speed: setup the engine maximum RPM. All fuel and timing maps will be created with its last point on this RPM. This parameter is also used to calculate fuel injector's percentage of use.

Maximum boost: maximum boost for fuel and ignition maps. For naturally aspirated engines, set this option as 0.0 psi. For turbocharged engines, use 10psi above the maximum boost the engine will effectively be using. In case of an overboost, the ECU will apply the last injection timing set on the map. This option doesn't control boost pressure, is just a limit for fuel and ignition maps.

Firing Order

Select the firing order according to your engine.



4 cylinder engines

- 1-3-4-2: majority of engines, VW AP, VW Golf, Chevrolet, Ford, Fiat, Honda, etc.;
- 1-3-2-4: Subaru;
- 1-4-3-2: air-cooled VW;

5 cylinder engines

- 1-2-4-5-3: Audi 5 cylinders, Fiat Marea 20V and VW Jetta 2.5;

6 cylinder engines:

- 1-5-3-6-2-4: GM in line (Opala and Omega), VW VR6 and BMW in line;
- 1-6-5-4-3-2: GM V6 (S10/Blazer 4.3);
- 1-4-2-5-3-6: Ford Ranger V6;

8 cylinder engines:

- 1-8-4-3-6-5-7-2: Chevrolet V8 (majority);
- 1-5-4-2-6-3-7-8: Ford 272, 292, 302, 355, 390, 429, 460;
- 1-3-7-2-6-5-4-8: Ford 351, 400 and Porsche 928;
- 1-5-4-8-6-3-7-2: Mercedes-Benz;

10 cylinder engines

- 1-10-9-4-3-6-5-8-7-2: Dodge V10;
- 1-6-5-10-2-7-3-8-4-9: BMW S85, Ford V10, Audi, Lamborghini V10;

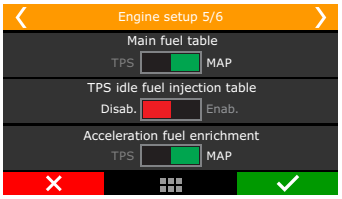
12 cylinder engines

- 1-12-5-8-3-10-6-7-2-11-4-9: Jaguar V12, Audi, VW, Bentley Spyker W12;
- 1-7-5-11-3-9-6-12-2-8-4-10: 2001 Ferrari 456M GT V12;
- 1-7-4-10-2-8-6-12-3-9-5-11: 1997 Lamborghini Diablo VT;

Customized

- In case the firing order of your engine is not listed on the ECU, there's a mode that allows full customization of the firing order.

Main fuel table



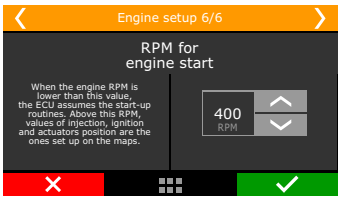
MAP: this mode is indicated for turbo or naturally aspirated engines. That's the mode that better represents engine load, because engine vacuum varies under different loads, even with the throttle on the same position.

TPS: this option is mostly used on naturally aspirated engines with aggressive camshafts, when this causes the vacuum on idle and under low load conditions to be unstable. When this option is selected, MAP compensation is available for fuel and timing maps.

TPS idle fuel injection table: This is the mode the fuel injection on idle speed will be controlled. When enabled, a table that relates injection time versus engine RPM is activated whenever TPS is equal to 0%. Enable this feature an engines with high profile camshafts and unstable vacuum on idle.

For street cars with stable vacuum on idle, it is recommended to keep this feature disabled. In this case, injection time for idle will be set up directly on the vacuum ranges on the main fuel MAP.

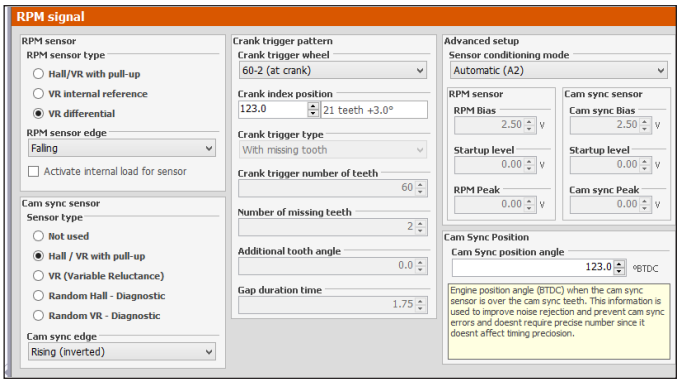
Accel fuel enrichment: use this parameter set up as TPS always when possible, as this sensor is faster than the MAP sensor to indicate a quick change of position in the throttle.

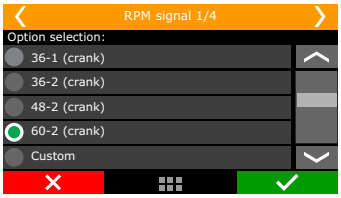


RPM for engine start: set up a RPM limit above which the start-up routines are disabled. Below this RPM, all the injection, ignition and actuator positions set up for engine start are used.

7.2 RPM signal

RPM signal is the most important information to run the engine properly. This menu is where the RPM input will be set up.



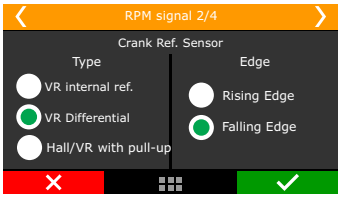


Engines with crank trigger: select the crank trigger pattern.

Select the crank trigger or distributor pattern. In case of a crank trigger without missing tooth and multi-coils, a cam sync sensor is required. When using a single coil, the cam sync sensor is not mandatory. A several options of standard patterns are available for using with multi-coils or distributor based systems.

RPM Sensor

Select the RPM sensor used on the vehicle, VR or Hall Effect.



VR internal ref: this option may only be selected when using a FT500 / FT500 LITE on an installation previously made for older ECUs of FT line (FT300, FT350 or FT400), where the shielded cable is a single way (white wire + shield).

VR Differential: Standard option for FT500 / FT500 LITE. Select this for VR sensors; it's less susceptible to electromagnetic interference. When the crank trigger signal is splited with the OEM ECU this option is mandatory.

Below is a table with known alignment values and configurations for most of the cases:

Hall/VR with pull-up: Select when using Hall effect RPM sensor or when experiencing problems with electromagnetic interference.

RPM Signal Edge: this option changes the way the ECU reads the RPM signal. As there's no simple way of telling which one is the correct option (without an oscilloscope), select the option Standard (Falling Edge). If the ECU catches no RPM signal during initial startup, change this parameter to Inverted (Rising Edge)

First tooth alignment: set here the crank trigger alignment related to the TDC. This alignment can be checked by turning the engine to the cylinder #1 TDC and counting, counterclockwise, angle distance, from the crank trigger gap to the RPM sensor. If there crank trigger has no gap, the angle distance is from the previous teeth to the RPM sensor.

For engines with distributor and Crank trigger, check our Technical Support for information about the alignment in use.

NOTE

If the distributor windows has 60º, this is the value you must enter in this menu.

Crank trigger - pattern	Engine/brand	Recommended index position	Cam sync sensor
60-2	BMW, Fiat, Ford (inj. Marelli), Renault, VW, GM	123º (GM) 90º (others)	Not mandatory
48-2			Not mandatory
36-1	Ford (ECU FIC)	90º	Not mandatory
36-2-2-2	Subaru	55º	Not mandatory
36-2	Toyota	102º	Not mandatory
30-1			Not mandatory
30-2			Not mandatory
24-1	Hayabusa	110º	Not mandatory
24-2	Suzuki Srad 1000		Not mandatory
24 (crank) or 48 (cam)		60º	Falling edge
12-3	Bikes Honda CB300R		Not mandatory
12+1	Honda Civic Si	210º or 330º	Not mandatory
12-1	Bikes Honda/Suzuki/Yamaha		Not mandatory
12-2			Not mandatory
12 (crank) or 24 (cam)	Motorcycles/AEM EPM/ distributors Honda 92/95-96/00		Falling edge
8 (crank) or 16 (cam)			Falling edge
4+1 (vira)			Not mandatory
4 (crank) or 8 (cam)	8 cylinders	70º	Falling edge
3 (crank) or 6 (cam)	6 cylinders	60º	Falling edge
2 (vira) or 4 (cam)	4 cylinders	90º	Falling edge

WARNING

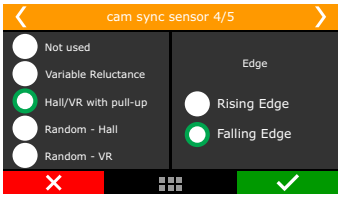
Ignition calibration values on this table are just a start point. ALWAYS perform the ignition calibration according to chapter 16. When the ignition is not correctly calibrated, the timing shown on the ECU screen is different from the one that is being applied to the engine. This may cause serious damage to the engine.

7.3 Cam sync sensor

This option indicates if a cam sync sensor will be used and if it uses a hall effect or magnetic variable reluctance (VR) sensor. This sensor is mandatory when controlling fuel or timing in sequential mode. Without cam sync sensor the injection mode will be only semi-sequential or multipoint. Ignition will be always wasted spark.

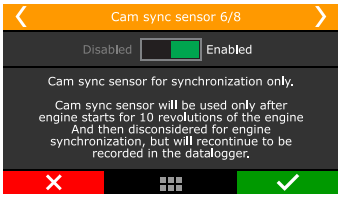
Random cam sync sensor option is a test mode that automatically assumes a position for the cam sync signal. Use this only for testing purposes, as this may cause misfires in some applications. Use this option only for tests, because with individual coils and sequential ignition the firing order can be lagged (inverted) in 360º, so the engine won't start.

Cam sync sensor edge: this option changes the way the ECU reads the cam sync signal. As there's no simple way of telling which one is the correct option (without an oscilloscope), select the option Falling edge. If the engine starts with misfires, change this parameter to Rising edge.



Cam sync sensor for synchronization

Cam sync signal will be used only for 10 revolutions after engine start and after that will be disconsidered for engine synchronization but it will still be recorded on the datalogger.



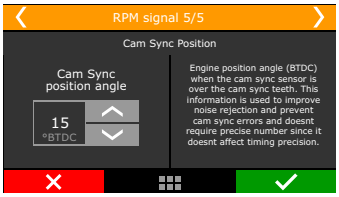
Cam sync position angle

The adjustment is degrees before top dead center (ºBTDC) of cylinder 1 combustion.

This angle is not mandatory and won't affect the ignition calibration.

If you don't know the position angle, set the same alignment as crank index position or select the cam sync sensor as random.

With the random mode enabled, the position angle in the log and diagnostic panel.

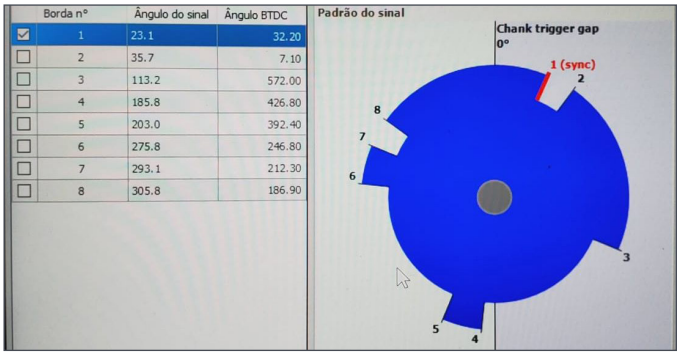


Cam sync reading mode

Select if there's a single tooth or multi-teeth used for cam sync, and in case there are multiple teeth, a tolerance between them must be set next, this value is in percentage and it's based on a table that must be set through FTManager.

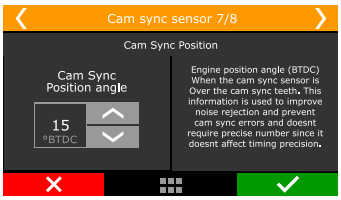
Cam sync wheel decoder

This feature must be used with the ignition on, it'll automatically read all the teeth in the cam sync, then a signal edge used for cam sync can be selected.



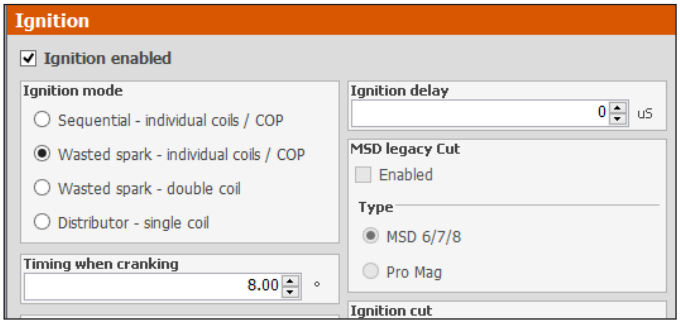
Cam sync position

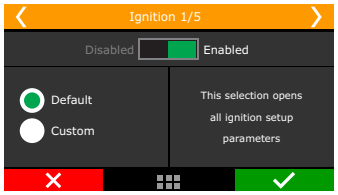
Cam sync position is used to create a range within wich a Cam sync signal is read and all others out of it are discarded, allowing the use of a single reference on multi-toothed Cam sync pulleys.



7.4 Ignition

This menu sets everything related to the ignition control mode and there is a "Default" mode (configurable through the ECU or PC) and a "Custom" mode (configurable only through the PC). When the ignition is set as "Disabled", timing maps are unavailable and only the fuel control is enabled. Gray outputs are free to be set up as injectors or auxiliary outputs.



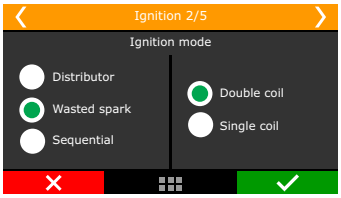


Default: this mode makes available the options that are commonly used for the majority of engines, with standard firing order tables and configurations.

Custom: this mode enables all the options related to the ignition control, as customizable firing orders and angles, etc. When using this mode, ignition configuration can only be done through a PC with FTManager Software.

Ignition Mode

Select if the ignition will be controlled in sequential (cam sync sensor needed) or wasted spark modes or if a distributor will be used for that control. There is also the wasted spark mode, where the coils work in pairs.



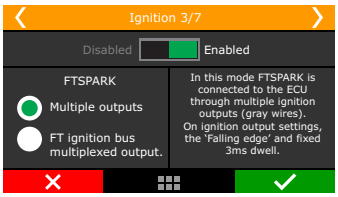
The option "distributor" means that the spark distribution will actually be done by a distributor, with a single coil, regardless of the number of cylinders. Only the ignition output #1 (gray #1) will be used to control the ignition coil, the others are disabled.

FTSPARK

Select the FTSPARK check box when using the fueltech FTSPARK module and select the connection mode with it:

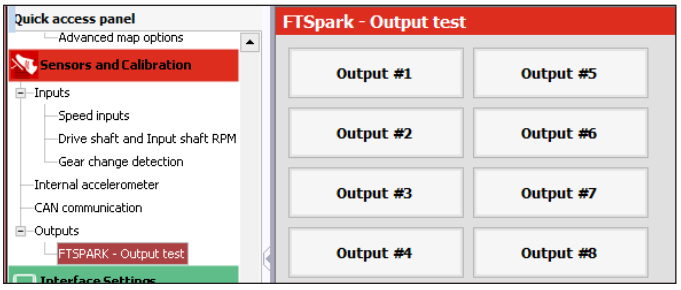
Multiple outputs: this is the conventional way of connecting FT to any ignition module, using an ignition output to trigger each coil (double or single). In this case one or more ignition outputs will be connected to the FTSPARK.

FTIgnition BUS (one multiplex output): Select this option to enable only one ignition output to send all the ignition trigger signals to the FTSPARK via the FT Ignition BUS. In this way the other outputs that would be used for ignition can be reallocated to other functions.



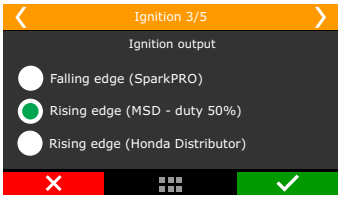
Output Test

When the multiplexed output is selected, its possible to test the FTSPARK outputs using a "test function" on the FTManager. To do so, go to 'Sensors and Calibration' then 'Outputs' and select FTSPARK - Output test.



Ignition output

Select the ignition output edge/mode.



Falling edge (SparkPRO): Select this option when using FuelTech SparkPRO, M&W ignition, smart coils (integrated igniter, such as GM LS coils). This mode has dwell control enabled. It's important to know the dwell requirements or "charge time" of your particular ignition coil(s).

- **Rising edge (MSD duty 50%):** select this option when using MSD, Crane, Mallory or other capacitive discharge ignitions (CDI). This mode has a fixed 50% duty cycle signal.
- **Rising edge (Honda Distributor):** this option must only be selected when using Honda distributor with stock igniter (the one that's integrated to the distributor). This mode has dwell control enabled.

Select this option only when using Honda OEM igniter and distributor.

Ignition cut

The ignition cut maximum level is the percentage of ignition events that will be cut to limit the engine RPM.

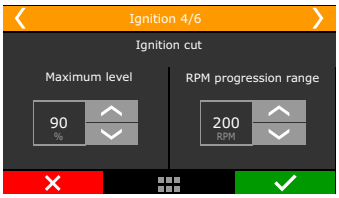
The RPM progression range acts like a smoothing for the ignition cut.

Example: rev limiter at 8000rpm, RPM progression range at 200rpm. From 8000rpm the ignition cut level will gradually increase until it reaches 90% cut at 8200rpm.

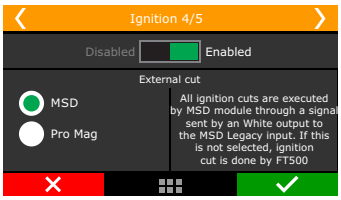
Percentages less than 90% may not keep the engine under the rev limiter. Bigger RPM progression range tend to stabilize more smoothly the rev limiter, but allows the RPM to pass the RPM set as rev limiter.

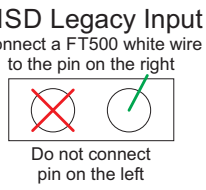
These numbers are valid to all kinds of ignition cut, with the exception of time based compensations (time based RPM and driveshaft RPM/ wheel speed) and 2-step. These features have their own parameters.

For inductive ignition systems it is recommended to use 90% maximum level and 200 RPM progression range. For capacitive system, like MSD, it is recommended to use 100% maximum level and 1 RPM progression range.



External cut





This mode is only available when using a distributor and a MSD ignition module. Enabling this option means the ignition cuts will be performed by the MSD using the Legacy input they have.

To use MSD Legacy cut a FT500 white wire has to be connected to the MSD Legacy right pin. By standard, White#10 is setup as ignition cut.

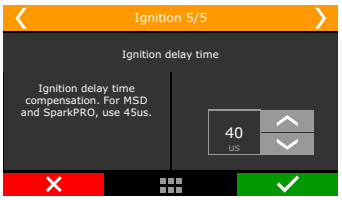
When experiencing problems with the cut through MSD like no cut at all or RPM limit always 500 RPM above what was setup, use the other MSD pin.

Ignition Delay time

That's the delay time the ignition module has between receiving a signal to spark and effectively spark at the plugs.

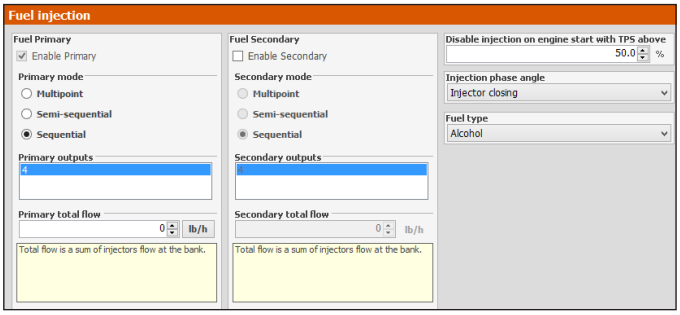
Time is given in microseconds (uS).

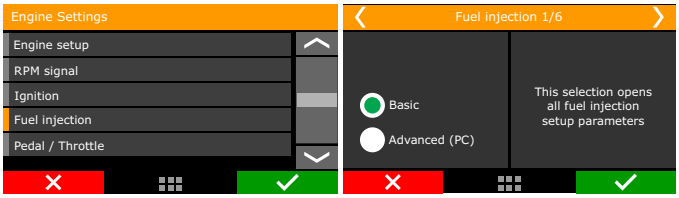
For MSD and SparkPRO, ignition delay time is 45uS. For other modules check with its manufacturer.



7.5 Fuel injection

In this menu, all the options related to fuel settings must be configured.



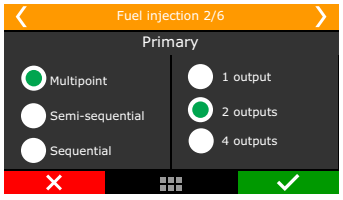


Default: This mode makes available the options that are commonly used for the majority of engines, with standard injection angles and configurations.

Custom: This mode enables all the options related to the fuel control, as customizable injection angles, etc. When using this mode, fuel injection configuration can only be done through a PC with FTManager Software. It is also possible to customize all the fuel tables and RPM positions, adding RPM, TPS or MAP points according to the engine needs

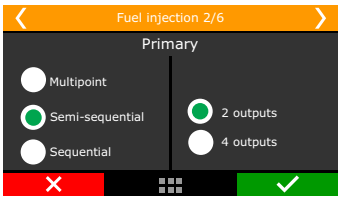
Fuel Banks: select primary and secondary (if used) banks control mode.

Multipoint: All the injector's outputs will fire at the same time, as batch fire.

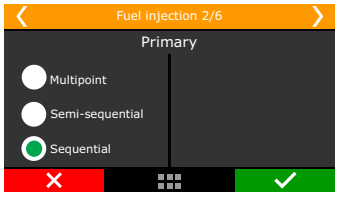


Semi-sequential: in this mode, injectors are fired once per engine revolution, at 0° and 360°, in pairs, according to the twin cylinders.

In a 4 cylinder engine, cylinders 1 and 4 will be fired at the same time, then cylinders 2 and 3 at the same time.

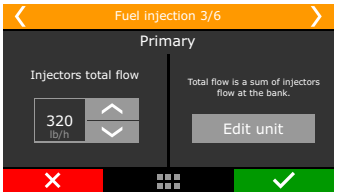


Sequential: in this mode, each injector output fires only a single time per engine cycle (720° on a 4 stroke). This mode is only available when a cam sync sensor is properly set up.



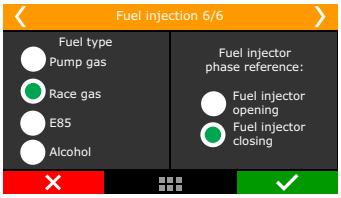
Injector's total flow

That's the total flow of all injectors on the bank (primary or secondary). This data is used to allow addition of some fuel tables in lb/hr I.e. four 80 lb/hr injectors on primary bank have a total flow of 320 lb/hr (80 x 4).



Fuel type

Select the fuel used on the motor. This information is used to create a better base map



Fuel injection phase reference

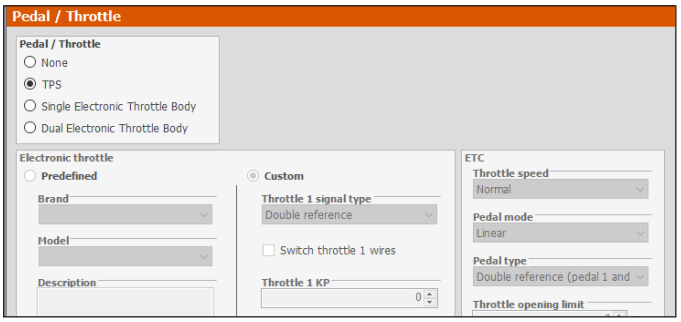
Select if the Fuel injection phase angle table will be based on the injectors opening or closing. The angular distance is the measure between the ignition TDC of each cylinder and the moment the injector should open or close

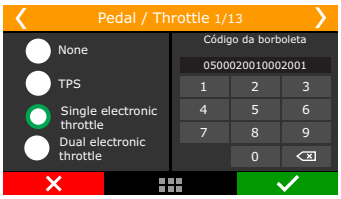
Fuel injector opening: in this option it is only possible to know the angle the injector will open, but, its closure will vary according to injection time and RPM, this means that, depending on these factors, the fuel injection may still be occurring even after the intake valve has closed

Fuel injector closing (default): This is the most commonly used option as the fuel injection always occurs before the end of the intake cycle, no matter the injection time or RPM.

7.6 Pedal/Throttle

Select the option "TPS" when using a mechanical throttle, driven by cable.

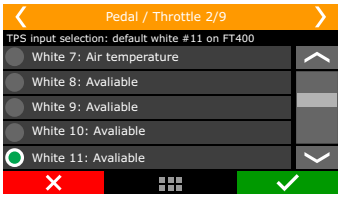




TPS

When using a throttle drived by cable with a potentiometer on the throttle shaft select the TPS option.

Standard input for TPS sensor signal is #11, but it is possible to set this input on any available input. Pedal/Throttle calibration must be performed as shown in chapter 12.4

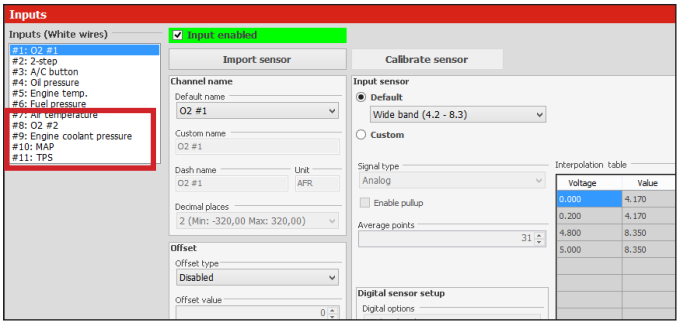


Electronic throttle control ETC

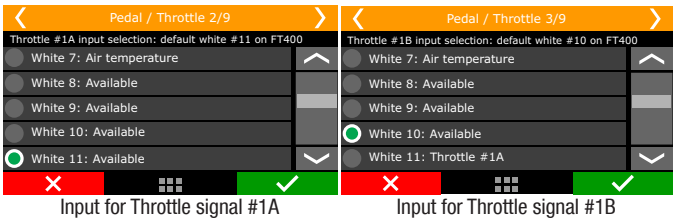
First data to be inserted on the ECU when using electronic Throttle is its code (not the throttle part number). This code is found on the FTManager Software. If your throttle is not on the list, please, contact our tech support to check compatibility first.

Throttle position sensor input

If the map is generated in the FTManager software the ETC inputs will be automatically allocated and can be checked in “Sensors and Calibration” menu, then “Inputs”.

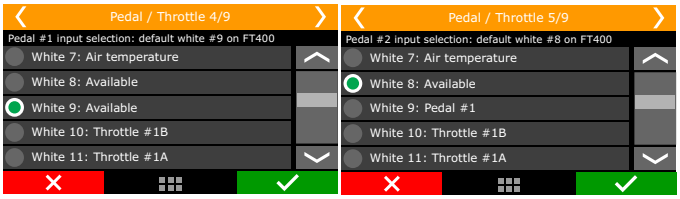


After inserting the Throttle code, set the input that will be connected to the throttle position sensor, usually there are two signals on the throttle. Standard inputs are wires white #11 (Throttle signal #1A) and white #10 (Throttle signal #1B).



Input for Throttle signal #1A | Input for Throttle signal #1B

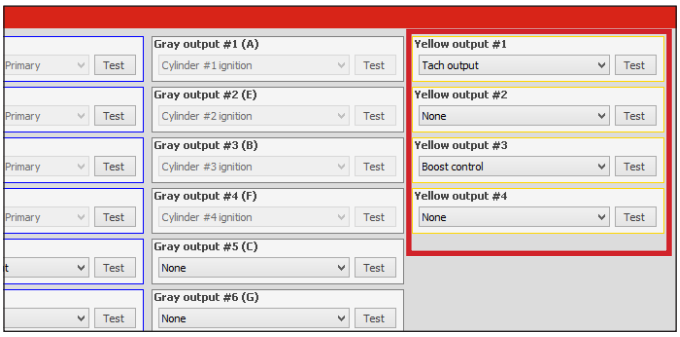
Now, setup the inputs that will be connected pedal #1 and pedal #2 position sensors. The standard inputs are wires white #9 (pedal #1) and white #8 (pedal #2).



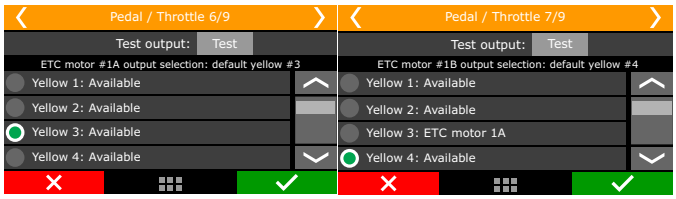
Input for Pedal signal #1 | Input for Pedal signal #2

Electronic throttle control motor outputs

When generating the map in the FTManager the Yellow #3 and #4 will be selected to ECT motor control.

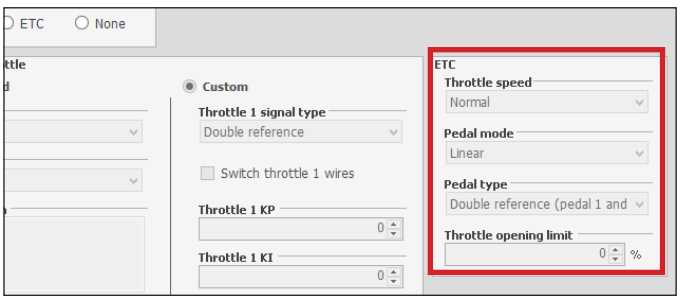


Select the outputs that will control the two wires from the throttle motor. By standard they are yellow #3 (motor 1A) and yellow #4 (motor 1B). In case these outputs are already being used by another kind of control, use outputs yellow #1 and yellow #2



Input for throttle motor 1A control | Input for throttle motor 1B control

The next parameter to be setup is the Throttle speed.



There are five control modes:

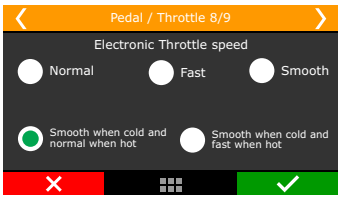
Normal: normal throttle response little bit faster than the stock ECU.

Fast: fast throttle response.

Smooth: smoother control mode, used on street cars and automatic transmissions.

Smooth when cold and normal when hot: changes the control mode according to the engine temperature, starts with smooth mode, and then changes to normal mode automatically.

Smooth when cold and fast when hot: changes the control mode according to the engine temperature, starts with smooth mode, and then changes to normal mode automatically



Operation mode: this parameter changes the ratio between the pedal and the throttle.

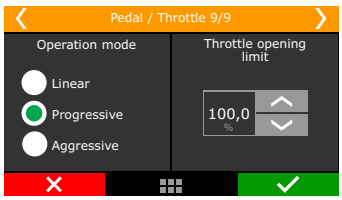
Linear: this mode has a 1:1 ratio between pedal and throttle.

Progressive: recommended for street cars.

Aggressive: throttle/pedal ratio is 2:1. When pressing 50% pedal, throttle is already on 100%.

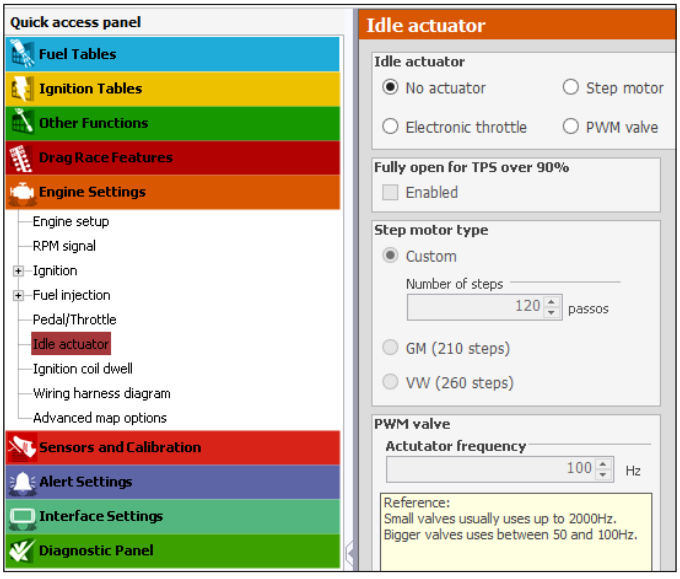
The last parameter to be configured is an opening limiter, very useful to limit the engine power by the throttle.

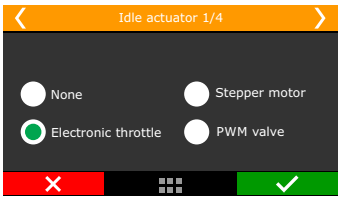
Use 100% when no safety limit is wanted.



7.7 Idle actuators

This menu allows you to select the idle actuator used on the engine and the outputs that will control it. After this quick setup, the idle speed parameters must be done according to chapter 19.2.





An important tip is that, when selecting "No Actuator", it is still possible to control idle speed by ignition timing as configured in the "Other Functions" then "Idle Speed" menus. If any kind of actuator is selected, the idle speed by timing control is automatically enabled. This happens because the idle speed control was specially developed for this FT500 / FT500LITE, integrating the timing control with the actuator reactions

Electronic throttle

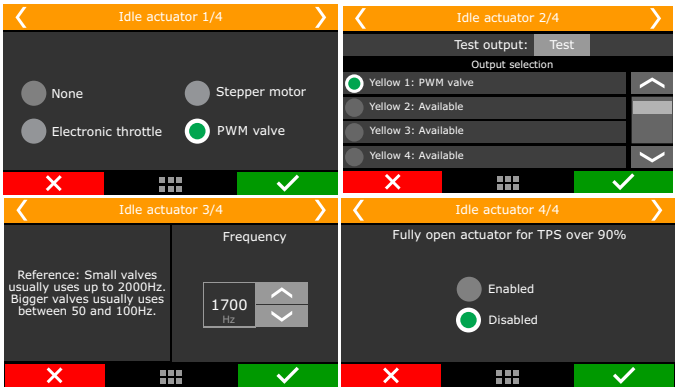
Select this option, then go to "Idle speed control settings", under "Other Functions" menu.

Check Chapter 19.2 of this manual for more details.

PWM Valve

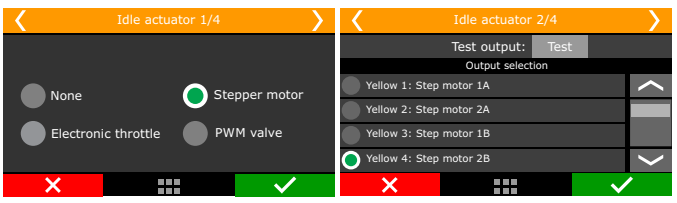
After selecting this option, it will be necessary to set up the output connected to the valve and the control frequency. Small valves usually use up to 2000Hz. For big valves use around 100Hz. If your valve becomes noisy, that means the control frequency is lower than what the valve requires. In this case, increase the control frequency.

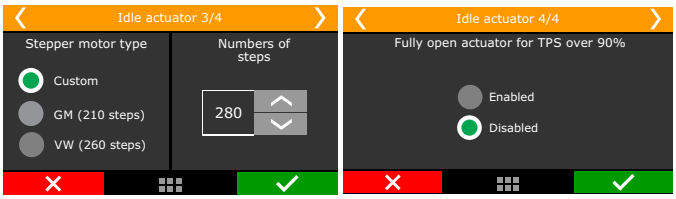
Be aware that the only outputs that can control these kinds of valves are the yellow ones.



Stepper motor

In this option, the four yellow outputs are used. It is necessary to inform which output controls which step motor output and the step motor type. There are predefined actuators for VW and GM models (number of steps) and a "Custom" mode that allows the configuration of steps. As there are many variables in the manufacturing process, if you're experiencing difficulties at idle tuning, check the "Custom" mode and change the number of steps. In some GM step motors, 190 is the correct number. For some VW step motors, 210 works better.



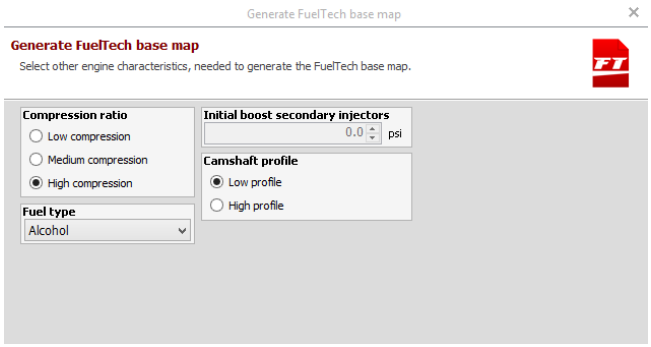


The option "Fully open for TPS over 90%" fully opens the idle valve when TPS is above 90%, increasing the air admitted.

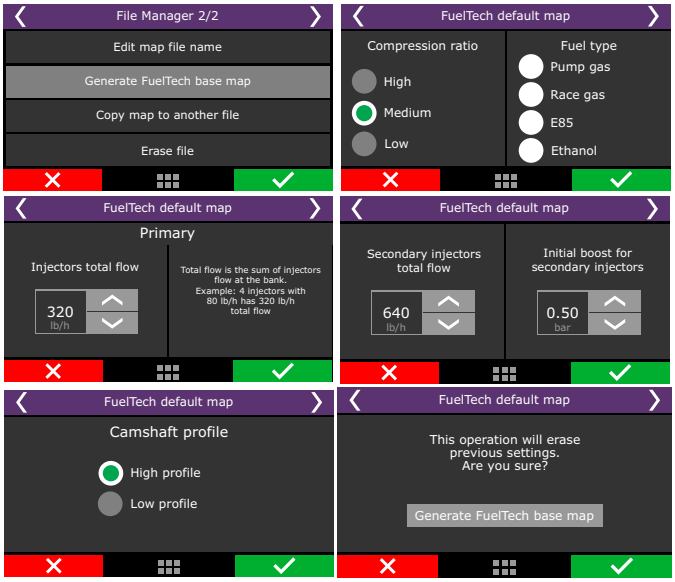
7.8 FuelTech base map

With the "Engine Setup" menu fully set up, the next step is to generate the FuelTech base map, a function that generates fuel and ignition maps to be used as a start point for the engine tuning.

The window below is displayed at the end of configuration assistant in the FTManager:



When generating a base map in the touchscreen interface, the informations are displayed as the follow images:



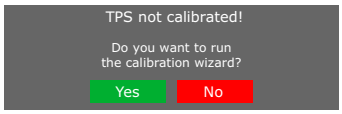
Compression ratio: used to correctly estimate the timing tables. A low, medium or high compression ratio is defined according to the fuel used on the engine and if it is turbocharged or naturally aspirated. I.e., a 10:1 compression ratio for a naturally aspirated engine using ethanol is considered a "low compression ratio". The same ratio for a turbocharged engine running gasoline will be "high".

Primary and secondary injector's total flow: select the flow of the injectors responsible for the naturally aspirated/low load range of the engine.

Initial boost for secondary injectors: set here the pressure you want the secondary bank to start opening, usually under boost. This option is only shown when using two banks of injectors

Camshaft: select the characteristic of the engine camshaft. When selecting high profile camshaft, all injection tables from absolute vacuum until -4.3psi are equal, as this type of camshaft does not have steady vacuum at idle speed. When selecting low profile camshaft, the injection times at vacuum phase are filled up in a linear manner.

Now, click the button "Generate FuelTech base map". The ECU will show a warning that the current map will be overwritten by the FuelTech base map.

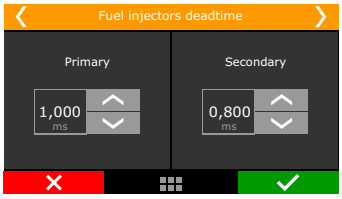


A notice about throttle/pedal calibration will be displayed. Click Yes and you will be redirected to the calibration screen.

The Chapter 15.1 has detailed information about the calibration. The next chapters explain other functions contained in the Engine Settings menu.

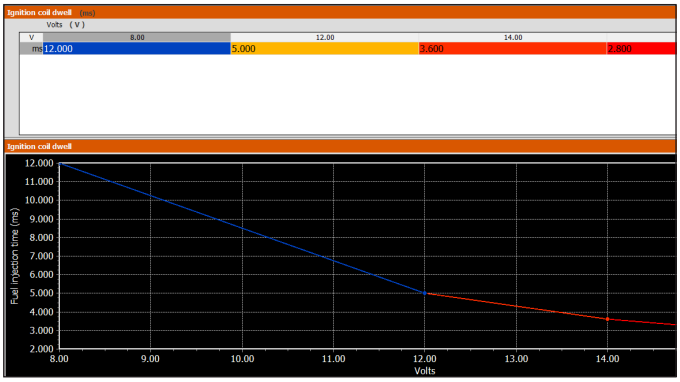
7.9 Fuel injectors deadtime

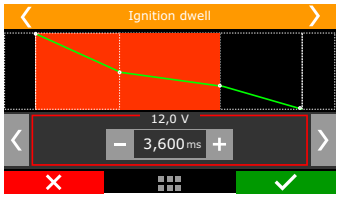
All fuel injectors, as they are electromechanical valves, have an opening inertia, which means that there is a "dead time", a moment in which the injector has already received an opening signal, but still has not started to inject fuel. This parameter considers, as a standard value, 1.00ms for high impedance fuel injectors. For low impedance injectors using Peak and Hold driver, set the deadtime to 0.60ms. These are general values; check this parameter with the injector manufacturer



In the FTManager, this parameter is in the Injection menu in "Engine Settings".

7.10 Ignition Dwell





This option sets the ignition coil charging time. There is a dwell table because the charging time varies according to the battery voltage, especially in vehicles that do not have alternator.

Usually, the lower the voltage, the higher the dwell time has to be set.

Smart coils (coils with internal igniter) demand lower charging times. These are general values; check this parameter with the coil manufacturer.

WARNING

When using MSD ignition modules, it's not possible to control the Dwell time. In this case, the coils changing time is calculated by th MSD module.

7.11 Ignition energy

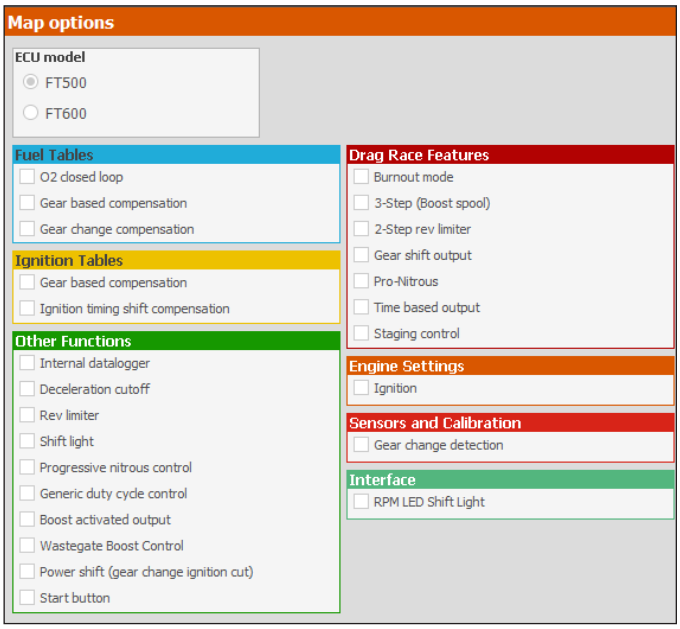
On this MAPxRPM table it's possible to set the energy level of the FTSPARK.

7.12 Map options

On the new FTManager update, it's possible to choose witch FT unit is connected to the computer, and the functions that are going to be activated on the current map.

This allows for easier navigation on the software, reducing the configuration options to those chosen by the tuner. The functions not selected on this screen will be hidden from the menu.

In case any function needs to be activated, just access the menu: engine settings > map options.



7.13 Advanced map options

There are some options that are only available through FTManager. To access them, go to "Engine Settings" Menu:

Injection

Fuel maps

- Basic - fuel maps are in a 2D table that relates MAP x injection time or TPS x injection time.
- Advanced - 3D MAP x RPM or TPS x RPM fuel table with 32x32 cells.

Fuel injection pins assignment mode

- Automatic - fuel injector's pins are automatically assigned by the ECU.
- Manual - fuel injector's pins are manually assigned by the user through "Sensors and Calibration - Outputs" menu.

O2 closed loop mode

- Basic - predefined for the O2 closed loop.
- Advanced - release advanced options such as PID control and loop time.

Ignition

Ignition maps

- Basic - ignition maps are in a 2D table that relates MAP x timing or TPS x timing.
- Advanced - 3D MAP x RPM or TPS x RPM timing table with 32x32 cells.

Ignition pins assignment mode

- Automatic - ignition pins are automatically assigned by the ECU.
- Manual - ignition pins are manually assigned by the user through "Sensors and Calibration - Outputs" menu

RPM settings

- Basic - Predefined voltage detection levels for VR crank and cam sensors.
- Advanced - The adjustment of voltage levels for detection of VR sensors in advanced mode allows the conditioning of non standard crank/cam signals, especially when they're spliced with the stock ECU

Other Function

Internal Datalogger

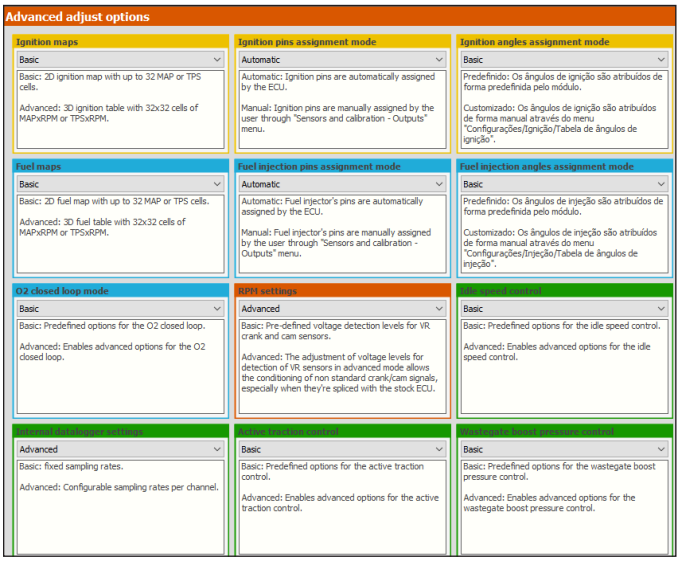
- Basic: fixed sampling rates.
- Advanced: configured sampling rates per channel.

Idle speed control

- Basic - predefined options for controlling idle. Meet 99% of the vehicles.
- Advanced - releases advanced options such as PID control, target approach RPM, deadband, approach RPM, etc.

Wastegate boost pressure control

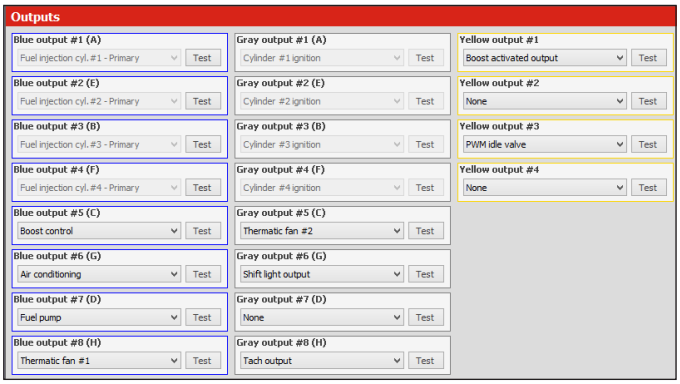
- Basic - Predefined options for the wastegate boost pressure control.
- Advanced - Enables advanced options for the wastegate boost pressure control.



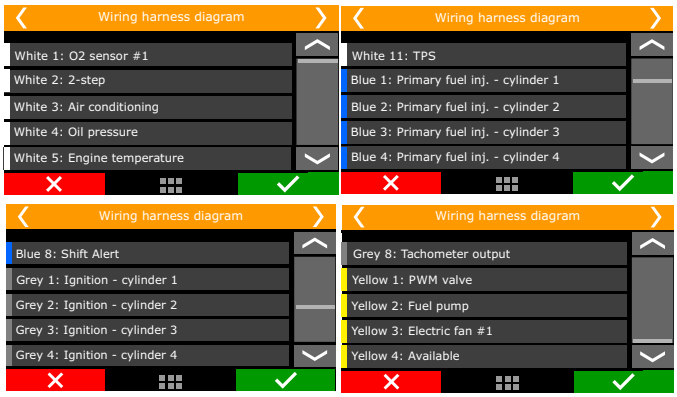
8. Electrical installation

As FT500 wires are fully configurable according to the installation needs, it is very important that the step by step guide shown on chapter 5 is followed before starting the electrical installation. This way the wiring harness connection table is automatically filled as shows the example below:

In the FTManager, to check all the inputs and outputs, go to "Sensors and Calibration" menu, then "Inputs" or "Wiring harness diagram".



Through the touchscreen interface, you can access this function in the "Engine Settings", then "Wiring harness diagram".



Based on this information, you can start the electrical installation that must be done with the ECU disconnected from the harness and the battery disconnected from the vehicle. It is very important that the cable length is the shortest as possible and that exceeding unused parts of wires are cut off.

Choose an appropriate location to affix the module inside the car, and avoid passing the cable wires close to the ignition wires and cables, ignition coils and other sources of electric noise.

DON'T EVER, under any circumstance, install the ECU near ignition modules in order to avoid the risk of interferences.

Electric cables must be protected from contact with sharp edges on the vehicle's body that might damage the wires and cause short circuit. Be particularly attentive to wires passing through holes, and use rubber grommets/protectors or any other kind of protective material to prevent any damage to the wires. At the engine compartment, pass the wires through places where they will not be subject to excessive heat and will not obstruct any mobile parts in the engine.

Red wire - 12V input

Being the 12V input to FuelTech ECU, this wire must be connected to 12V from a relay (Main Relay) and cannot be shared with the positive wire that powers coils, fuel injectors or other actuators.

• **12V for sensors:** use a 24 AWG wire from the same 12V wire that feeds the ECU (Main Relay). Example: Hall Effect sensors, pressure sensors, speed/RPM sensors, etc. This wire cannot be shared with the positive wire that powers coils, fuel injectors or other actuators.

• **12V for fuel injectors:** use a 14 AWG wire connected to a 40A relay. Protection fuse must be chosen according to the peak current of the fuel injectors plus a 40% safety coefficient.

Example: for up to 4 injectors that draw 1A of current per injector on primary bank, and 4 injectors that draw 4A of current per injector on secondary bank: **(4x1A)+(4x4A)=20A + 40% = 28A. Use a 30A fuse.**

• **12V for coils, fuel pump and other high power actuators:** use a wire with at least 14 AWG connected to a relay and a fuse correctly dimensioned according to the actuator current draw. When using individual coils (COP), it is recommended a 70A or 80A relay.

NEVER share the 12V that feeds injectors, coils or other accessories, because, after shutting the engine off, there is a risk of reverse current that may damage a sensor or the ECU.

Black wire - Battery's negative

This wire is responsible for signal ground to the ECU so, it must be connected **straight to the battery's negative terminal**, with no seams. **Under no hypothesis, this wire can be connected to the vehicle chassis** or split with the ECU black/white wire (power ground). This will cause electromagnetic interference and other problems hard to diagnose and solve.

The black wire must have permanent contact with the battery's negative terminal, never being connected to switches, car alarms or others. To turn a FuelTech ECU off, the red wire should be switched on and off.

- **Negative for sensors** (TPS, air temp., pressure, rpm, distributor, etc.): It is vital to use sensors ground straight to the battery's negative terminal. Connecting them to chassis may cause electromagnetic interference, wrong readings or even damage to the sensors.

- Attach the negative wires to the battery terminal use ring terminals and avoid soldering them. A well crimped terminal has better resistance than a soldered one. Besides that, solder makes the joint stiffer, and less resistant to vibration, typically found in automotive applications.

- Use a crimping tool and insulate the wire with insulating tape or heat shrink tubing.

- If there's a need to solder the wire to the terminal, check it's resistance after the solder, it should be lower than 0.2 Ohms.

Obs.: If corrosion is found (green/White powder) on the battery terminals, clean it with a wire brush and baking soda or contact cleaner spray. Double check the terminal holder and replace it if necessary.

Check resistance after the cleaning, it should be lower than 0.2 Ohms.

Black/White wire – power ground

These are the ECU power ground wires. They MUST be wired to the battery's negative terminal. The **power ground (black/white wire) can not** be joined to the **signal ground (black wire)** before reaching the battery's negative terminal. **Under no circumstance this wire can be connected straight to the battery's negative terminal** or in the same point that the ECU black wire. This will cause electromagnetic interference and other problems hard to diagnose and to solve.

The three power grounds (24 and 16-way connectors) must have permanent contact with the engine block/head, never being connected to switches, car alarms or others. To turn a FuelTech ECU off, the red wire should be switched on and off.

Power ground to ignition modules (SparkPRO, etc.), Peak and Hold drivers, relays and other accessories, must be connected to the same point, at the engine block/head.

A good test to check if the power grounds are with good connection is, using a tester, to measure the resistance between the battery's negative terminal and the chassis ground. Connect the red probe on the chassis point that the shield is connected and the black probe on the battery's negative. With the tester on the 200ohms range, the resistance measured must be below 0.2 Ohms.

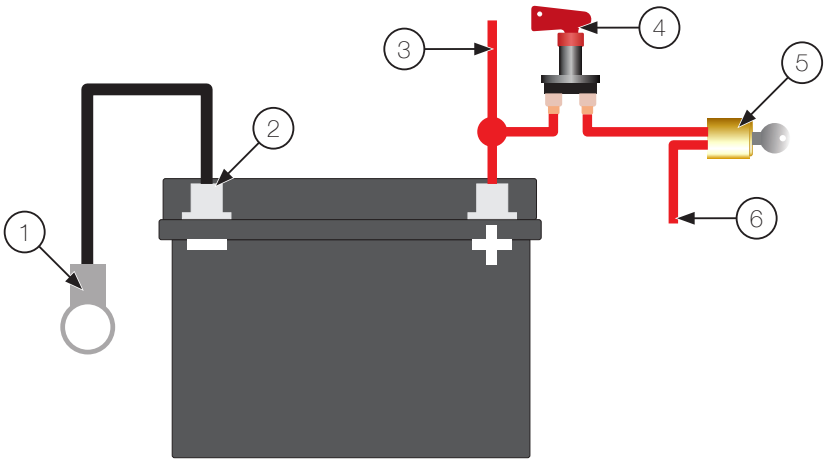
Remember to touch both probes to check its resistance. This reading must be subtracted from the first reading to found the correct value.

OBS: it is very important to check the shield that connects the engine block to the chassis and to the battery. If this Shield is defective, replace them by a new one, as it may cause serious damage to the ECU and its sensors. For this reason, we recommend to use two of these shields.

Main switch installation (optional) – important tips

Main switches have been used for a long time in competition vehicles for safety purposes in case of an accident. Just like any other electric accessory, there's a correct way to install it:

The main switch cannot be connected to ground or power ground, under no circumstance!! This is the most common error by installers and, usually costs hours of work to fix all the problems that it cause. All of this without counting the huge possibility of damaging all the electronic accessories on the vehicle. **The main switch must ALWAYS control the battery's positive (12V)**.



1 - Shield connecting battery negative to chassis and engine
2 - The ECU's black and black/white wires must go straight to the battery's negative terminal without being joined together along the way
3 - Positive wire to alternator
4 - Main switch
5 - Ignition Switch
6 - Switched 12V

9. FT500 connection on previous FT installation

FT500 / FT500LITE can be installed on vehicles that were already using older FT ECUs without the need to rewire everything. However, a few points must be checked and changed.

The best option is to perform a new installation, with FT500 / FT500LITE original harness, following the recommendations contained on this guide. This eliminates any possibility of bad contact or electromagnetic interference, pretty common on older installations.

WARNING

All the wire colors and numbers mentioned in this are referred to FT250 FT400 and aux wiring harnesses.

9.1 Connection on an FT200, FT250, FT300, FT350 installation:

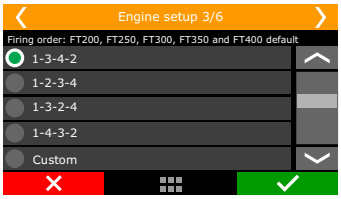
When using an installation originally done to one of these FT500 / FT500LITE, it is **mandatory** that of 16-way harness of FT400 installed. It has important power ground wires (black/white wires) that must be connected to the engine block/head.

If FT500 / FT500LITE is powered without this harness, it can suffer serious damage, not covered by any kind of warranty.

Besides that, modifications shown below are also mandatory.

9.2 Connection on an FT400 installation:

As FT400 has the same connectors that FT500 / FT500LITE, (16 and 24-way), only a few modifications are needed in order to make its harness fully compatible with FT500 / FT500LITE. The FT400 reduced auxiliary harness can not be used with FT500 / FT500LITE. In this case, the complete auxiliary harness must be used.



Firing order

When setting up the firing order on FT500 / FT500LITE under "Engine setup" menu, select the option "1-2-3-4..." (At the top of the screen, the indication "FT200, FT250, FT300, FT350 and FT400 default" is shown).

24-way connector (previous FTs Main harness)

Yellow wire #4 (pin 8): on FT500, this wire, that on FT400 had the function of an auxiliary output, is now the RPM differential input. That`s why the recommendations below must be followed:

The function that was auxiliary output #4 must now be reallocated to yellow #7 of the 16-way connector (any other output can be used).

The connection of the wire that stays in the motor must be changed as follows:

Yellow #4 must be connected in one of the ways shown below:

VR Differential: that`s the most recommended option, cause makes the RPM sensor readings most protected against electromagnetic interference.

Connect the yellow #4 wire on the pin where the shield (from the shielded cable) was connected before. Now, the shield must remain disconnected.

Select the option "VR Differential" on the "RPM Signal" menu, under "Engine setup" menu.

VR internal reference: option used only to keep the harnesses compatible with fewer modifications on the crank trigger sensor connections.

Leave yellow #4 wire disconnected;
Select the option "VR internal reference" on the "RPM Signal" menu, under "Engine setup" menu

Hall Effect sensor/distributor: leave yellow #4 disconnected and select the option "Hall" on the "RPM Signal" menu, under "Engine setup" menu.

Yellow/red wire: on FT500 / FT500LITE this wire, that used to be the MAP analog output on FT400, is now an output used as an injectors output (blue #3). By standard, MAP signal output is now on Orange #2 wire (pin 3) of the 16-way auxiliary harness, but, it can be set up on any other output.

16-way connector (FT400's auxiliary harness)

ETC – ground output for throttle and pedal sensor (green/black wire, pin 11): on FT500 this wire is a power ground input and must be connected to the engine block/head.

On FT400 this output is used as a ground for throttle and pedal sensors, so, change the wiring and connect these sensors directly to the **battery's negative** and connect the green/black wire to the engine block/head.

Electronic throttle: on FT400, electronic throttle control is done through 4 wires (brown/white 1 and 2 and purple/white 1 and 2). On FT500, only two of them will be used:

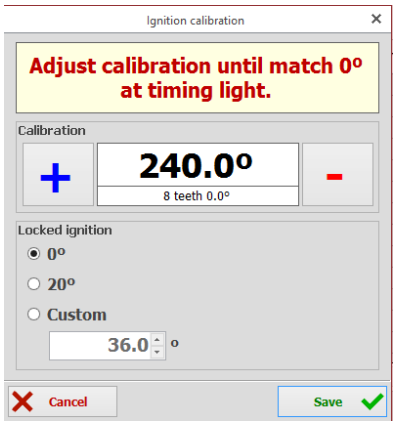
- Brown/white #2 (pin 13) = "motor 1" wire
- Purple/white #2 (pin 14) = "motor 2" wire

Wire brown/white #1 (pin 15) and purple/white#1 (pin16) must be removed from the electronic throttle connections. They can be used as auxiliary outputs (set up on the ECU first). On FT500 / FT500LITE they are, respectively, the yellow #3 (pin 15) and yellow #4 (pin 16) outputs.

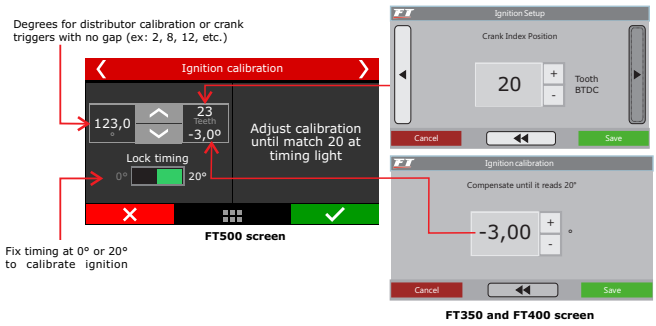
9.3 Ignition calibration

The ignition calibration screen on FT500 / FT500LITE has the same parameters that previous FT ECUs, the difference is that they are in the same screen. After calibrating the ignition, the 1st tooth index position is automatically changed on the "Engine setup" menu.

When using distributor, the ignition must be calibrated on this screen, instead of turning the distributor.



Ignition calibration screen: FTManager x FT500/FT500LITE x FT400/ FT350



9.4 Injection time differences between FT500 / FT500LITE and previous FT ECUs

Some differences may be observed when tuning a FT500 / FT500LITE based on a previous FT ECU map (FT200, FT250, FT300, FT350 and FT400).

Injection mode: on previous generation ECUs, injection mode was "alternated". Injectors are fired once per crankshaft revolution (360 degrees), composing with 2 injection pulses the total fuel needed per cycle (720 degrees). On Multipoint or Semi sequential modes, the injectors will still be fired only once per crankshaft revolution, keeping similarity with the previous map. The difference comes when sequential mode is selected. In this mode, injectors are fired only once per cycle (720 degrees), delivering the total fuel needed in just one pulse.

In sequential mode, it is necessary to understand that the main fuel map and the cranking injection will have fuel injection times near twice the ECU had before. Example: a map where the idle speed used to have 2.40ms + a 1.00ms of injector deadtime, will have something around 3.80ms (2.40 x 2 – 1.00) on sequential mode.

Injector drivers: FT500 / FT500LITE has a new model of injector control driver that brings more precision and speed on opening and closing of injectors. This difference for the previous generation of FT FT500 / FT500LITE makes saturated injectors able to close 0.30ms earlier, requiring that the injection time (when compared to maps from old generation FT ECUs) be increased in 0,30ms. This doesn`t mean an increase in the fuel amount, only a difference in the tuning. When using Peak and Hold drivers, this difference doesn`t exist.

It is very important to say that there`s no direct map conversion between previous generation ECU maps and FT500 / FT500LITE maps, even taking the above into consideration.

10. Fuel injectors

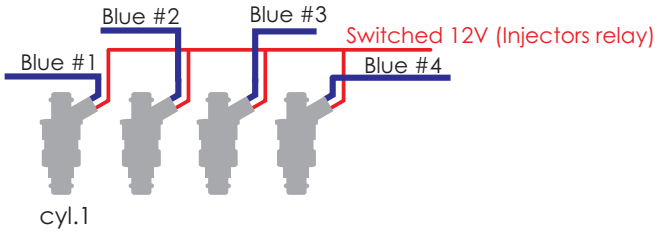
A FT500 / FT500LITE has 8 outputs to control fuel injectors (blue wires #1 to #8). Each one of them can control up to 6 injectors with internal resistance above 10 Ohms (saturated injectors) or up to 4 injectors with internal resistance above 7 Ohms. Using a Peak and Hold driver, this capacity varies according to the output and the Peak and Hold current control (2A/0,5A, 4A/1A or 8A/2A).

In situations where more than 8 outputs are needed, the gray or yellow outputs can be set as injector outputs. In this case, the use of a Peak and Hold driver for these outputs is mandatory.

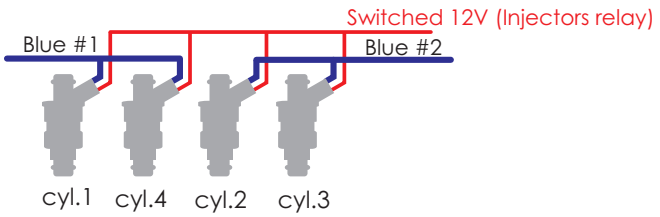
Injectors can be triggered in multipoint, semi sequential or sequential modes.

Examples of 4-cyl engines running high impedance injectors

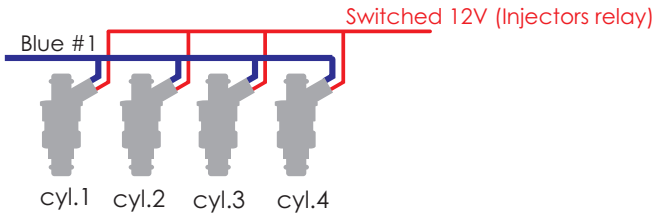
- **Individual triggering:** each blue output controls a cylinder. This is the most recommended connection cause is the only one that allows individual per cylinder fuel compensations, amongst other functions.



- **Two injectors per channel: blue output #1** controls injector of cylinders 1 and 4. Blue output #2 controls injectors of cylinders 2 and 3



- **Four injectors per channel:** use this connection only for compatibility with previous generation FT ECUs.



Even with each output controlling only one injector it is possible to change the triggering mode to multipoint (batch fire), semi sequential (outputs triggered in pairs) or sequential.

11. Ignition

A FT500 / FT500LITE has 8 ignition outputs that can be used according to the needs of the project, controlling a distributor or a crank trigger.

Ignition with distributor

When using this ECU with a distributor, the only active ignition output is gray #1. This wire must trigger an ignition module or a coil with integrated igniter.

Coil with integrated igniter (smart coil)

They are coils with at least 3 pins and only one spark plug wire output. This kind of coil (inductive) must be set as "Falling dwell" in the "Ignition output" menu. In case of selecting the wrong output type, coil will be damaged.

A - Ground (near coil) / igniter;
B - Signal Ground;
C - 5V signal from sequencer;
D - Switched;

FuelTech SparkPRO-1 with coil without integrated igniter (dumb coil)

The FuelTech Spark PRO-1 module is an high energy inductive igniter which has an excellent cost/benefit and can be used with any 2-wire dumb coil (without internal igniter). Coils with primary least possible resistance are recommended for maximum SparkPRO-1 potential. The minimum resistance of the coil primary should be 0.7 ohms, below this the SparkPRO will be damaged.

Try to place SparkPRO-1 as close as possible to the coil.

Warning about the SparkPRO-1:

An excessive charging time (Dwell) can damage the SparkPRO and the coil. It is recommended to use a Dwell map with 6ms at 8V, 4ms at 10V, 3.60ms at 12V and 3.00ms at 15V and check coils temperature at the beginning

IMPORTANT

In the "Ignition" menu, select the ignition output as "Falling dwell". In case of selecting the wrong output type, coil will be damaged.

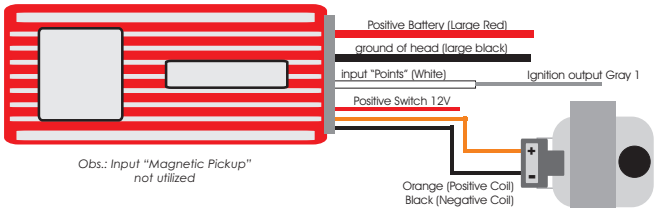
Capacitive discharge ignition module (MSD 6A, MSD 7AL, Crane, Mallory)

FuelTech's ignition output must be connected to the MSD ignition module, (usually, the white wire is the points input). When using a MSD ignition box, the yellow #1 is automatically set up as ignition output.

The installation of ignition modules must always follow what is indicated by its manufacturer in the instructions manual. This ignition module will receive a Points signal from FuelTech. Ignition coil must follow the ignition module manufacturer recommendations as well.

Important Notes:

- The module must be placed the closest possible to the ignition coil, and never inside the car, in order to avoid the risk of interference on electronic devices.
- The length of the wires that connect the ignition module to the ignition coil must be the shortest possible.
- In "Ignition Setup," select the output "Rise (CDI)".
- It is not possible to control the ignition Dwell when using this type of module.
- To use the ignition cut through MSD, check Chapter 7.3



- When using MSD ignition modules with a distributor, it is necessary to connect a FuelTech white wire to the MSD Legacy input. That makes FT ECU to perform a faster timing control, especially needed when using Drag Race Features. By default, white wire #10 is set up automatically as "ignition cut" after the base map generation, and must be connected to the wire on the right of the MSD Legacy plug.
- When experiencing problems with the cut through MSD like no cut at all or RPM limit always 500 RPM above what was setup, use the other MSD pin.

Ignition with crank trigger

When controlling the ignition in distributor less systems, wasted spark or individual coils per cylinder are needed. In this case, coils are triggered by different outputs, according to the number of cylinders. Ignition outputs (gray wires) are triggered according to the firing order set up on the ECU

Example: 4 cylinder engine with individual coils:
Gray outputs are selected automatically, according to the number of cylinders.

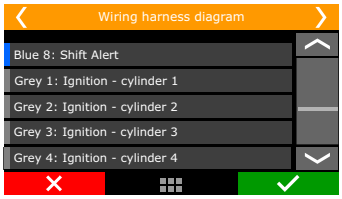
Gray wires that will not be used for ignition control can be set up as injectors outputs (Peak and Hold driver is mandatory) or auxiliary outputs (relay needed).

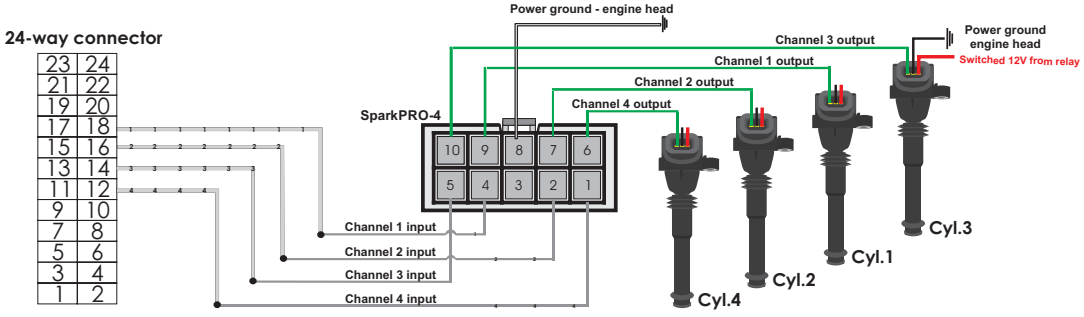
Individual coils – electrical connections

On FT500 / FT500LITE, these connections must be done by matching the output number with the cylinder number:

- Ignition output #1 controls cylinder #1 coil;
- Ignition output #2 controls cylinder #2 coil;
- Ignition output #3 controls cylinder #3 coil.

When working with dumb coils, an external ignition module must be used (as the FuelTech SparkPRO). In this case, ignition outputs from FT500 / FT500LITE are connected to the ignition module inputs.

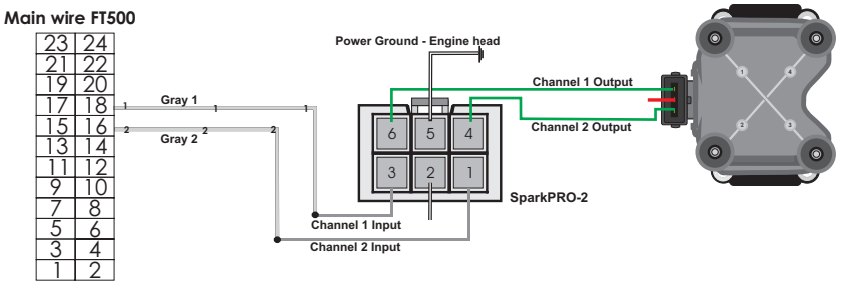




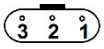
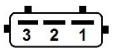
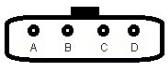
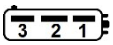
Wasted spark coils – electrical connections

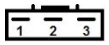
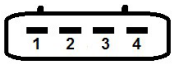
In this case, ignition output #1 controls cylinder #1 and its twin, ignition output #2 controls cylinder #2 and its twin, etc.

When using dumb coils, an external igniter must be used, such as FuelTech SparkPRO. The FT500/FT500LITE ignition outputs (gray wires) will be connected to the igniter inputs and the igniter outputs will be connected to the coil.



Individual coils connections

Coil	Type	Cars where it's usually found	Pins Connection
Renault 7700875000	No internal igniter Wire in serial association and use a SparkPRO-2	Renault engine 2.0 16V	Pin 1 bob 1: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 2 coil 2: Switched 12V from relay Connect the pin 2 of coil 1 in the pin 1 of coil 2 (serial association) These coils work with 6V
Bosch 0221504014 0221504460	No internal igniter	Fiat Marea 2.0T, 2.4 (3,60ms) Fiat Stilo Abarth 2.4 20V (1,80ms)	Pin 1: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Switched 12V from relay
Bosch 0221504024	No internal igniter	Fiat Punto/Linea 1.4 T-Jet 	Pin 1: Power ground (engine head) Pin 2: Switched 12V from relay Pin 3: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar)
VW/Audi 20V/ BMW	No internal igniter	All VW/Audi 1.8 20V Turbo BMW 328	Pin 1: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Switched 12V from relay
Magnetti Marelli BAE700AK	No internal igniter (Dwell: 2,50ms)	Peugeot 306 and 405 2.0 16V Citroen Xantia and ZX 2.0 16V Maserati Coupé 3.2 32V	Pin 1: Switched 12V from relay Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar)
MSD PN 82558	No internal igniter	MSD PN 82558 	Pin 1: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 2: Do not connect Pin 3: Switched 12V from relay
Toyota 90919-02205 129700-5150	No internal igniter	Toyota 2JZ, outros Honda CBR 1000 (1,80ms)	Pin 1: Switched 12V from relay Pin 2: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar)
ACDelco 12611424	Integrated Igniter (Dwell: 4,5ms)	Corvette LS1 	Pin A: Power ground (engine head) Pin B: Reference ground (ECU reference ground) Pin C: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin D: Switched 12V from relay
Diamond FK0140 (Dwell 3ms) Diamond FK0186 (Dwell 5ms)	Integrated igniter	Subaru WRX 	Pin 1: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Switched 12V from relay
Diamond FK0320	Integrated igniter	Pajero 3.8 6G75 MiVec Lancer GT, ASX, Outlander	Pin 1: Switched 12V from relay Pin 2: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin 3: Power ground (engine head)
BOSCH 0221504470 0221504100	No internal igniter	BMW X1/X5/M5/118/120/320 E46/E39/E38/Z3/Z4/Z8	Pin 1: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Switched 12V from relay

Coil	Type	Cars where it's usually found	Pins Connection
Hitachi CM11-202 Hanshin MCP3350 Hanshin MCP1330 Nissan 224891F00	Integrated igniter	Fiat Brava/Marea 1.8 Nissan Silvia S15 Nissan R34 (RB26DETT)	Pin 1 - +: Switched 12V from relay Pin 2 - B: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3 - IB:Connected to an ignition output (gray wire)
Hitachi AIC3103G	Integrated igniter	Mitsubishi Nissan 350 Z Infiniti G35/FX35 	Pin 1: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Switched 12V from relay
Audi/VW 06x 905 115 Hitachi CM11-201	Integrated igniter	Audi A6, S3 – VW Bora, Golf, Passat 1.8 Turbo	Pin 1: Switched 12V from relay Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin 4: Power ground (engine head)
Bosch 022 905 100x	Integrated igniter	VW VR6 – Golf, Passat	Pin 1: Reference ground (battery negative) Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Switched 12V from relay Pin 4: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire)
Denso 099700-101 Denso 099700-115 Denso 099700-061 Hitachi CM11-109	Integrated igniter	Honda Fit 	Pin 1: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Switched 12V from relay
Denso 90919-022 ?? Final 27, 30, 36, 39 e 40	Integrated igniter	Toyota/Lexus V6 3.0 	Pin 1: Power ground (engine head) Pin 2: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin 3: Do not connect Pin 4: Switched 12V from relay
VW 030905110D	Integrated igniter	VW Gol/Voyage G6	Pin 1: Reference ground (battery negative) Pin 2: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire) Pin 3: Power ground (engine head) Pin 4: Switched 12V from relay
30520-R1A-A01	Integrated igniter	New Civic	Pin 1: Switched 12V from relay Pin 2: Reference ground (battery negative) Pin 3: Connected to an ignition output (gray wire)

Wasted spark coils connections

Coil	Type	Cars where it's usually found	Pin Connection
Bosch F000Z S0103	No integrated igniter (two spark plug outputs)	Fiat Palio, Siena, Uno 1.0 , 1.5, 1 .6, Tempra 2 .0	Pin 1: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 2: Switched 12V from relay
Bosch 4 cylinders (3 wires) F 000 Z S0 213 F 000 Z S0 222 0 221 503 011	No integrated igniter	Celta, Corsa, Gol Flex, Meriva, Montana, Vectra 16V Fiat Linea 1.9 16V	Pin 1a (A): Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 15 (B): Switched 12V from relay Pin 1b (C): Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar)
Bosch 4 cylinders (3 wires) F 000 ZS0 203 F 000 ZS0 205	No integrated igniter	Astra, Kadett, Ipanema, Vectra 8V, Zafira	Pin 1: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 2: Switched 12V from relay Pin 3: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar)
47905104 19005212 1208307 (6 wires – 4 channels)	No integrated igniter Individual cylinder triggering	Fiat Stilo 1.8 16V GM Meriva 1.8 16V GM Zafira 1.8 and 2.0 16V	Pin A – cyl. 3: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin B – cyl. 2: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin C – cyl. 1: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin D – cyl. 4: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin E: Power ground (engine head) Pin F: Switched 12V from relay
Bosch 6 cylinders 0 221 503 008	No integrated igniter	GM Omega 4.1, Ford V6	Pin 1: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 2: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 3: Ignition power (from SparkPRO or similar) Pin 4: Switched 12V from relay

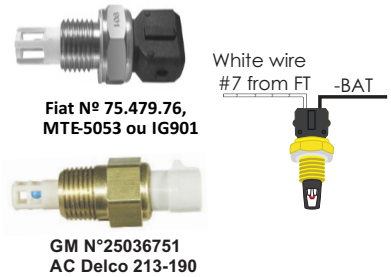
Coil	Type	Cars where it's usually found	Pin Connection
Delphi 4 cylinders (round)	Integrated igniter	GM Corsa MPFI (of 98 to 2002)	Pin A: Gray #2 (cylinders 2 and 3) Pin B: Gray #1 (cylinders 1 and 4) Pin C: Power ground (engine head) Pin D: Switched 12V from relay
Delphi 4 cylinders (round)	Integrated igniter	GM Corsa MPFI (of 98 to 2002)	Pin A: Gray #2 (cylinders 2 and 3) Pin B: Gray #1 (cylinders 1 and 4) Pin C: Power ground (engine head) Pin D: Switched 12V from relay
Delphi 4 cylinders (square)	Integrated igniter	GM Corsa MPFI (of 98 to 2002)	Pin 1: Switched 12V from relay Pin 2: Power ground (engine head) Pin 3: Gray #1 (cylinders 1 and 4) Pin 4: Gray #2 (cylinders 2 and 3
Sagem 96358648	No integrated igniter	Peugeot 1.4	Pin 1: Gray #1 (cylinders 1 and 4) Pin 2: Gray #2 (cylinders 2 and 3) Pin 3: Power ground (engine head) Pin 4: Switched 12V from relay
Bosch 4 Cylinders (4 wires) 032 905 106 B/D F000ZS0210	Integrated igniter	VW Golf, Bora, Audi A3 and A4, Seat Ibiza and Córdoba	Pin 1: Gray #1 (cylinders 1 and 4) Pin 2: Switched 12V from relay Pin 3: Gray #2 (cylinders 2 and 3) Pin 4: Power ground (engine head)
Eldor – 4 Cylinders (6 wires – 4 channels) 06A 905 097 06A 905 104	Integrated igniter Individual cylinder triggering	Bora, New Beetle, Polo	Pin 1: Power ground (engine head) Pin 2: Gray - C (cylinder 4) Pin 3: Gray - B (cylinder 3) Pin 4: Gray - D (cylinder 2) Pin 5: Gray - A (cylinder 1) Pin 6: Switched 12V from relay
VW V6 078 905 104	Integrated igniter	Audi A4 2.8 V6 Audi A6 Passat 2.8 V6	Pin 1: Power ground (engine head) Pin 2: Gray #1 (cylinders 1 and 4) Pin 3: Gray #2 (cylinders 2 and 5) Pin 4: Gray #3 (cylinders 3 and 6) Pin 5: Switched 12V from relay
GM Coil 94702536 DELPHI CE20131	Integrated igniter	GM Agile 1.4	Pin A: Gray #2 (cylinders 2 and 3) Pin B: Gray #1 (cylinders 1 and 4) Pin C: Reference ground (battery negative) Pin D: Power ground (engine head) Pin E: Switched 12V from relay
BMW	No integrated igniter	318ti compact 94/00	Pin 1: Cylinder 4 - sparkpro Pin 2: Switched 12V from relay Pin 3: Reference ground (battery negative) Pin 4: not utilized Pin 5: Cylinder 1 - sparkpro Pin 6: Cylinder 3 - sparkpro Pin 7: Cylinder 2 - sparkpro

12. Sensors and actuators

FT500 has some pre-defined sensors available as standard, but, it's possible to setup any kind of analog sensor on its inputs or even to connect it and read a sensor in parallel with the OEM ECU. This configuration is done on the custom mode through software FTManager and USB cable on a PC.

12.1 Intake air temperature sensor

With this sensor, the ECU can monitor the intake air temperature and perform real time compensations.



Models:

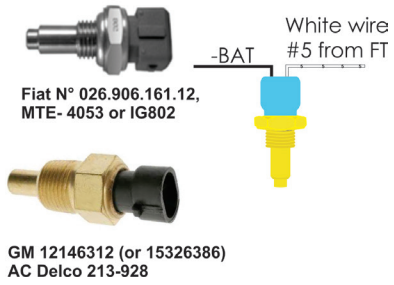
- Fiat: Delphi / NTK (3,3kΩ a 20ºC);
- GM (American): ACDelco: 213-190 / GM n°25036751.

One of its pins is connected to the battery negative. The other to the white #7 wire (standard – can be changed).

12.2 Engine temperature sensor

This sensor is very important for a good running engine, as varying engine temperatures dramatically affect an engine's fuel and timing requirements.

On water cooled engines, place this sensor near the engine head, reading the water temperature. On air cooled engines, install this sensor reading the engine oil temperature.



Models:

- Fiat: Delphi / NTK (3,3kΩ a 20ºC);
- GM (American): ACDelco: 213-928 / GM: 12146312 (or 15326386).

One of its pins is connected to the battery negative. The other to the white #5 wire (standard – can be changed).

12.3 Fuel and oil pressure sensor

FuelTech PS-150/300/1500 is a high precision sensor responsible for general pressure readings (fuel, oil, boost, exhaust back pressure, etc.) It can be purchased Online at www.fueltech.net or from an authorized FuelTech dealer (check the website to locate the dealer nearest to you).

FuelTech PS-150/300/1500 sensor below:

- Connection: 1/8" - 27NPT
- Pressure Range: 0 to 150/300/1500psi
- Power Voltage: 5V
- Output Scale: 0.5-4.5V
- Electric Connector: 3-way Metri Pack 150

Pin A: Battery's Negative
Pin B: 5V supply
Pin C: Output signal
FuelTech part numbers:
5005100020 - 0-150 psi sensor
5005100021 - 0-300 psi sensor
5005100022 - 0-1500 psi sensor

As FT500 is fully configurable, practically any automotive pressure sensor can be used – if the voltage x pressure table is known, you can setup through FTManager software.

12.4 Throttle position sensor (TPS)

This sensor is a potentiometer installed on the throttle to inform the ECU about its position. If needed, it is possible to run the engine without this sensor, but, it is very important for a fine tuning. When possible, use the OEM TPS. This ECU is calibrate to any kind 0-5V TPS sensor. Anyway, FuelTech products are compatible with any 0-5V TPS sensor, since they have calibration function.

Discovering the TPS pinout

With a multimeter in the range of 20k Ohms, disconnect the from the FuelTech ECU and let the ignition key off. Check the resistance between the Green/Red (5V supply) and Black (battery's negative) wires. Resistance should not vary when accelerating. If vary, reverse the wires so that the resistance of the TPS varies only between the White wire #11 (default TPS input signal) and Green/Red and between White #11 and Black wires.

The TPS signal voltage should vary according to throttle opening, with gap bigger then 3V between fully closed and wide open throttle.

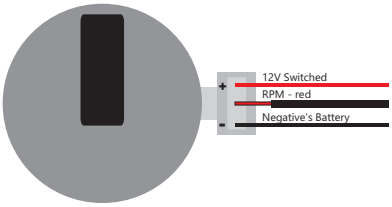
12.5 Crank trigger/RPM sensor

To control fuel and ignition, this ECU is able to read magnetic and Hall Effect sensors.

Distributor

To read RPM signal from a Hall Effect distributor, it should have a sensor with at least 3 pin and have the same number of reading windows (or "triggers") than the engine has number of cylinders.

VW Hall Effect distributor connections



Crank trigger

The crankshaft trigger wheel is responsible for informing the exact position of the crankshaft to the electronic ignition management system, in such a way that this system is able to determine the ignition timing in the engine. The trigger wheel is installed on the crankshaft, outside or inside the engine block, with a specific alignment. Usually, the Crankshaft Trigger Wheels placed on the outside of the block are put in front of the engine, by the front crankshaft pulley, or in the rear of the engine, by the flywheel. There are many types of Trigger Wheels, but the compatible ones are mentioned below

60-2: this is, in general, the most used type of trigger wheel. It is a wheel with 58 teeth and a gap (fault point) equivalent to two missing teeth, therefore called "60-2". This trigger wheel is found in most Chevrolet (Corsa, Vectra, Omega, etc.), VW (Golf, AP TotalFlex, etc.), Fiat (Marea, Uno, Palio, etc.), Audi (A3, A4, etc.) and Renault (Clio, Scènic, etc.) models, among other car makers. Ford Flex models with Marelli ECU use this type of trigger wheel also.

36-2: standard in Toyota engines, being 34 teeth and a gap equivalent to two missing teeth.

36-1: 35 teeth and a gap equivalent to one missing tooth. It can be found in all Ford vehicle lines, with 4 or 6 cylinders (except the Flex models with Marelli injection, which use the 60-2 trigger wheel).

12 tooth: this type is used by AEM's Engine Position Module (EPM) distributor. In this case, the cam sensor from the EPM must be used. This distributor has 24 teeth, but as it rotates half-way for each full engine RPM, there will only be 12 teeth per RPM. Setup the Ignition with 12 teeth at crank (24 at cam) and the 1st tooth alignment with 60°.

Setup ECU as 12 teeth (at crank) 24 (at cam) and use 60° for 1st tooth alignment.

Mitsubishi 1G CAS: due to the fact the CAM signal has two slots on this CAS, it's only possible to control the ignition on wasted spark mode and the fuel injection on multipoint or semi-sequential. No sequential fuel or ignition will work on this CAS with 2 slots on the CAM.

- **Pin 1** – white – CAM signal: connect to white wire from FT500 1 core shielded cable (pin 15)
- **Pin 2** – yellow – CRANK signal: connect to red wire from FT500 2 core shielded cable (pin 17)
- **Pin 3** – red – sensor feed: connect to a switched +12V
- **Pin 4** – black – sensor ground: connect directly to battery's negative.

FT500 setup: RPM signal "2 (crank) or 4 (cam)" (4G63) or "3 (crank) or 6 (cam)" (6G72), Hall Effect crank and cam sensors, rising edge on both. Wasted spark ignition. 1st tooth alignment: 67

Mitsubishi 2G CAS: uses the same settings that 1G CAS, but has a sensor on the crankshaft (reading a 2 tooth trigger) and a cam sync sensor.

Crank trigger sensor:

- Pin 1: switched 12V
- Pin 2: CRANK signal: connect to red wire from FT500 2 core shielded cable (pin 17)
- Pin 3: connect directly to battery's negative

Cam sync sensor:

- Pin 1: switched 12V
- Pin 2: CAM signal: connect to white wire from FT500 1 core shielded cable (pin 15)
- Pin 3: connect directly to battery's negative

Ignition settings:

- **Stock Honda coil and igniter:** setup ignition as "Distributor – single coil" and select option "Rising edge (Honda distributor)". In this option, only the ignition output #1 will be active.

- **Multi coils and/or external igniter:** in this case, ignition can be controlled in wasted spark or sequential modes. Ignition output must be setup as "Honda distributor", but as Falling edge or Rising edge, according to the external igniter used.

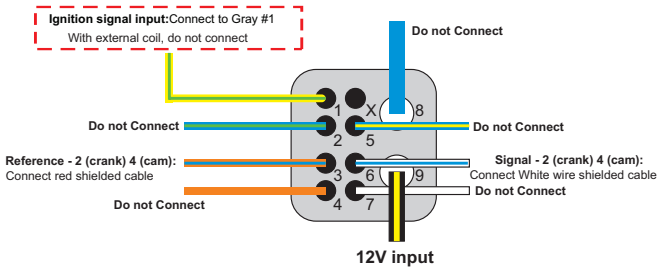
- **1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10 and 24 teeth:** options available according to the number of engine cylinders. When having these trigger wheels, the use of a camshaft position sensor is mandatory, in order to maintain the synchronization of the parts. Also, the teeth must be equidistant. They can be found in models such as Subaru, Mitsubishi Lancer and 3000GT, GM S10 Vortec V6, etc.

NOTE

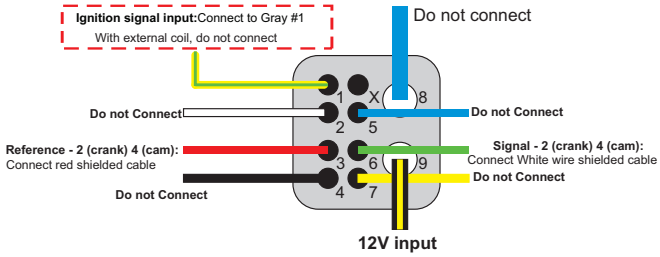
This crank trigger will only work with a single tooth cam sync. On stock engines it is needed to remove the smaller tooth from the cam trigger wheel.

Honda Distributor

92/95 - OBD1



96/00 - OBD2 - OBD2b



Distributor Pin	Honda 92/95 (wire color)	Honda 96/00 (wire color)	FT500 / FT500LITE connection	Configuration
1	Yellow/green	Yellow/green	With OEM coil and igniter, connect gray #1 wire	With stock Honda coil and igniter: **connect to gray wire #1** and setup as "**Honda Distributor**". With multi-coils, and external igniter: **do not connect**
2	Blue/Green	White	**Do not Connect**	
3	Orange/Blue	Red	Connect Red shielded cable	RPM signal input
4	Orange	Black	**Do not Connect**	
5	Blue/Yellow	Blue	**Do not Connect**	
6	White/Blue	Green	Connect white wire shielded cable	RPM signal reference
7	White	Yellow	**Do not Connect**	
8	Blue	Blue	**Do not Connect**	
9	Black/Yellow	Black/Yellow	12V input	12V input for OEM coil and igniter (inside the distributor) With external coil, do not connect

MSD distributor and crank trigger:

The distributors are equipped with VR/magnetic sensors e must be wired as the following:

- Orange/black: connected to the red wire of 2-way shielded cable of FT500/FT500LITE
- Purple/black: connected to the white wire of 2-way shielded cable of FT500/FT500LITE

Any mechanical or centrifugal advance must be locked

The crank trigger kits have different wire colors and the wiring must be as following:

- Purple: connected to the red wire of 2-way shielded cable of FT500/FT500LITE;
- Green: connected to the white wire of 2-way shielded cable of FT500/FT500LITE

The RPM signal settings must be:

- 4 cylinders: 2 (at crank) or 4 (at cam);
- 6 cylinders: 3 (at crank) or 6 (at cam);
- 4 cylinders: 4 (at crank) or 8 (at cam);

RPM sensor:

VR differential, rising edge, crank index position 45º (need to calibrate ignition with timing light)

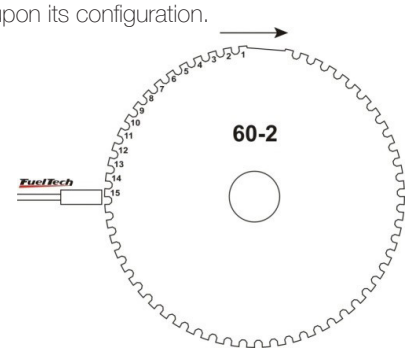
Cam sync sensor:

Not utilized, unless you are running crank trigger and distributor (or a dedicated cam sync sensor) with a single tooth.

48-2, 30-2, 30-1, 24-2, 24-1, 15-2, 12-3, 12-2, 12-1, 12+1 and 4+1 teeth: These are less common types, but they are perfectly compatible. These trigger wheels can operate without a camshaft position sensor, as they have a gap that indicates the TDC on cylinder 1.

In order to correctly inform the engine position to the injection module,

it is necessary that the injection has the right information about the alignment of the trigger wheel in relation to the TDC on cylinder 1. The image below shows a 60-2 trigger wheel with the sensor aligned on the 15th tooth after gap. In this image, for example, the engine is on the TDC on cylinder 1. Notice that the RPM is clockwise, and therefore, the TDC on cylinder 1 is set 15 teeth after the sensor passes the gap. That is exactly the number of teeth that must be informed to the injection upon its configuration.



60-2 Trigger Wheel Aligned on the 15th tooth after the gap

Sometimes a trigger wheel has to be fabricated because of the type or size used, as it happens with motorcycles, for example. In such cases, it is important to observe that the size of the teeth on the fabricated trigger wheel must be equal to the size of the space in between them. The minimum diameter for the fabrication of a 60-2 trigger wheel is 125mm (5").

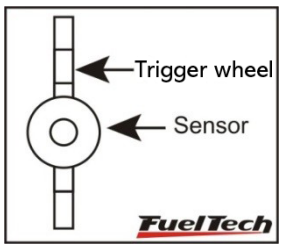
For 36-1 trigger wheels, the minimum diameter recommended is 100mm (4"). Trigger wheels with smaller diameters can be fabricated, but reading errors may occur and the engine may not work.

Crankshaft trigger sensor

When controlling the ignition with a trigger wheel, it is necessary to have a sensor that reads the signal from its teeth and informs the engine position to the injection. There are two types of crankshaft trigger sensors:

VR sensor: this is the type that is most commonly used in cars nowadays, especially with 60-2 and 36-1 trigger wheels. One of its main characteristics is that it does not receive 12V or 5V; it only generates an electromagnetic signal based on induction. It might have 2 or 3 wires (the third wire is an electromagnetic shield).

Hall Effect sensor: it is usually found on 2, 3 and 4-tooth trigger wheels and some 36-1 and 60-2 types. It receives a 5V or 12V feed and emits a square wave signal. It invariably has 3 pins: voltage, negative and signal.



The crank Wheel should be aligned with the sensor

Crank trigger sensors table

Sensor	Type	Cars where it's usually found	Pin connection
Bosch 3 wires	VR	Chevrolet Corsa 8V MPFI, Omega 2.2, 4.1 and 2.0 (alcohol), S10 2.2,Silverado, Astra, Kadett MPFI, Vectra, Calibra, VW Golf, Passat, Alfa 164 3.0	Pin 1: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 2: white wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 3: shield (2 core shielded cable)'
Bosch 3 wires	VR	Chevrolet Omega 2.0 Gasolina and 3.0, Corsa 16V/GSi, Tigra, Fiat Marea 5 Cilindros, Citroën ZX 2.0, Xantia 2.0, Peugeot 306 2.0 16V, Peugeot 405MI Fiat Linea 1.9 16V	Pin 1: white wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 2: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 3: shield (2 core shielded cable)
Ford 2 wires Fiat 2 wires	VR	Ford Zetec, Ranger V6 Fiat Punto/Fiat 500 1.4 Turbo	Pin 1: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 2: white wire (2 core shielded cable)
Siemens 2 wires	VR	Renault Clio, Scènic	Pin A: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin B: white wire (2 core shielded cable)
Magneti Marelli (P/N Fiat 464.457.31) (P/N Marelli 4820171010)	VR	Fiat Palio, Uno, Strada, Siena 1.0 – 1.5 8V MPI	Pin +: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin – : white wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin S : shield (2 core shielded cable)
Delphi 3 wires (3 teeth wheel)	Hall	GM S10 4.3 V6	Pin A: 5V (FT green/red wire) Pin B: battery negative Pin C: red wire (2 core shielded cable)
Fiat engine E-TorQ 1.8 16V	Hall	Fiat engine E-TorQ 1.8 16V	Pin 1: battery negative Pin 2: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 3: 5V (FT green/red wire)

Sensor	Type	Cars where it's usually found	Pin connection
VW TotalFlex/Gol Gti Hyundai Tucson 2.0 16V	Hall	All VW AP TotalFlex Hyundai Tucson 2.0 16V	Pin 1: 5V (FT green/red wire) Pin 2: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 3: battery negative
Denso (Suzuki Bikes)	VR	Suzuki Hayabusa e Suzuki SRAD	Pin 1: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 2: white wire (2 core shielded cable)
Mitsubishi 1.6 16V (2 teeth)	Hall	Mitsubishi Colt e Lancer	Pin 1 - black: battery negative Pin 2 - brown: red wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 3 - red: 5V (FT green/red wire)
VW/Audi 20V3 wires Bosch – 0261210148	VR	Audi A3 1.8 20V VW Golf 1.8 20V/Golf 1.6, 2.0/Bora 2.0– EA111	Pin 1: shield (2 core shielded cable) Pin 2: white wire (2 core shielded cable) Pin 3: red wire (2 core shielded cable)
Denso 3 wires	Hall	Honda Civic Si	Pin 1: 5V (FT green/red wire) Pin 2: shield (2 core shielded cable) Pin 3: red wire (2 core shielded cable)

NOTE

If a VR sensor doesn't pick up RPM signal, try to swap the sensor wires (red and white wires)

A very simple test using a tester can identify if a Crankshaft Trigger Sensor is an inductive or a Hall Effect sensor. Turn the tester on the resistance measurement mode at a 2000Ω scale and connect its probes to the sensor's pins. Test pin 1 with the other two. If a resistance of 600-1200Ω is found, the sensor tested is of inductive type.

If no resistance is found among any of the pins, or if the resistance found is much higher than 1200Ω, it is either a Hall Effect sensor, or an inductive sensor with a broken coil. Notice that, when finding the resistance between pins 2 and 3, for example, pin 1 must be connected to the battery's negative terminal and the other 2 to FT shielded cable. If the module does not capture the signal, invert the white and red wires connections.

12.6 Camshaft position sensor

This sensor tells the ECU when the cylinder #1 is reaching its TDC on the compression stroke. With this information it is possible to control ignition and fuel injection in sequential mode.

Installation and alignment of this sensor are pretty simple. The only requirement is that this sensor is triggered before the crank trigger sensor goes through the gap on the crank trigger wheel.

Cam sync sensors table

Sensor	Type	Cars where it's usually found	Pin connection
Bosch 3 wires	Hall	Chevrolet Astra 16V, Calibra, Vectra, Ômega 4.1, Zafira 6V, Citroën ZX 2.0, Xantia, Peugeot 306 2.0 16V, 05MI, Hyundai Tucson 2.0 6V, Fiat Marea 5 Cylinders all VW/ Audi 1.8 20V	Pin 1: 5V (FT green/red wire) Pin 2: white wire (1 core shielded cable) Pin 3: shield (1 core shielded cable)
Bosch 3 wires	Hall	Chevrolet Vectra 16V (97 and on) Fiat Punto T-Jet, Fiat 500 Fiat E-TorQ1.8 16V e 1.4 Turbo	Pin 1: shield (1 core shielded cable) Pin 2: white wire (1 core shielded cable) Pin 3: 5V (FT green/red wire)
Bosch 3 wires	Hall	Chevrolet Corsa 16V, Tigra	Pin 15: 5V (FT green/red wire) Pin 6: white wire (1 core shielded cable) Pin 17: shield (1 core shielded cable)
Delphi Cam sensor	Hall	GM S10 4.3 V6	Pin A: shield (1 core shielded cable) Pin B: white wire (1 core shielded cable) Pin C: 5V (FT green/red wire)
Bosch 3 wires	VR	Alfa 164 6 cylinders	Pin 1: shield (1 core shielded cable) Pin 2: white wire (1 core shielded cable) Pin 3: shield (1 core shielded cable)
Ford 2 wires Denso (Suzuki Bikes)	VR	Ford Zetec, Ranger V6 Suzuki Hayabusa e Suzuki SRAD	Pin 1: white wire (1 core shielded cable) Pin 2: shield (1 core shielded cable)
3 wires (close the small hole with an adhesive)	Optical	Mitsubishi 1.6 16V	Pin 1 - black: shield (1 core shielded cable) Pin 2 - white/red: white wire (1 core shielded cable) Pin 3 - red: 5V (FT green/red wire)

Sensor	Type	Cars where it's usually found	Pin connection
Denso 3 wires	Hall	Honda Civic Si	Pin 1: 5V (FT green/red wire) Pin 2: shield (1 core shielded cable) Pin 3: white wire (1 core shielded cable)
BMW 550582A	Hall	BMW 325i, 325is, 525i M3 (1992 a 1995)	Pin 1: 5V (FT green/red wire) Pin 2: white wire (1 core shielded cable) Pin 3: shield (1 core shielded cable)

12.7 O2 sensor

Wideband O2 sensor

The use of wideband lambda sensors on FT500's input requires an external conditioner (WB-O2 Slim or WB-O2 Datalogger). It is important to verify the measurement range of conditioner analog output, as this will be informed during the configuration of FT500's O2 input (0,65-1,30, 0,65-4,00 or 0,65 to 9,99)

Narrowband O2 sensors

Although less precise than the wideband lambda sensor, narrowband O2 sensors can be connected to the ECU input for the display of values (in Volts) at the Dashboard and at the Diagnostic Panel. Narrowband O2 sensors usually follow a standard set of colors, facilitating the wiring. The table below shows the wiring instructions based on the color scheme generally used for O2 sensor wires:

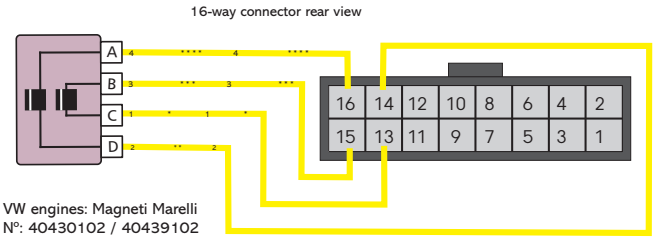
Wire Color	4-wire O2 sensor	3-wire O2 sensor	1-wire
Black	Signal Output	Signal Output	Signal
White (2 wires)	Switched 12V and ground (connect one wire onto the 12V and the other to ground – there is no polarity)		Not featured
Gray	Battery's negative terminal	Not featured	Not featured

As a general rule, if there are two wires with the same color, one is the switched 12V and the other is the ground. After connecting the O2 sensor to the ECU, the O2 sensor input must be set up as guides chapter 15.5

12.8 Step motor – idle speed

Its control is done through the four yellow outputs of the 16-way connector, also used for electronic throttle control. After selecting the idle speed control as step motor the four yellow outputs are automatically set up as "step motor" on the harness connection table. Below are some known step motor connections.

VW stepper motor - Magneti Marelli



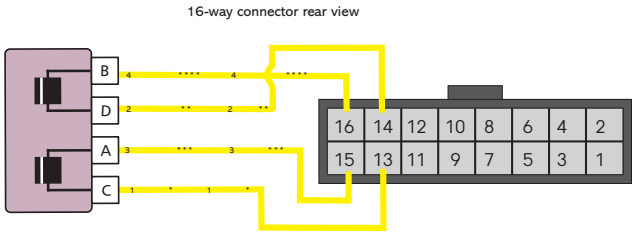
VW engines: Magneti Marelli
Nº: 40430102 / 40439102

Pin #A: Yellow #4
Pin #B: Yellow #3
Pin #C: Yellow #1
Pin #D: Yellow #2

IMPORTANT

Step motor is calibrated every time the ECU is turned on, so, before cranking the engine, it is recommended to wait about 2s after turning the ignition switch on. If this procedure is not respected, the engine may be revved up unwittingly during the step motor calibration, coming back to normal within seconds.

GM stepper motor - Delphi



GM engines: Chevrolet / Delphi
Nº: 17108187 / ICD00124

Pin #A: Yellow #3
Pin #B: Yellow #4
Pin #C: Yellow #1
Pin #D: Yellow #2

If your step motor is different from the ones listed here, do what follows:

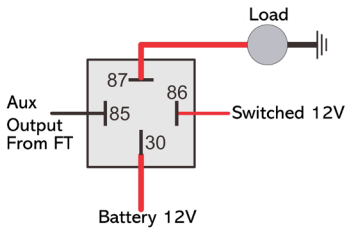
1. Put a tester on the 200 Ohms range;
2. Measure the step motor actuators until you find a resistance of approximately 50 Ohms. That's one pair of coils;
3. Connect yellow #1 and yellow #3 to a pair of coils and yellow #2 and yellow #4 to the other pair.;
4. If the step motor remains fully opened after the calibration, change yellow #1 by yellow #3 position.

FT500 / FT500LITE step motor control is compatible with the great majority of actuators nowadays.

Usually, with this simple test you're able to make the step motor work normally.

13. Auxiliary outputs

The current capacity of these outputs is 0.7A, and therefore they can drive solenoids or relays with 25Ω of minimum resistance, the installation of a fuse equivalent to the charge is recommended. The auxiliary outputs have an overload protection system, with automatic current cut-off. They trigger the charges (lamps, relays, etc.) With a negative signal. Thus, the positive terminal must be connected to a switched 12V.



The auxiliary outputs must be set manually according to the desired function in the outputs (blue, gray or yellow wires) that are not being used as injector or ignition outputs.

In case of having back current and keeping relays switched on with ECU powered off, use a 1N4004 diode.

Each output must be configured in accordance to its function.

For more information about the outputs programming, see chapter 19.

13.1 Cooling fan 1 e 2

This output is responsible for switching an electric fan according to the module's settings. The relay used must be adequate to the electric fan's current (50A, for example). The relay is switched by negative (sourced by the output), and the positive a switched 12V.

Important Note: the electric fan must not be connected directly to the auxiliary output without the use of a relay; otherwise, the output will be damaged.

13.2 Idle valve

This function opens a valve which increases the air flow in the intake, helping the engine to idle.

We recommend normally closed valves, such as boost or purge (EVAP) solenoids.

An appropriate relay must be used according to current and voltage. The FT500 output switches ground and the 12V must be a switched 12V.

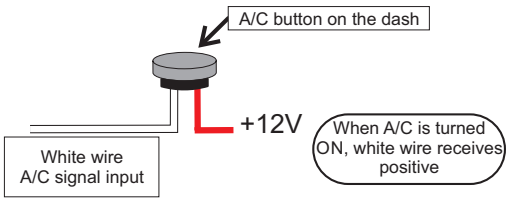
13.3 Air conditioning

This auxiliary output option allows for a much more intelligent control of the vehicle's air conditioning compressor, as the FT500 / FT500LITE controls its activation only when the engine is already on and the idle speed has stabilized and turns off the air conditioning when the valve exceeds a predetermined value (a resource commonly used in low-powered engines).

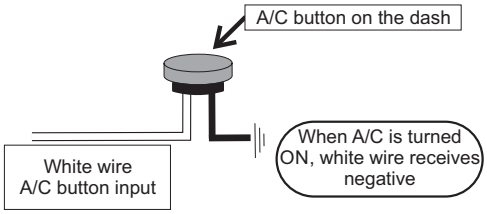
A/C button

In order to have the air conditioning control, the A/C button on the dashboard must be connected to a white input of FT500. The two connection options are:

A/C button positive when ON



A/C button negative when ON



The air conditioning will remain turned on as long as the A/C Signal Input receives signal from the button. The signal polarity can be chosen and it varies depending on the installation.

A/C Compressor

A/C compressor must be controlled with a relay, triggered by an auxiliary output (sends negative when activated).

The auxiliary output that was setup as A/C will activate the A/C compressor relay and the A/C fan. For more information on how to setup this output, check chapter 13.

13.4 Shift Alert

This function activates an external shift light and works by sending negative when turned on. Any of the options below can be used:

- 12V light bulb up to 5W: switched 12V directly connected to the light bulb and the negative connected to the auxiliary output.
- Light bulb over 5W: use a relay to switch the light bulb.
- LED working as a Shift Light, which must be connected with a serial resistance (if used in 12V, resistance from 390Ω to 1kΩ) to the switched 12V.
- Any "Pen" Shift Light – working in the same way as a light bulb.

13.5 Fuel pump

The fuel pump control must be done through a relay sized in accordance to the pump's working current. The output sends out negative to activate the relay, which stays activated for 6 seconds and turns itself off if the ECU does not receive any RPM signal. When the ECU reads RPM signal, it activates the fuel pump once again.

13.6 Variable camshaft control/Powerglide gearbox

The camshaft control systems that use solenoid valve type NO/NC such as Honda's VTEC can be controlled through this output. The user only needs to inform the solenoid's turn on RPM.

It is important to notice that the impedance of the variable control system's solenoid must respect the auxiliary output limits, which requires a minimum impedance of 25Ω, or the use of a relay. For valve timing control systems switched by PWM (such as Toyota's VVTi), it is possible to manage it through the Boost Control function, as long as its characteristics (power, current, etc.) are within the auxiliary output limits.

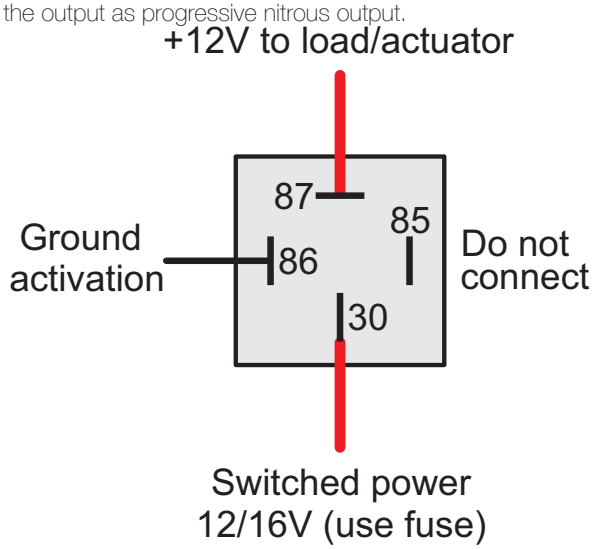
This resource can also be used to switch the control solenoid from the 2-speed automatic gear control, Powerglide type. Configure the RPM to turn on the solenoid responsible for engaging the second gear, only for drag racing applications.

13.7 Progressive nitrous control

This function drives the solenoids used for the injection of nitrous oxide in the engine.

As these solenoids have high power (90W) and low impedance (~1.6Ω), they cannot be connected directly to the auxiliary output. A solid state relay with appropriate max current and voltage must be used to power the nitro and fuel solenoids.

Set the output as progressive nitrous output.



In the second option, the fogger only injects nitrous (dry nitrous). Fuel enrichment is managed by the injection, increasing injection times based on what has been programmed. The dry nitrous system has reached better results in tests, giving the engine a more linear power than the first option. It is important to clarify that in order to use the dry nitrous system, the fuel injectors must be correctly sized for the power maximum with the nitrous system operating.

There is a difference in the operation of solenoids that control nitrous injection and the ones that control fuel injection: nitrous solenoid starts pulsing after 5%; fuel solenoid only pulses after 20%. Variations may occur among solenoids from different brands/manufacturers.

When applying the conventional nitrous control, one must start with a minimum injection time of 20%, but when using dry nitrous, it is possible to start with 5%, as the injectors – and not the solenoid – will control fuel injection.

13.8 Boost Control – N75

This auxiliary output configuration allows the driving of a boost pressure control solenoid. FuelTech recommends using a 3-way N75 solenoid, found in the original 4 and 5-cylinder
VW/Audi Turbo models, which can be directly switched through the auxiliary output. Such solenoid valve controls the pressure on the top and bottom parts of the wastegate valve, changing the engine manifold pressure with which the latter opens.

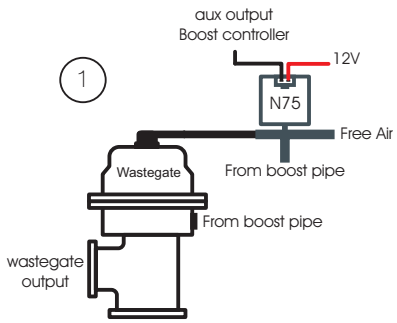
solenoid valve N75
VW 058-906-283F

Wastegate at the exhaust manifold

This type of valve is used on most cars with adapted turbo, in competitions, etc.

Example 1: the first way to install a boost valve is connecting it to the bottom of wastegate valve, similar to the OEM installing in the VW 1.8T. Select the output signal as activated at 0V and frequency at 20Hz.

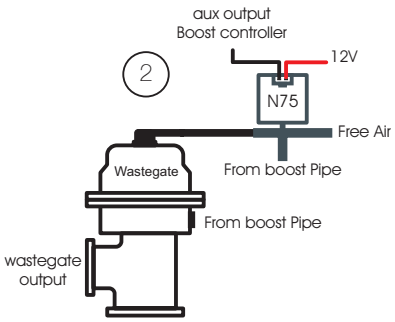
This way the boost valve will decrease the pressure under the wastegate to increase boost pressure.



Example 2: the second way is to connect the boost solenoid to the top of wastegate.

Select the output signal as activated at 12V and frequency at 20Hz.

This way, the boost valve will increase the pressure at the top of wastegate to increase boost

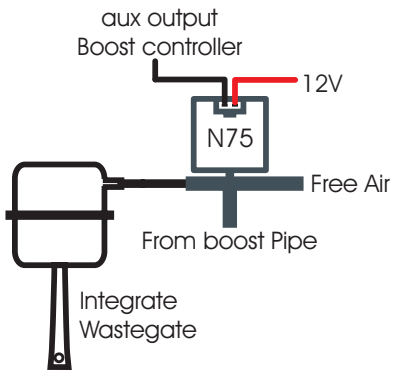


Wastegate integrated to the turbine

This valve has a different operation system, as it relieves the boost pressure when pressure is put on its top part, which is the opposite of what happens to the wastegate installed at the exhaust manifold.

Select the output signal as activated at 0V and frequency at 20Hz

With this kind of wastegate, the boost valve relieves the pressure in top of wastegate to increase boost pressure

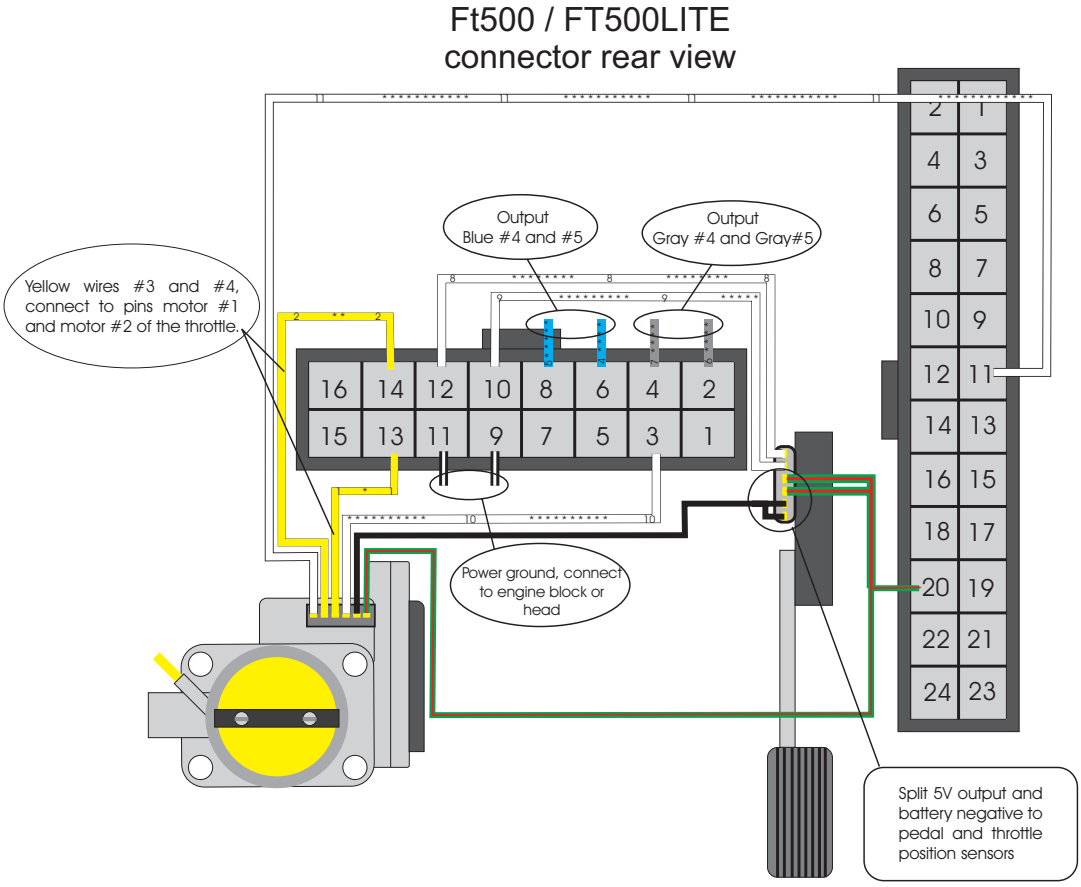


13.9 BoostController

See more information in chapter 19.15 BoostController diagrams.

14. Electronic throttle control

Electrical installation of an electronic throttle on FT500 / FT500LITE is pretty simple. Check the example diagram below:



- **Yellow #3 wire** (pin 13 of the 16-way connector) must be connected to the throttle input corresponding to the Motor 1 input.

- **Yellow #4 wire** (pin 14 of the 16-way connector) must be connected to the throttle input corresponding to the Motor 1 input.

- **Green/red wire** (24-way connector) is and 5V output used to feed throttle and pedal position sensors. It must be spliced and connected to both of them.
- Sensors negative can also be spliced between pedal and throttle position sensors. Connect it directly to the battery's negative terminal.
- White numbered wires are sensors signal inputs, connect them to the signal outputs of the pedal (Pedal 1 and Pedal 2) and throttle (TPS1 and TPS2). After connecting these inputs, it is necessary to calibrate throttle and pedal as guides chapter 15.1.
- Pins 13 and 14 (16-way connector), yellow wires, will not be used for electronic throttle control, they can be set up as auxiliary outputs..

14.1 Connection table – throttle bodies and pedals

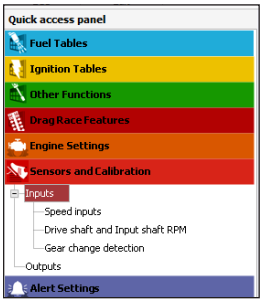
Check the throttle and pedal wiring before disconnect it from the OEM ECU. If you need, contact our tech support to get more information about throttles and pedals.

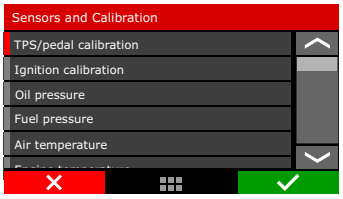
With the electrical connections ready, go back to chapter 7.5 and insert the throttle code (FT) that you found on the throttle table connection

If your throttle is not listed in our table, it might be necessary to send it to our tech team to have them check compatibility and research its control parameters. In this case please contact our tech support.

15. Sensors and Calibration

This chapter has the final steps before the first engine start. It basically guides the user through checking sensor readings and calibrating engine actuators.



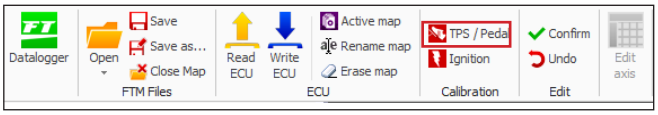


15.1 TPS calibration

Through FTManager, click in the TPS/Pedal button

IMPORTANT

To perform this calibration, it is very important that the engine is not running, because the throttle is fully opened and closed

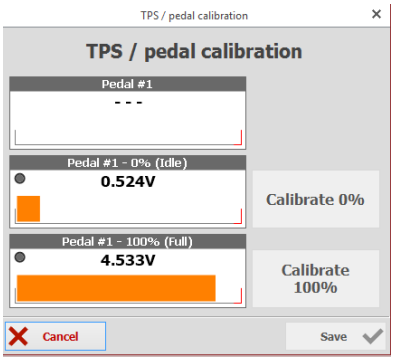


Go to "Sensors and calibrations" and then "Calibrate throttle/pedal".

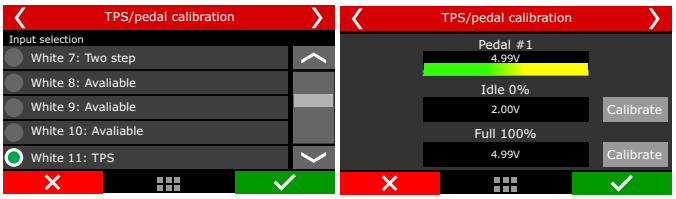
1. With the pedal on idle position, click button "calibrate" besides the field "Idle: 0%
2. Push throttle to the maximum and click "calibrate" button besides the field "WOT: 100%".
3. Press "Save". Message "Calibration done!" is shown if the process is ok.
4. In case an error message is shown, check TPS connections.

TPS calibration errors may be:

Inverted and calibrated: means the TPS is connected the wrong way, but is normally working. If wanted, check connections, but, know that it will work normally connected this way.



Possibly disconnected: check TPS connections. Maybe there is a broken wire or one of the connectors does not reach the TPS pins. Check with a tester to see if the voltage on the orange wire varies according to the throttle position.



TPS sensor must be calibrated on the first time the ECU is turned on only, and should be recalibrate only when it has to be replaced or the throttle opening on idle was changed. TPS calibrations are individual by map file.

TPS signal voltage must go up, as the pedal is pressed, and must have at least a 3V difference between the idle and WOT positions.

TPS errors and diagnostics

Error message	Diagnostic
TPS range must be higher than 1.5 Volts	The TPS value from 0% to 100% has a smaller difference than 1,5V
TPS signal may be shorted to ground	Ground short circuit for TPS input
TPS signal may be disconnected	TPS input disconnected or short circuited to 5V
TPS calibration is required only when activated	No input configured as TPS.

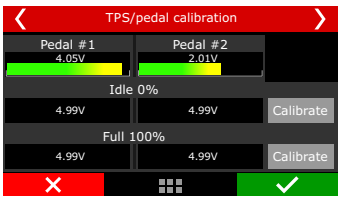
15.2 Electronic throttle/pedal calibration

This calibration procedure is exactly the same as the mechanical throttle calibration. The only difference is that the calibration screen shows voltage value on both TPSs of the electronic pedal.

With this done, it is necessary to adjust idle speed control parameters as guides chapter 19.2

IMPORTANT

Every time the pedal calibration is done the throttle automatically calibrates its opening limits. It is very important that during this calibration the engine is turned off because the throttle is fully opened and closed.



Throttle body error and diagnostic messages

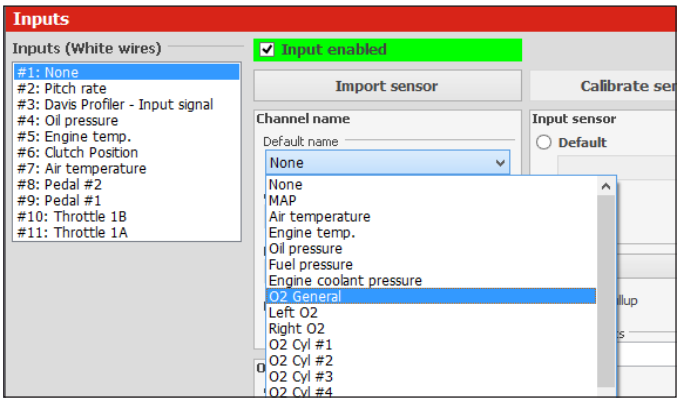
Error Message	Diagnostic
Throttle #1 channels not found	There is no input configured as throttle input
ETC motor #1 signals may be disconnected	ECU Failed to actuate the throttle motor
Throttle #1A signal may be shorted to ground	Throttle Input A short circuited to GND
Throttle #1A signal may be disconnected	Throttle input A disconnected or short circuited to 5V
Throttle #1B signal may be shorted to ground	Throttle Input A short circuited to GND
Throttle #1B signal may be disconnected	Throttle input A disconnected or short circuited to 5V
ETC 1 code error	Throttle code error

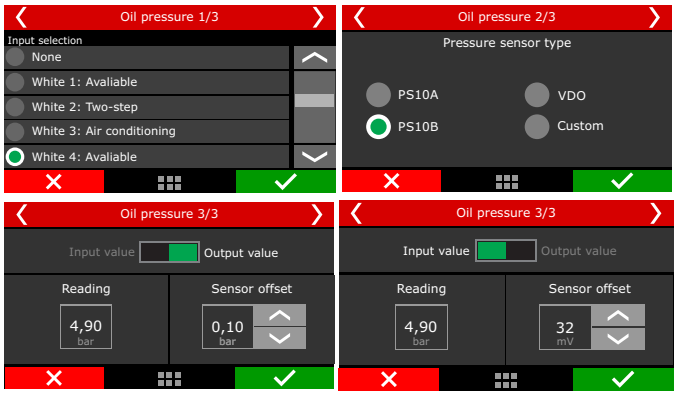
15.3 Fuel/oil pressure sensors inputs

In this menu are the settings for fuel and pressure sensors. There is a predefined configuration for PS-10A, PS10-B and VDO pressure sensors, but any kind of analog sensor with 0-5V signal can be used. This configuration is done through the PC and software FTManager.

In case there is a reading error between the FT500 / FT500LITE screen and the real value of the sensor (comparing to an external gauge), this compensation is easily done by adjusting the sensor offset. It is possible to edit this compensation in mV or in pressure offset. Just change the button on the top part of the screen between "Input value" (mV adjust) and "Output value" (pressure offset). The field "Read value" shows readings in real time..

Make sure your external gauge is correctly calibrated and that the correct sensor is selected, as incorrect use of this function can cause significant error in pressures reported.





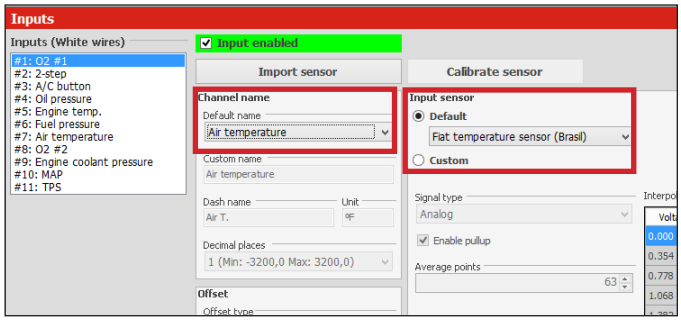
The FT500/FT500LITE has fully customizable inputs, which allows to read any 0-5V analog pressure sensor, since its pressure vs voltage table is known. In this case, just select the custom option and fill the interpolation table through FTManager.

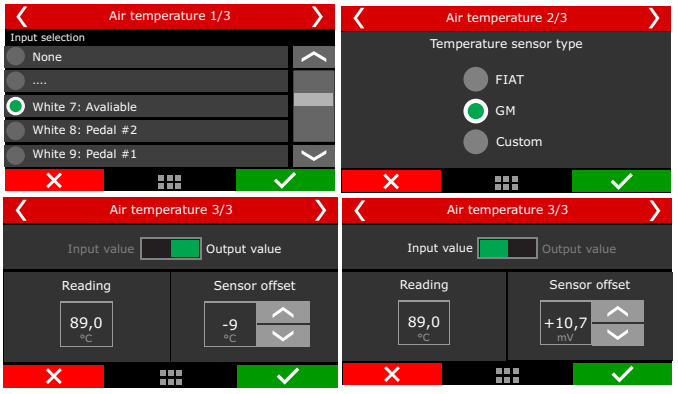
15.4 Intake air and engine temperature sensors

In this menu are the settings for intake air and engine temperature sensors. There is a predefined configuration for GM and Fiat sensors.

In case there is a reading error between the FT500 /FT500LITE and the real value of the sensor (comparing to an external gauge or to the dashboard), this compensation is easily done by adjusting the sensor offset. It is possible to edit this compensation in mV or in degrees. Just change the button on the top part of the screen between "Input value" (mV adjust) and "Output value" (temperature offset). The field "Read value" shows readings in real time.

Make sure your external gauge or dashboard is correctly calibrated and that the correct sensor is selected, as incorrect use of this option can cause significant error in reported temperatures and possible engine damage



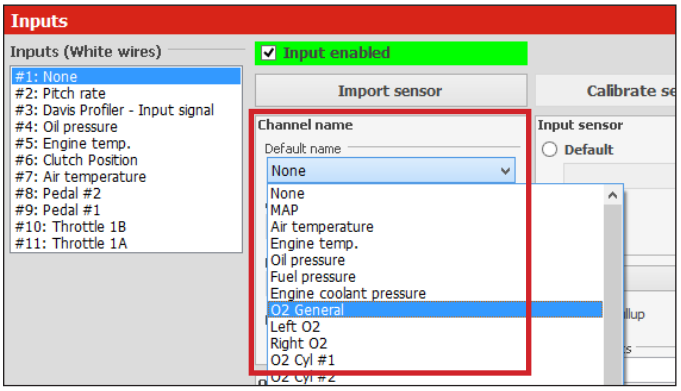


The FT500/FT500LITE has fully customizable inputs, which allows to read any 0-5V analog temperature sensor, since its temperature vs voltage table is known. In this case, just select the custom option and fill the interpolation table through FTManager.

15.5 O2 sensor inputs

O2 sensor signal input can be setup on any sensors input of this FT500 / FT500LITE. It is even possible to read fifteen O2 sensors simultaneously and show them on the screen. For wide band O2 sensors, it is necessary to use a wide band conditioner, for narrow band O2 sensors, direct connection is allowed.

Be sure to connect the O2 conditioner to FT500/FT500LITE according to the Chapter 12.7 of this manual.



CAN network reading

Through CAN network the reading is sent directly to FT500 / FT500LITE, the only configuration necessary is to indicate what is the position of each sensor, this procedure is called “association”.

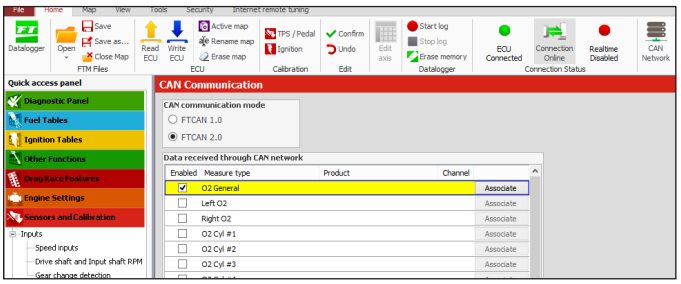
The association procedure is executed by disconnecting from the conditioner a single sensor at time, this way the FT500 / FT500LITE identifies and associates that sensor to the position of the engine (cylinder 1, general O2 sensor).

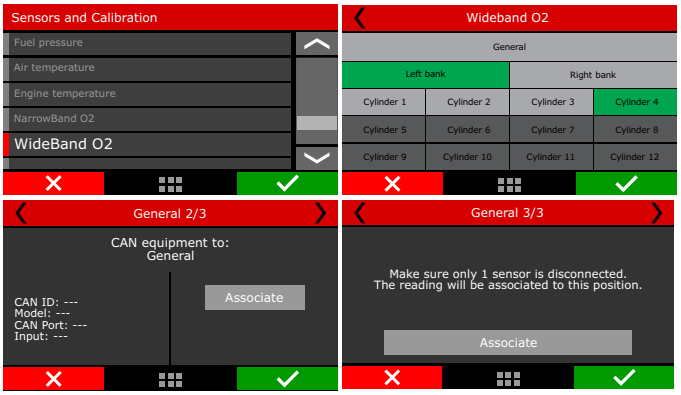
Follow the steps and repeat for each O2 sensor:

1. Keep the conditioner connected and turned on and disconnect the O2 sensor;

2. Press the Associate button on FT500 or on the “CAN communication of FTManager” window;

3. Reconnect the O2 sensor and repeat the process to all other O2 sensor;





Analog input reading

The O2 sensor reading through an analog input is used either to narrow band or wide band with conditioners that have analog output (FuelTech WB-O2 Slim WB-O2 Nano WB-O2 Datalogger and Alcohol O2), Simply set the sensor in any input of FT500 / FT500LITE (white wires).

It's necessary to set the input scale according to the analog output of conditioner used. If it's a FuelTech conditioner select one of the preset scales. For other manufacturers use the custom table. The narrow band sensor reading is displayed directly in Volts.

Analog scales compatible with the FT are:

Scale	Output voltage
0,35 - 1,20	0,35 = 0,2V - 1,20 = 4,8V
0,59 – 1,10	0,59 = 0,2V – 1,10 = 4,8V
0,65 – 1,30	0,65 = 0,2V – 1,30 = 4,8V
0,65 – 4,00	0,65 = 0,2V – 4,00 = 4,8V
0,65 – 9,99	0,65 = 0,2V – 9,99 = 4,8V

WB-O2 Nano, Slim or Datalogger calibration

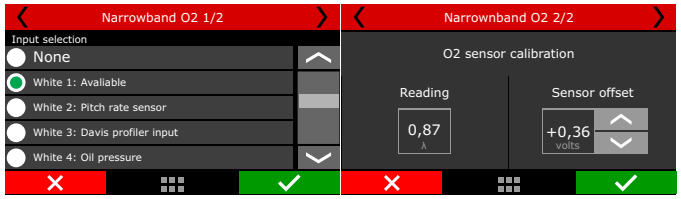
Offset calibration is needed to compensate analog signal loss. With O2 sensor connected and configured go to “Calibrate O2 sensor” (through display) or click in “Calibrate sensor” in FTManager software.

To calibrate O2 sensor, proceed as follows:

1. Check the scale of FT500 / FT500LITE with external conditioner, they must be equal.

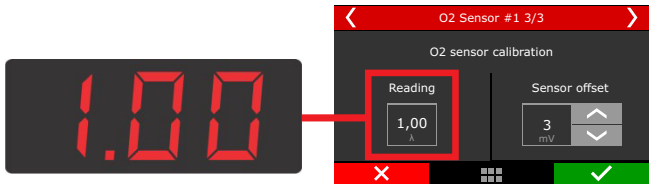
2. With the engine running, stabilize the O2 reading.

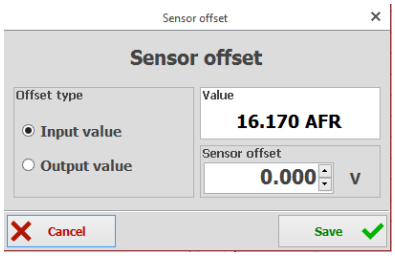
3. Adjust the offset until the reading in the conditioner matches the reading in the ECU.



4. If the calibration and configuration are correct, there will be no reading difference.

> **NOTE**
> *If the difference is greater than 0.02 between the readings, it means that the scales are different.*

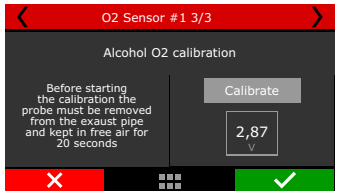




Alcohol-O2 Calibration

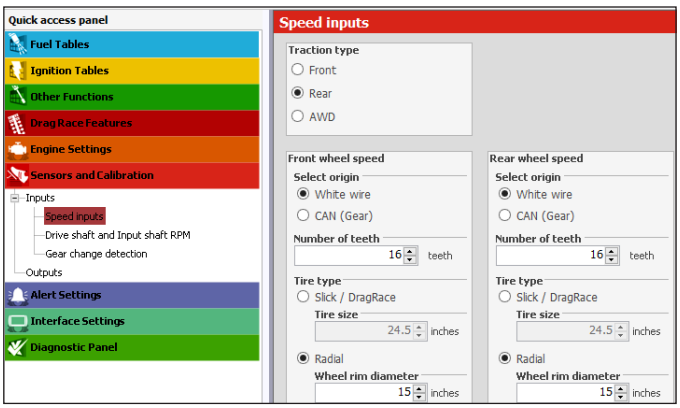
Also called free air calibration, this calibration is necessary when using FuelTech Alcohol O2 conditioner to compensate for differences in each sensor. When replacing a sensor it's necessary to repeat this calibration.

1. Remove the sensor from the exhaust pipe and let it ventilate for at least 20 seconds;
2. Press the calibrate button;
3. Calibration is ok;



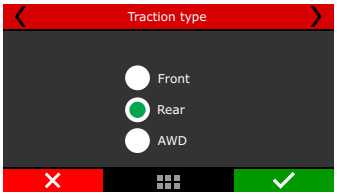
15.6 Speed inputs

In the FTManager, there is a menu with all the settings related to wheel speed reading. In the touchscreen, the settings are divided in a few submenus and will be presented in the next chapters.



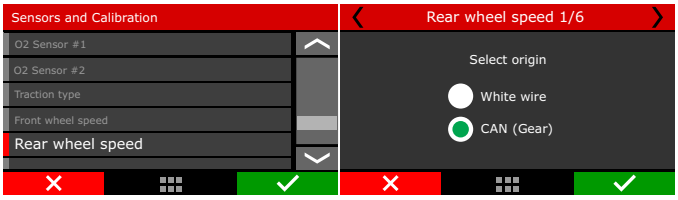
Traction type

Set here if the vehicle is FWD, RWD or AWD. This information is used with the time based speed control.

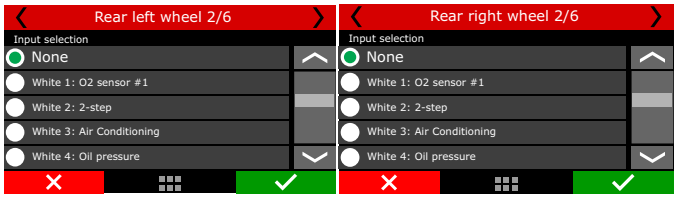


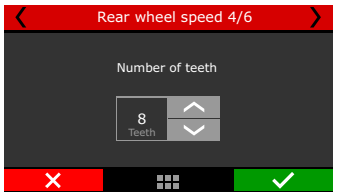
Wheel speed (front/rear)

This menu gathers the wheel speed (front and rear) reading setup. In the first screen, set if the reading is through FT500 sensor input (white wire) or through FuelTech GearController CAN port.

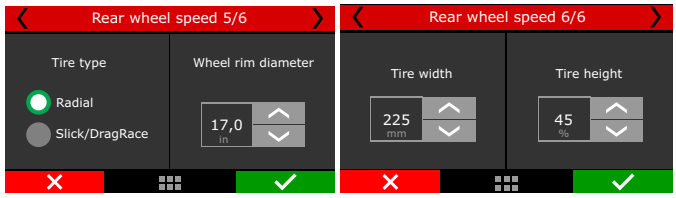


If the chosen option is "White wire", the configuration screens will be shown to set the sensor input to left and right wheels, and number of teeth. The next screens will not be displayed when the CAN option is chosen.



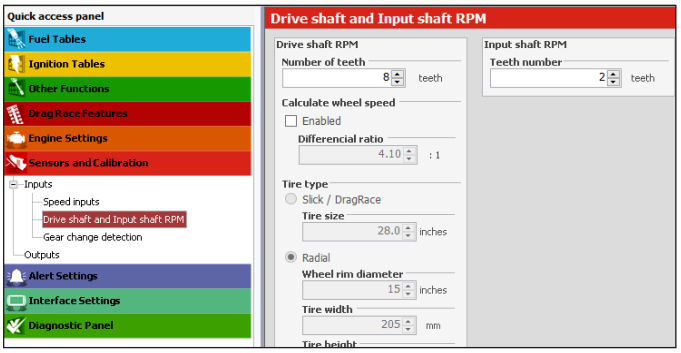


The last setting is related to tire type and size. Slick/Drag Race tires only require the wheel rim diameter. Radial tires require wheel rim diameter, tire width and height.



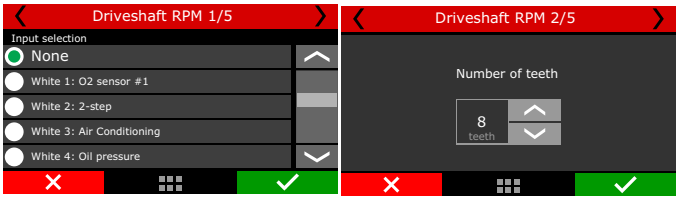
15.7 Driveshaft RPM and Input shaft RPM

In the FTManager, there is a menu with all the settings related to driveshaft RPM and input shaft RPM reading. In the touchscreen, the settings are divided in a few submenus and will be presented in the next chapters.

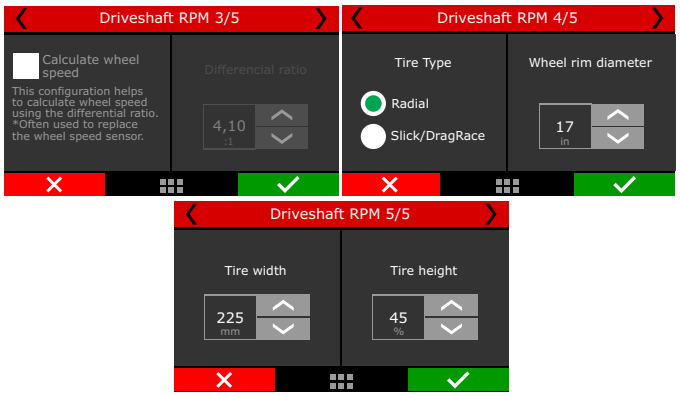


15.8 Driveshaft RPM

This menu is used to setup the driveshaft RPM reading. Select the FT500 sensor input to be used and insert the trigger wheel number of teeth



With the driveshaft speed and the tire dimensions, it is possible to calculate the traction wheel speed. If you want to use a driveshaft RPM sensor instead of a wheel speed sensor, check the box “Calculate wheel speed” in the next screen.



To calculate wheel speed, insert the differential ratio and tire dimensions.

The last setting is related to tire type and size. Slick/Drag Race tires only require the wheel rim diameter. Radial tires require wheel rim diameter, tire width and height.

15.9 Gearbox RPM

This feature allows the gearbox input shaft RPM Reading.

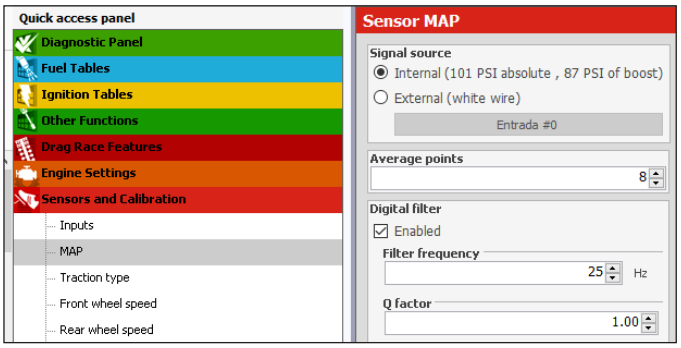
The reading is very useful to analyze the clutch/torque converter slip. Just insert the sensor input and the number of teeth

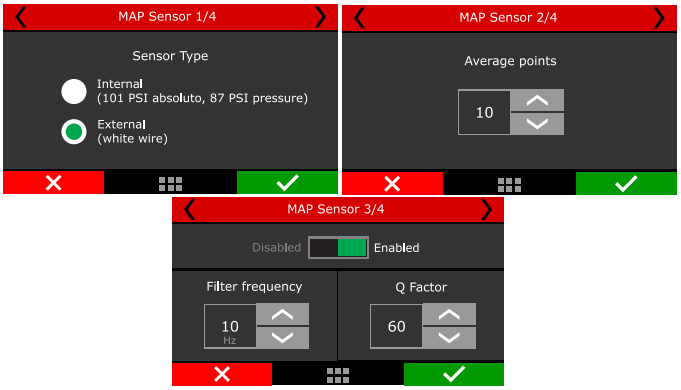
15.10 MAP Sensor

This menu allows to setup the internal MAP or an external one.

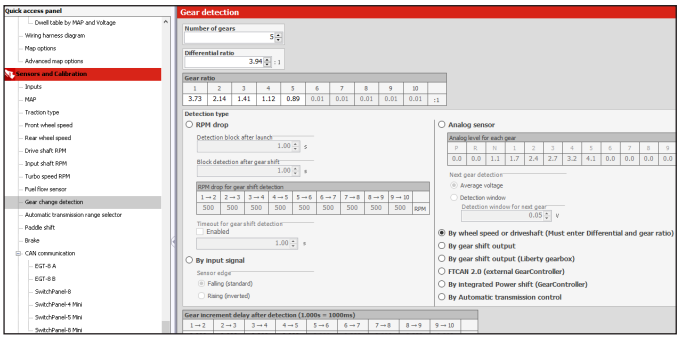
Internal MAP: Can read up to 87 PSI and it's average points and Q factor can be changed for smoother readings on engines with high cam profiles.

External MAP: A white input must be used to setup an external MAP sensor for more than 87 psi.





15.11 Gear detection

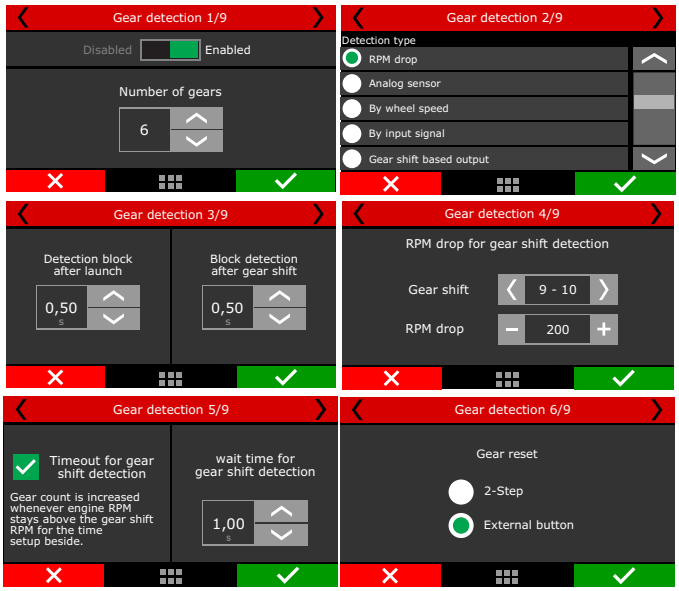


In this menu there are the settings related to gear detection change (display and log). There are 5 different ways to detect it: by RPM drop (drag race only), by gear position sensor (requires a sensor in the transmission), by interpolating the current wheel speed versus engine RPM, by pulse and by gear shift output.

To view the currently engaged gear in the FT500 dashboard, go to “Interface Settings” and then “Dashboard Settings”. Once in, click in the cell where you want to display the gear and select “Gear”.

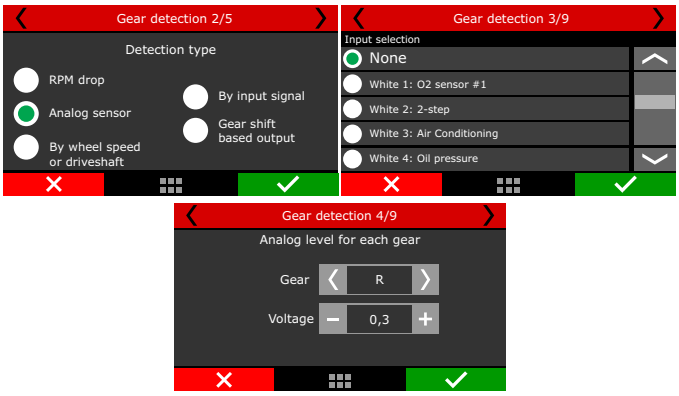
The first mode, by RPM drop, must be used only in drag race cars, since it can only detect upshifts and not downshifts. The third screen is for safety configurations, used to prevent false gear detection due to traction loss. Default values are good to most cases.

The fourth screen is for the RPM drop programming to each gear. The fifth screen is to enable and program the timeout for gear shift detection that is another safety feature to prevent false detection.



The second mode reads an analog gear position sensor, which is a potentiometer that indicates the engaged gear in transmissions already equipped with this sensor. Select the input that will read the sensor signal and then configure each gear voltage

To find the gear voltage, use a multimeter, in 20VDC scale, connected to the output of the gear position sensor and engage a gear at a time.

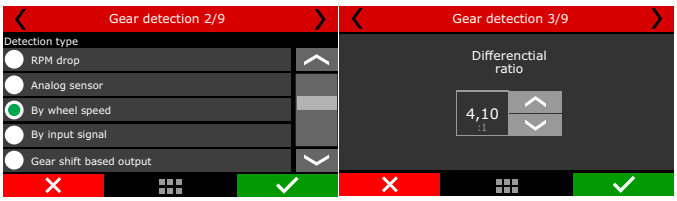


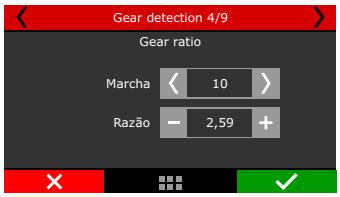
The third mode crosses the wheel speed and RPM to calculate the engaged gear.

To configure, set the number of gears, gearbox ratio and differential ratio.

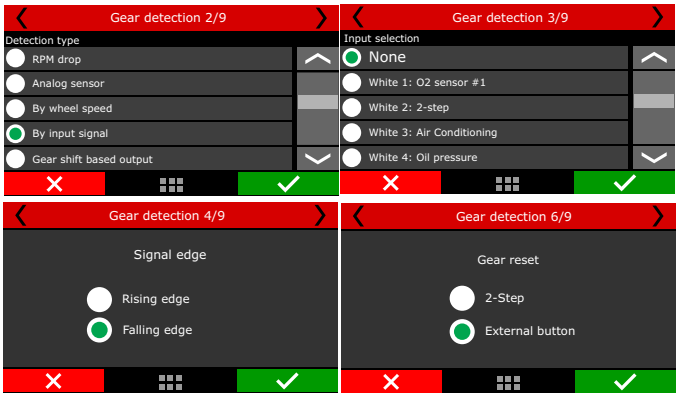
This detection mode will only show the engaged gear if the vehicle is moving and there is wheel speed reading.

When the clutch is pressed or the gear is disengaged (neutral) momentary misreading may occur.

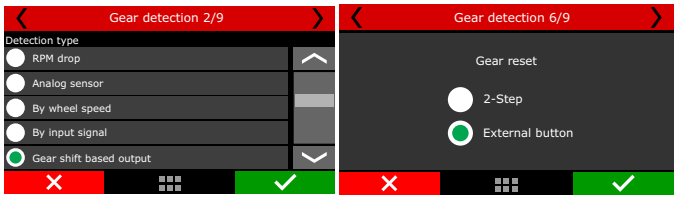




The fourth mode increases the gear counting by each pulse received on a white input. Set in which edge the count should be increased (default: falling edge). Configure an input as “Gear Detection” and connect the device that will send the pulse to increase the counting. This mode cannot detect downshifts and requires the 2-step to be used to reset the counter; therefore it is best suited for drag race cars.



The fifth mode enables an internal counter that is increased by each pulse sent out by the Gear shift output (Drag Race Features menu). This mode cannot detect down shifts and requires the 2-step to be used to reset the counter; therefore it is best suited for drag race cars.

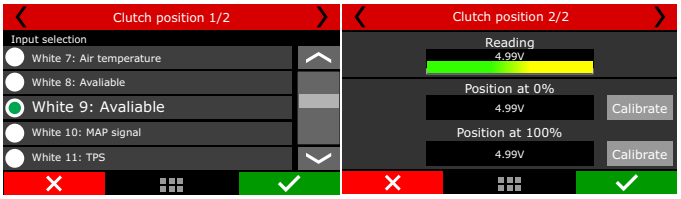


15.12 Nitrous bottle pressure

This menu gathers the settings to read nitrous bottle pressure. This way is possible do compensate fuel according to the bottle pressure. To read the bottle pressure you must use a PS1500 sensor or a similar one.

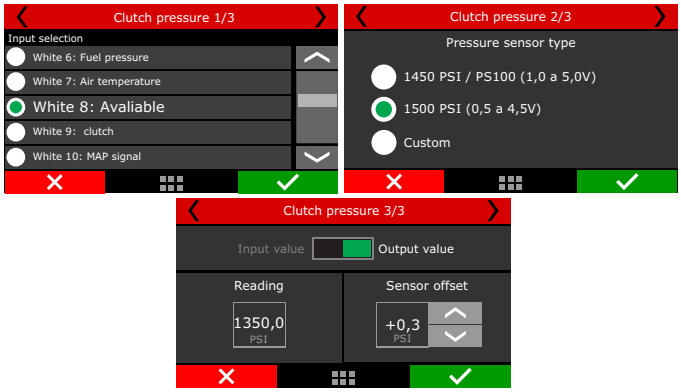
15.13 Clutch position

In this menu are the settings to read the clutch position. A potentiometer must be used, similar to a TPS. After the wiring done, the calibration is required.



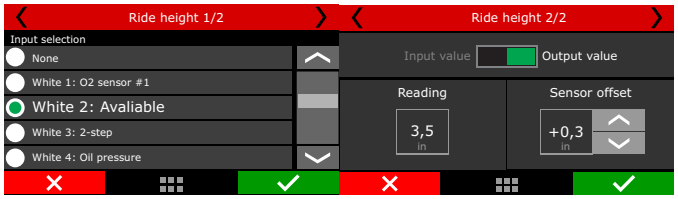
15.14 Clutch pressure

This function allows to measure the pressure of the liquid on hydraulic assisted clutches. To read the pressure, use a PS1500 sensor or a similar one.



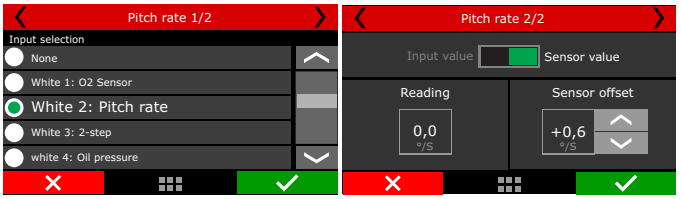
15.15 Ride Height

This function allows to read the front end height from the ground. The wheelie control is based on this input and you can find more on this at Chapter 20.9. Normally, a laser height sensor is used.

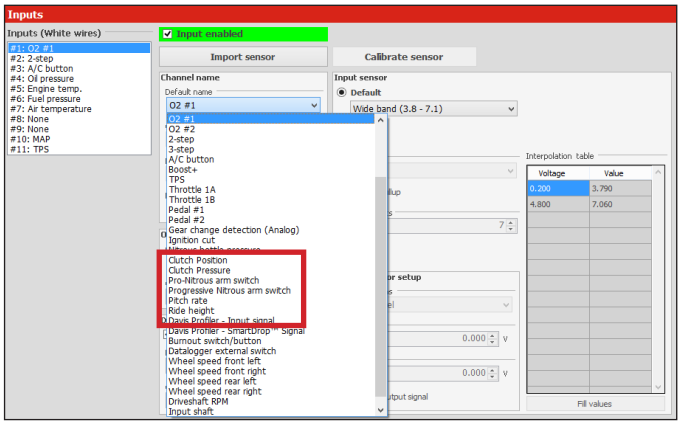


15.16 Pitch Rate

This function reads the rate at the front end pitches and is given by degrees per second.



Through FTManager, all the sensors above can be configured in the “Sensors and Calibration” menu, then “Inputs”.



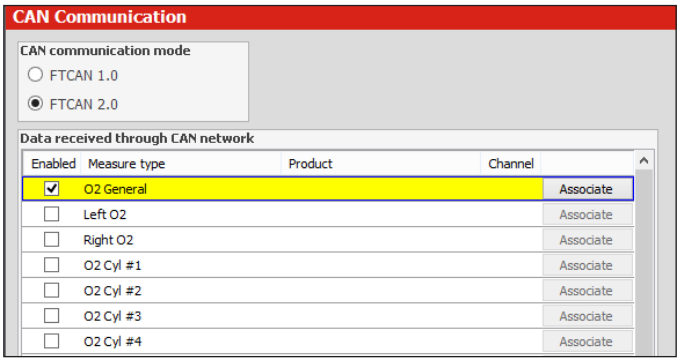
15.17 CAN communication

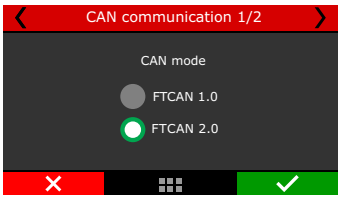
In this menu is possible to configure all the equipment connected to the CAN network. There are 2 different CAN protocols. Below is the compatibility of each protocol:

- FTCAN 1.0: GearController (until V2.17), BoostController, KnockMeter, Racepak IQ3 and AiM Dashes;
- FTCAN 2.0: GearController (after V2.20) EGT-8 CAN; WB-O2 Nano and WB-O2 Slim;

CAN network supports up to 32 sensors of each product.

- OEM CAN: This option allows stock ECU data to be received through CAN network.

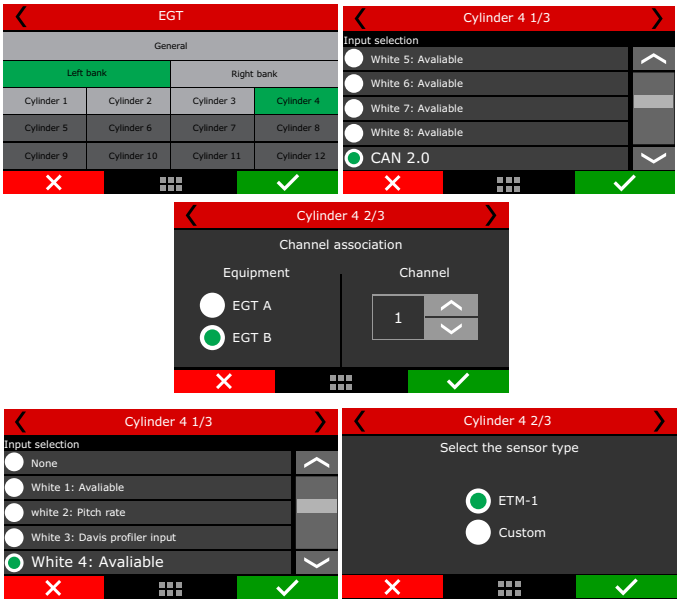




15.18 EGT

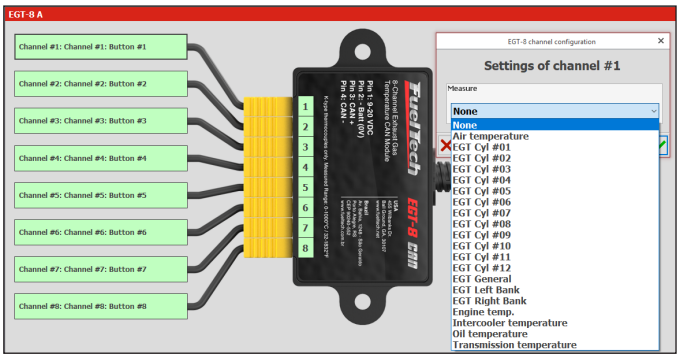
This menu allows to setup the EGT conditioners (ETM-1 or EGT-8 CAN) e perform the cylinder attribution. To do it, simply select the cylinder where the EGT is placed and what is the conditioner.

The attribution can be done using the CAN network with EGT-8 CAN or using the white wires inputs with ETM-1.



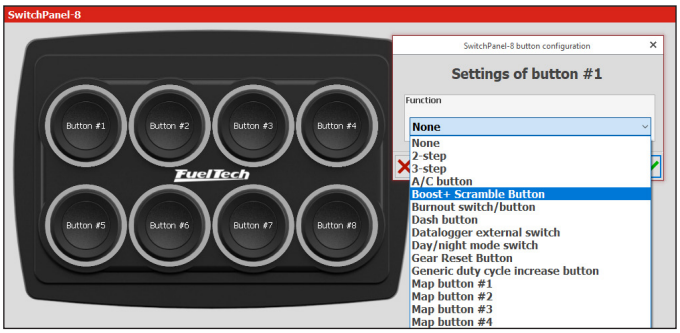
EGT-8 Settings

Since update 3.3 theres a new layout for setting the EGT-8 channels. Access “sensors and Calibration / CAN Communication / EGT-8” an image of the EGT-8 will be displayed, click on the channel you want to configure and select wich sensor from the list will be associated with this channel.



SwitchPanel-8 Configuration

This is an external panel with 8 buttons that are totally configurable through FTManager via CAN Communication. Go to “Sensors and Calibration / CAN Communication / SwitchPanel-8” click on the button you want to configure and select one of the many preset functions from the list.

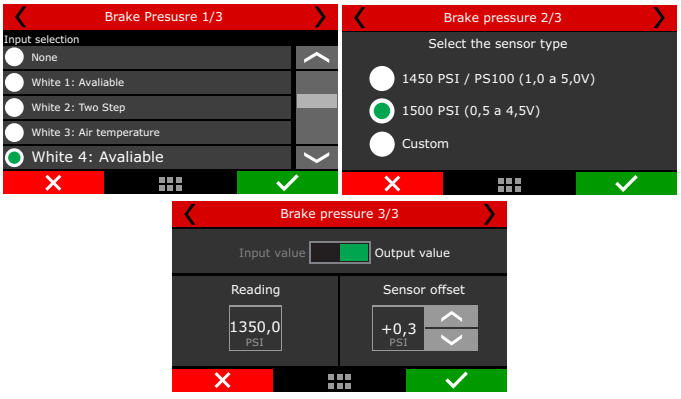


15.19 Wastegate Pressure

Setup the wastegate pressure sensor for use with the integrated BoostController. For more information check chapter 19.16 BoostController.

15.20 Brake Pressure

This function configures a sensor input for brake pressure control, helping the line lock function.



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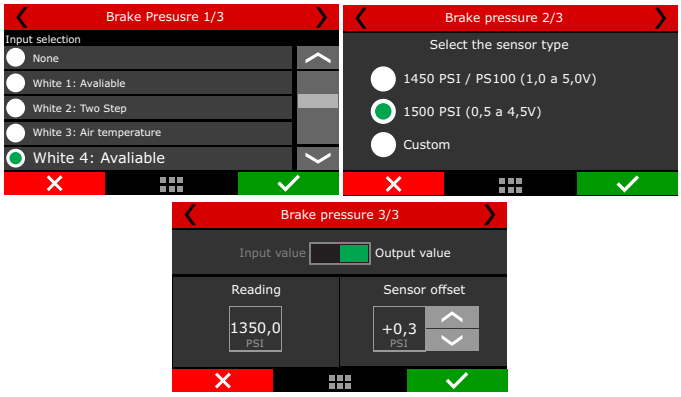
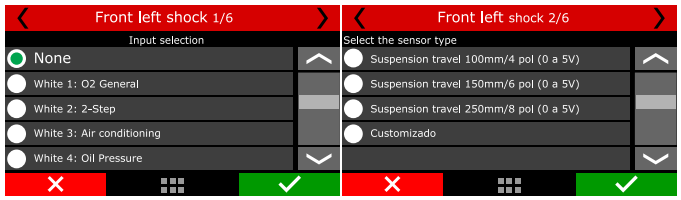


15.22 Front and rear shocks

This function allows to set the range for the sensor used on each wheel to measure suspension travel.

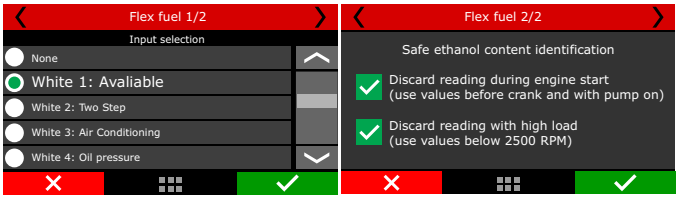


15.23 Flex Fuel

This function allows the use of a GM Flex Fuel sensor to measure the ethanol density that the gasoline has on the fuel line.

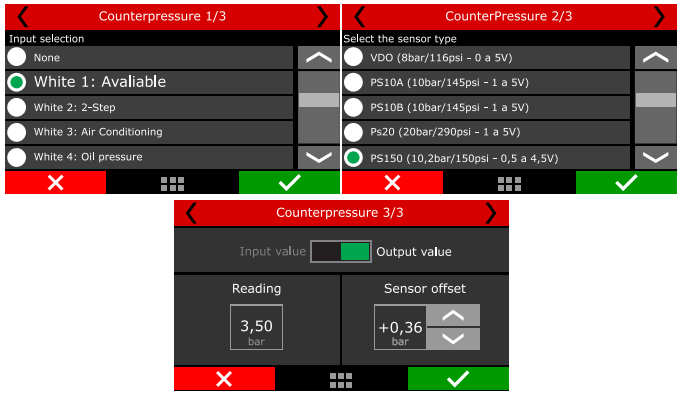
Discard reading during engine start: (where the drop on battery voltage may affect the sensors 12v power supply) and use values read before cranking.

Discard reading under high load: (where the high flow of fuel may affect the sensor readings) and use only below 2500rpm.



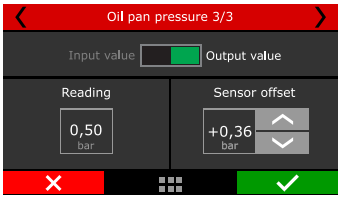
15.24 CounterPressure

This function allows to set up a pressure sensor to be used on the exhaust to measure back pressure.



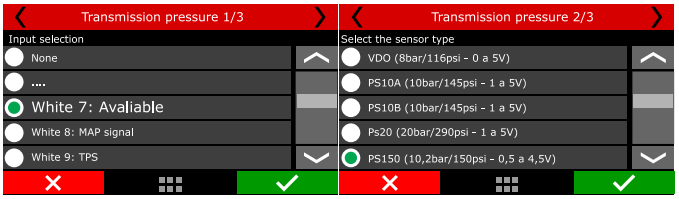
15.25 Oil pan pressure

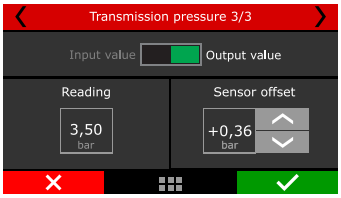
Udes to measure pressure inside the oil pan.



15.26 Transmission pressure

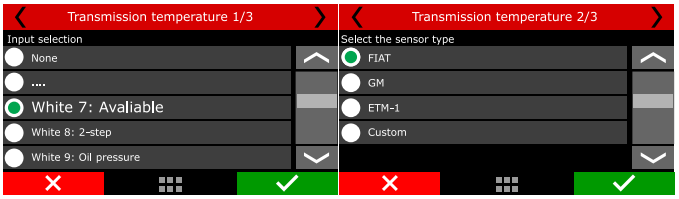
Monitors the pressure inside the transmission.

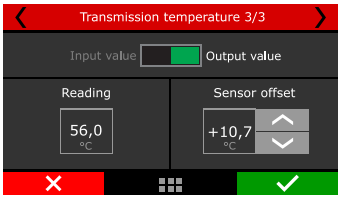




15.27 Transmission temperature

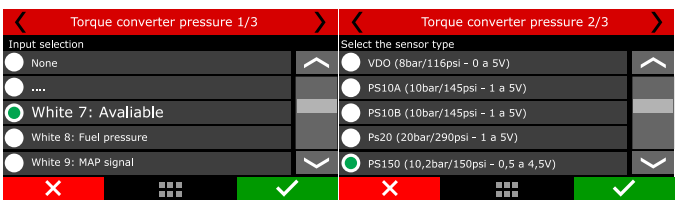
Allows to set a sensor to measure the oil temperature

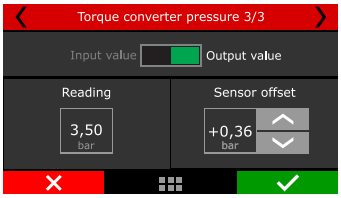




15.28 Torque converter pressure

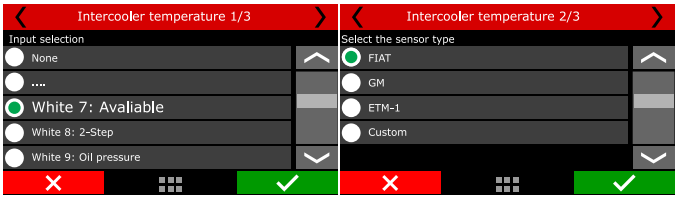
This function allows to set up a pressure sensor to be used to measure torque converter pressure.

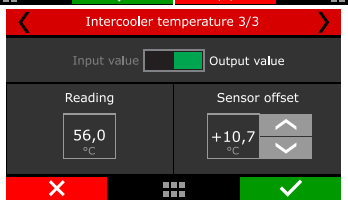




15.29 Intercooler temperature

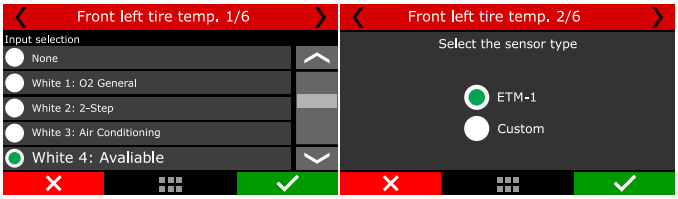
Used to monitor intercooler temperature.

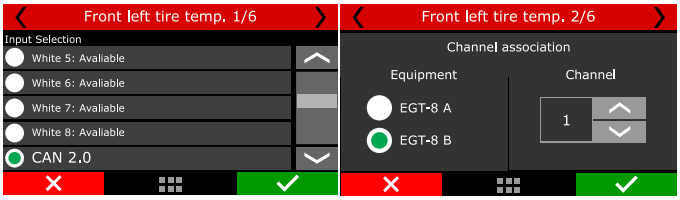




15.30 Front and rear tires temperature

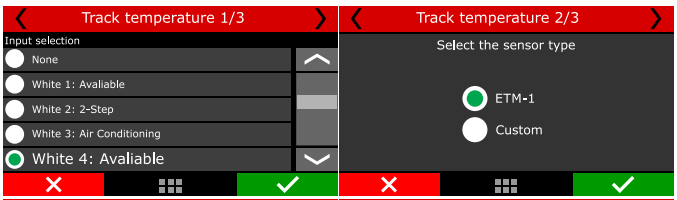
Allows to monitor tire temperature using a lazer sensor with either an ETM-1 wired into a white input or an EGT-8 via CAN.

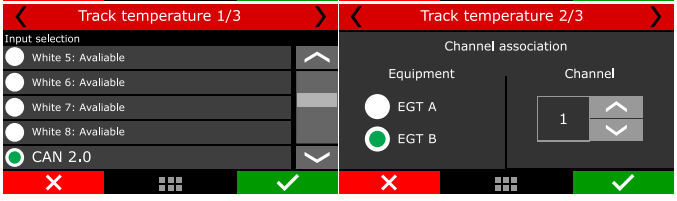




15.31 Track temperature

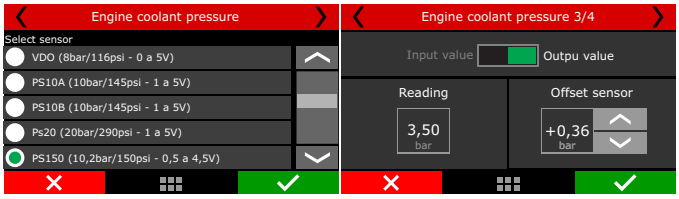
Allows to monitor track surface temperature using a lazer sensor with either an ETM-1 wired into a white input or an EGT-8 via CAN.





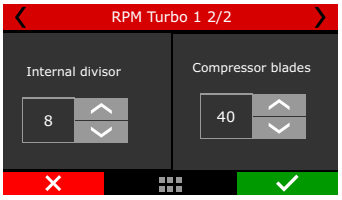
15.32 Engine Coolant pressure

This function it is possible to configure a sensor for monitor of the pressure to the engine cooling system. Set the sensor used if necessary, to adjust the offset.



15.33 Turbocharger RPM

This feature reads the turbocharhger compressor wheel speed. In order to use it a white wire input must be set as Turbocharger RPM. Set the internal divisor (provided by the manufacturer) and the number of blades of the compressor.

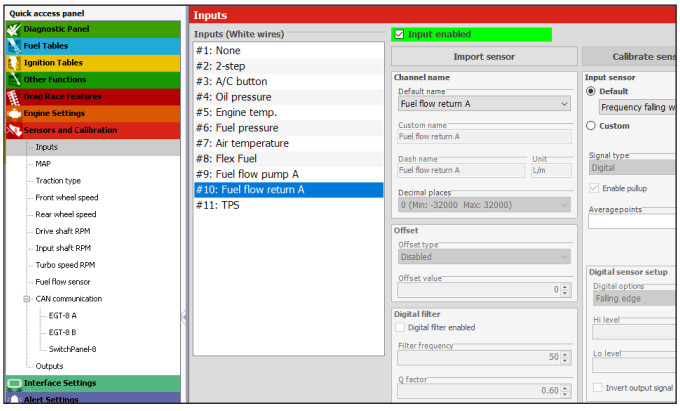


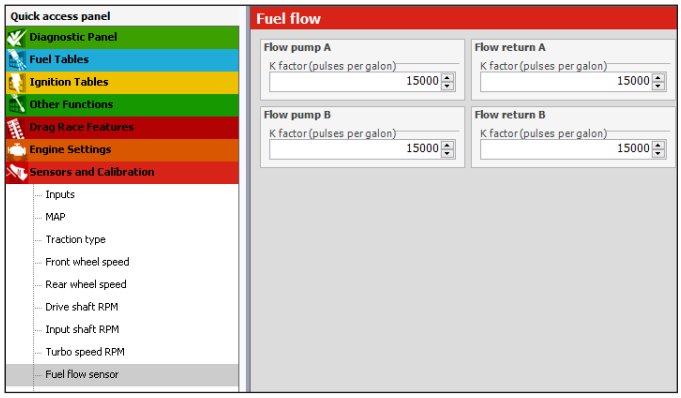
15.34 Fuel flow

Any sensor configured will be shown in the unit display and/or recorded in the datalog, to display fuel consumption, at least 1 sensor in the pressure line and 1 in the return line is needed. In the event of having 2 separated fuel feeds, like blower hat and intake runners, it is required to have 4 individual sensors to be able to measure fuel delivery per line.

NOTE

This feature requires a Hall effect fuel flow sensor, if a VR sensor is used, a signal converter to Hall effect is mandatory.



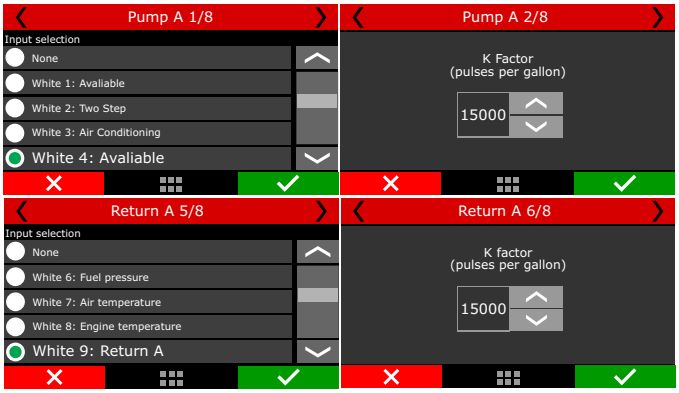


Fuel flow pump A: Pulses from the sensor to measure 1 US Gallon, so its possible to evaluate pump A fuel flow in the log.

Fuel flow pump B: Pulses from the sensor to measure 1 US Gallon, so its possible to evaluate pump B fuel flow in the log.

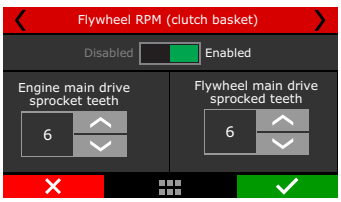
Fuel flow return A: Pulses from the sensor to measure 1 US Gallon, so its possible to evaluate fuel flow return A in the log.

Fuel flow return B: Pulses from the sensor to measure 1 US Gallon, so its possible to evaluate fuel flow return B in the log.



15.35 Flywheel RPM (Clutch basket)

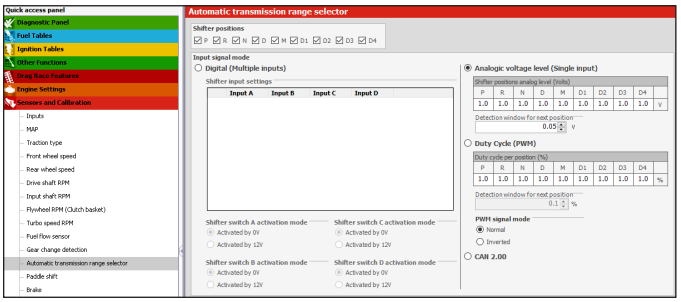
Used primarily on motorcycles that have a gear ratio between the crankshaft and the input shaft/clutch basket.
To use this feature in a car, a 1:1 ratio must be used.



15.36 Automatic transmission range selector

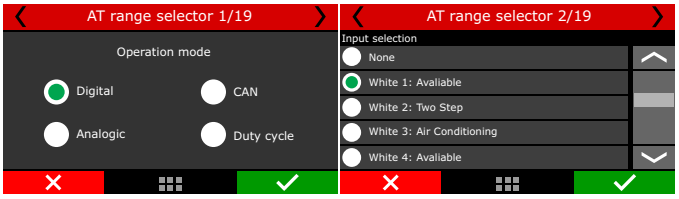
This setting is required so the ECU can associate the inputs to the shifter position. The automatic transmission controller applies the parameters set in this tab to control the transmission.

There are four different settings: Digital, Analogic voltage level, CAN 2.0 Network and Duty cycle (PWM).

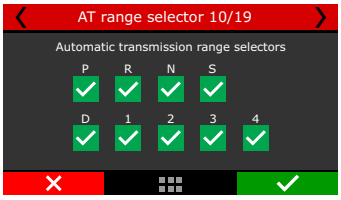


Digital

This option is the most complex to set up and requires some attention. The first step is to select which inputs correspond to each shifter position.



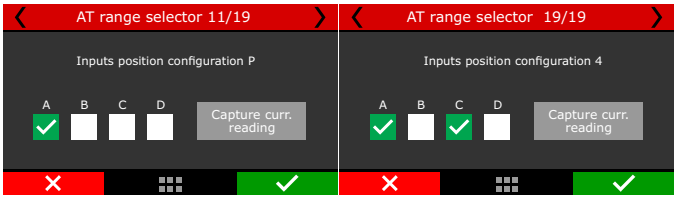
Shifter input settings: Select all available positions at the shifter, normally located at the dashboard or even at the shift lever itself.



Input activation: This is directly related to the previous settings and assumes that if "activated at 0v" is selected, then all the options with a checked box will be activated at 0v. If "activated as 12v" is selected, then all checked boxes will be activated at 12v

Inputs position configuration: After checking the boxes to all shifter positions, select which inputs will be assigned to each position.

For example: For "P" position, A and C inputs will be activated. For "D" position, only input D will be activated and so on.

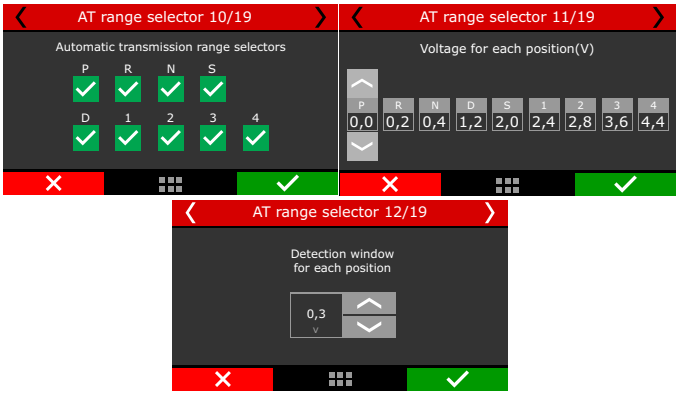


There is also a "*Capture current reading*" button that is very helpful during the setup. This process must be executed for all shifter positions.

For example: While the shifter is in position "P", click in "Capture current reading" and the FT will automatically identify and set up the active input.

Analogic

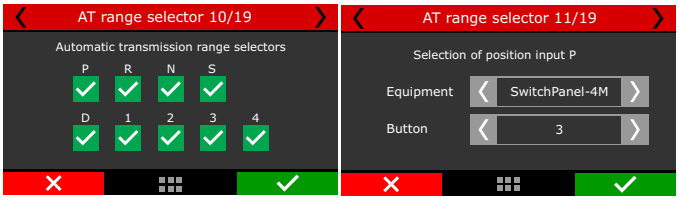
This option must be used when there is only one input (white wire) dedicated for the ECU to identify the shifter position. The shifter sensor must be a potentiometer that will vary the voltage and therefore send different values for the ECU according to each position. Each voltage must be set up in the ECU, as well as each detection window between the positions.



CAN 2.0 Network

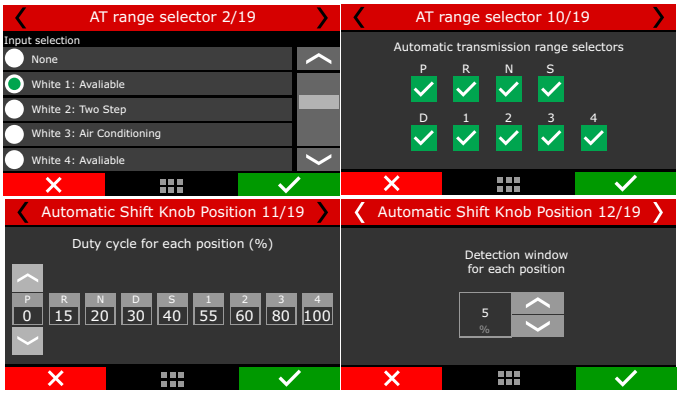
This option allows the use of a SwitchPanel to select gears.

After the positions are selected, you must set a SwitchPanel button to activate each one.



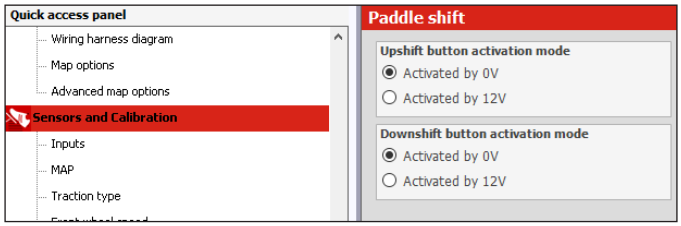
Duty cycle

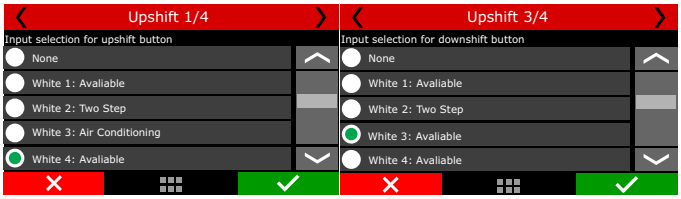
This option can be used when there is only one input (white wire) identifying the shifter positions through a PWM percentage. To set this up, it's necessary to set up the input, define the shifter positions, adjust the Duty cycle percentage for each position and set the detection window around each percentual.



15.37 Paddle Shift

This option allows the driver to perform gear shifts by paddle shifters. You must set up an input for upshifts and another for downshifts.

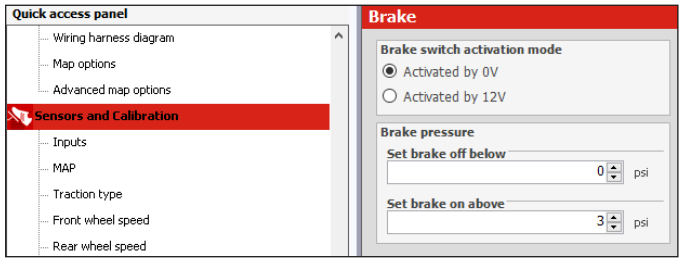


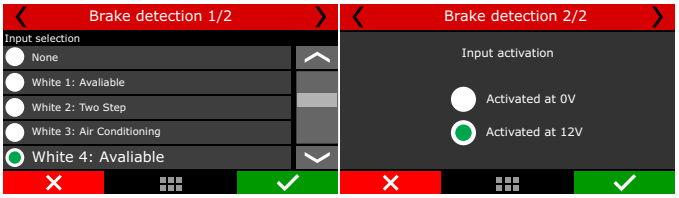


For vehicles that doesn't have paddle shifters, the gear shifts can be operated through a SwitchPanel. Just select the "CAN 2.0" option and assign which buttons will be responsible for up shifting and downshifting.

15.38 Brake

This function is related to the Lockup system. A sensor can be used to read the line pressure and adjust a ON and OFF range or just a brake switch to activate/deactivate the Lockup.





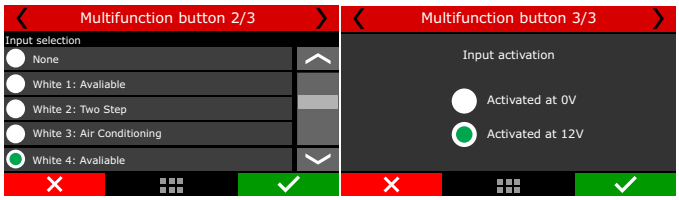
15.39 Multifunction button

Allows the use of a single input to act as staging control, boost+ (scramble) and line lock button, according to set conditions:

1st condition: When on 2-step/Transbrake it acts as Staging Control(bump box)

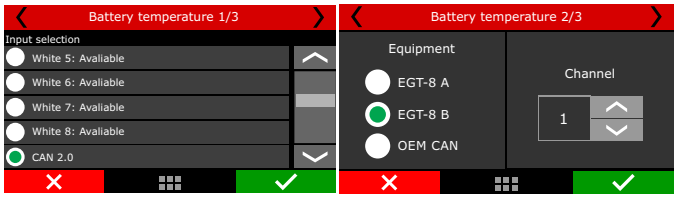
2nd condition: After a validated launch it becomes the Boost+ (scramble) button

3rd condition: When the speed and driveshaft reading is 0, it turns into a Line Lock button



15.40 Battery temperature

This function configures a sensor to monitor the temperature of the battery.



16. Starting the engine for the first time

This chapter shows final steps before the engine first start and guides the user through checking and calibrating all the sensors and actuators of the motor.

16.1 First engine start

Try not to push the starter motor and the coils by cranking the starter too long on the first start. Check if the fuel pump is turned on and if there is fuel pressure on the line. Check if the FT500 / FT500LITE reads the correct RPM in its dashboard and make sure there's spark on the spark plugs (unplug the spark plug wires and install a spark plug on it to check for spark).

On engines fueled with ethanol or methanol, use gasoline on the throttle body to make the first start smooth.

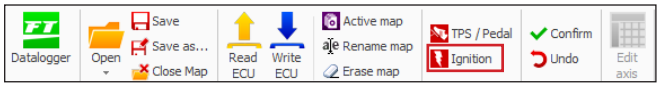
When the engine starts, keep it at a fast idle and double check oil pressure and the coil and igniter temperature.

Check if the RPM is being correctly shown on the ECU display (if possible, compare to an external tachometer) and if throttle variations coincide with TPS and vacuum readings.

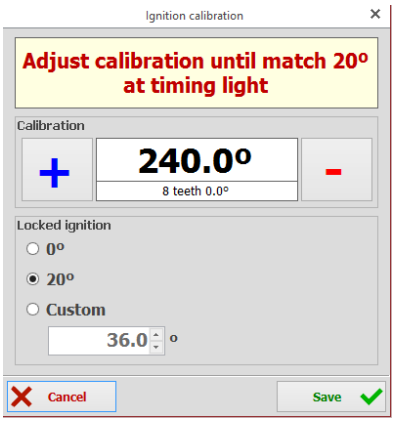
16.2 Ignition calibration

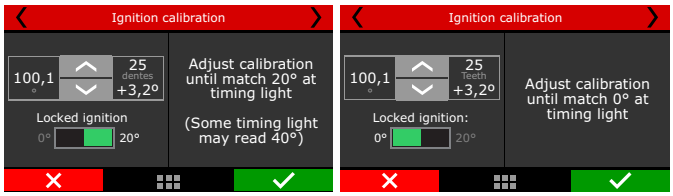
Once the engine has started, before any kind of test or tune, the ignition calibration must be performed. This calibration is very important to make sure the timing the ECU reads is really correct with the engine.

This function locks the timing to 20° (or 0°) on any RPM, this means, if the engine starts but has no idle, you can rev it up and keep it in something around 2000rpm to perform the calibration. Avoid RPM variations as this causes variations on the timing light readings.



The access to this function is given by the "Ignition" button in the main FTManager menu or the "Calibrate ignition" in the touchscreen "Sensors and Calibration" menu





Ignition calibration with distributor: On the engines originally equipped with distributor, there's a TDC mark for cylinder #1. Point the timing light and turn the distributor until the timing light reads 20°. Lock the distributor then press "OK" button on the ECU. Ignition calibration is finished

Ignition calibration with crank trigger: Cars originally equipped with crank triggers, usually do not have the TDC mark. This mark then should be done by stopping the engine on cylinder #1 TDC of compression using a dial-comparator. It is very important to be precise when making this timing mark; the slightest error will ultimately affect ignition timing on the engine

In these systems, usually the ignition is controlled on wasted spark, with one spark on the combustion stroke and one on the exhaust stroke. As the timing light reads both sparks, it usually shows 40° BTDC of timing, but the actual timing is 20° BTDC.

As it is not possible to turn the crank trigger as we do on distributor systems, the ignition calibration screen has a compensation that must be changed until the timing light shows 20° BTDC (or 40°, according to the timing light). Let's say you read a timing of 24°BTDC, a compensation of -4° is needed to read 20° BTDC on the crankshaft TDC mark. When the timing light is reading double the real timing (wasted spark), if the timing on the timing light is 46°, the compensation that must be set is -3°, instead of -6°.

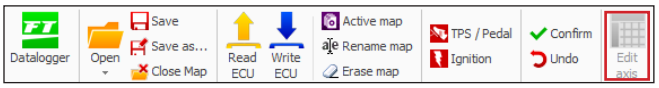
To check if your timing light is reading twice the real timing, advance 5° and check the timing on the engine again. If the timing has advanced 10°, the timing light is reading double the real timing.

17. Fuel tables adjust

17.1 Main fuel table

Editing mode for main fuel table is on 2D basic mode by default, but it is possible to switch to advanced 3D mode. To change this parameters, in the FTManager, go “Advanced map options” in the “Engine settings” menu.

On FTManager, it is possible to edit the map cell ranges of MAP/TPS, RPM, etc., Making it possible to increase the detail level on the maps where a fine tuning is needed. To do it, simply click on “Edit axis” on FTManager tool bar.

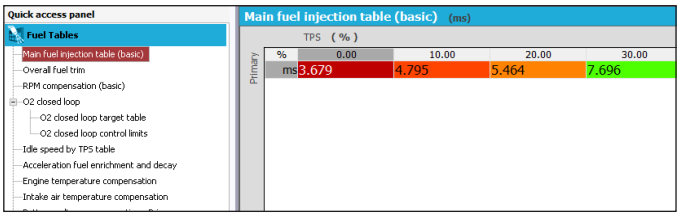


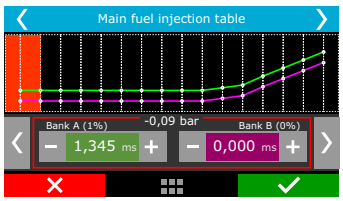
Basic Mode - 2D table

In the basic mode, the engine is tuned according to the MAP sensor or TPS. By default, the main fuel table by MAP is from -14.5psi up to the desired pressure.

When the main fuel table is by TPS, the table is from 0 to 100% in 10% steps.

Through FTManager, it is possible to use up to 32 cells, which will allow to have a better map and a fine tuning.

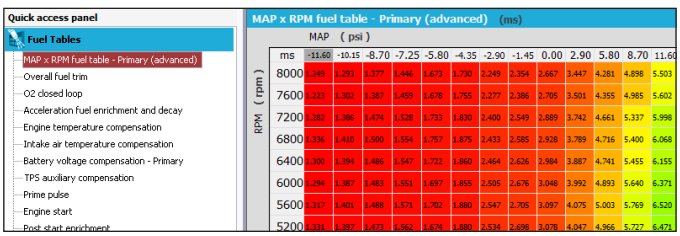


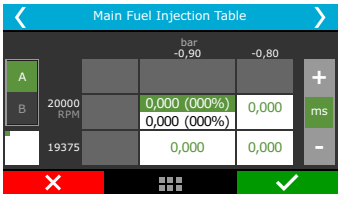


Advanced Mode - 3D table

In the advanced mode, the main fuel table is a 3D table, where the injection time is calculated according to the MAP sensor (or TPS) and engine RPM. As well as the basic mode, the MAP range is from -14.5psi up to de desired pressure. When the main fuel table is by TPS, the table is from 0 to 100% in 10% steps.

The default RPM steps are 200rpm until 3000rpm, and above this rpm the steps are in 500rpm. The MAP, TPS or RPM steps can be edited via FTManager.





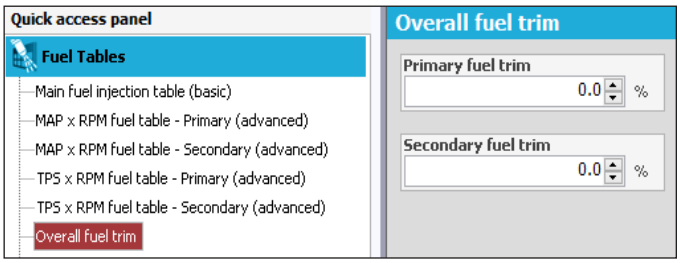
17.2 Overall fuel trim

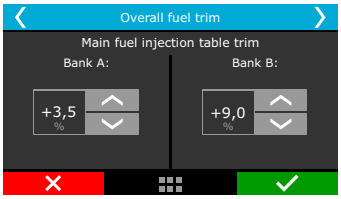
The overall fuel trim recalculates and replaces all values of the main fuel table according to the percentage configured. This functions can be accessed through “Fuel tables” menu.

When using individual banks, the trim will be available to each bank.

This compensation applies a percentage that can add or remove fuel from the main table (basic or advanced mode). For example, if in a certain cell the injection time is 2.000ms, representing 50% of injector opening at maximum rpm, and you apply 10% compensation, the result will be 2.100ms, representing 55% of injector opening, if the dead time is 1.000ms.

In all compensations the dead time must be discounted, so the value can be related to amount of fuel, instead of pulse width purely.





17.3 RPM compensation

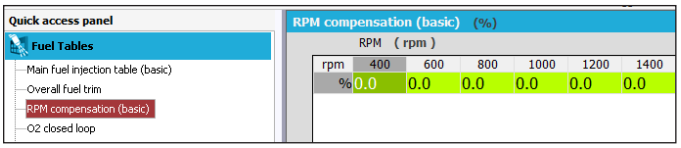
This option is exclusive to the basic mode. The RPM compensation is a percentage compensation applied to the main fuel table. The calculation is automatically done considering the engine RPM and all the other compensations. This way, a 3D table is not necessary, which despite being more accurate, is harder then the basic mode and very often doesn’t show a better result.

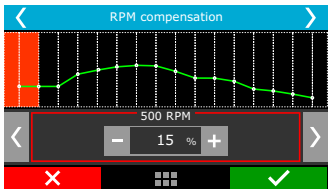
With the RPM compensation is possible to have a good tune in any engine type, either a stock engine, race engine or with a variable camshaft (Honda VTEC, Toyota VVT-i, BMW Vanos, etc).

Every engine has a specific fuel consumption peak around the maximum torque rpm, so in the region additive compensation between 5 and 15% must be applied. In a stock engine the maximum torque is normally between 2000rpm and 4500rpm, but to know exactly

the rpm a dinamometer is required. Anyway, this compensation will be performed, because, to keep a constant AFR, more fuel will be needed at the maximum torque rpm.

With the main fuel table and the RPM compensation, the ECU generates internally a injection time vs load vs RPM table.



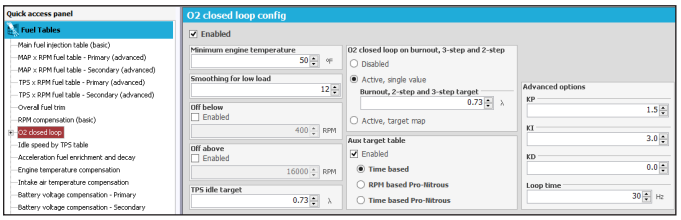


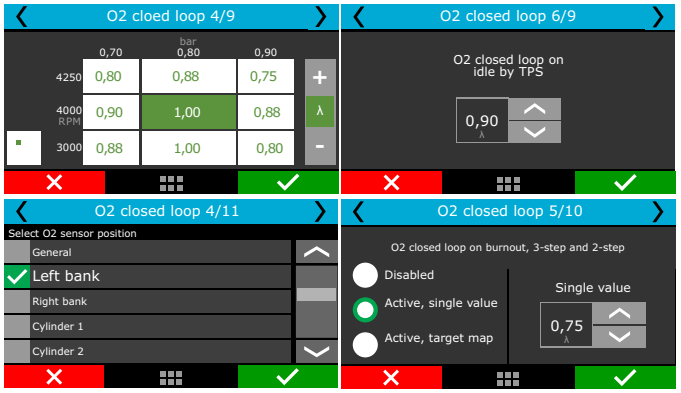
IMPORTANT

It is very important to check data continuity, avoiding incoherent values that may produce abrupt changes on the RPM graphic.

17.4 O2 Closed Loop

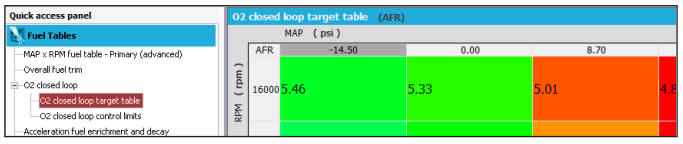
O2 closed loop reads O2 sensor and adds or removes fuel from the main fuel table in order to reach the O2 target set up.



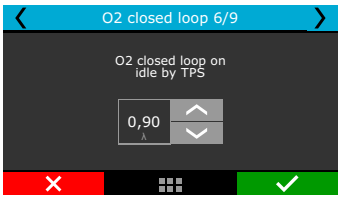


Low load smoothness is the speed control for low load situations like idle speed, where the O2 closed loop must reduce the compensation for O2 variations.

Engine temperature for control start is a temperature limit below which the O2 closed loop stays disabled and assumes the open loop fuel tables



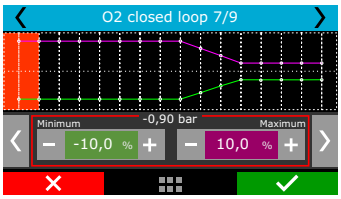
It is also possible to block the O2 closed loop under or above some RPM limits. The “Lock below” parameter is used, i.e., on engines where the O2 sensor is installed too close to the end of the exhaust, reading free air below a certain RPM. The “Lock above” parameter is a limit to disable the O2 closed loop and return to the open loop maps.



Next, is a 3D table of O2 closed loop targets versus RPM and MAP. It has up to 16x16 cells that can be edited through the PC Software.

There is also an option to setup a different O2 target for burnout mode, 3-step and 2-step. This target is a fixed value, no matter the RPM or MAP pressure.

The next screen (6/9) is only shown when the idle is TPS based. Set a target for idle condition (TPS=0%).

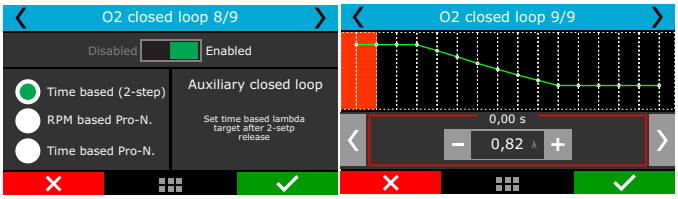


O2 closed loop control limits is a 16 points (8 columns and 2 lines) table, totally editable, by TPS or MAP, which defines the actuation limits of O2 closed loop, avoiding the control to remove or add too much fuel in certain situations.

Auxiliary O2 closed loop:

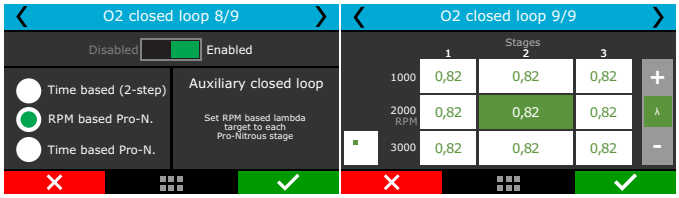
Aux by time (2-step):

This feature allows the creation of a 16 points time based O2 target table after the 2-step deactivation, which will overwrite the main O2 target table during the time setup on this auxiliary table. To trigger the 2-step, TPS must be above 50% or RPM must hit the 2-step rev limiter.



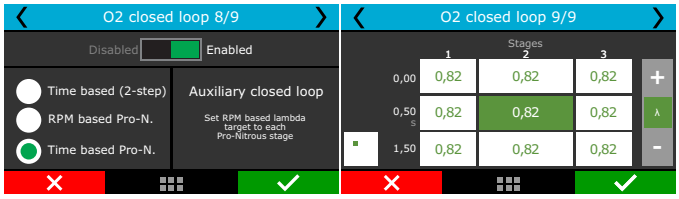
Aux Pro-Nitrous by RPM:

This feature allows the creation of a 16 points RPM based O2 target table to each Pro-Nitrous stage, which will overwrite the main O2 target table while the auxiliary control is on. This feature is only enabled when all Pro-Nitrous requirements are fulfilled.

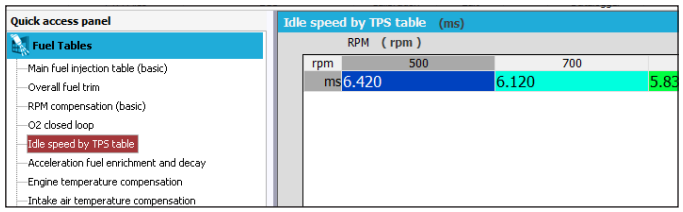


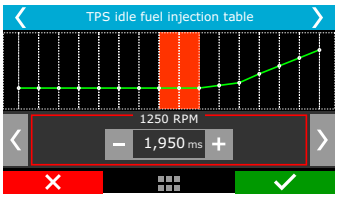
Aux Pro-Nitrous by time:

This feature is a 16 points time based O2 target table to each Pro-Nitrous stage, which will overwrite the main O2 target table while the auxiliary control is on. This feature is only enabled when all Pro-Nitrous requirements are fulfilled.



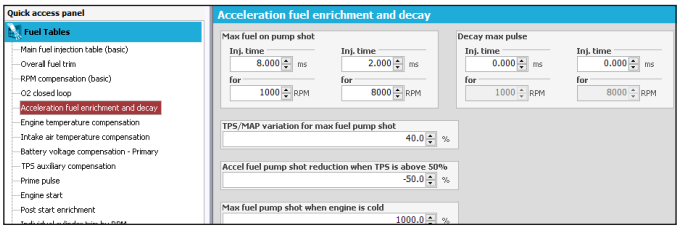
17.5 Idle speed by TPS table

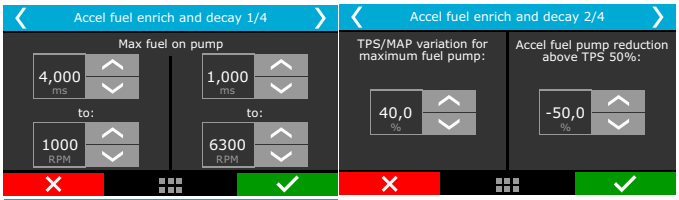


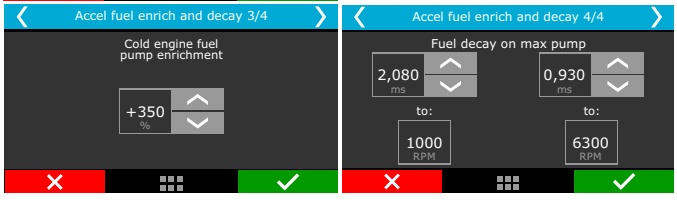


This menu is only available when the idle speed is set up by TPS. The injection time is adjusted according to the engine RPM.

17.6 Acceleration fuel enrichment and decay







Acceleration enrichment is a fuel increase when the throttle is suddenly opened.

Max fuel on pump: value added to the actual injection time when a quick throttle variation is detected. There are two RPM and injection time parameters to be set. With them, the FT500 / FT500LITE creates an acceleration fuel table that interpolates the values between these two positions.

TPS/MAP variation for maximum fuel pump shot: This configures the MAP or TPS variation for which the max fuel pump will be used. Engines equipped with small throttles usually need a higher TPS variation to need max fuel pump. In this case, use higher TPS values on this parameter (70-90%). For big diameter throttle bodies, a small TPS variation is enough to demand max fuel pump (around 15%). The TPS or MAP selection is done in the Engine Setup menu. If the TPS is not present, MAP must be choosed.

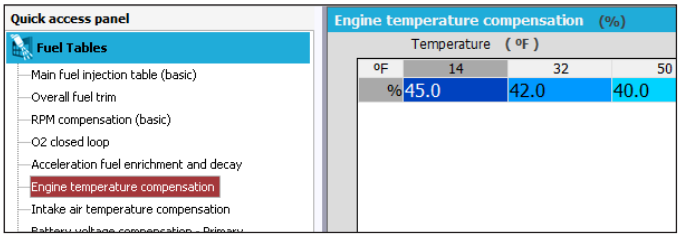
Accel fuel pump reduction above TPS 50%: due to reduced need of fuel when the acceleration fuel pump occurs with the throttle already opened above 50%, this parameter reduces the max fuel pump on this condition. By standard, the ECU reduces 50% of the max pump when it occurs above 50% of TPS.

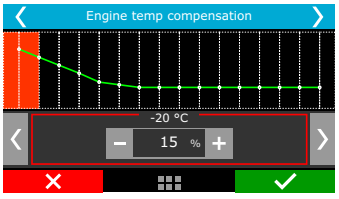
Minimum variation of TPS/MAP for pump shot: A minimum percentage of variation can be set so the pump shot only starts to be applied above it.

Minimum variation of TPS/MAP for decay: A minimum percentage of variation can be set so the decay only starts to be applied above it.**Cold engine fuel pump enrichment:** this is a simple increase on the max fuel pump value when the engine is cold, extremely needed on the first minutes of engine operation.

Fuel decay on max pump: this is the injection time that will be subtracted from the actual injection time during a sudden throttle closure. With this, in a fast throttle closing, is possible to remove fuel and have a more stable AFR during deceleration.

17.7 Engine temperature compensation

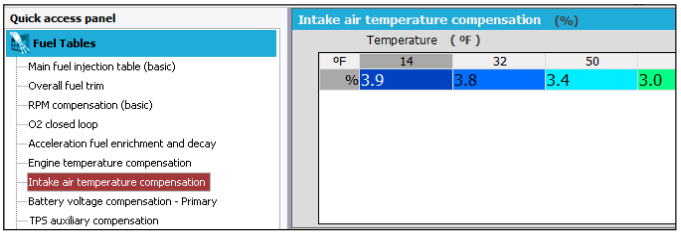


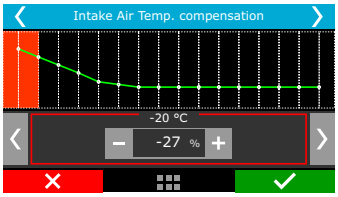


This compensation is applied based on the engine temperature sensor, which, in water-cooled cars, must be at the cylinder head reading the water temperature, and in air-cooled engines, must be reading the oil temperature.

Compensations based on engine temperature are only available when the sensor is connected to the injection system.

17.8 Intake air temperature compensation

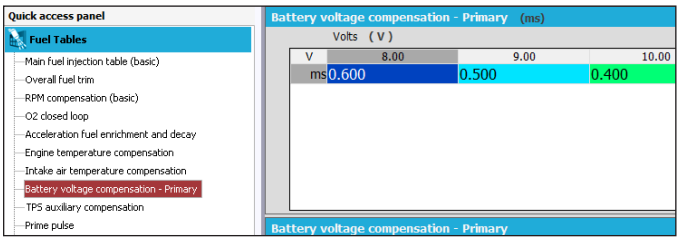


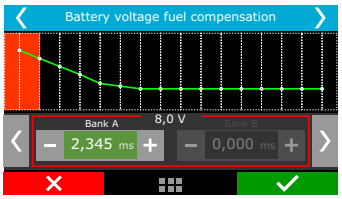


This compensation is applied based on the air temperature sensor placed in the intake manifold, and it is only available when the sensor is connected to the injection system.

This compensation mode is used to automatically adapt the injection to different temperatures of the air taken by the engine. In turbocharged engines, it is of great importance, because when the system is pressurized, the temperature rises immediately to very high numbers.

17.9 Battery voltage compensation

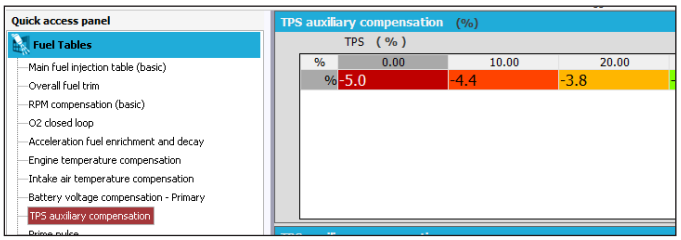


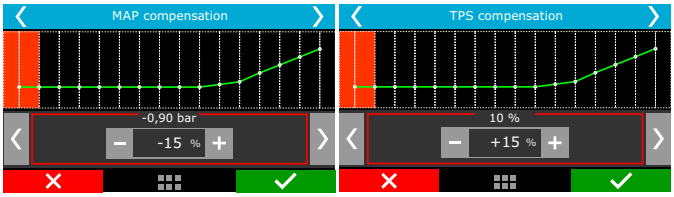


With lower battery voltages the injectors takes a longer time to open and to close. This table is used to compensate this variation.

Fuel injectors with a high flow rate usually operate with minimum injection time at idle speed and are the ones most affected by a battery voltage drop.

17.10 MAP / TPS compensation





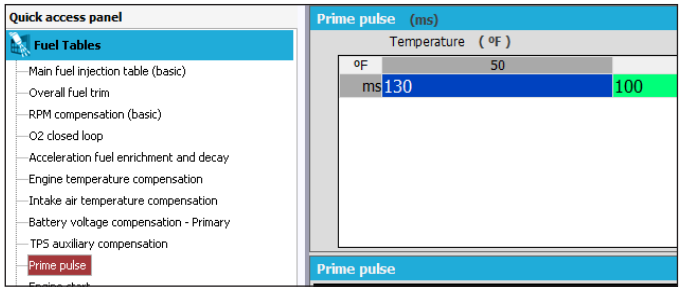
This table changes according to the main map configuration (MAP or TPS). When the main fuel table is setup by MAP, this table is a compensation by TPS. When the main fuel table is setup by TPS, this compensation is by MAP.

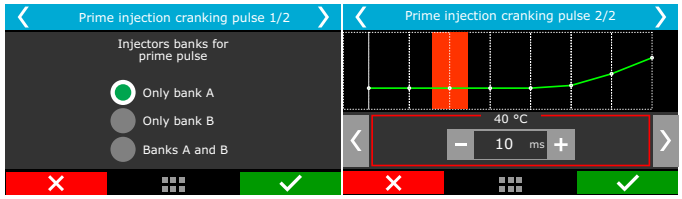
17.11 Prime cranking pulse

This feature improves the engine start by injecting fuel when any crank trigger tooth is detected, just like OEM ECUs. Usually this table uses injection times higher than the “engine start” parameter injection times.

Select which fuel bank you want to use for prime pulse and setup its table by engine temperature.

The injection time is related to engine temperature. The colder the engine, the bigger the injection time.





17.12 Engine start

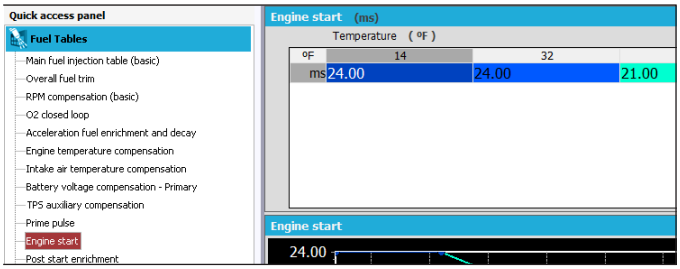
This function is essential when starting the engine, as it needs a greater injection pulse to initiate its operation, especially if the vehicle runs on ethanol or methanol.

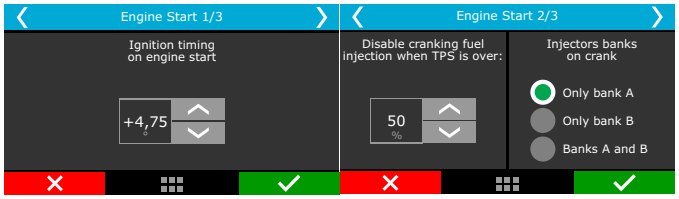
Whenever the RPM drops below 400rpm, the ECU applies start injection pulses in addition to the idle speed value. This excess of fuel prevents the engine from failing involuntarily, making it return to idle speed. Be careful not to exaggerate on injection time, as it may cause the engine to stall/flood easily.

The engine must always be turned off through the injection system. Otherwise, if RPM drops below 400rpm and injection is turned on, the system injects fuel that will not be burned and, therefore, will be accumulated on the cylinder.

If the engine temperature sensor has not been installed, only the value from start injection with cold engine is considered.

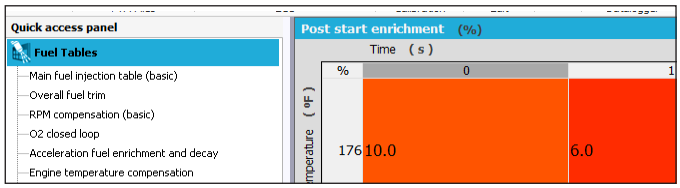
The bank B option will be only available if enabled on “Injection” menu on “Engine Settings”

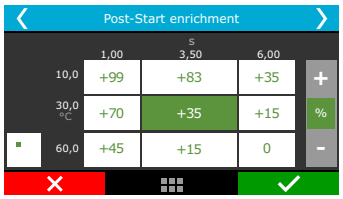




17.13 Post-start enrichment

This configuration is a table that relates engine temperature with time in seconds. This parameter helps stabilizing engine RPM just after start, improving the idle control especially under low temperature conditions.



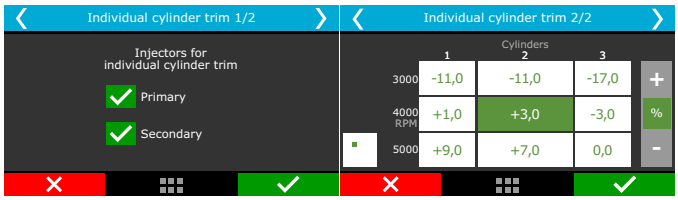


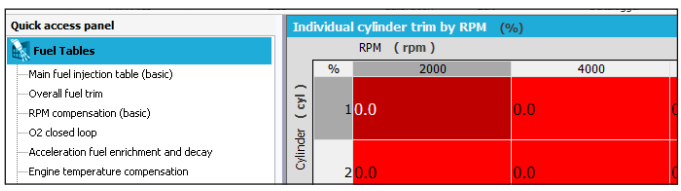
17.14 individual cylinder trim

Set a compensation to each injectors output on a table that relates engine RPM with individual cylinder trim compensation.

To use this compensation as a cylinder trim, the injectors have to be wired with one output per injector.

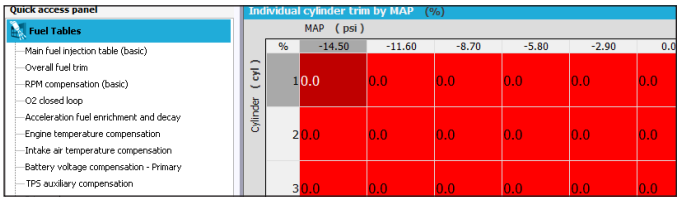
This compensation usually brings expressive power gains when correctly used, so, the use of one O2 sensor per cylinder is highly recommended





17.15 Rotor compensation

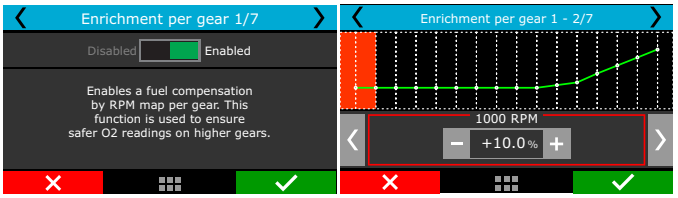
Available only when controlling rotary engines, this is an individual rotor fuel trim. This compensation usually brings expressive power gains when correctly used, so, the use of one O2 sensor per rotor is highly recommended.



17.16 Enrichment per gear

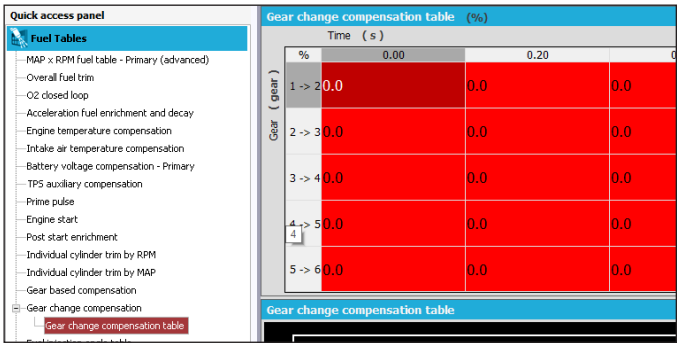
This option allows having a RPM based fuel compensation for each gear.

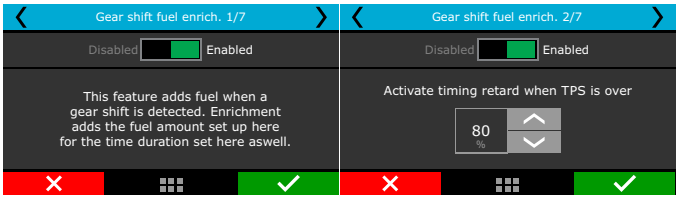
To enable this option, gear change detection must be enabled. It is possible to set up to 6 compensation tables (6 gears).

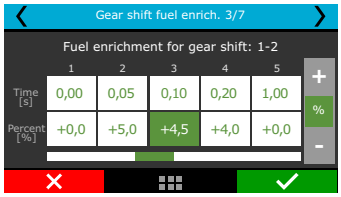


17.17 Gear shift fuel enrichment

This function enables fuel compensation when a gear shift is detected, that allows building a time based enrichment table.

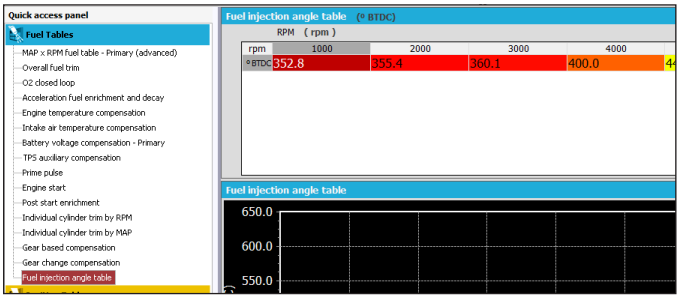


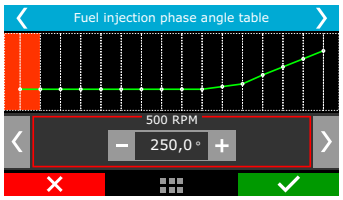




17.18 Fuel injection phase angle table

This table changes the moment, during the engine cycle, where the injectors opens or closes and is only available when the fuel injection is being controlled in sequential mode. The injection phase angle is the distance, in degrees BTDC from the ignition TDC (0°) until the moment the injector opens or closes (according to what is selected).





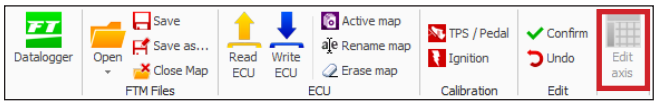
18. Ignition tables adjust

All timing tables can advance or retard timing. When a base map is generated, all tables are filled with standard values, so, if you want to use just the main timing table, you must zero fill all compensations manually.

18.1 Main ignition table

The editing mode of this table is, by standard, the simplified 2D table, being possible to change it to advanced 3D table via FTManager software.

Through the software is also possible to edit the range interval of MAP, TPS and engine RPM on the maps. This makes possible to increase the detail level on specific ranges where a fine tuning is needed.



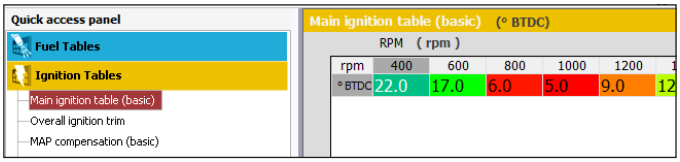
Basic mode 2D table

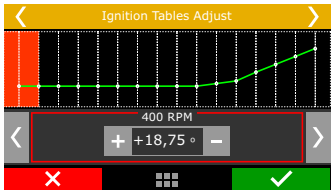
In this mode, the main ignition table is a 2D map that relates RPM and timing from 400rpm to the max RPM.

Using an analogy, if you want an initial timing of 15º and final of 32º (as you do on a distributor), you must enter 15º at 600rpm and 32º at the maximum rpm, 8600rpm for example. The timing between maximum and minimum RPM are interpolation of initial and final timing . If you want to run a fixed timing, all cells must be filled with the same timing.

Remember that the timing applied will only be the same as the main table if all the compensations are zero.

The rpm breakpoints can be changed up to 32 cells, allowing a fine tuning.

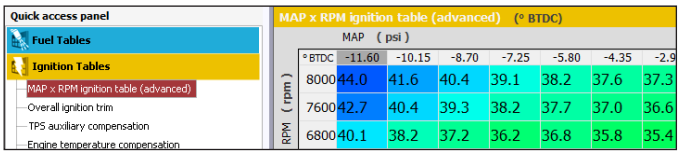


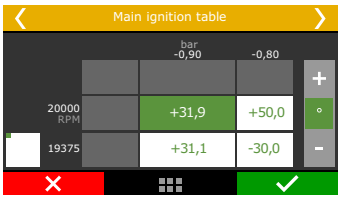


Advanced mode 3D table

In this mode, the main ignition table is a 3D map that relates RPM x MAP x ignition timing. As well as the basic mode, the MAP range is from -14.5psi up to de desired pressure. When the main timing table is by TPS, the table is from 0 to 100% in 10% steps.

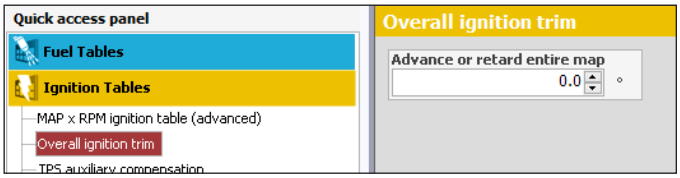
The default RPM steps are 200rpm until 3000rpm, and above this rpm the steps are in 500rpm. The MAP, TPS or RPM steps can be edited via FTManager

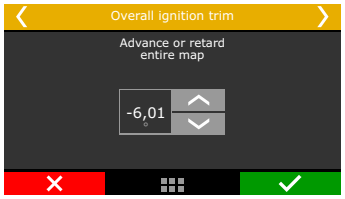




18.2 Overall ignition trim

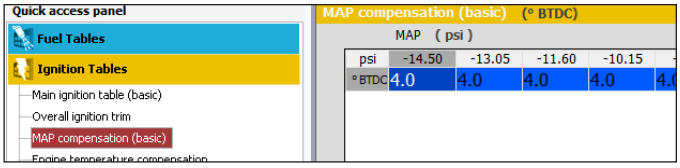
To apply a quick compensation to the entire ignition map, the Overall Ignition Trim function may be used. It is only necessary to inform the correction, negative or positive, and confirm by pressing the right button. This correction will be added to or subtracted from the entire ignition table based on RPM

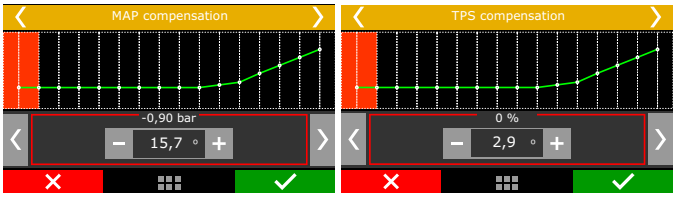




18.3 MAP/TPS compensation

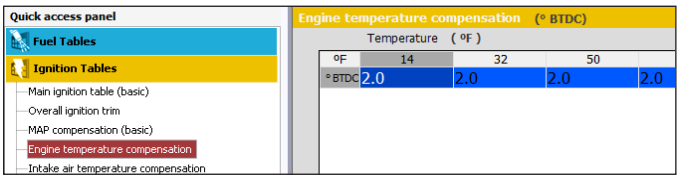
This table changes according to the main map configuration (MAP or TPS). When the main ignition table is setup by MAP, this table is a compensation by TPS. When the main ignition table is setup by TPS, this compensation is by MAP.

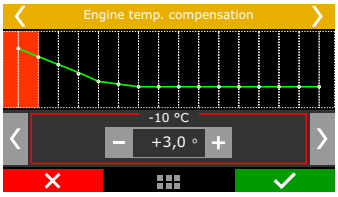




18.4 Engine temperature compensation

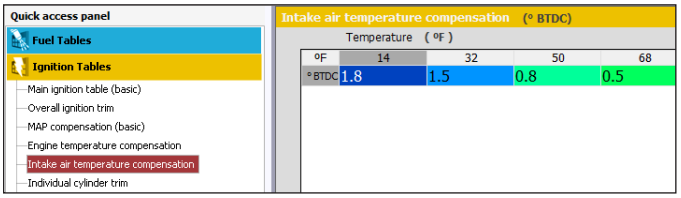
This map represents a compensation on the advance or retard angle applied to the main RPM map based on engine temperature variation. It is a very important feature and it brings significant improvement on drive ability, especially while operating cold engines, when advanced ignition timing is necessary in order to have a correct response from the engine. It is also essential for engine protection, as it retards the ignition timing when the engine reaches high temperatures.

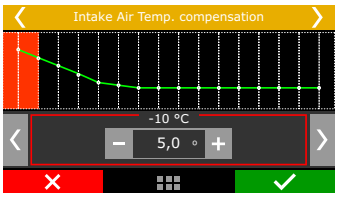




18.5 Intake air temperature compensation

This map represents a timing compensation applied to the main RPM timing map based on intake air temperature variation.

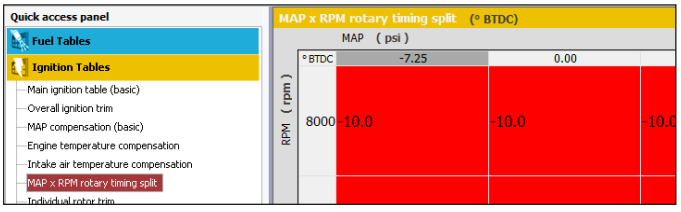


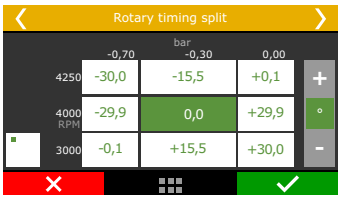


18.6 Rotary timing split

This menu is only shown when controlling Rotary engines, the axis will be set dependent on fuelling method (TPSxRPM or MAPxRPM). This is the timing split between Leading and Trailing spark plugs. It is a 3D table of negative timing split values and has 8x8 cells that can be edited through the FTManager software.

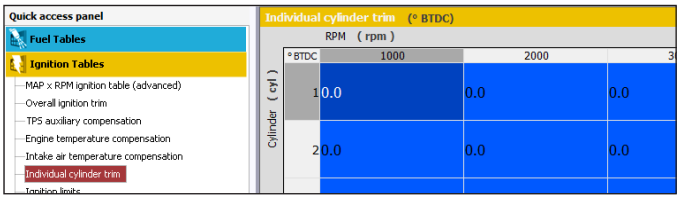
The main ignition table will get all the corrections and timing controls applied to the leading spark plugs. The timing split to the trailing spark plugs will be based on the leading final timing values with an applied compensation based on the values listed in the Rotary Timing Split table.

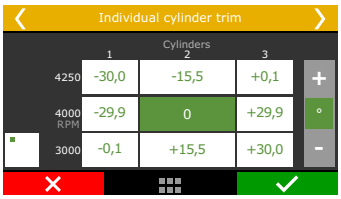




18.7 Individual cylinder trim

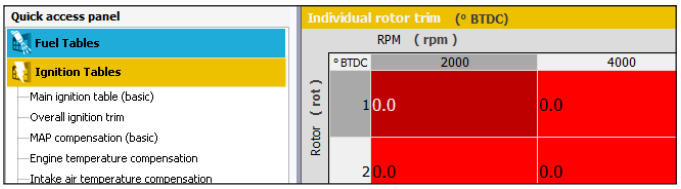
Set a timing compensation to each ignition output on a table that relates engine RPM with individual cylinder trim compensation. The timing compensation is done individually to each cylinder according to the engine RPM and it comes from the flow differences, heating dissipation capacity or even cylinder position.

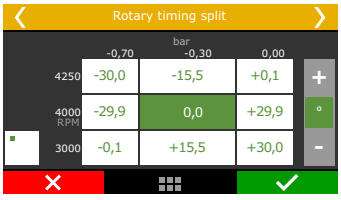




18.8 Rotor compensation

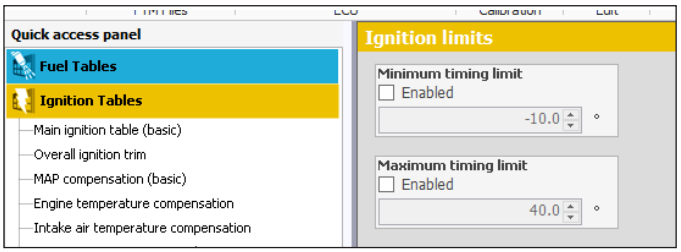
Available only when controlling Rotary engines, this is an individual rotor ignition trim.

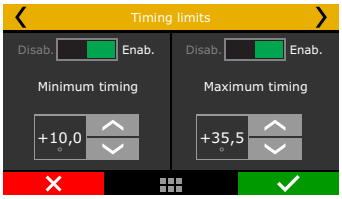




18.9 Timing limits

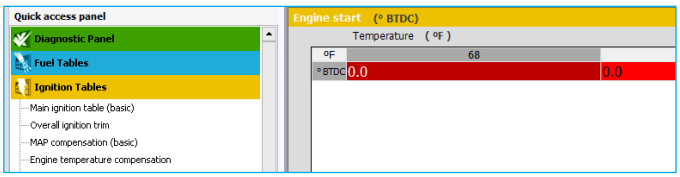
Configure in this menu the maximum and minimum ignition timing limits, so the engine won't run in any situation with too much retard or advanced ignition timing. No other function will be able to apply timing beyond these limits. This is a safety feature to prevent an inappropriate timing, considering all the functions that may enable a timing compensation (mainly drag race time based features).

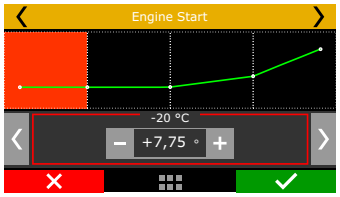




18.10 Engine Start

This is an ignition advance vs engine temperature table. Calibrate the ignition advance for each temperature site.

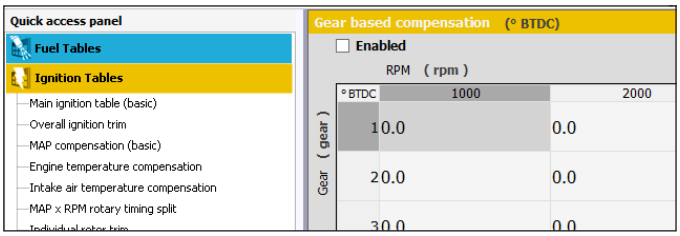


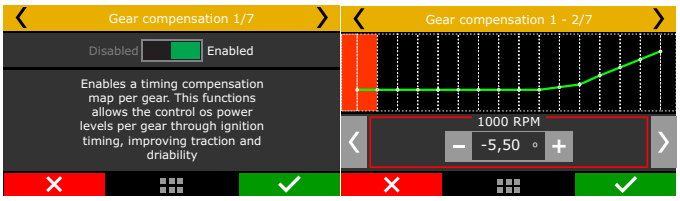


18.11 Gear compensation

This compensation allows advancing or retarding the ignition timing according to the engaged gear. This table applies the compensation in the main ignition table according to engaged gear and RPM.

To enable this option, gear change detection must be enabled. It is possible to set up to 6 compensation tables (6 gears).





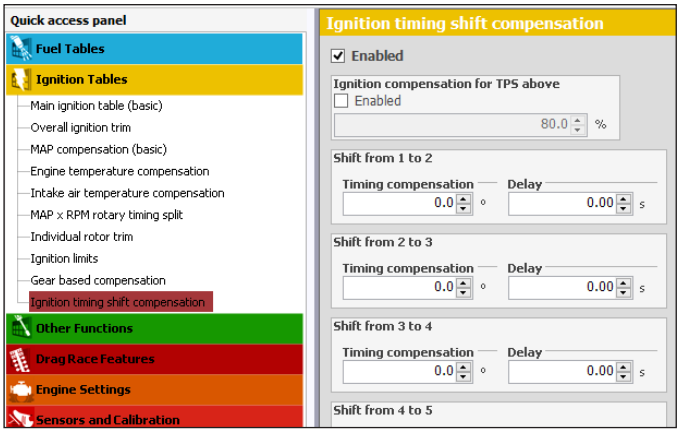
18.12 Gear shift compensation

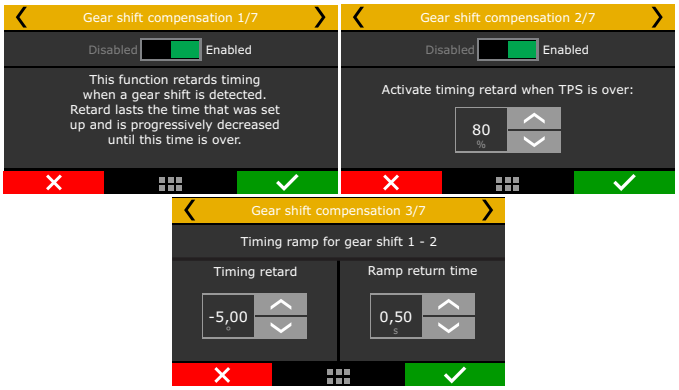
This function allows advancing or retarding the timing after a gear shift (upshift).

You can enable a TPS condition so the retard can happen.

In the example, there will be a 5º timing retard. The ramp return time is the retard total time, which will be gradually re-established. In other words, after shift gear, timing will be retarded 5º, 0,25s the retard will be 2.5º and 0,50s after the shift there will be no gear shift compensation.

To enable this option, gear change detection must be enabled. It is possible to set up to 5 compensation tables (6 gears).





19. Other functions

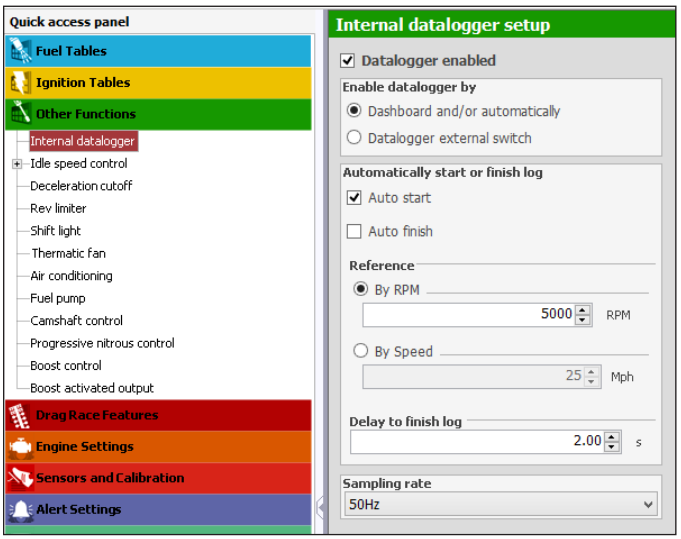
This menu allows the adjustment of all functions that modify the operation of auxiliary outputs and compensations of idle speed, etc.

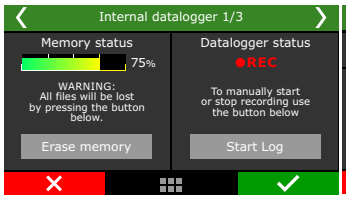
19.1 Internal datalogger

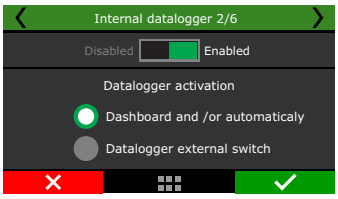
This function is used to log all the engine data read by FuelTech ECU.

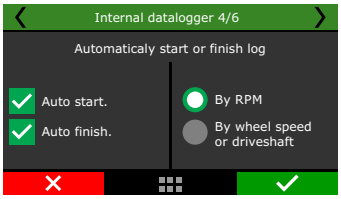
The Internal Datalogger can record up to 64 channels like: injection time (banks A and B), injectors duty cycle (banks A and B), timing, engine rpm, auxiliary output status, TPS, coolant and air temperature, oil and fuel pressure, O2 sensor, two-step button, MAP sensor, camshaft position sensor and battery voltage.

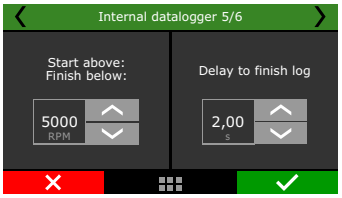
Log download and data analysis are done through the computer and FTManager Software.

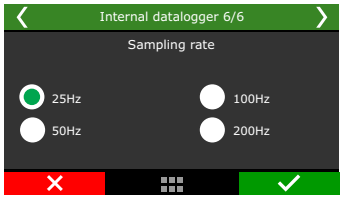












Datalogger enabled

Select if the datalogger is enabled or not and set the start/finish mode.

Through dashboard a touchscreen button will start or stop the recording. Through external switch an white input must be wired to an on/off switch to enable the recording. While the input is grounded the datalogger will be recording.

Log start and stop

The internal datalogger start and stop trigger can be set up by RPM signal or by a button on the ECU dashboard.

When selecting "RPM Signal", the log will be started only when the programmed RPM is reached. If a button on the dashboard is preferred, select it on the internal datalogger. After that, go to "Interface settings" menu and set up the datalogger button on a spot under "Dashboard setup

Log is automatically stopped when memory is full, ECU is turned off or the button is pressed.

Via FTManager software, the log can be started or finished through the "Start log" and "Stop log" in the tool bar. The "Erase memory" will clear all the logs in the FT500 memory.

Sampling rate

The sample rate defines the log quality. Higher sample rates create more detailed logs, however, the logging time available will be shortened. For competition vehicles, especially drag racing, it is recommended to use a high sample rate to have high detail level on the log.

The **lower** the sample rate, the more "squared" and "choppy" the graph will be, therefore less detailed. On the other hand, the **higher the sample rate**, the more "smooth" the graph, resulting in a more detailed the log.

Automatically erase memory at 100% usage

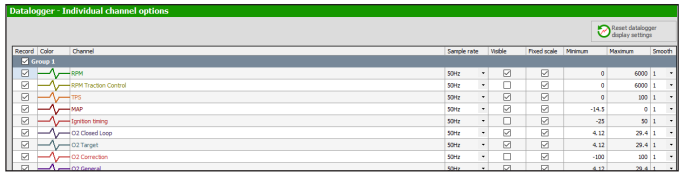
If this option is checked, the memory will be erased when it reaches 100% capacity, this means older logs will be permanently erased and the recording of new logs will be possible.

NOTE

During the erasing process it's not possible to record a log.

Individual channel options

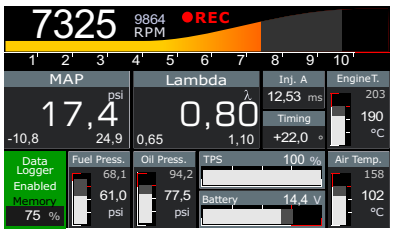
It's possible to setup each channel individually about line color, if it will be visible or not, its scale and, when in advanced mode, its sampling rate.



Internal datalogger status

At the Dashboard Screen of the ECU, a round icon is shown besides engine RPM. This icon indicates the Internal Datalogger status.

- Internal datalogger **stopped**: **Grey** "Data" button

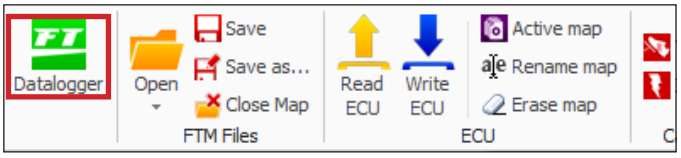


- **Recording**: green "Data" button, blinking light **red** icon with the word **REC**
- **Memory full**: red "Data" button with the word FULL

NOTE: when memory is full, connect the ECU to the PC and download the data through FTManager Software.

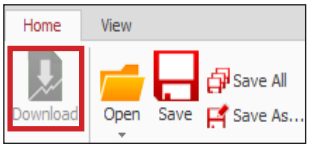
Log download

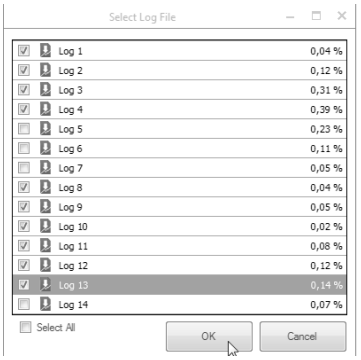
The log download must be through FTManager. Connect the FT500/ FT500LITE to the computer with the USB cable

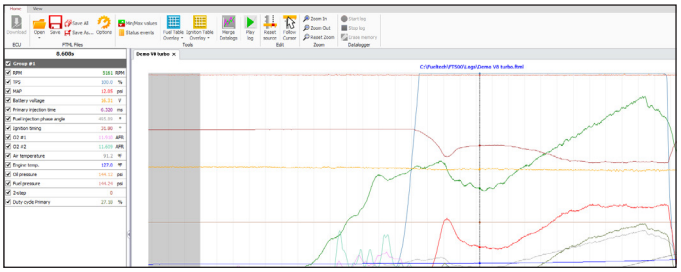


Open the FTManager, and click on the Datalogger icon. The FTManager Datalogger will open. To download, click on the Download icon and a window will pop up showing all logs saved on the ECU. Select the files and click ok.

The will open. Use the mouse to browse the graph and check the values on the left panel.



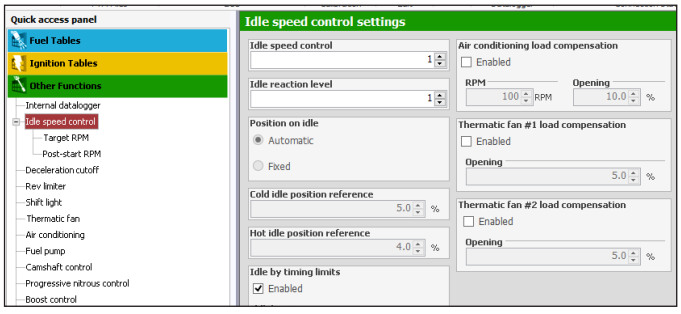


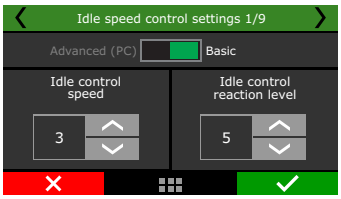


19.2 Idle speed control

This FT500 / FT500LITE can control idle speed through electronic throttle, step motor, PWM valve and by timing.

To enable the idle speed control by electronic throttle, it is needed to setup the menu "Electronic throttle" under "Engine setup" menu. After that, you can follow this menu to setup idle parameters.





Actuator reaction level: this parameter is the aggressiveness that the timing and the actuator will be changed of position in order to control a RPM fall. The higher this number, the more aggressive is the reaction of the control.

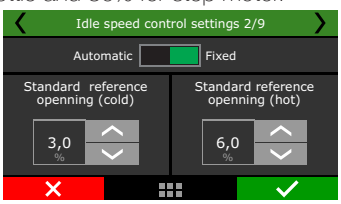
High reaction levels may lead the idle speed to be unstable.

Position on idle

Automatic: in this mode, idle actuator is automatically opened and closed by the ECU in order to make the engine idle near the target RPM.

Fixed: in this option, idle actuator assumes a fixed position, set up later according to engine temperature.

ETC reference position: this parameter is the actuator position when the engine is turned off or cranking. It is also used as a stable reference during the automatic idle speed control. Setup a value that's enough for a cold start of the engine. Start with a value around 4% for electronic throttle and 30% for step motor.

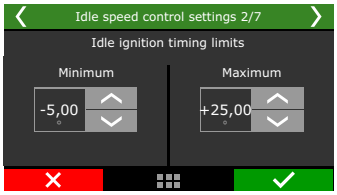


Idle speed by timing

This control uses a target RPM for idle speed and works advancing and retarding the engine timing to keep the engine running near the specified RPM.

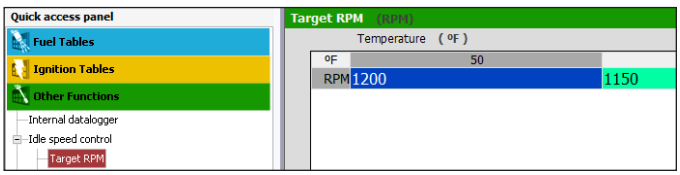
As the FT500 / FT500LITE idle speed control has an advanced integration with the idle speed by timing control, this one stays always enabled when any other kind of idle speed control is selected. By doing this, the idle speed actuator is always kept in a position where the idle speed by timing control can set the timing away from the maximum and minimum timing positions

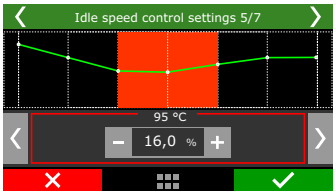
Maximum and minimum timing limits: these values are the limits for advance and retard when ECU is controlling the idle by timing.



Actuator position

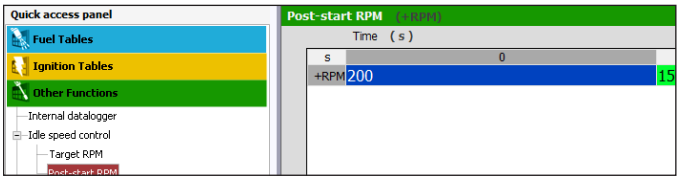
This parameter will be only available when the position on idle is set as fixed. This table relates the actuator position in function of the engine temperature.

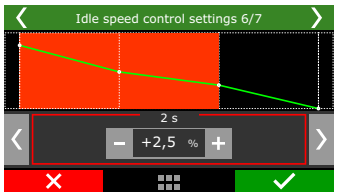




Post-start position

This parameter will be only available when the position on idle is set as fixed. The table controls the actuator opening after the engine start. The table is an actuator position vs time. After the time slip, the position is defined by the actuator position table based on engine temperature.

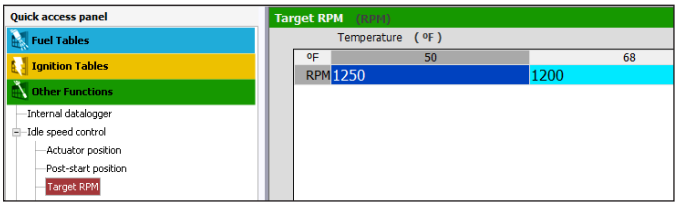


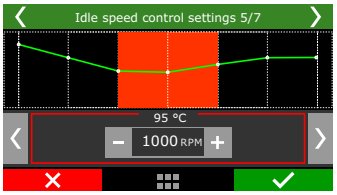


RPM for idle speed

This table tells the ECU the target RPM the idle control will assume, according to engine temperature. On intermediate temperature ranges, target RPM is automatically interpolated.

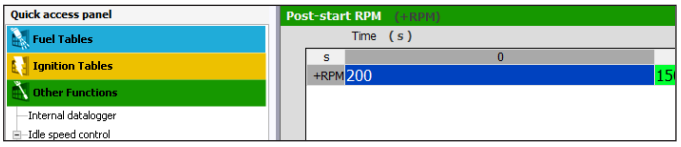
When "Position on idle" is set to "fixed" this table represents the actuator position X engine temperature.

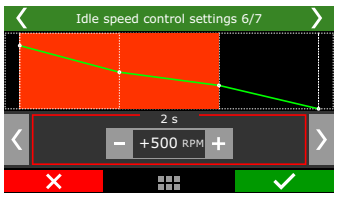




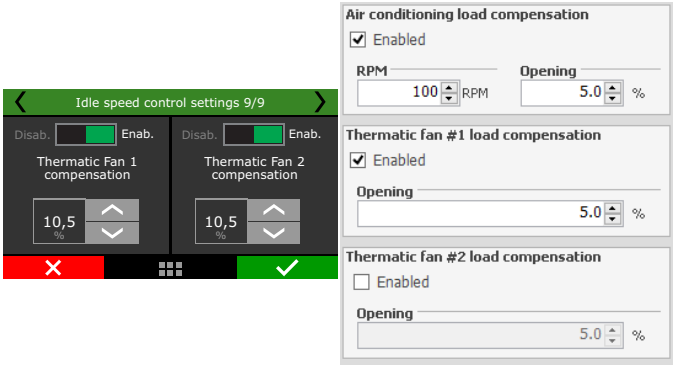
Post-Start position

This parameter is a RPM increase (or % of increase in the actuator position for fixed idle position). The table shows the actuator position according to time post engine start.

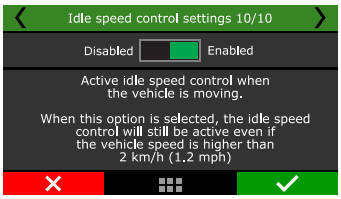




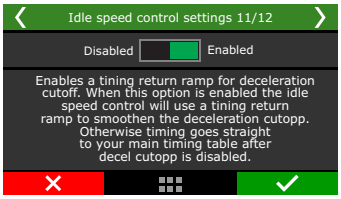
Compensation by load: used to compensate actuator position when suddenly loads (like AC or fan) are added to engine and can affect idle. It is possible to set an target RPM compensation when the AC is on and fuel/actuator opening compensation for AC and fans.



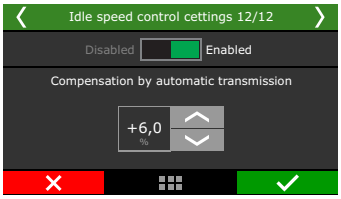
Idle speed control on movement: when this option is checked the idle speed control will turn on when the TPS percentage is 0% and the engine RPM is 700 rpm above the set target.



Return ramp: When enabled, it generates a return ramp for the ignition timing. If this function is disabled, when the idle control is operating the ignition timing will be set as the minimum defined for the condition. When the idle control is off, the ignition timing will return for the value set at the ramp.



Compensation by automatic transmission: If the vehicle is equipped with an automatic transmission it may be necessary to set a compensation for adding a certain amount of air flow in idle control, once the automatic transmission applies an additional load at the engine.



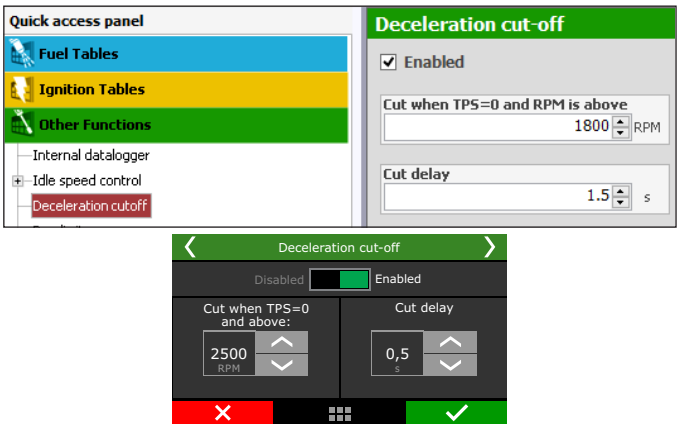
19.3 Deceleration cut-off

This function cuts-off fuel every time the throttle is not being pressed and the engine is above the chosen RPM.

A standard RPM of 2000rpm is recommended. Setting a very low RPM may cause the engine to turn off involuntarily during deceleration

The "Cut-off Delay for TPS=0%" parameter is the time (in seconds)

delay before fuel is actually cut-off after releasing the throttle. Such delay exists to avoid the engine to instantly become lean when the throttle is released. It also rapidly cools the combustion chamber without being excessive, and avoids situations in which the cut-off might oscillate, especially when the throttle is lightly pressed. A standard delay of 0.5s is suggested.

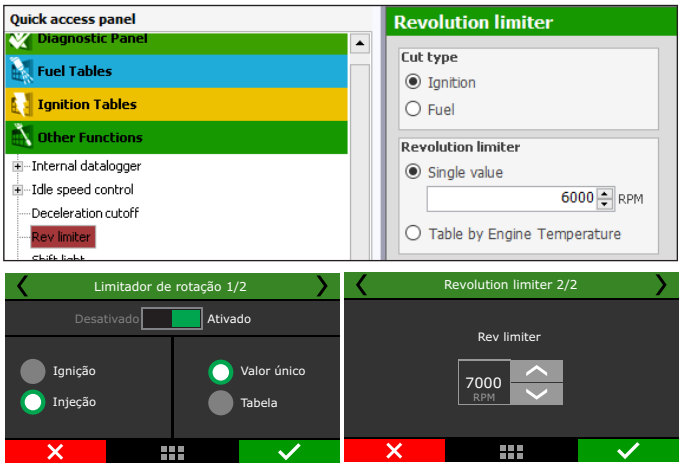


19.4 Revolution limiter

This function is very important for engine protection, limiting the RPM with two different options of cut-off:

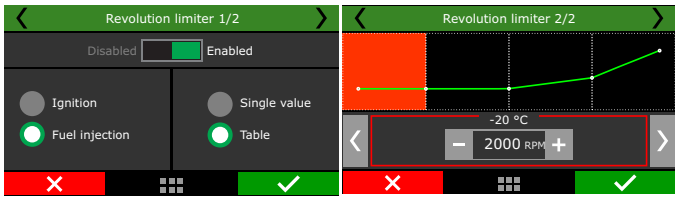
Fuel Injection: the fuel injection is cut-off instantly, as the ignition is still operating. It is a very smooth and clean cut-off. Recommended only for naturally aspirated engines, it is the standard setting in vehicles with original injection systems.

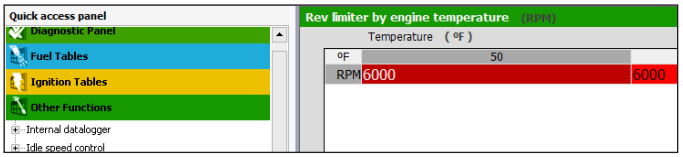
Ignition: the engine ignition is cut-off when the configured RPM is reached. It is recommended for high-power engines, especially turbocharged ones, being the most efficient and safe option.



Rev limiter by engine temperature

When the option "table by engine temperature" is selected, it's possible to set different rev limiters according to engine temperature

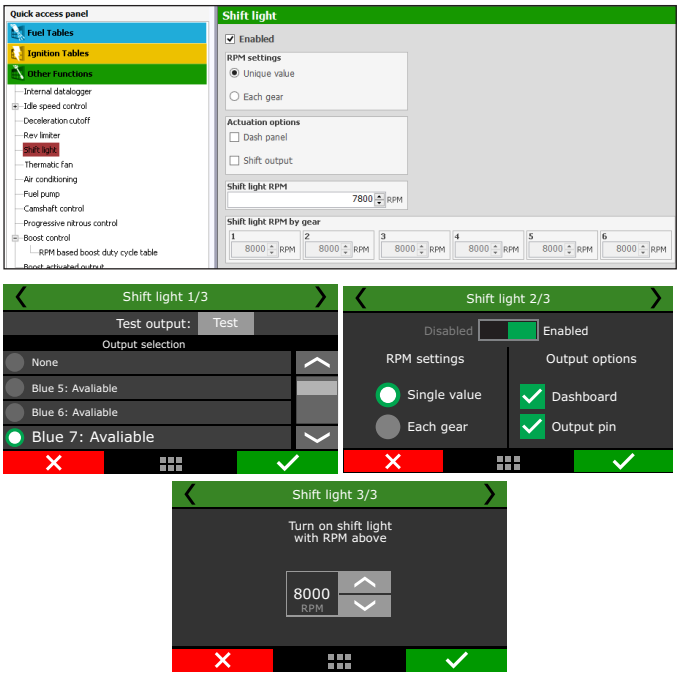




19.5 Shift Light

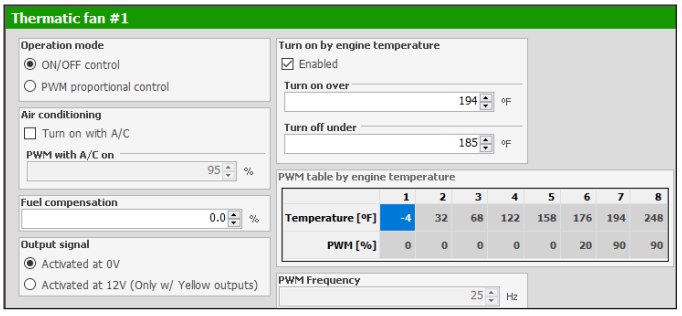
When the engine reaches the RPM set in this parameter, the screen will display a blinking message ("SHIFT") indicating that gear must be shifted.

To switch an external shift light, it is necessary to configure an auxiliary output at the "Input and Output Setup" menu. If no auxiliary output has been configured as Shift Light, the message "Output not configured!" will be displayed. Even so, it is possible to set the Shift Light RPM on the screen



19.6 Thermatic Fan #1

There are to two ways to set up the control of the thermatic fan #1, either by an on/off command or a PWM proportional control.

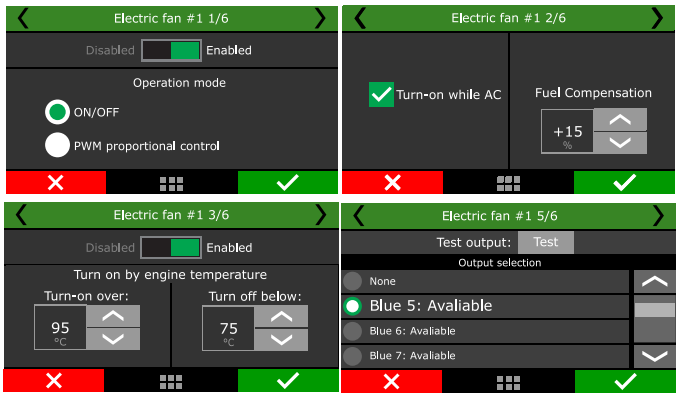


ON/OFF: The thermatic fan will switch on/off depending on the temperatures that are set. There's also the option to turn on the thermatic fan when the A/C is on, to do so select "turn on with A/C"

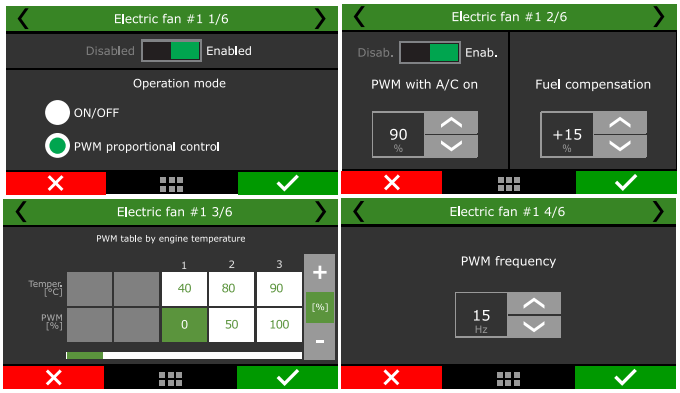
There's an option that allows one of the fans to be activated when A/C is turned on. As these fans may draw considerable load, a fuel compensation is also available.

To test the fan output, just click on the "Test output" button. If it doesn't work, check the install or test another output.

Through FTManager, the output configuration is done in the “Sensors and calibration” menu - Outputs.



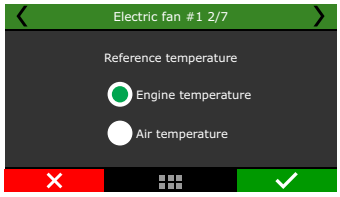
PWM proportional control: The thermatic fan will be controlled by a solid state relay via PWM control, this creates a very linear and progressive control of the engine temperature.



Both modes of operation can be set according to the air or engine temperatures.

Engine temperature: The most commonly used, the control is made by the temperature in the cooling system.

Air temperature: This option may be used for cooling the air of a turbocharged engine equipped with a watercooler or water pump, or even to drag race diesel engine tractors where water is injected inside the combustion chamber for cooling.



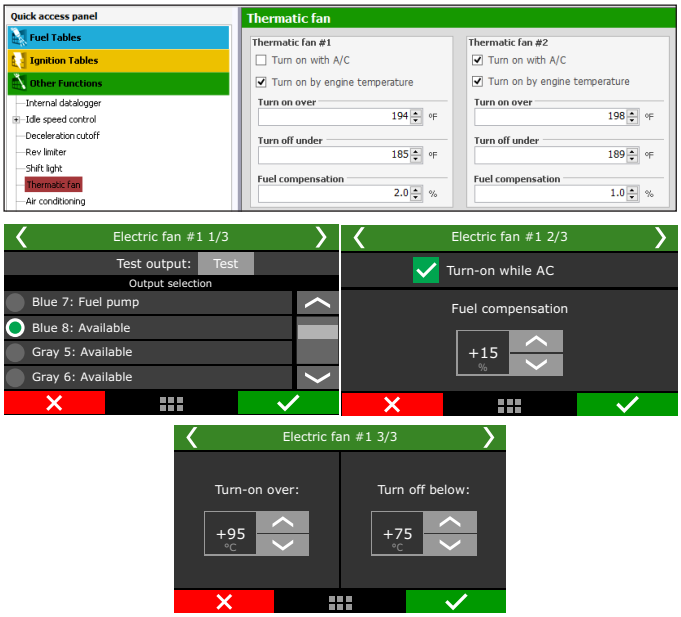
19.7 Thermatic Fan #2

This FT500 / FT500LITE can control up to two cooling fans on different temperatures.

There’s an option that allows one of the fans to be activated when A/C is turned on. As these fans may draw considerable load, a fuel compensation is also available.

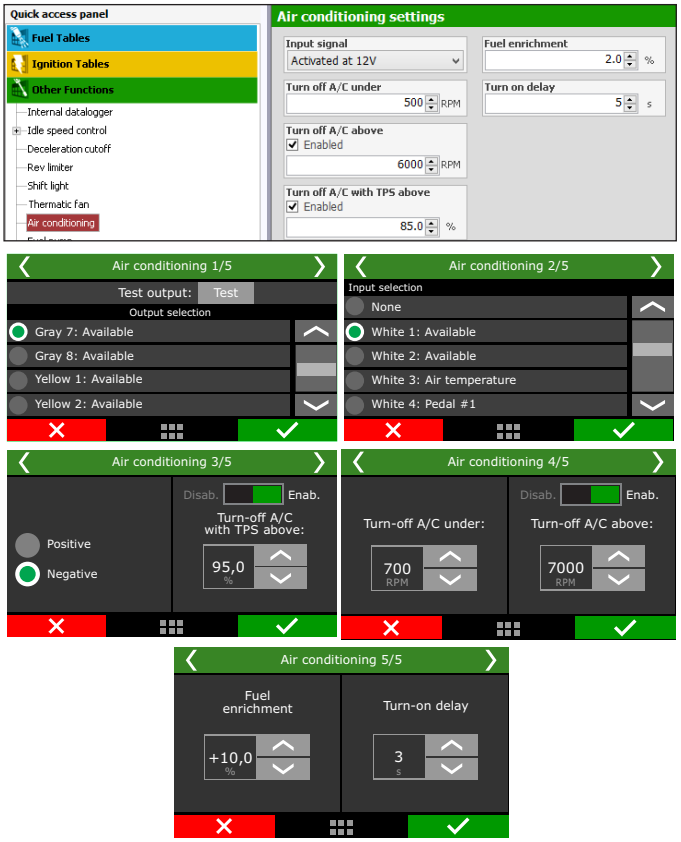
To test the fan output, just click on the “Test output” button. If it doesn’t work, check the install or test another output.

Through FTManager, the output configuration is done in the “Sensors and calibration” menu - Outputs.



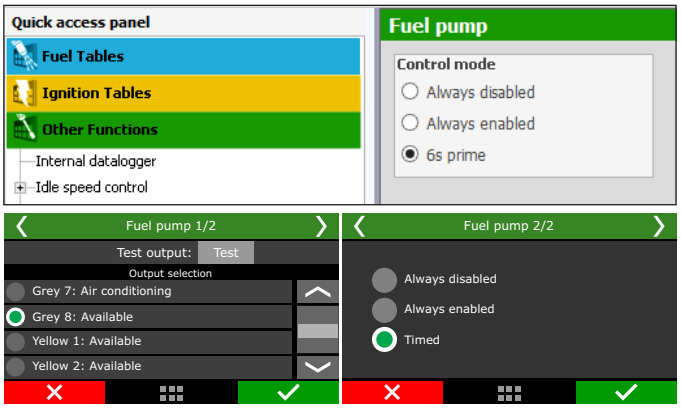
19.8 Air conditioning

To control air conditioning through FT500, first you have to setup an output to control the A/C relay. Then, setup the input that will receive signal from the A/C button on the car dashboard. Check chapter 13 for more information.



19.9 Fuel pump

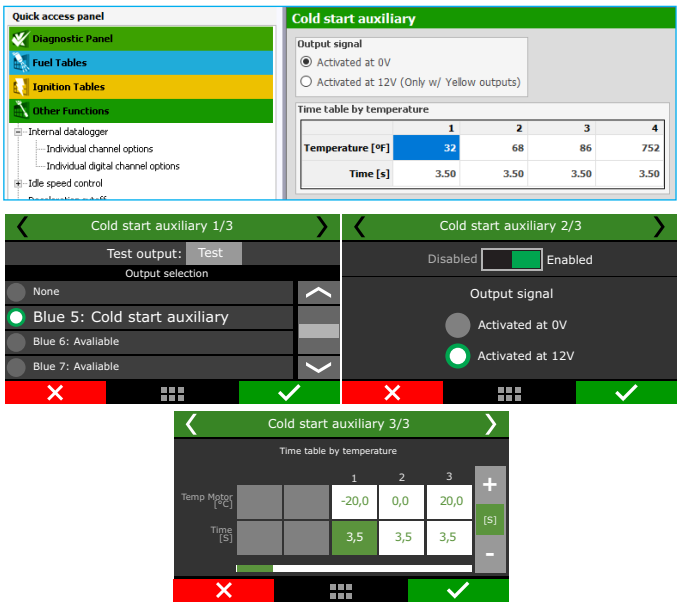
This output activates the fuel pump by grounding the relay that controls the pump. When switching the ignition key, this output is activated for six seconds, and it turns itself off if the ECU does not receive any RPM signal. The relay must be adequate to the current needed to power the fuel pump.



19.10 Cold start auxiliary

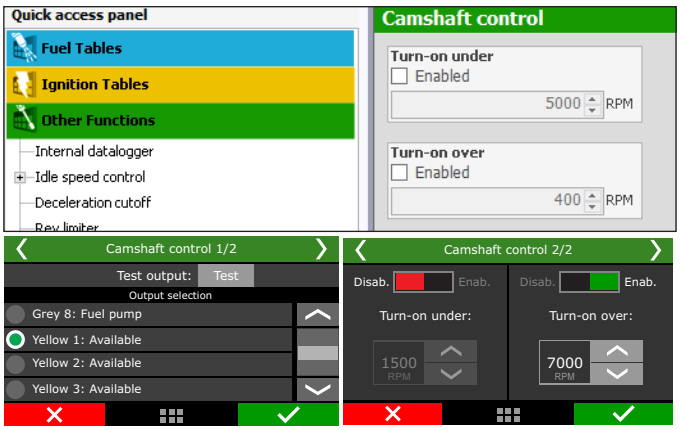
In this function its possible to configure a fuel injector to help low temperature engine start. This function helps ethanol powered engines.

Setup an output for activation through 0V or 12V, and adjust the injection time x engine temperature table.



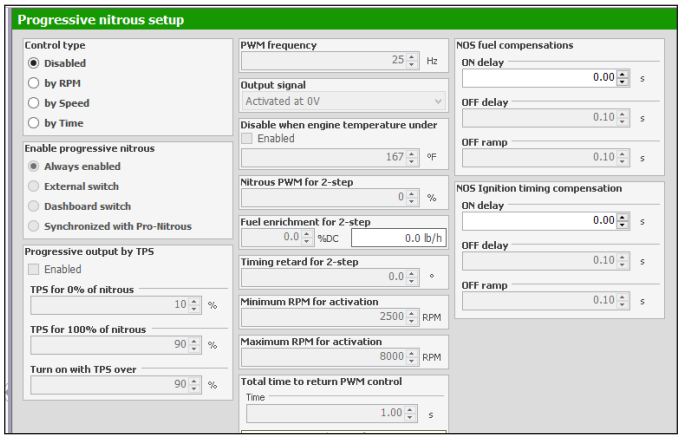
19.11 Camshaft control

This function allows the control of a variable valve timing control system (or a drag racing 2-gear automatic system). Select the output used to control the camshaft solenoid, and then, inform the RPM that the solenoid must be turned on. Only on/off camshaft systems can be controlled.



19.12 Progressive nitrous control

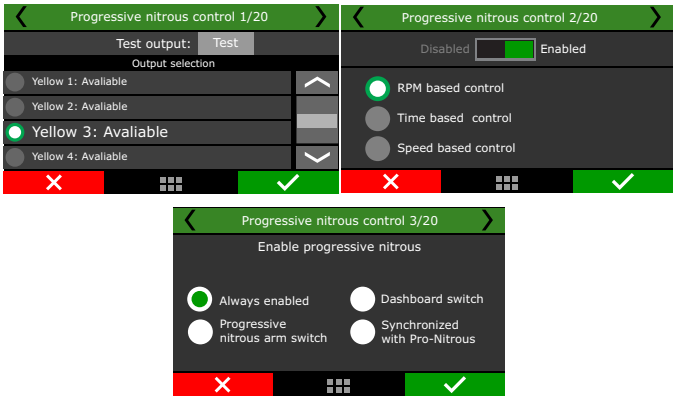
This auxiliary output configuration gives access to setting the ratio for the fuel-nitrous mixture (or nitrous only) through pulse-width modulation (PWM) sent to the solenoids.



Select an auxiliary output as "Progressive nitrous output" and how the control will be performed: by time (after 2-step), by rpm or by wheel speed.

Also, select the enable mode:

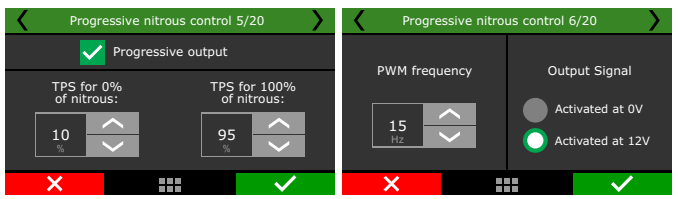
- **Always enabled;**
- **External switch:** select a white input. When the input is grounded the progressive nitrous will be enabled;
- **Dashboard switch:** a touchscreen button must be configured to enable or disabled the progressive nitrous;
- **Synchronized with Pro-Nitrous:** the progressive nitrous control will activate when the Pro-Nitrous (Drag race features menu) conditions are met;

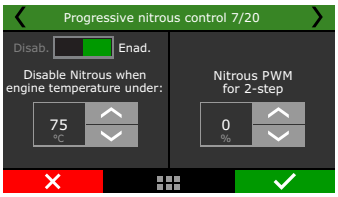


The first parameter to be configured is the TPS opening percentage, above which the injection of nitrous will be activated.

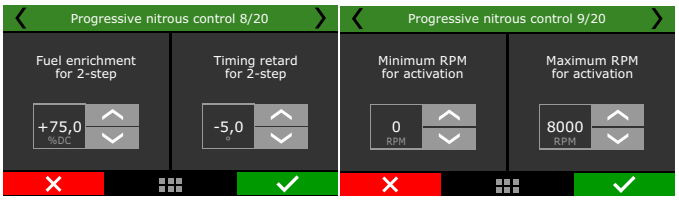
The next parameter is the percentage of fuel enrichment for 100% nitrous.

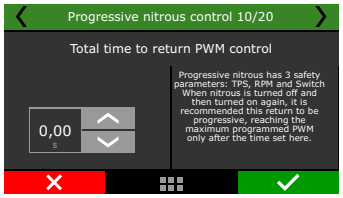
After this, set the PWM output frequency and the output signal. To regular solenoids, use between 25 and 30Hz, big shot solenoids use 50Hz. The next screen will show the engine temp protection, where you can define a minimum engine temperature for progressive nitrous.





The fuel enrichment for 2-step is a fuel compensation when the 2-step is enabled. The timing retard for 2-step is a compensation applied to the timing configured in the 2-step function. The minimum and maximum RPM is a RPM window and work as a safety feature, so the progressive nitrous will only active if the engine rpm is inside the window. The total time to return PWM control is a delay ramp to reactivate the progressive nitrous when it is disabled by any safety features or switch. This ramp avoids the progressive nitrous to return in a big shot, helping the traction on pedaling.



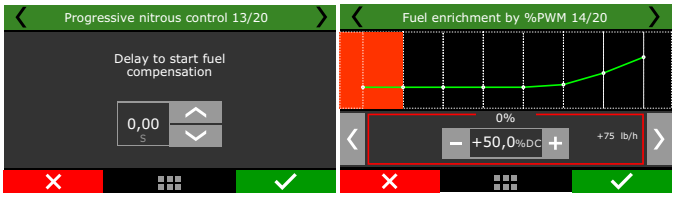


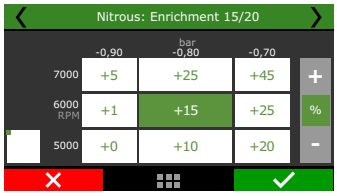
Next is the nitrous injection map based on RPM. The higher the percentage configured in this map, the higher the amount of nitrous (or nitrous + fuel) injected

The maximum RPM is the same chosen on “Fuel Injection Setup.

With the FTManager you can edit axis and add or remove cells.

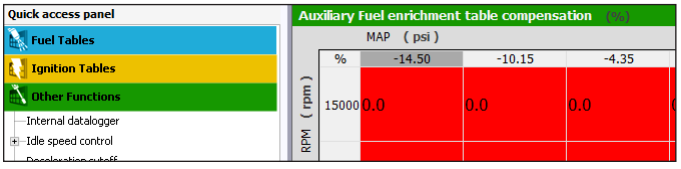
When using 2 injector banks the fuel enrichment will happen on both.

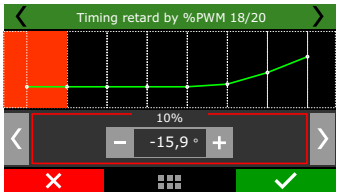


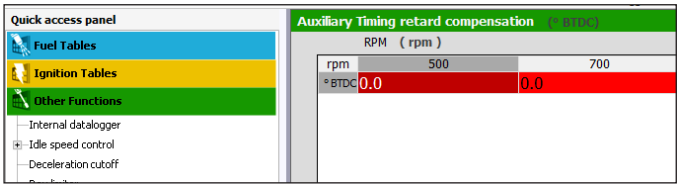


The ON delay for NOS fuel compensation avoids the extra fuel to get earlier than the NOS in the cylinder, very common when the fogger is far from the injectors.

The Progressive fuel table by nitrous duty cycle and the Auxiliary fuel enrichment table compensation are related to the percentage of fuel added according to %DC of nitrous or engine load/rpm.



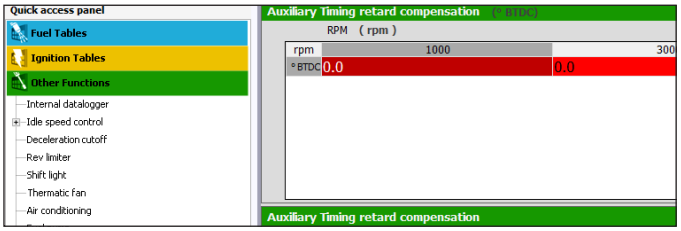


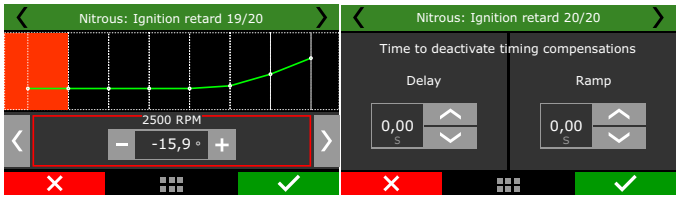


After the end of nitrous shot, normally is necessary to keep the compensations on for a few tenths of seconds, since the intake is full of nitrous that will be consumed by the engine. The OFF ramp makes the compensation ends smoothly.

The delay to start the timing compensation has the same purpose of fuel compensation, the time nitrous takes to reach the cylinder.

The Progressive timing table by nitrous duty cycle and Auxiliary timing retard compensation are related to the timing retard (always negative values) according to the %DC of nitrous and engine load/rpm.





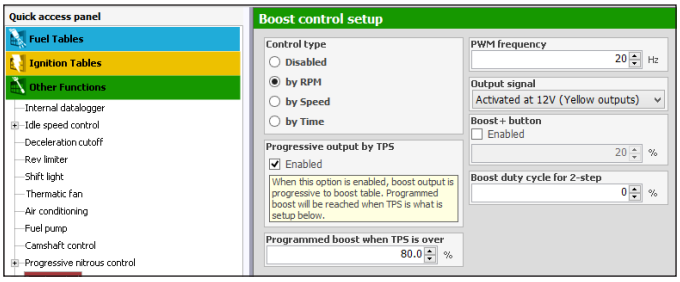
In the end, there are the OFF delay and the OFF ramp and are used to keep the engine safe, avoiding an immediate timing advance that could damage the engine.

19.13 Generic duty cycle output

This feature allows the control, through PWM, of a solenoid valve that manages the wastegate valve, therefore regulating the boost pressure. Through an external button, you can activate the Boost+ function (optional use), which is an instant increase in the boost %DC while the Burton is turned on.

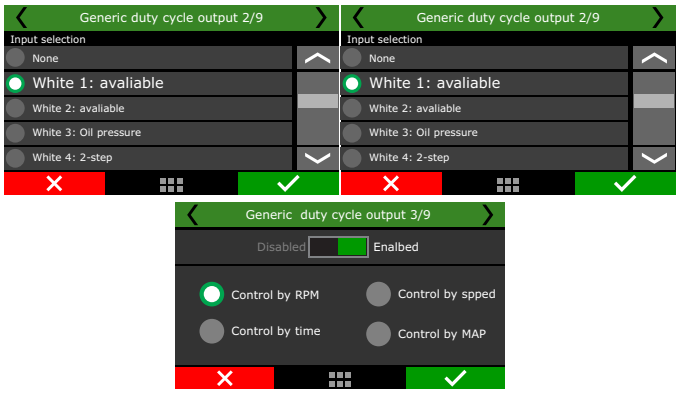
FuelTech recommends using a 3-way button N75 solenoid.

For more information about its installation, see chapter 13.8 in this manual.

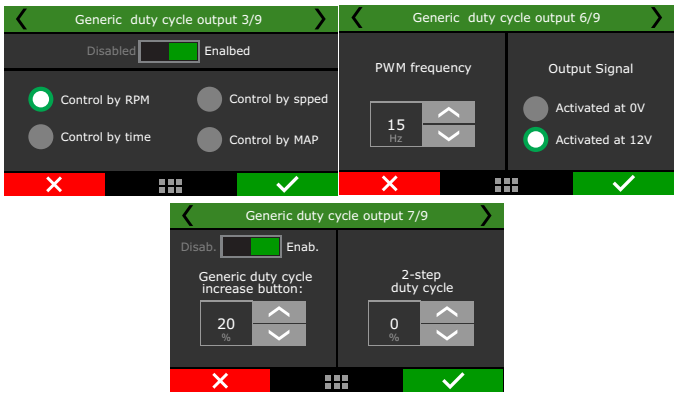


The first parameter is the output which will drive de boost solenoid. Select among the available outputs. After this, select the Boost+ input, in case of needing.

In the FTManager, this setting is done in the "Sensors and calibration", then "Inputs" and "Outputs".



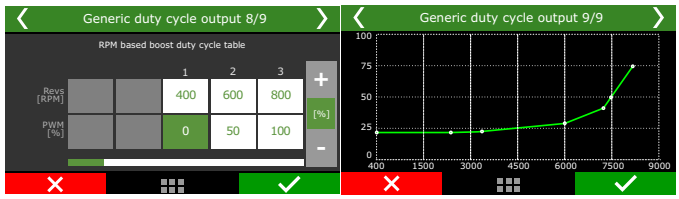
The next screen allows to quickly enable or disable the function and choose the control mode: by rpm, by time (after 2-step) or by speed.



"Programmed boost when TPS is over" is the minimum TPS value to activate the boost solenoid. When the progressive output is selected, boost output is progressive to boost table, starting at 10% to the "Programmed boost when TPS is over" value.

- The recommended frequency for most PWM 3-way valve is 20Hz. The output signal depends on the solenoid installation. Check Chapter 13.8 for further information.
- Select if you want to use the Boost+ button.

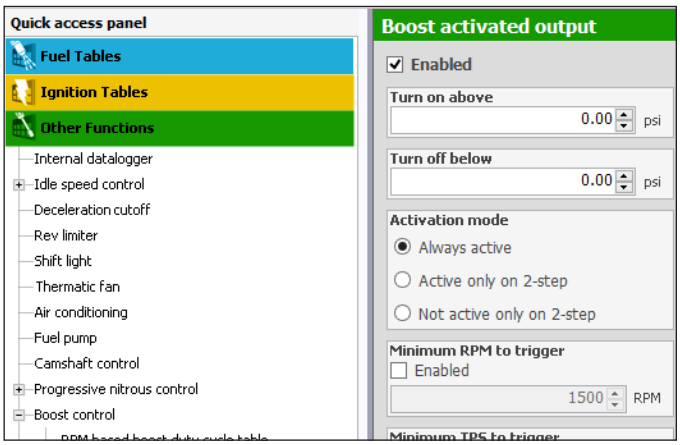
The boost duty cycle for 2-step is the boost level when the 2-step is on, desconsidering any other boost table.

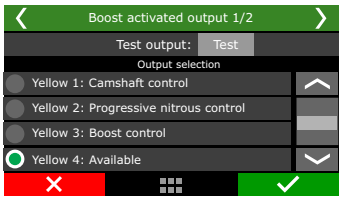


At last, there will be the boost duty cycle table by rpm, speed or time. The boost by time starts after the 2-step release.

19.14 Boost activated output

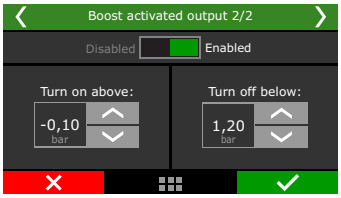
This function is used to activate an auxiliary output according to MAP readings.





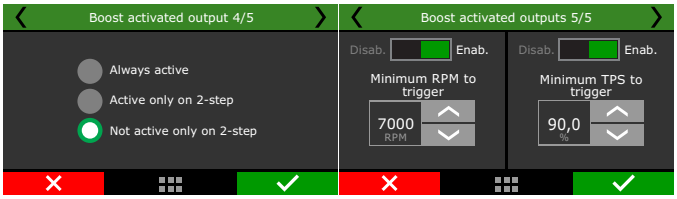
Select an available output to trigger a relay or any other external device.

In the FTManager, this setup is at "Sensors and calibration" - "Outputs"



Select the output signal sent when it is activated. The only outputs capable of switch 12V are the yellow.

Define the vacuum/boost range to trigger the output.



There are 3 different activation modes: "always active", "active only on 2-step" or "Not active only on 2-step". This means that even if the vacuum/boost conditions are met, the activation mode condition must be respected.

As safety features, minimum TPS and RPM values can be set, so the output will not activate if one or more conditions are not met.

19.15 Tachometer output

By default, the tach output is configured in the Grey #8 wire, but can be set in the yellow wires also.

If one of this outputs are not available, the blue #1 to #8 and Grey #1

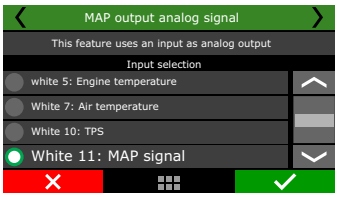
to #7 can also be used, but an external 12V pull-up with a 1K resistor.
In the FTManager, this setup is at “Sensors and calibration” - “Outputs”

19.16 MAP output analog signal

By default, this function is set in the white wire #10. Due to hardware design, the MAP signal output is used in of the inputs (white #5, #7, #10 or #11 only).

The MAP signal can be read in an external datalogger.

In the FTManager, this setup is at “Sensors and calibration” - “Inputs”



19.17 Wastegate boost pressure control

The active control function of the wastegate valve pressure is used for a more precise control of turbo pressure in street, circuit and, mostly, drag race cars. The control can be performed by time after 2-step, by gear and engine RPM, by gear elapsed time, by a single target or by engine RPM, besides specific targets for 2-step, 3-step and burnout mode.

IMPORTANT

- The pressure controlled by BoostController is the pressure at the top of the wastegate valve.

- You can set the maximum MAP pressure and maximum MAP pressure on 2-step.

- When the BoostController is off the target is zero, and each time the read pressure, for any reason, exceeds 1.1psi the decrease solenoid is activated.

Installation diagram

1 - Decrease solenoid/injector trigger – connected to the blue or yellow output;
2 - Decrease solenoid;
3 - Increase solenoid/injector trigger – connected to the blue or yellow output;
4 - Increase solenoid;
5 - 12V from relay;
6 - Intake or CO2 bottle;
7 - Pressure sensor;
8 - Pressure sensor hose;
9 - Intake;
10 - Free air;
11 - Injectors block;
12 - 3 way Valve or N75;
13 - Actuation of 3 way valve or N75;
14 - Control pressure Wastegate;
15 - FT dual valve block;
16 - Connection to second Wastegate or must be blocked;

Diagram with regular solenoids

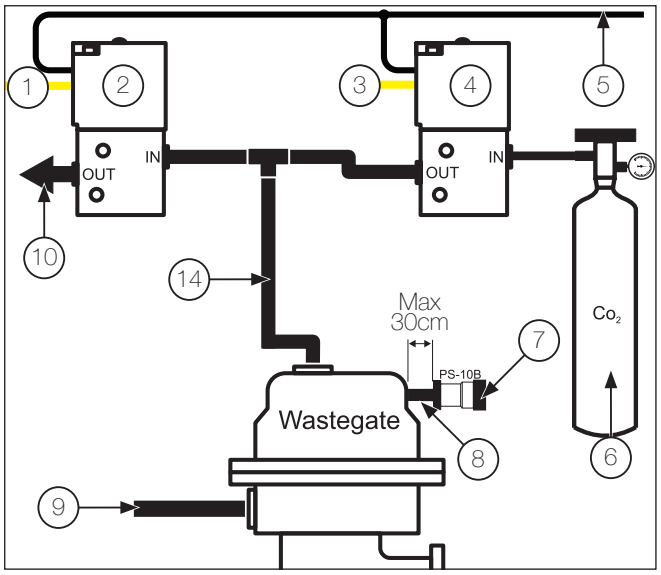


Diagram with 3 way Valve

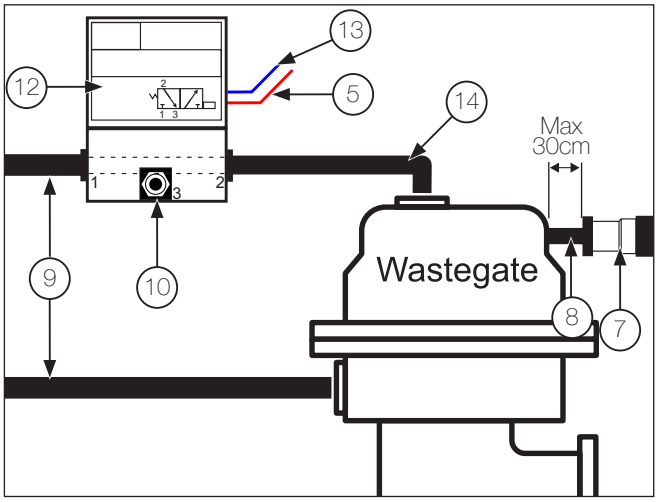
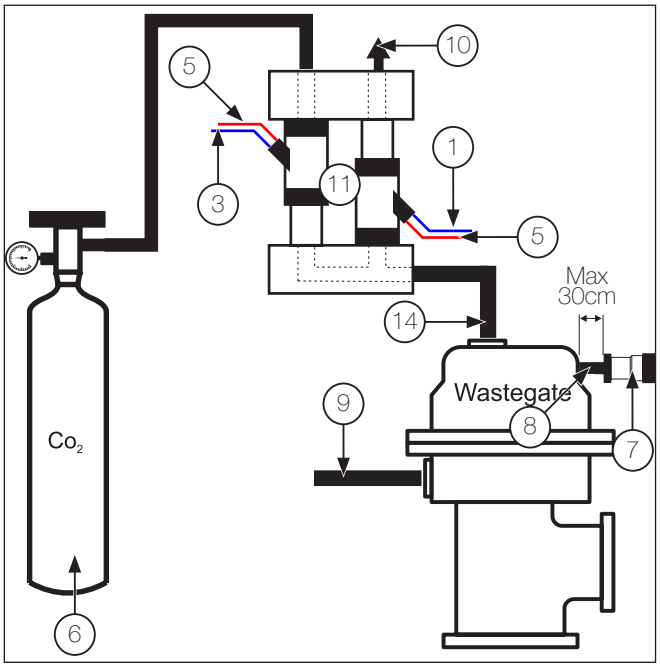
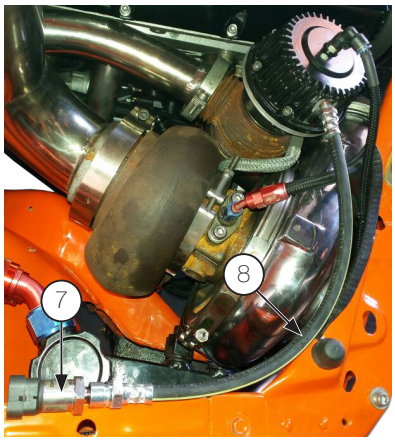


Diagram with injectors block





NOTE

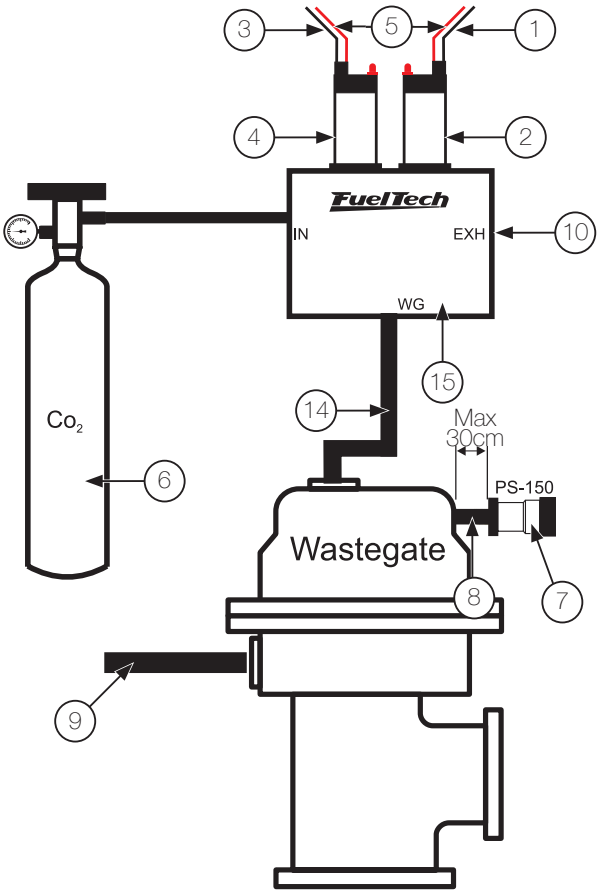
The pressure sensor (7) must be connected to the top of the wastegate with a hose (8) with a maximum length of 1ft. It prevents damage to the pressure sensor caused by vibration.

IMPORTANT

- The pressure sensor must be installed on an exclusive line, and not shared with any other connection, to avoid reading errors.

- For the correct operation of the system, use only FuelTech PS sensors line: PS-150, PS-300, etc.

Diagram with FT dual valve block

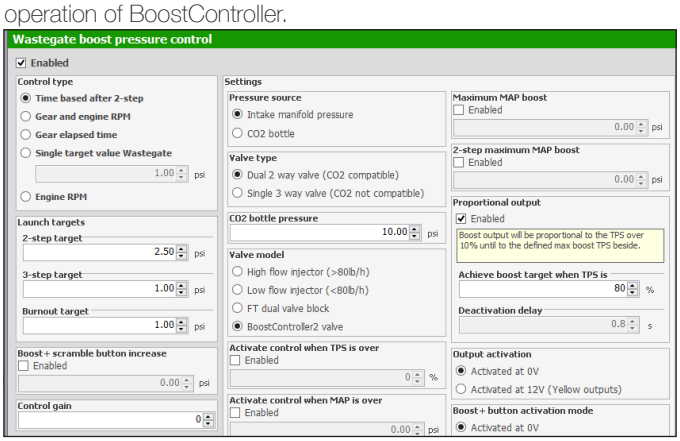


IMPORTANT

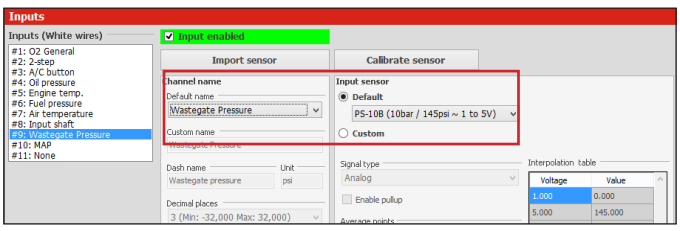
Use a PS150 pressure sensor connected to any white input. Setup as “Wastegate pressure”.

FTManager setting

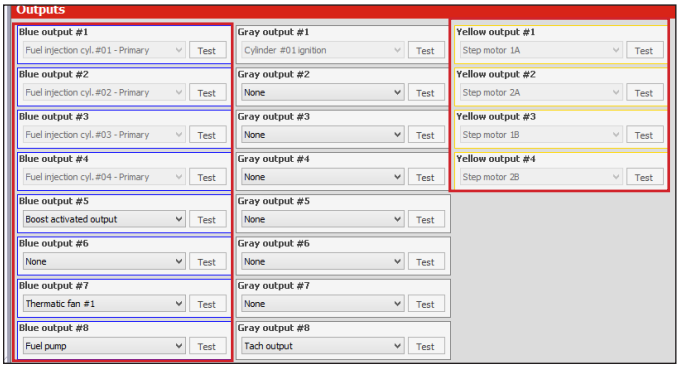
Through FTManager you can make all settings required for the operation of BoostController.



Set the input for the pressure sensor as PS-10B, PS-20B, PS-150 and PS-300 or BoostController2 MAP. In FTManager access the menu “sensors and calibration/inputs”.



Set the outputs of the increase and decrease solenoid valves.



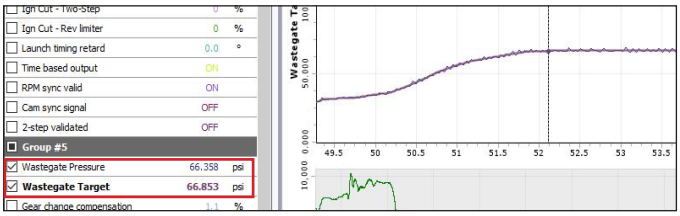
NOTE

It is recommended to use the yellow or blue outputs for connecting the solenoids.

IMPORTANT

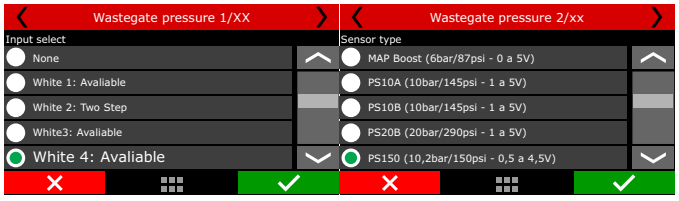
Avoid using different color outputs for solenoids. Use two yellow outputs or two blue outputs.

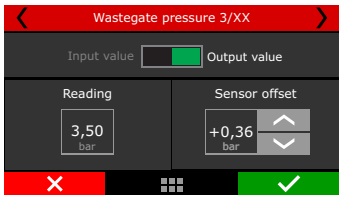
In datalogger you can configure the channels for monitoring BoostController pressure.



FT500 Input setting

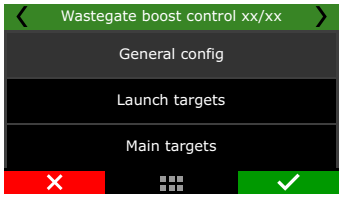
In the "Sensors and calibration" menu select the "Wastegate pressure", after this set the associated input and the sensor type used.





FT500 setting

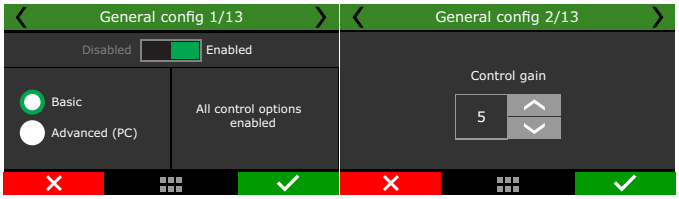
In this menu should inform the BoostController its basic settings.



Basic: You can access all control settings through the FT500 screen.

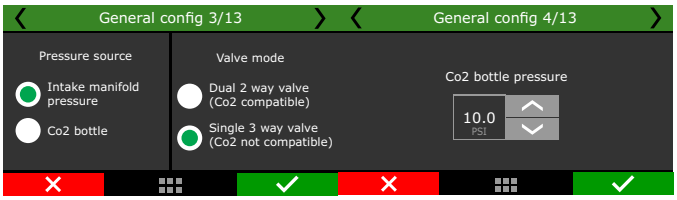
Control gain: Adjust the control gain according to the valve response. If it is taking to achieve the target it is necessary to increase the gain, if it overshoots the target it is necessary to reduce this value.

Advanced (PC): Some settings are available only in FTManager software.



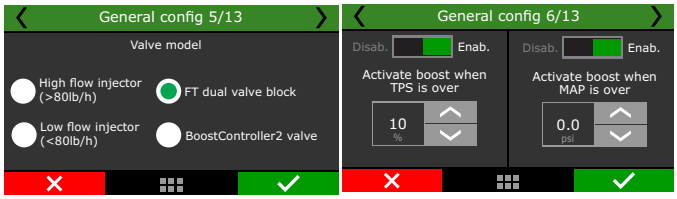
Pressure source: In the BoostController configuration will be necessary to inform what is your source of pressure: intake manifold or CO2 bottle.

When using a bottle, an industrial pressure regulator is required, limiting the line pressure according to the desired configuration. Two manometers must be used, one before the regulator indicating the pressure in the bottle and the other after the regulator showing pressure in the line.



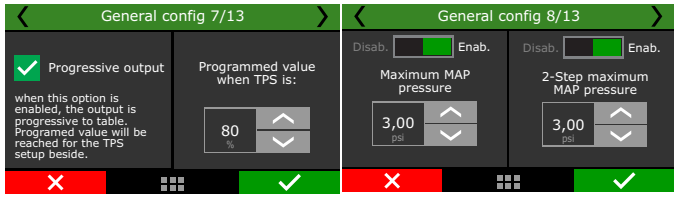
Valve model: You can choose which valve type will be used, high or low flow injectors, FuelTech 2 valve block or BoostController2 solenoid.

You can set a minimum value for BoostController activation by TPS and MAP.



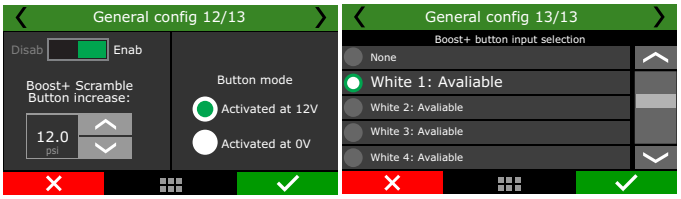
Proportional output: from 10% TPS the output is proportional to the map. The programmed pressure is reached when the TPS reaches the value set.

MAP maximum pressure and MAP maximum pressure on 2-step: Allows to set a MAP maximum pressure during 2-step and out of the 2-step. This function will not adjust the MAP pressure according to a target and will make the pressure bounces around the target. This maximum pressure must be used only as a safety feature to prevent overboost.



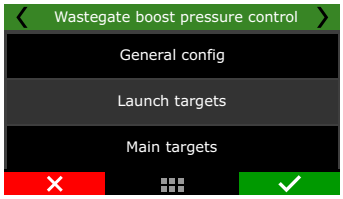
Output activation: the output can be triggered at 0V or 12V. Set the solenoid trigger output

Boost+ button: Increases boost pressure while is switched on.



Launch targets

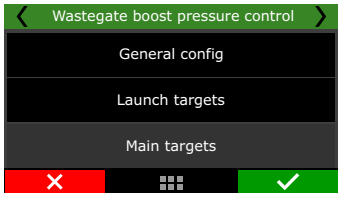
Defines the target pressure at the top of the valve in 2-step, 3-step and burnout mode.



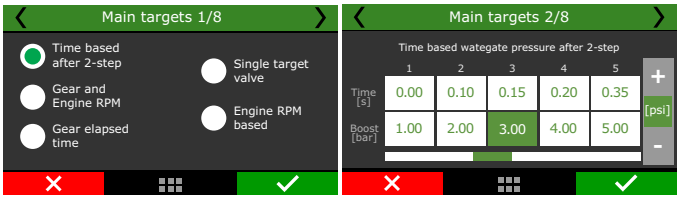
2-step target: Set the target pressure during 2-step.
3-step target: Set the target pressure during 3-step.
Burnout target: Set the target pressure during burnout mode.

Boost maps

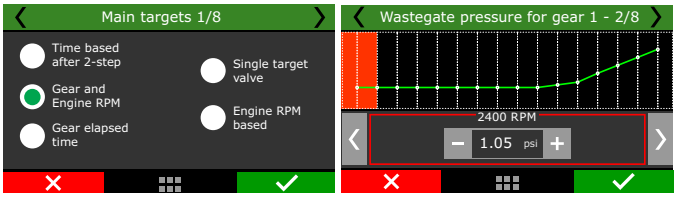
In this function you can set modes of boost maps by time after 2-step (single-stage), by gear and engine RPM (a stage for each gear), by gear elapsed time (a stage by each gear) and single value target.



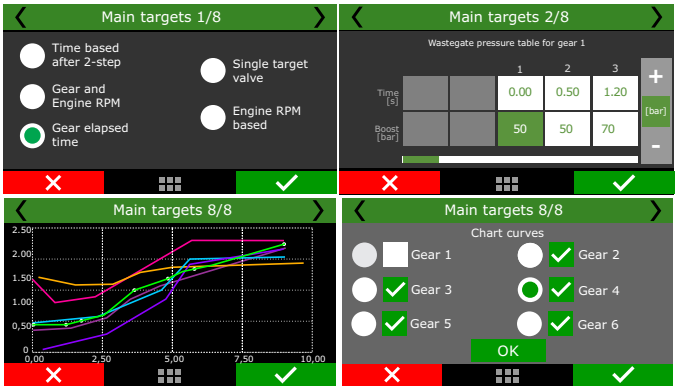
By time after 2-step: Allows a detailed ramp up to 32 time points. The intermediate values are interpolated.



By gear and engine RPM: set up a stage for each gear, with up to 8 points per engine RPM. It is necessary that the gear change detection function is enabled. It does not depend on 2-step.

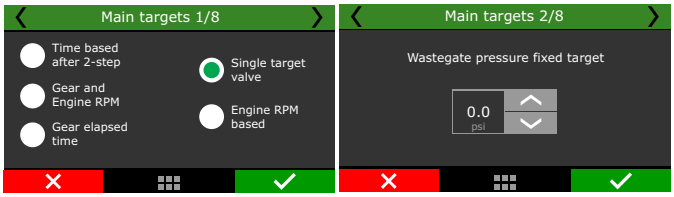


By gear elapsed time: Set up a stage for each gear, with up to 8 time points after the shift.

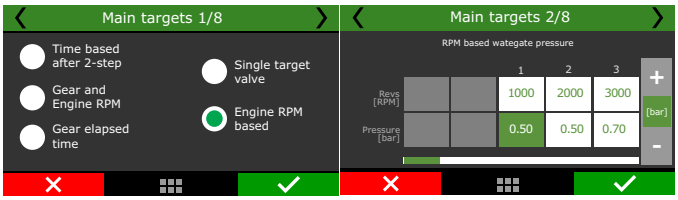


Single target value: Sets a fixed pressure for BoostController. The wastegate valve will always work this pressure.

This mode is recommended for dynamometer tests.



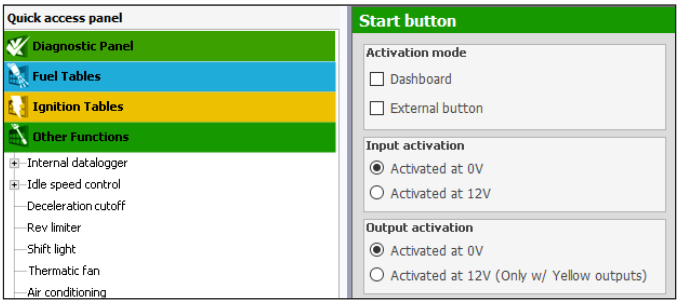
By engine RPM: Adjust the wastegate pressure according to the engine RPM only.



19.18 Start button

This function allows the control of the vehicle's starter motor through an output(blue, gray or yellow wires) and an input wire(white wire) or through the FT screen.

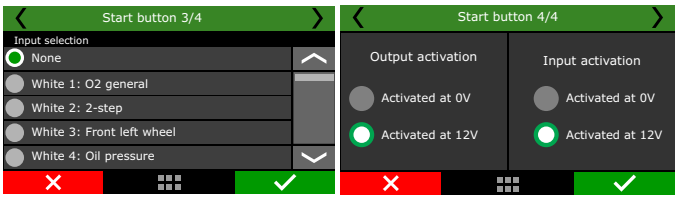
Select whether you want to start the engine through the FT LCD screen (must setup the “start button” item on the FT dashboard)or through an external switch.



If Dashboard is chosen, the starter motor remains engaged while the button is being pressed and until the engine RPM goes above the "RPM for engine start" (set in the engine setup menu). As soon as the engine is running, the function of the button on the dashboard is now changed to "turn the engine off" when pressed(by cutting fuel and spark).

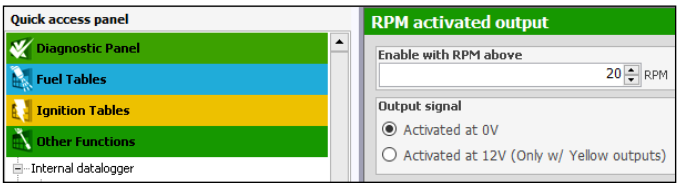
When external switch is selected, chose whether the input is activated when it receives 0V (ground) or 12V.

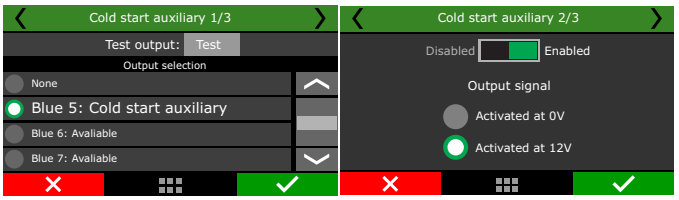
The output that activates the starter relay can be programmed whether to send 0V or 12V when activated.

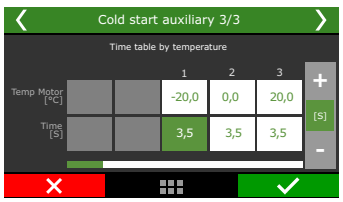


19.19 RPM activated output

This function allows enable output when the RPM is above a determined value.







19.20 Internal MAP sensor signal output

On this menu it's possible to set up an output to send the singal of the internal MAP sensor to another equipment like a Datalogger for example.

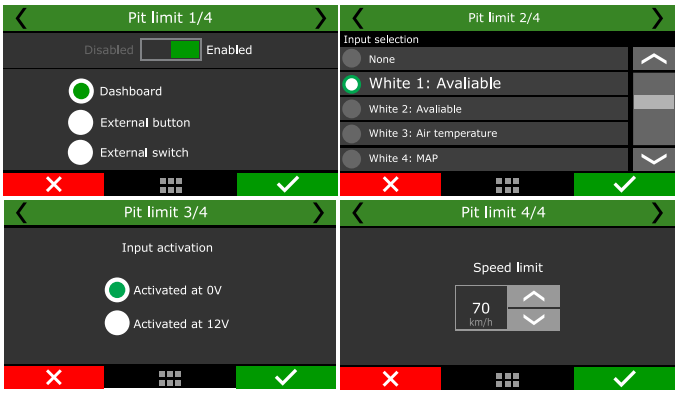
19.21 Pit limit

This feature limits the speed to a set value, it can be activated through a dashboard button, an external button or an external switch.

External button: will keep the function activated for as long as it's pressed, deactivating when the button is released.

External switch: When pressed, it'll keep the function activated until it's pressed again, the same applies for the dashboard button.

Both can be set up using a white wire or via CAN 2.0.

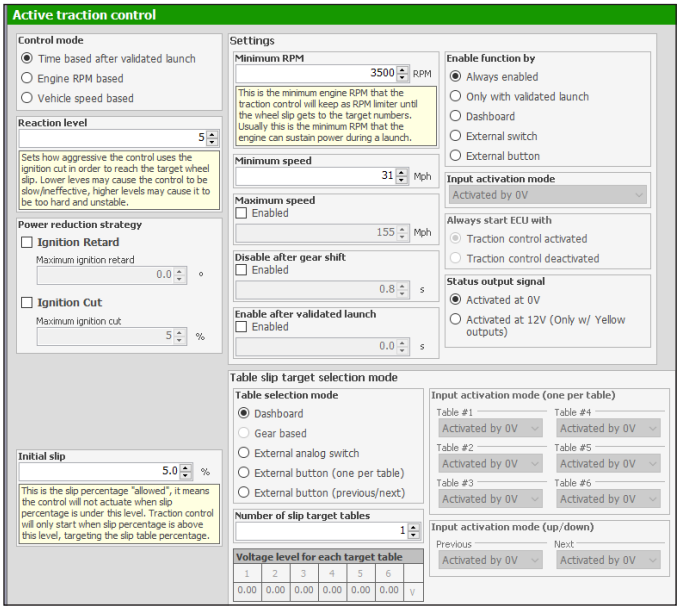


19.22 Active traction control

This function actively controls the vehicle traction by changing ignition timing and the electronic throttle to try to obtain the best possible traction on various track conditions.

NOTE

To use this feature, the vehicle must have at least 2 wheel speed sensors with speed differences between them.



Settings

On this menu it's possible to set up all the options regarding the traction control.

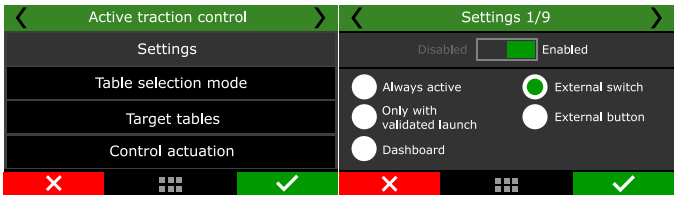
Always active: The control is always active and will function whenever the parameters defined in the settings are met.

Only with validated launch: the control will only function after a valid launch (when the settings for 2step are reached before launch)

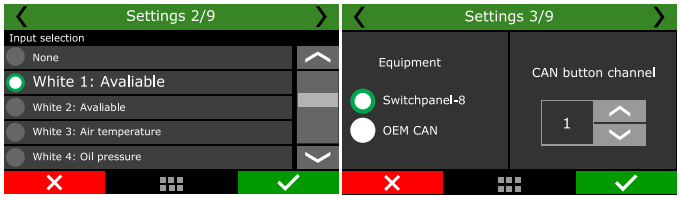
Dashboard: Activates the control through a button on the dashboard.

External switch: Activates the control though an external on/off switch.

External button: Activates the control while the button is pressed, deactivates when released.



If External button or External switch is selected, a white wire or CAN (Switchpanel-8 or OEM) must be set up.



After one of the activation options are selected, it's possible to choose whether the control will be enabled or disabled when the ECU starts.

Next the minimum RPM must be set, this is the lowest RPM the control will allow the engine to drop to, and below this RPM the control will not actuate.

The same principle is applied to the settings of minimum and maximum speed (of the reference wheel), the control will not actuate below the minimum speed or above the maximum speed.

There's also the possibility to deactivate the control right after a gear change is detected, allowing for some wheel slip during this set amount of time.

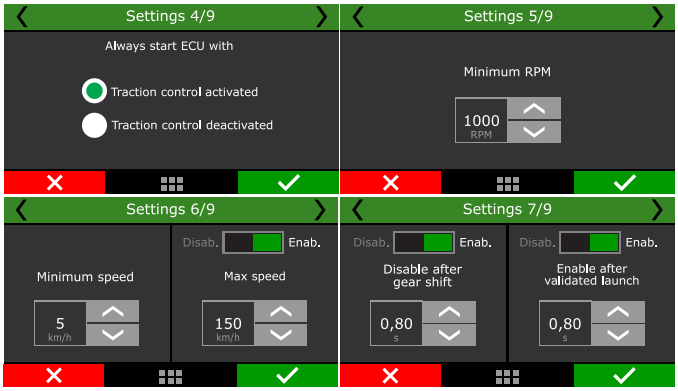


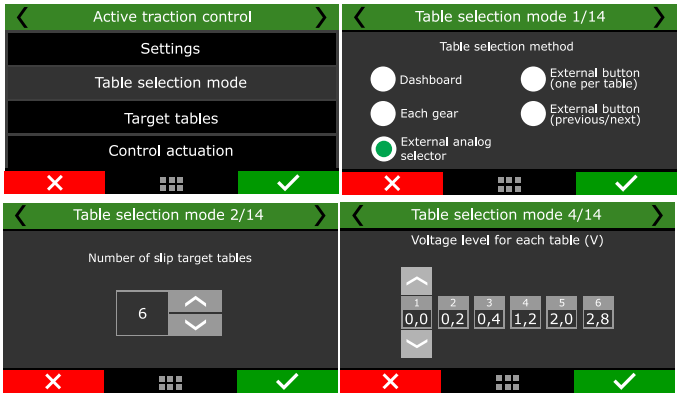
Table selection mode

Here it's possible to set the quantity of tables and how to select them.

Dashboard: When selected, a button must be set up at "dashboard setup" menu, this button will switch between tables.

By gear: When selected, the tables will be assigned according to the current gear. That being: first gear > table-1, second gear> table-2, and so on.

External analog selector: When selected, it's possible to use an external multi-position selector by setting the voltage level for each table.



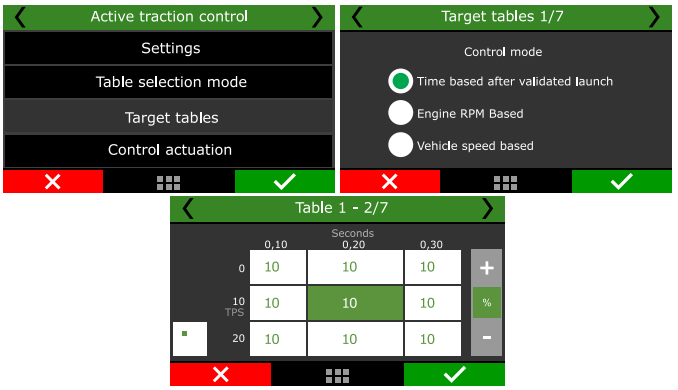
Target tables

The tables can be set up three different ways.

Time based after validated launch: creates a 6x16 TPS% by Time after validated launch, target slip table.

Engine RPM based: creates a 4x8 TPS% by engine RPM target slip table.

Vehicle speed based: creates a 6x16 TPS% by wheel speed target slip table.



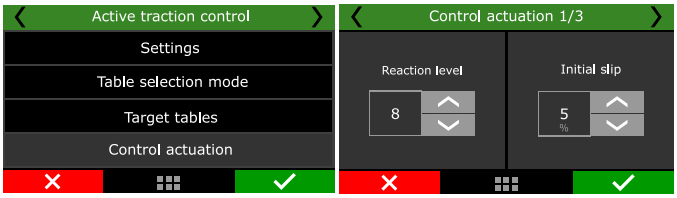
Control actuation

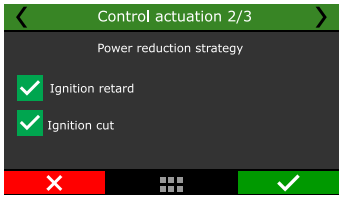
In this menu it's possible to set up how the traction control will actuate on the vehicle.

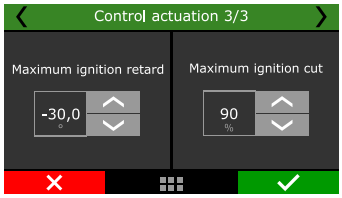
The reaction level can be set between 1(less agressive) and 10(very agressive), and it dictates how the traction control will actuate.

Initial slip is the minimum wheel slip allowed, this is needed when the vehicle launches to get the car moving easily.

The strategy of the traction control to maintain the slip target is to retard the timing first, and if the slip is still increasing it will start to cut the ignition too.

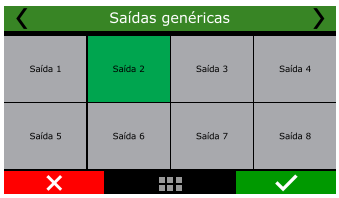


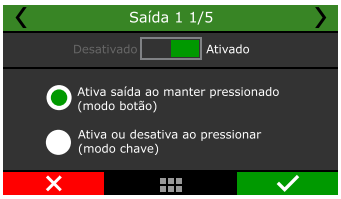


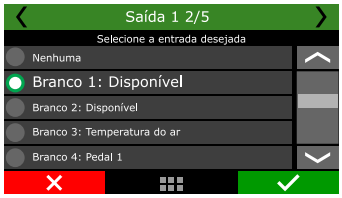


19.23 Generic Outputs

In this menu it's possible to set up to 8 different outputs for various uses like activating exhaust diverts, turn off alternators during drag races, and many others that require datalogging. These outputs must be activated by either an white input or via CAN with the SwitchPanel-8.



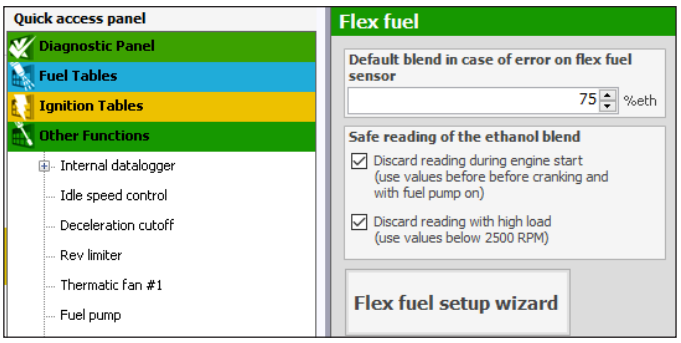


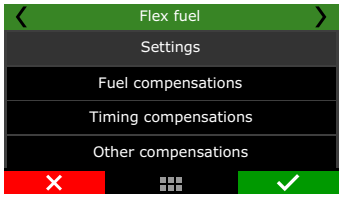


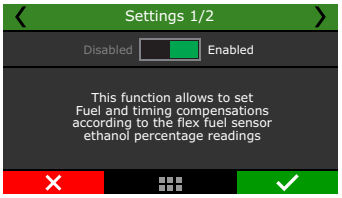
19.24 Flex Fuel

General Settings

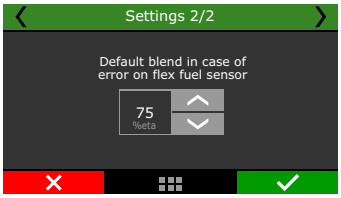
This feature allows the ECU to apply compensations on fuel, ignition timing and BoostController, based on ethanol content reading by using a Flex Fuel Sensor on the fuel lines.







If the sensor is disconnected or there's a malfunction, the ECU will use the compensations based on this blend.



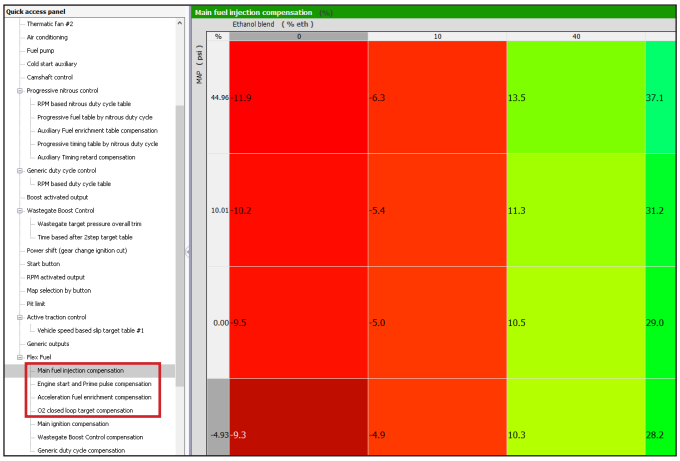
Main fuel injection compensation

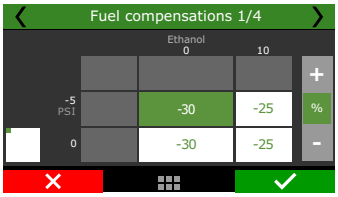
The main fuel injection table works real time over the main fuel map, compensating the fuel need according to the ethanol percentage in the tank.

One of the axis on the table is ethanol percentage, the other is MAP or TPS (depend of main fuel table setting) and the amout of fuel to be added or subtracted must be placed in the table cells.

For a 100% ethanol mapped engine, as ethanol percentage decrease, less amount of fuel is required, so the values in the table will normally be negative.

For a 100% gasoline mapped engine, as the ethanol percentage increases, more amount of fuel is needed, so the values in the table will be positive.

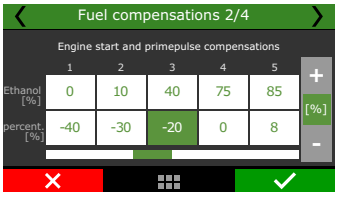




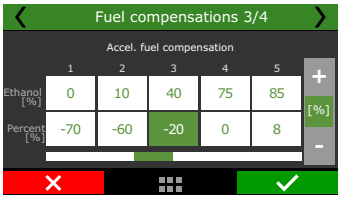
Prime pulse and engine start: Fuel percentage compensation table for prime pulse and engine start according to the percentage of ethanol used.

Based on a ethanol tune, ethanol percentage decrease requires negative compensation to start the engine.

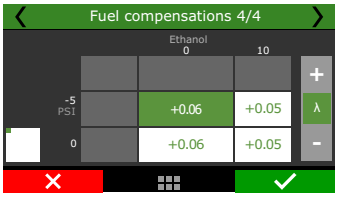
For gasoline based map, raising the ethanol level requires positive compensation to start the engine.



Acceleration fuel enrichment: Usually, ethanol engines require more acceleration fuel enrichment than gasoline tuned engines.

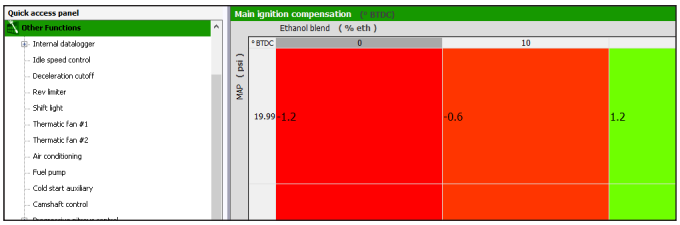


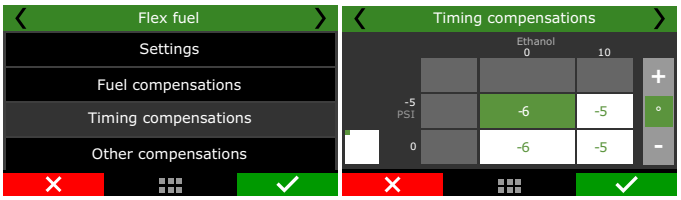
O2 closed loop target: Based on ethanol percentage and MAP or TPS (depending of main fuel table settings). All the values set on the table will be added or subtracted to the main closed loop table and interpolated according to engine RPM.



Ignition compensation

It is possible to apply ignition compensations depending on ethanol percentage, the table is also related to MAP or TPS reading. The values set in the table are in ºBTDC and are added to the ignition map, interpolating MAP or TPS with engine rpm to obtain the final value.

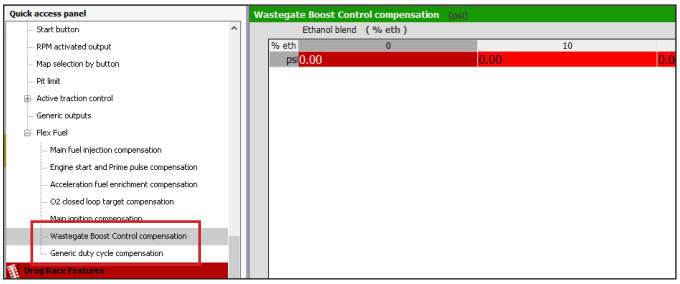


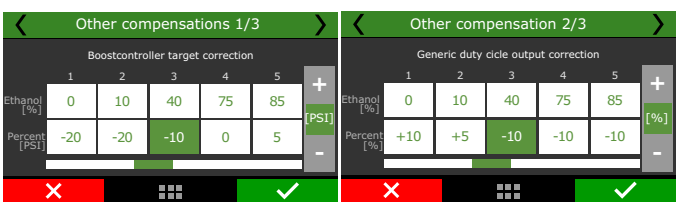


Other compensations

When the BoostController feature is enabled, it is possible to change pressure targets in the wastegate according to ethanol percentage, adjusting engine power to the fuel used. The values in the table are added or removed in BoostController function maps, even in cases of different pressures per gear, 2-step, 3-step, Burnout or Pre-Start target pressures.

When turbo pressure is controlled by generic duty cycle output, ethanol percentage can also change the pulse frequency that opens / closes the wastegate, adjusting the engine power to the fuel used. The value entered in the table is added to the original PWM curve of the map.





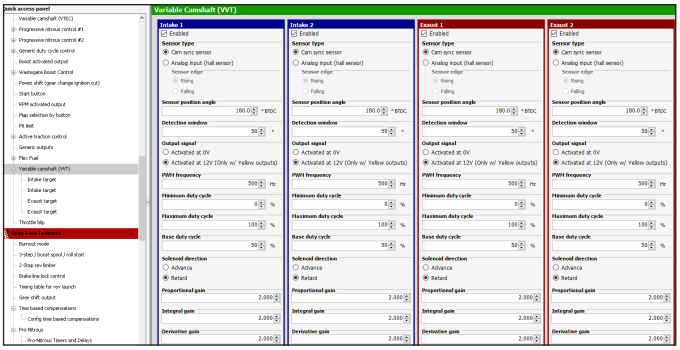
19.25 Throttle blip / Heel and toe

This feature will blip the electronic throttle when downshifting.

An input must be configured for it, and it's possible to configure a safe maximum activation timeout so there's no risk of the throttle getting stuck open.

19.26 Variable Camshaft (VVT)

This feature allows independent intake and exhaust camshaft angle control according to separate target tables for both of them.

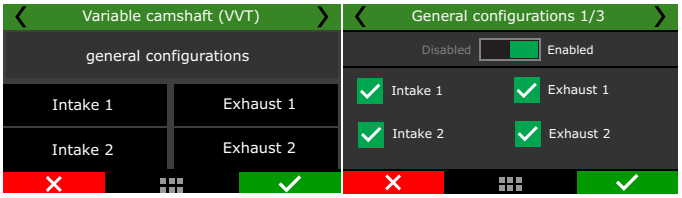


IMPORTANT

Check the physical limitations of your variable camshaft. In case this feature is improperly used, it may cause irreversible damage to the engine (valves hitting each other or the piston, specially when using aftermarket cams).

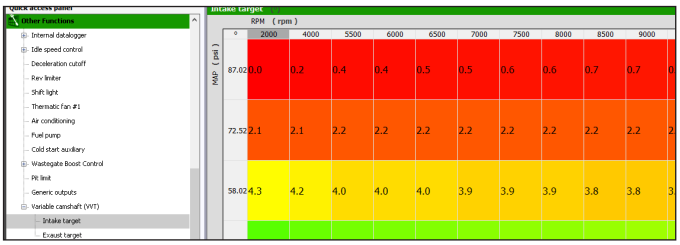
General configurations

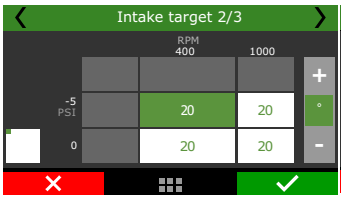
Selec how many variable camshafts are going to be used, it's possible to use up to four, 2 intake and 2 exhaust.

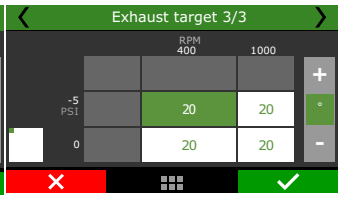


Fill out the target tables for intake or/and exhaust. The values are shown in degrees, in relation to cam sync position sensor

Example: If the sensor is at 45°, and there's a value of 10° in the table, the camshaft will be mode to 55°.





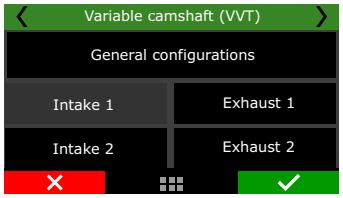


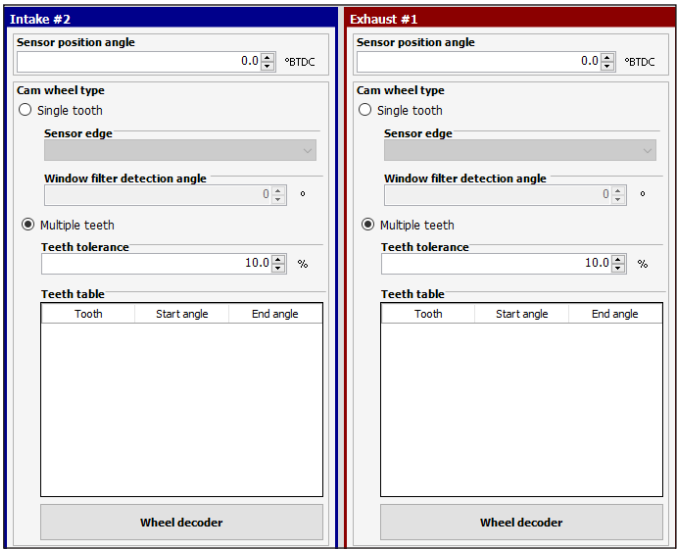
Camshaft sensors

Here the parameters for all the camshaft sensors to be controlled are input.

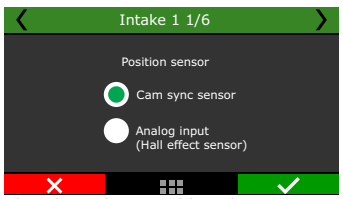
NOTE

The screens shown here are for intake 1. The procedure is the same for all other camshafts.

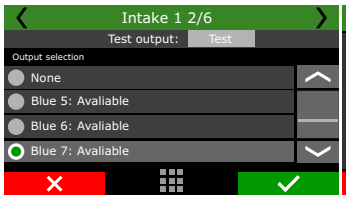


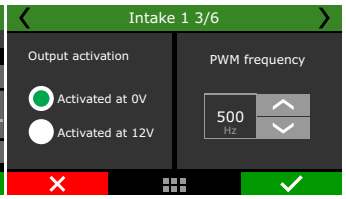


Sensor position angle: There are two options to get the signal: using a cam sync sensor on it's dedicated input or a hall effect sensor on one of the Analog inputs.



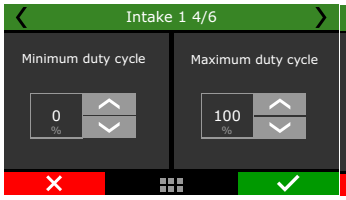
Select an output that is going to drive the actuator solenoid for the camshaft and how it's goingo activate, then select it's PWM frequency.

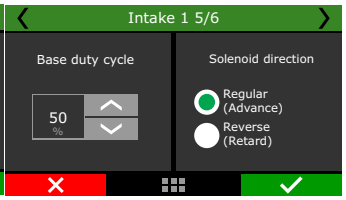




Insert the minimum and maximum duty cicles.

Adjust the base duty cyle percentage and it's direction of actuation.



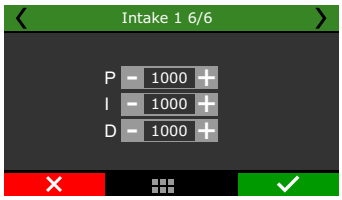


In the last screen the Proportional, Integral and Derivative values are set.

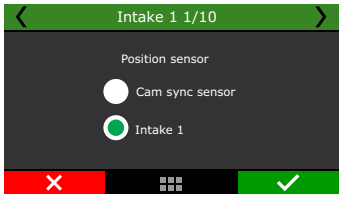
Proportional gain: How fast the control tries to reach the target.

Integral gain: Is the accumulated error over time, that should've been corrected, from the proportional gain in trying to reach the target.

Derivative gain: Smoothes out the approach and overshoot control around the target.



Analog input (Intake 1): Uses another cam sync sensor to manage camshaft position.



Cam wheel type

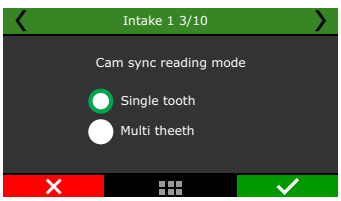
Single tooth: This option should be selected when there's only one tooth for reference.

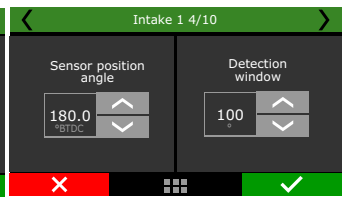
Multiple teeth: This option should be selected when there are multiple teeth for reference.

It's very important to inform the sensor position as this will be the reference for the target tables.

Example: If the sensor is installed at 100° and there's a 10° increment in the target table, the final angle will be 110°.

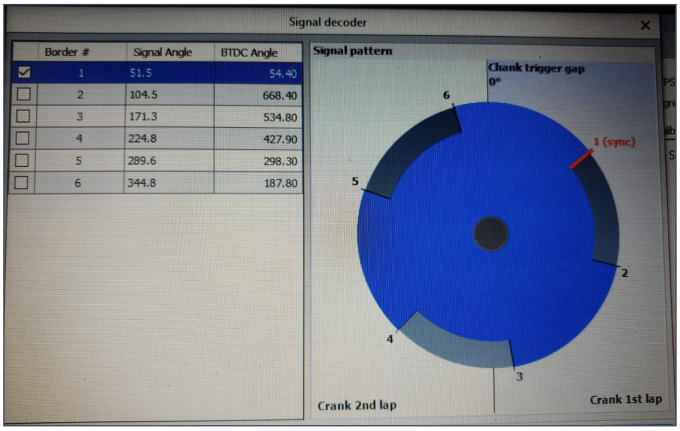
The detection window creates a range in degrees in which the ECU expects the signal, ignoring signals found outside of it.

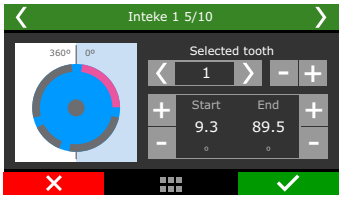




Wheel decoder

The decoder can be used either by just cranking or running the engine, it will automatically detect all teeth in cam sync wheel and draw the signal pattern, then one of the angles must be choosen as the sync reference.





Default configuration for 2JZ VVTi -

Intake #1		
	Single tooth	Multiple teeth
Sensor type	Cam sync sensor	
Output signal	0V	
PWM Freq	200 Hz	
Minimum duty cycle	0%	
Maximum duty cycle	100%	
Base duty cycle	75%	
Solenoid direction	Advance	
Proportional gain	1.500	
Integral gain	0.50000	
Derivative gain	0.020	
Camshaft sensors		
Sensor position angle	70.0 °BTDC	
Sensor edge	Rising	
Window filter detection angle	120°	
Cam sync wheel		
Sensor edge	Rising	-
Window filter detection angle	120°	
Cam sync teeth tolerance	-	30%
Cm sync teeth table	-	Use Cam sync wheel decoder button

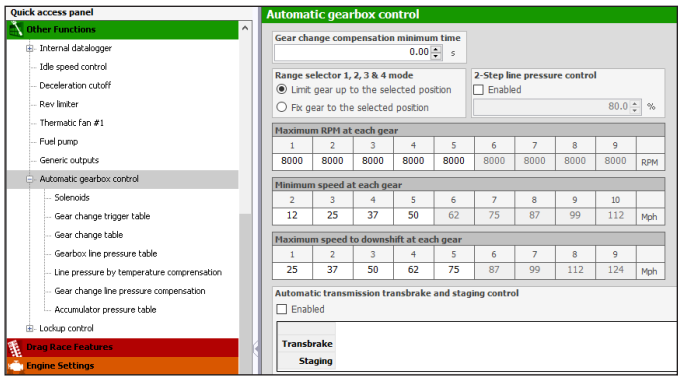
19.27 Automatic Transmission Control

This function enables the ECU to control automatic transmissions up to 10-speed gearboxes.

Based on speed maps and function settings, the ECU will automatically select the desired gear and it is able to interpret temperature, pressure and speed data from the original transmission sensors.

IMPORTANT

To use this feature and set it up properly, you need the electrical diagram of the transmission you want to control



General configurations

For a proper automatic transmission control it is necessary to set up which solenoids will be active for each gear and also the sensors that will feed the ECU with transmission oil pressure data.

The first step is to select which strategy will be adopted to control the transmission when the vehicle is running.

Limit the number of gears: In this configuration, the transmission will shift gears only until the last gear selected.

For example: When "3" is selected in the shifter, the transmission will only perform gear shifts among 1st, 2nd and 3rd gears.

Hold actual gear: Holds the transmission at the gear selected in the shifter.

For example: When "3" is selected in the shifter, the transmission will only run in 3rd gear, not performing any gear shift.

Configuration for the total oil line pressure during 2-step/Transbrake.

The next screen is dedicated to set up which solenoids will be activated.

These solenoids are responsible for engaging or disengaging the sets of each gear.

NOTE

This manual describes the configuration of solenoid 1. The emails must be configured following the same procedure.

Transmission pressure: Main solenoid that controls the transmission line pressure, responsible for maintaining or increasing the oil pressure when necessary.

Accumulator solenoid: Solenoid that controls the amount of oil sent to the accumulator, smoothing the gear changes.

The first step is to enable the solenoid and set up the output for the control.

This configuration must be made for all gears available in the transmission, for both upshifts or for downshifts.

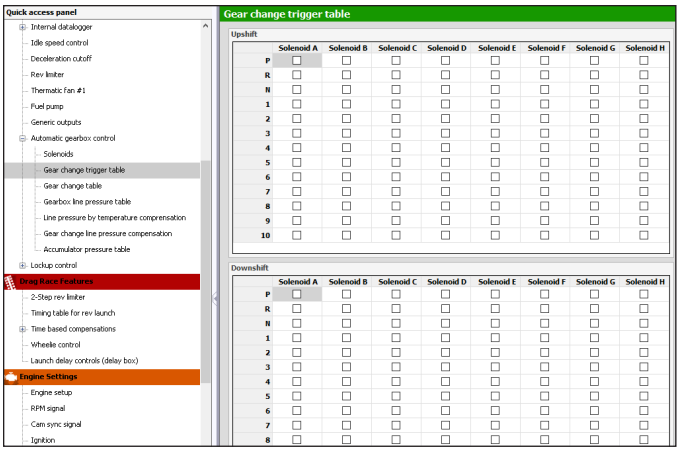
Triggering map (Gear)

This is where the automatic transmission programming is made. It is necessary to define which solenoids will be activated for each gear, for upshifts and downshifts.

Depending on the transmission model, it may be necessary to activate several solenoids simultaneously for certain gears. The number of solenoids may vary depending on transmission model.

IMPORTANT

This configuration is for gear changes and not Shifter position.



For example: To set up the 2nd gear, it is necessary to define which solenoids will be activated for upshifting from 1st and for downshifting from 3rd.

NOTE

This configuration must be made for all gears available in the transmission, for both upshifts or for downshifts.

IMPORTANT

These triggering informations can usually be found on the electric and hydraulic diagrams of the transmission

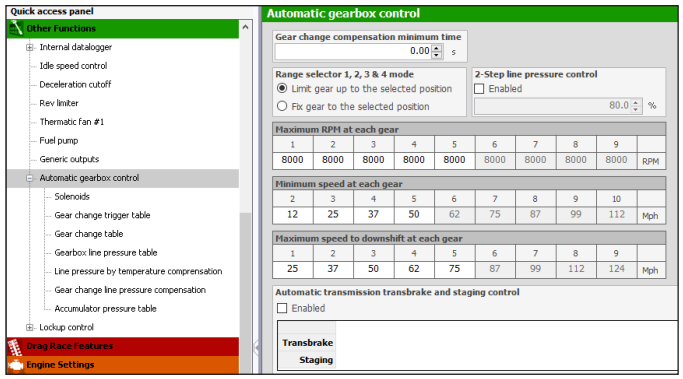
NOTE

On the majority of transmissions, both tables can be the same.

Triggering map (Transbrake / Staging)

This configuration creates a map for the vehicle when it's in Transbrake/ Staging mode, commonly used in drag racing. To activate this map, it is necessary to set up the table directly in the automatic transmission control function.

The setup procedure is the same as the one described for the gears. You just have to check the solenoids that will be activated for each condition.



Tables

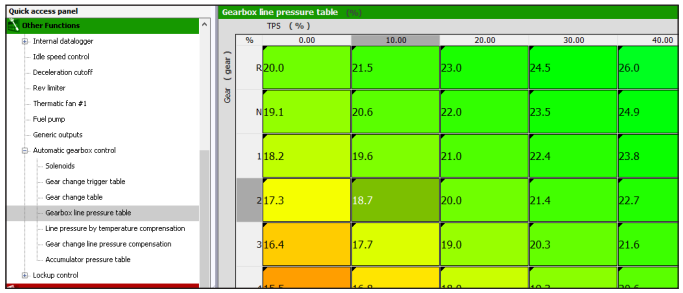
These tables will define the behavior in each gear and the changes between them. The main table is based on throttle position and the desired speed for each gear shift.

Maximum RPM in each gear: The maximum value allowed in each gear before shifting.

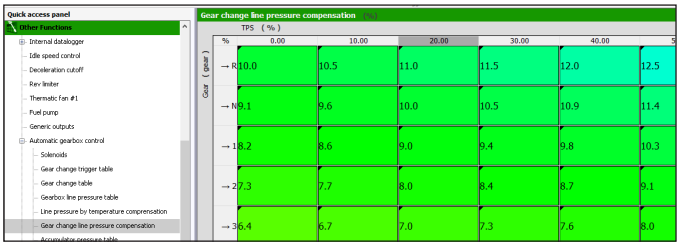
Minimum speed in each gear: Minimum speed that the ECU will hold the current engaged gear or deny a upshift.

This is the main table for the gear shift operation. You must set the speed according to throttle position for all gear shifts and the ramps built for each shift schedule will define the values for each upshift and downshift. It is recommended to always set the downshift values lower than the upshifts.

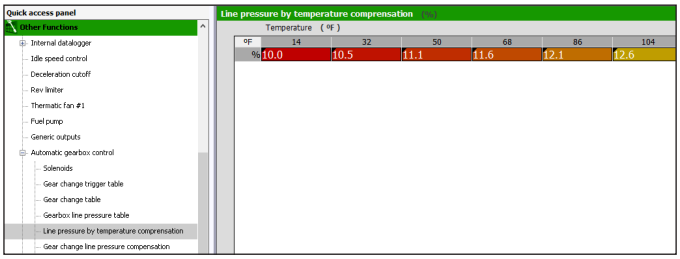
Gearbox line pressure: The transmission oil pressure will be given according to the percentage set up in this table. The pressure won't necessarily increase as the percentage increases, depending on the transmission electrical system.



Line pressure compensation: This table allows the easy percentual addition or reduction of oil pressure over the main table.

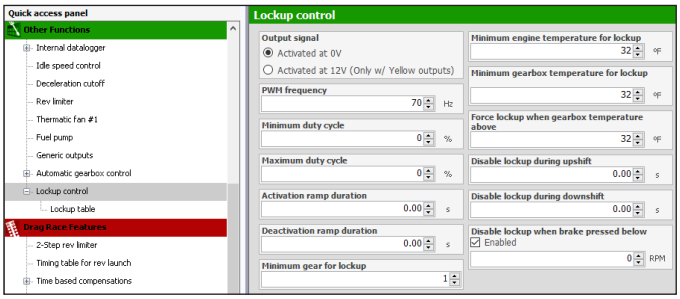


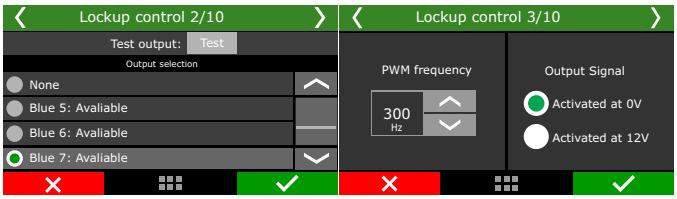
Line pressure by temperature compensation: This table allows the ECU to make percentual compensations for oil pressure according to the oil temperature, helping the transmission to reach its operating temperature quickly.

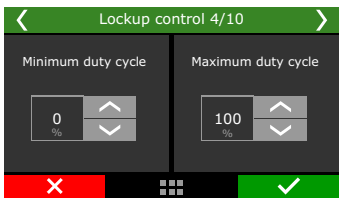


19.28 Lockup Control

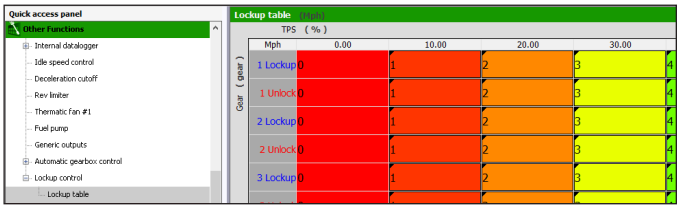
This function allows the ECU to manage the slip percentage of the torque converter in automatic transmissions. To use this function it is necessary to set up the solenoid in a blue, gray or yellow output and adjust its frequency.

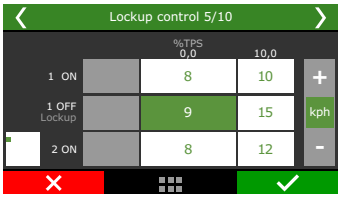




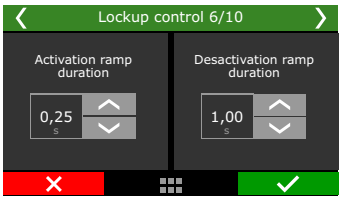


In this table you can set the speed and throttle position in which the Lockup will be activated/deactivated. The Lockup will be activated when the speed is higher than the value set and deactivated when the value is lower.





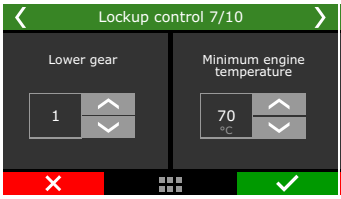
It is also necessary to setup the Lockup activation and deactivation ramps, so the system can operate smoothly.

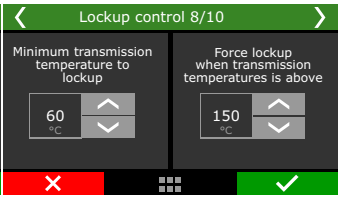


After the table is set up, it is necessary to adjust some Lockup control parameters, such as:

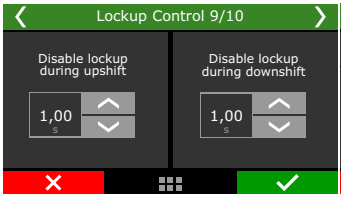
Lower gear: That is the lowest gear in which the torque converter will operate.

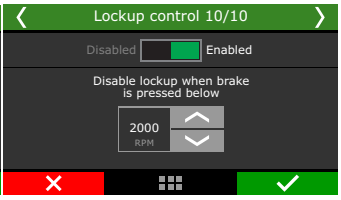
Temperatures: This option defines the maximum and minimum engine temperatures that will allow the torque converter to operate.





This last setting is applied for Lockup deactivation in conditions as manual gear shifting(paddle shifter) or when the brakes are applied below a certain RPM value.





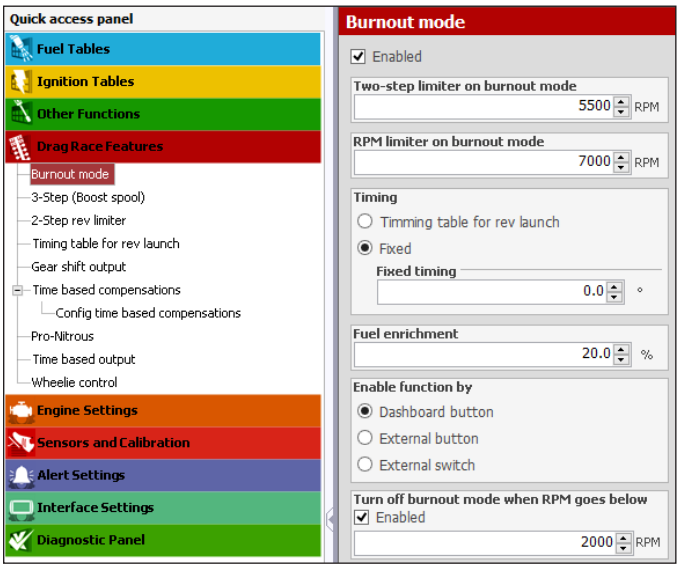
20. Drag race features

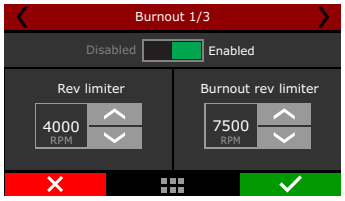
This menu gathers all options normally used in drag race applications. All the time based features start after releasing the 2-step button which indicates the moment when the vehicle launched.

20.1 Burnout mode

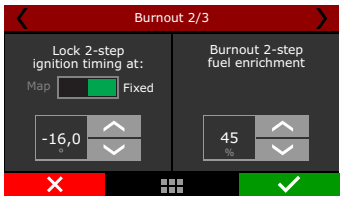
The Burnout Mode is a function used to facilitate the processes of warming up the tires and using the two-step.

When pressing the two-step button, the two-step function is activated.





When Burnout mode is activated, it disables the standard RPM Limiter, instead the ECU uses this RPM limiter as the engine's RPM limit.



But when the two-step button is being pressed, the value considered is the one set for the two-step parameter. The values adopted for ignition timing retard and enrichment are the ones configured on the two-step function.

There are 3 different ways to enable the burnout mode:

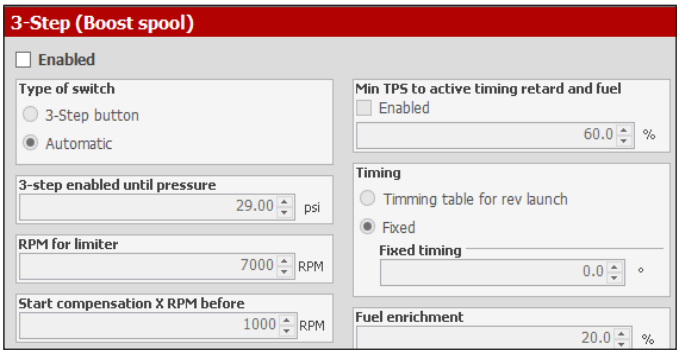
- by dashboard button: a touchscreen button in the FT500 dashboard enables the function.
- by an external button* - a white input is required. One click to enable and another to disable the burnout mode.
- by an external switch* - similar to the button, but in this case the function is enabled while the input is grounded.

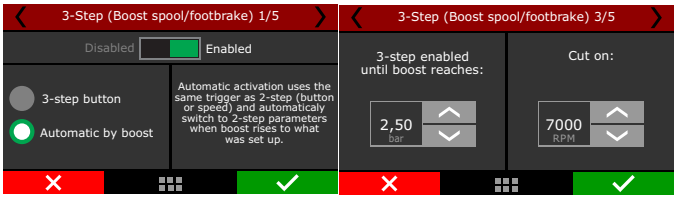
* In the FTManager, this setup is at "Sensors and calibration" - "Inputs"

The burnout mode can be automatically disabled by RPM. When the engine RPM is below an editable value. This option is not available for "external switch" option.

20.2 3-step (boost spool)

The 3-step is quite similar to the 2-step function, however, with proper parameters and even more aggressive to assist in the boost spool.

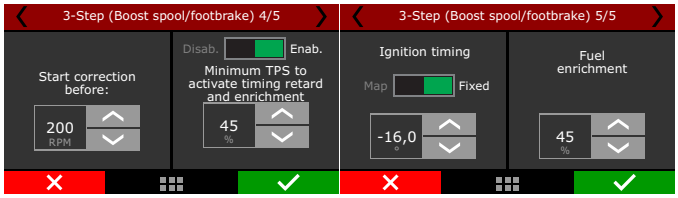




There are two ways to activate this function, one uses an external button (must use a white wire attached to a button, usually on the foot brake) and the other is through 2-step button.

In this case, you must press the 2-step button and the 3-step will be activated until the engine reaches a predefined boost pressure, at this point the 3-step will be deactivated and the 2-step will be activated.

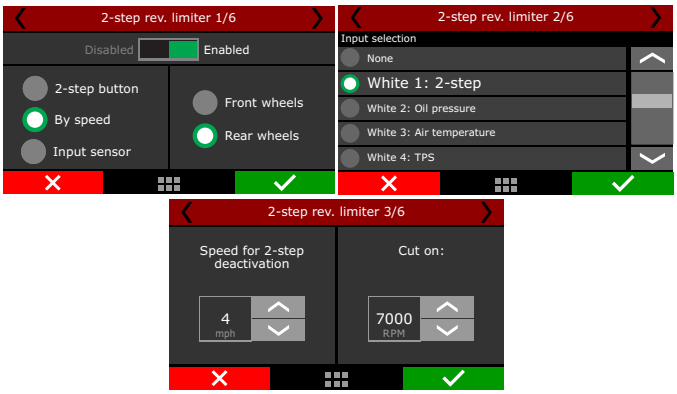
If using an external button to trigger the 3-step, when it is triggered simultaneously with 2-step button, the 2-step will prevail.



It is possible to start the 3-step mode before the RPM rev limiter and to set a minimum TPS value to activate it.

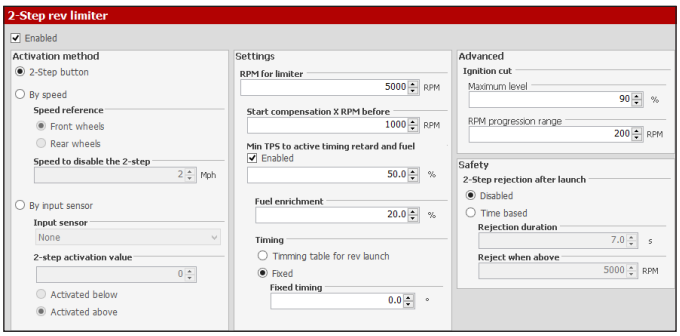
20.3 2-step rev limiter

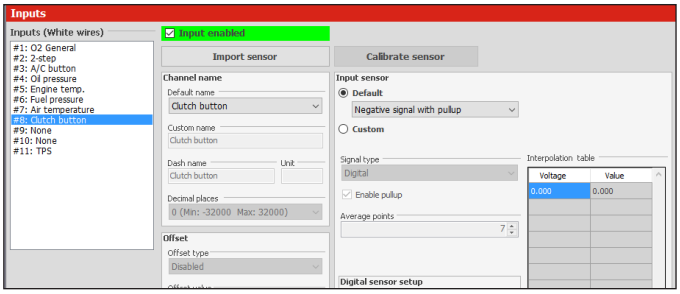
The two-step active with a retarded ignition timing, and a mixture enrichment given in percentage (also programmable).



When pressing the two-step button, usually installed on the steering wheel or driven by a launch control / transbrake switch, the system activates an ignition cut in a programmable RPM.

In the FTManager, this setup is at “Sensors and calibration” - “Inputs”





Clutch button: For an easier launch on vehicles using a clutch, it's possible to setup a button(on another white wire) that indicate its start of range.

Th use of a clutch button along with the 2-step, will allow the driver to define the launch with just the clutch pedal position.

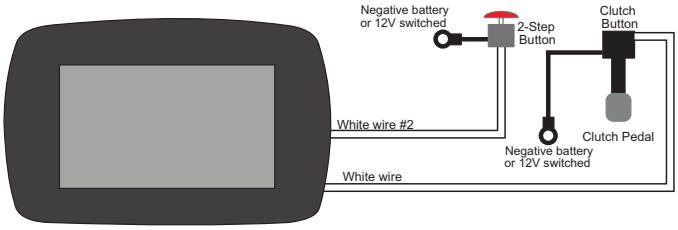
To do so, the driver must have the clutch pressed and press the 2-step button, after that, the driver can release the 2-step and the clutch button will be responsible for the launch, activating all the timed functions the exact moment the launch occurred. This procedure prevents the differences between the moment where the clutch and the 2 step button are released.

NOTES

- ***Nothing happens if the clutch button is activated and the 2-step button is not pressed.***
- ***The 2-step button will keep functioning normally, without depending on the clutch button.***

Clutch button wiring diagram

The clutch button must be wired to the white input that has been setup on the FT. The ground can be connected directly to the battery negative or the chassis/engine block ground.

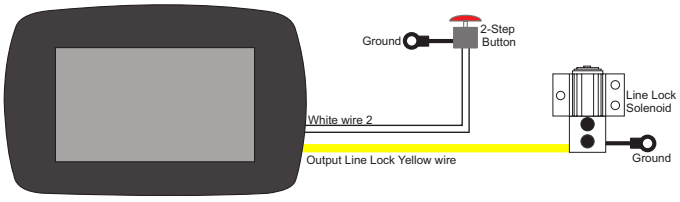


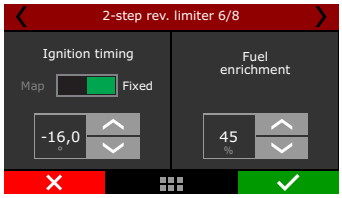
Line Lock wiring diagram

To activate the Line Lock, it's recommended to use an yellow output. The ground can be connected directly to the battery negative or the chassis/engine block ground.

NOTE

If the solenoid has a resistance below 4 ohms, it needs to be powered by a relay.





It is possible to set the ignition cut maximum level, that is the percentage of ignition events cut to keep the engine under the rev limiter.
The RPM progression range acts as a smoothing for ignition cut.

Example: rev limiter at 8000rpm, RPM progression range at 200rpm. From 8000rpm the ignition cut level will gradually increase until it reaches 90% cut at 8200rpm.
Percentages less than 90% may not keep the engine under the rev limiter. Bigger RPM progression range tend to stabilize more smoothly the rev limiter, but allows the RPM to pass the RPM set as rev limiter.

These numbers are valid to all kinds of ignition cut, with the exception of time based compensations (time based RPM and driveshaft RPM/ wheel speed) and 2-step. These features have their own parameters.
For inductive ignition systems it is recommended to use 90% maximum level and 200 RPM progression range. For capacitive system, like MSD, it is recommended to use 100% maximum level and 1 RPM progression range.

The parameter "Start compensation X RPM before" is used to start the timing retard and the fuel enrichment before the RPM for ignition cut.
The minimum TPS to activate timing retard and fuel enrichment allows the driver to hold the engine in the rev limiter without any compensation when not needed.

The time based compensations will only work after the realease of a valid 2-step. This means hold the 2-step button with more then 50% TPS or reach the rev limiter on time at least.

WARNING

When the 2-step is by wheel speed, its status can be checked through the first page of the Diagnostic Panel, since no 2-step button is being used.

A maximum electronic throttle opening can be set, allowing the driver to launch with the pedal to the floor while the ECU controls the maximum position of the throttle to aid in getting standardized launches.

To prevent the driver to activate the 2-step on a run, there are 2 safety parameters. Block 2-step by time or by RPM. This way, even if th driver press the 2-step button, it will not activate before the time slip or above the RPM.

When using the 2-step by an input sensor, you must indicate an above or below value which the 2-step must be considered active.

Active function tables

The following tables show what will be the active function with the 2-step and 3-step combinations

2-Step: Button	**3-Step: Button**	
Button 2-step	*Button 3-step*	*Active function*
Pressed	Pressed	3-step
Pressed	Released	2-step
Released	Pressed	3-step

2-Step: Button	**3-Step: Auto**	
Button 2-step	*MAP pressure*	*Active function*
Pressed	Lower than target	3-step
Pressed	Higher than target	2-step

2-Step: Speed	**3-Step:** *Button*	
Speed	*Button 3-step*	*Active function*
Lower than target	Released	2-step
Lower than target	Pressed	3-step
Higher than target	Pressed	3-step

2-Step: Speed	**3-Step: Auto**	
Speed	*MAP pressure*	*Active function*
Lower than target	Lower than target	3-step
Lower than target	Higher than target	2-step

2-Step: Sensor	**3-Step: Button**	
Sensor	*Button 3-step*	*Active function*
Active condition	Released	2-step
Active condition	Pressed	3-step
Not Active condition	Pressed	3-step

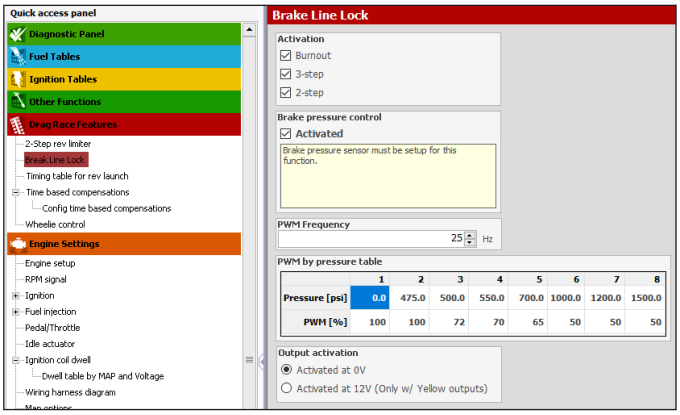
2-Step: Sensor	**3-Step: Auto**	
Sensor	*Button 3-step*	*Active function*
Active condition	Lower than target	3-step
Active condition	Higher than target	2-step

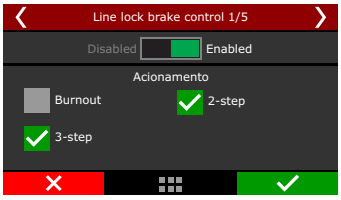
2-Step: CAN	**3-Step: Button**	
Button 2-step CAN	*Button 3-step*	*Active function*
Pressed	Pressed	3-step
Pressed	Released	2-step
Released	Pressed	3-step

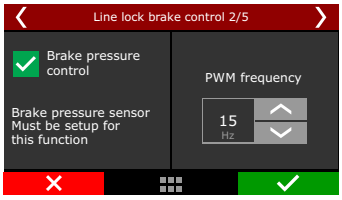
2-Step: CAN	**3-Step: Auto**	
Button 2-step CAN	*MAP pressure*	*Active function*
Pressed	Lower than target	3-step
Pressed	Higher than target	2-step

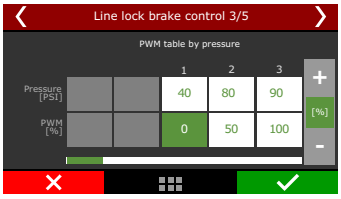
20.4 Linelock Brake Control

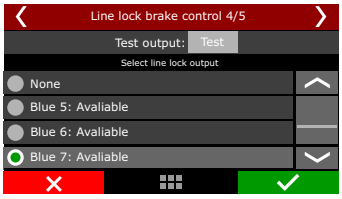
This function activates a solenoid that keeps the rolling wheels locked even when the brake pedal is released. For proper function configuration, define the solenoid PWM frequency and the PWM (%) by pressure table.

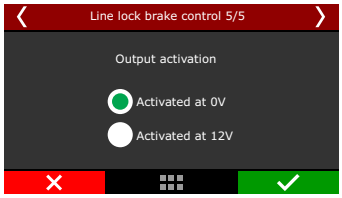






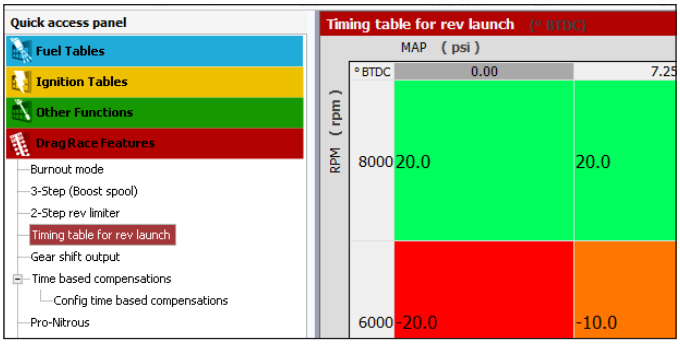


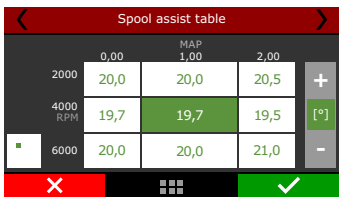




20.5 Timing table for rev launch

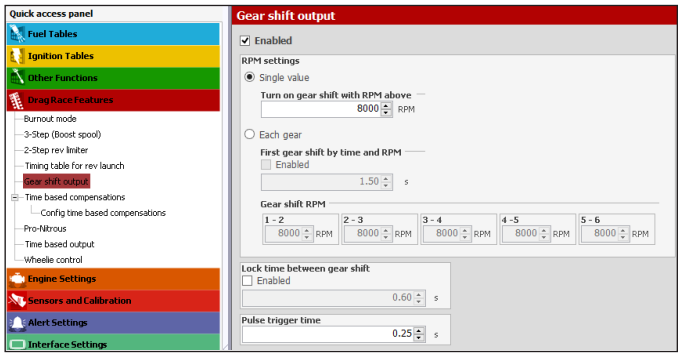
This timing table is only used for burnout mode, 2-step and 3-step. This is not a compensation table, but a table with absolute timing values, which ignores any other timing table or compensation.

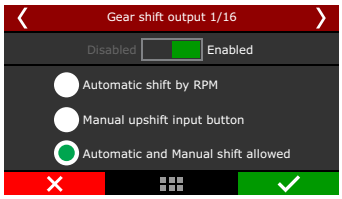


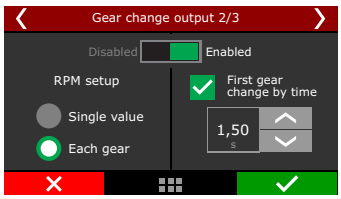


20.6 Gear shift output

This feature allows switching on an external solenoid to shift the gears. The activation strategy can be either by a fixed RPM value for all the gears or different RPM for each gear just like the shift light feature.





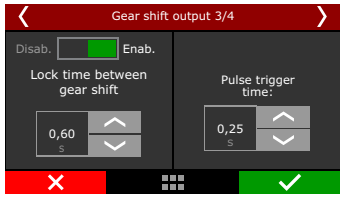


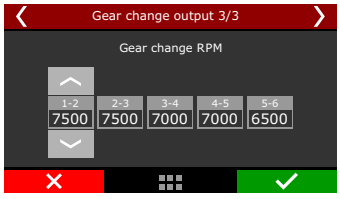
Select the desired output, all the outputs will be displayed, except the ones used for injection and ignition. In the FTManager, this setup is at “Sensors and calibration” - “Inputs”.

The gear shift by single value sends a signal every time the engine reaches the selected RPM. When using the each gear mode, each gear shift will be on its own RPM. To use this mode the gear detection must be activated.

The gear shift is enabled after the 2-step is released, so, after the last gear the 2-step must be activated again to perform the shifts again.

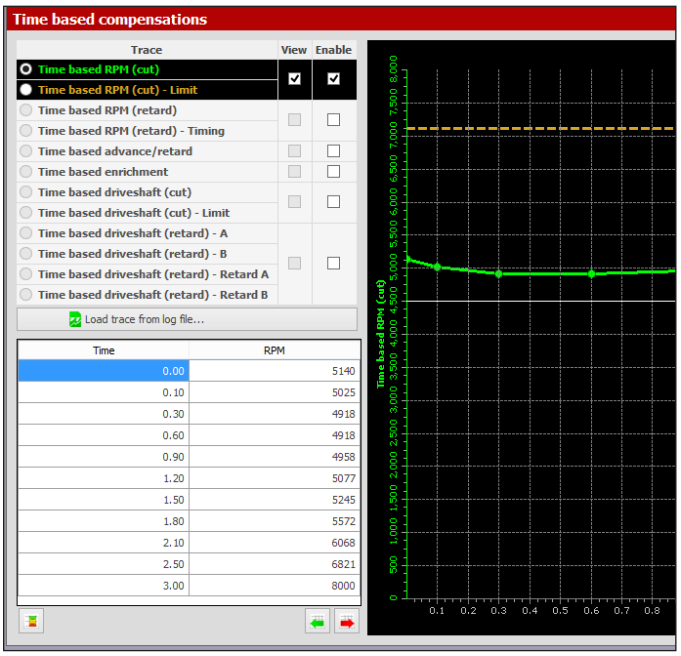
When selecting this mode, the “First gear shift by time and RPM” will be available. It allows the gear shift to be performed not only by RPM, but also by time. This means that there are 2 conditions (time and RPM) to be met to gear shift. It is not possible to use this control with automatic transmissions with more than one solenoid.





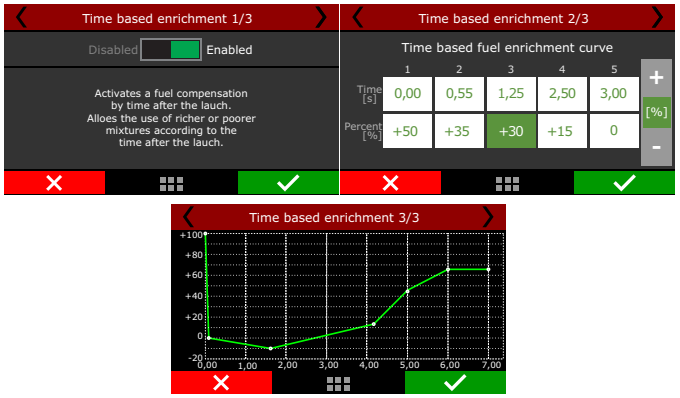
20.7 Time based fuel enrichment

Enables a time based fuel compensation that starts after the 2-step deactivation. This compensation is a time (seconds) versus compensation (%) feature. After you enter the table, a graph will be displayed.



Time based advanced/retard timing

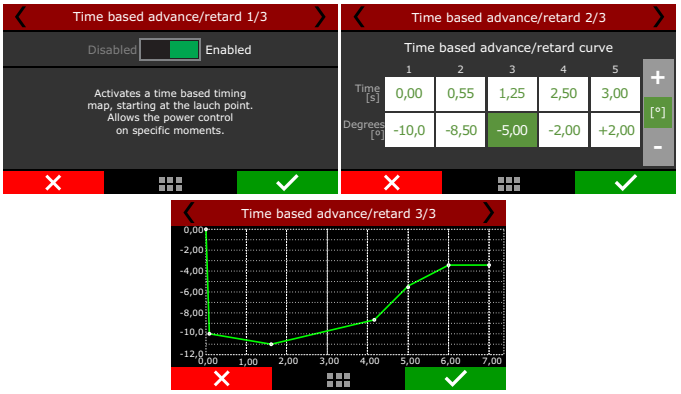
Enables a time based timing compensation that starts after the 2-step deactivation. This compensation is a time (seconds) versus degrees BTDC (° BTDC) feature. After you enter the table, a graph will be displayed.



Time based revolution limiter

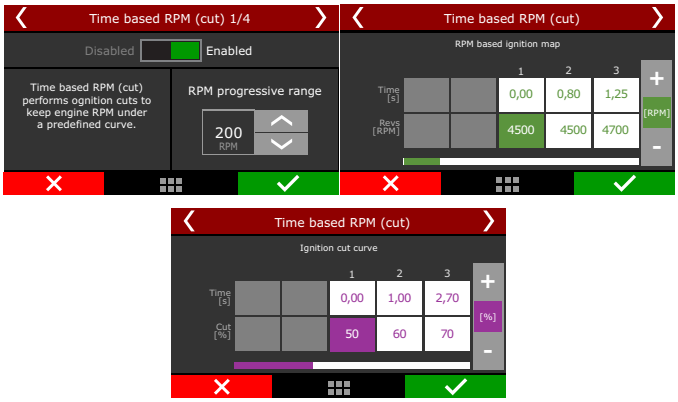
The RPM control is based on seven RPM and time points that can be determined as shown in the image above.

This function is frequently used in drag racing cars, because it makes it easier to control the vehicle, once it allows the traction to be recovered through an ignition cut ramp.



Time based speed (cut)

This feature is the same as the time based RPM (cut) but instead of using the engine RPM, it uses the wheel speed or the driveshaft RPM.



It will perform ignition cut to keep the wheel speed/driveshaft RPM under a predefined curve.

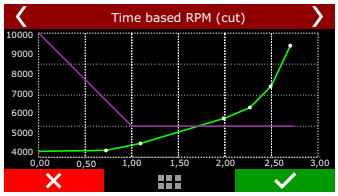
The "Time based RPM (cut) - Limit" is the maximum level, which means the percentage of ignition events that will be cut to keep the engine under the rev limiter.

The RPM progression range acts as a smoothing for ignition cut.

Example: rev limiter at 8000rpm, RPM progression range at 200rpm. From 8000rpm the ignition cut level will gradually increase until it reaches 90% cut at 8200rpm.

Percentages less than 90% may not keep the engine under the rev limiter. Bigger RPM progression range tend to stabilize more smoothly the rev limiter, but allows the RPM to pass the RPM set as rev limiter.

For inductive ignition systems it is recommended to use 90% maximum level and 200 RPM progression range. For capacitive system, like MSD, it is recommended to use 100% maximum level and 1 RPM progression range.

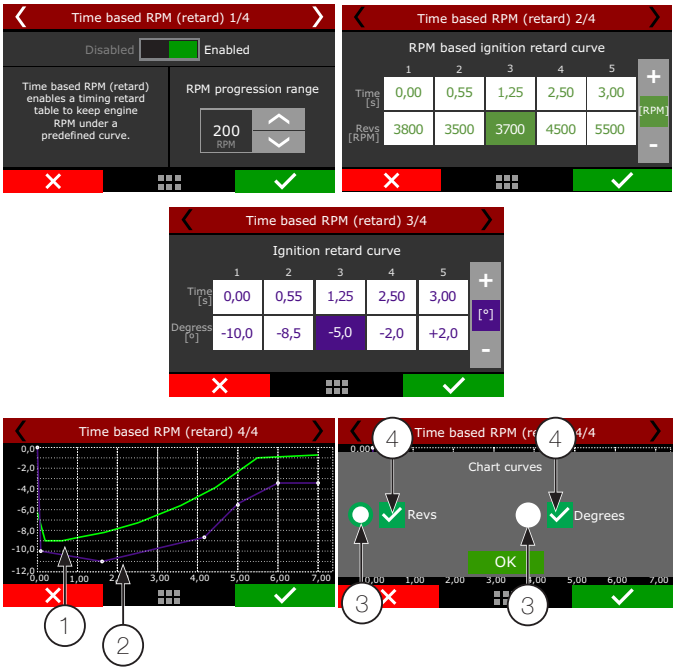


The last screen will show the graph.

Time based RPM (retard)

This feature is very similar to the time base RPM (cut), instead of cutting the ignition, it will retard the timing, to have a smoother way to control power and torque to the wheels. The function starts after 2-step.

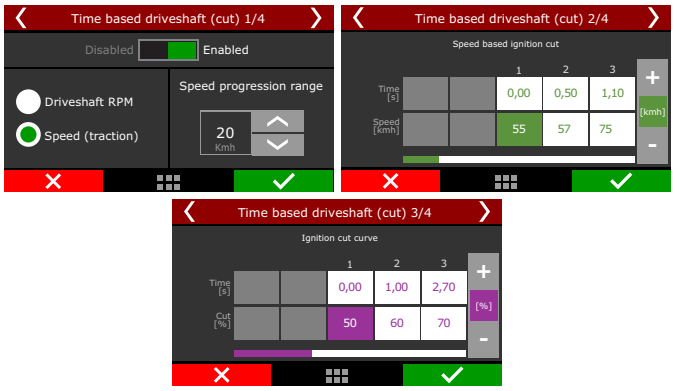
It is recommended to use this function together with the Time based RPM (cut) to have a better control of the engine, this way the control itself will be smoother.



1 - Green Speed curve;
2 - Purple speed curve;
3 - Buttons for chart selection that will be in the upper layer;
4 - Check boxes to enable or disable graphic display.;

Time based speed (cut)

This feature is the same as the time based RPM (cut) but instead of use the engine RPM, it uses the wheel speed (with a wheel speed sensor or by calculate speed) or the driveshaft RPM. It will perform ignition cut to keep the wheel speed/driveshaft RPM under a predefined curve. Generally speaking, this speed/RPM control searches to limit the wheel speed during the run.



The first screen will briefly explain how the feature works and it will ask what the speed reference is, if it is a wheel speed or drive shaft RPM. You must have a wheel speed sensor or a driveshaft RPM sensor enabled to use this feature.

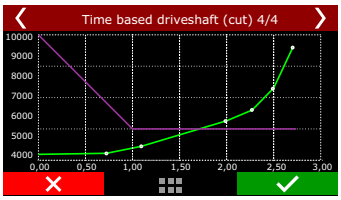
The first parameter to be set is the speed/RPM progression range, which is the Speed/RPM range from start the ignition cut to its maximum level.

A 10 Mph speed progression range means that if your control starts at 80 Mph, the ignition cut maximum level will be at 90 Mph.

The next screen is the wheel speed/driveshaft RPM versus time table. After the 2-step, every time the speed/RPM goes above the curve, the ECU will perform ignition cuts.

Percentages less than 90% may not keep the engine under the rev limiter. Bigger RPM progression range tend to stabilize more smoothly the rev limiter, but allows the RPM to pass the RPM set as rev limiter.

For inductive ignition systems it is recommended to use 90% maximum level and 200 RPM progression range. For capacitive system, like MSD, it is recommended to use 100% maximum level and 1 RPM progression range.



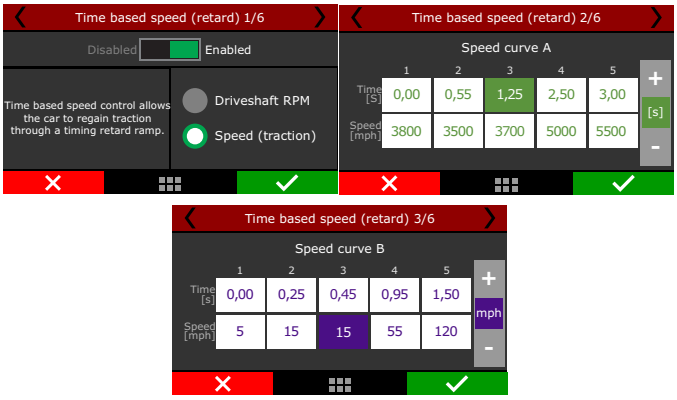
Time based speed (retard)

This feature reads the wheel speed (or the driveshaft RPM) and applies ignition compensation, according to the two RPM curves (A and B) to control launch.

The basic idea is to retard the ignition timing, reducing power to the wheels. When the wheel speed reaches the programmed in the “speed curve A”, the ECU starts the programmed retard in the “delay curve A point”.

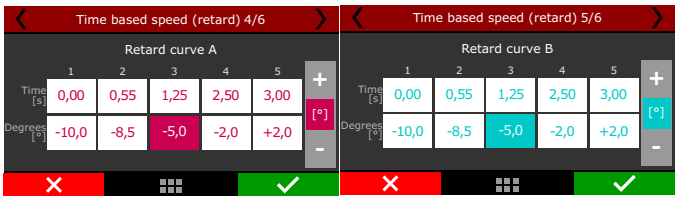
As the speed increases, and goes toward the curve “B” speed, the retard applied to the timing (that is interpolated between the two retard curves) is incremented. Thus, if the initial retard made by curve A is not sufficient to hold the speed of the vehicle, the retard will increase as much as the RPM increase.

In cases where the speed/RPM exceeds the limits of the curve “B”, the maximum retard (entered in curve B) will be applied.

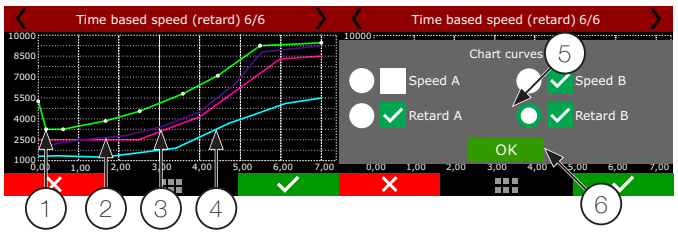


The first screen allows to select the speed/RPM reference (wheel speed or driveshaft RPM). You must have a wheel speed sensor or a driveshaft RPM sensor enabled.

The next screens will show the speed/RPM curves A and B.



After this, the ignition retard curves A and B



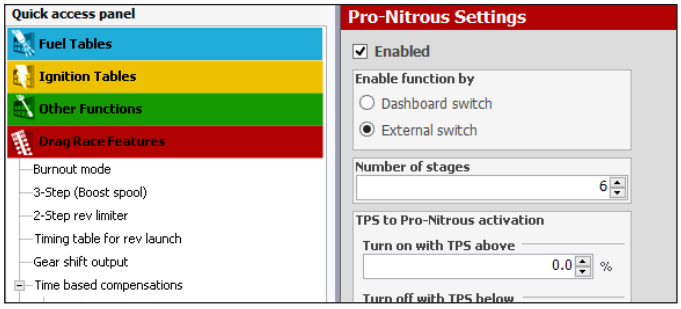
1 - Green speed curve A;
2 - Purple speed curve B;
3 - Pink timing retard curve A;
4 - Blue timing retard curve B;
5 - Buttons for chart selection that will be in the upper layer;
6 - Check boxes to enable or disable graphic display;

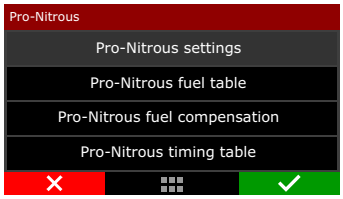
In the end, a graph will be displayed with all the curves (speed/RPM A and B, retard A and B)
Note that the speed and retard curves shown on the graph form speed and retard zones. They have the following characteristics:

- When below the curve A, there is no retard applied to the engine;;
- When the speed/RPM is equal to the programmed curve A, the ignition retard is equal to the programmed in curve A;
- For speed/RPM between the two curves, the retard is interpolated, in other words, the more the speed/RPM exceeds the curve A towards to curve B, the more retarded will be the timing;
- If the speed/RPM programmed is overcoming the curve B, the ignition retarded is equal to the programmed in curve B.

20.8 Pro-Nitrous

This feature controls up to 6 time based nitrous stages, with individual settings for each stage.



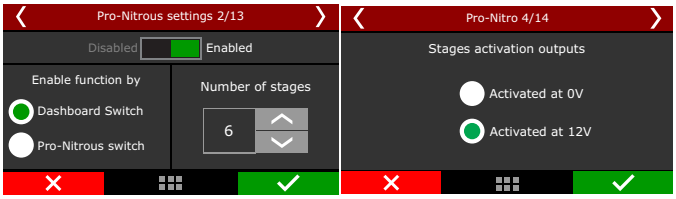


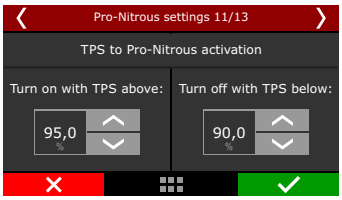
Pro-Nitrous settings

To active the Pro-Nitrous it is mandatory fulfil 3 requirements:

1. Active the Pro-Nitrous button (external switch in one of the white inputs or a dashboard button in FT500 display).
2. The elapsed time after 2-step cannot be more than 15s, otherwise Pro-Nitrous will not be turned on. In other words, the vehicle must launch in less than 15s after 2-step deactivation.
3. TPS must be above minimum configured.

With these 3 requirements fulfilled, the Pro-Nitrous stages will start and follow the configured time. The fuel and timing compensations will also start at this point. If any condition fail, the Pro-Nitrous is deactivated and FT500 will use fuel, timing and O2 closed loop main tables.





The first parameter to be set is the enabling mode:

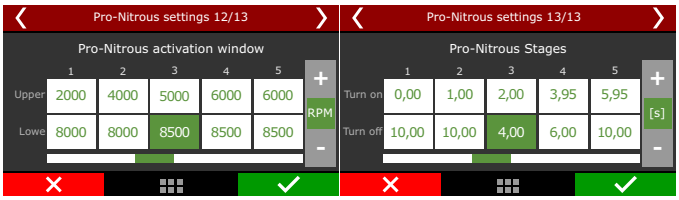
- Dashboard button: a touchscreen button in the LCD screen that can be found in the Dashboard settings menu.
- External switch: a white input must be used in an external switch. While the input is grounded, the Pro-Nitrous will be on.

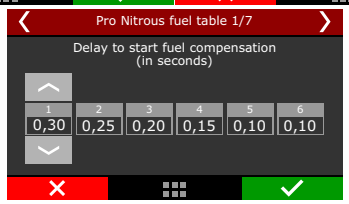
FuelTech FT500 allows firing the solenoids by switching 12V or 0V (ground), which must be setup in the grays or yellow outputs.
All the Pro-Nitrous inputs and outputs can be set both by touchscreen or FTManager, in the “Sensor and calibration” menu.

Pro-Nitrous has two different TPS limits. One limit is to turn on with a minimum TPS, the other is to turn off with a maximum TPS. The recommend is set the TPS to turn on at least 5% higher than the TPS to turn off. This way there will be a hysteresis that won’t let Pro-Nitrous turn on and turn off several times when TPS is around activation TPS. Also, you will be able to pedal the throttle to get back traction.
The RPM activation window is necessary to protect the engine, not allowing having a nitrous shot in a low RPM or by deactivating nitrous before the rev limiter

The Pro-Nitrous timers and delays table gathers the on and off settings for stages and compensations. A pedalling delay can also be set, so, if the driver pedals in a run, the Pro-Nitrous can be reactivated progressively.

In the FTManager, this table is as shown below.



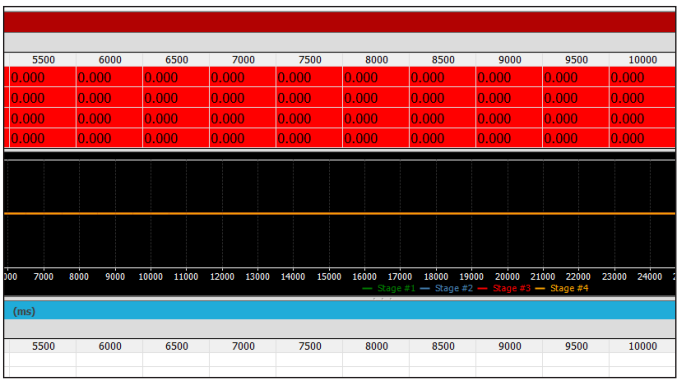


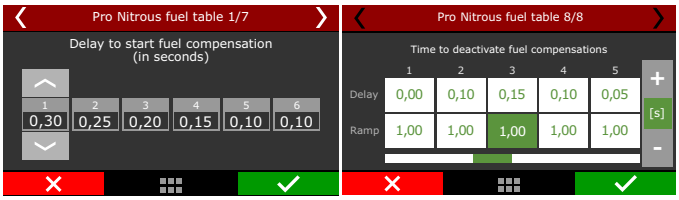
Pro-Nitrous Timers and Delays

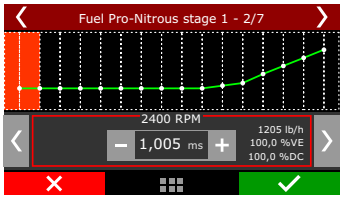
	Stage #1	Stage #2	Stage #3	Stage #4	Stage #5	Stage #6	
NOS stage timers							
ON after launch	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	s
OFF after launch	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	s
ON after pedaling	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	s
NOS fuel compensation							
ON delay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	s
OFF delay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	s
OFF ramp	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	s
NOS ignition timing compensation							

Pro-Nitrous fuel tables

Here all the fuel compensation for Pro-Nitrous can be configured according to each stage.







On the first screen is the configuration that allows setting a delay to start the fuel compensation, based on the time that the nitrous shot takes to get to the combustion chamber.

After the delay, there are the fuel tables to each stage. You can program the fuel compensation over RPM and it is calculated considering the main fuel table.

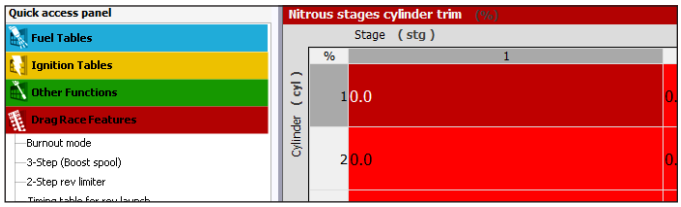
Since the injectors are closer to the combustion chamber than the nozzles/foggers, the purpose is that the fuel and nitrous get to the combustion chamber at the very same time.

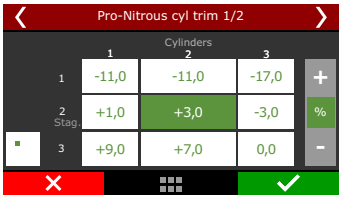
In the FTManager software is possible to visualize the total calculated fuel table.

It is possible to set an OFF delay and OFF ramp after each stage. It helps because moments after shut down the nitrous solenoid, the intake still full of nitrous that will be consumed by the engine.

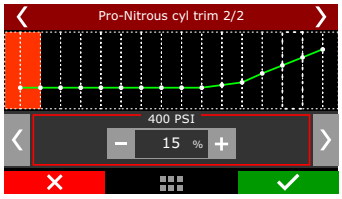
Nitrous stage cylinder trim and bottle pressure compensation

- This is a fuel injection cylinder trim for the Pro-Nitrous feature.

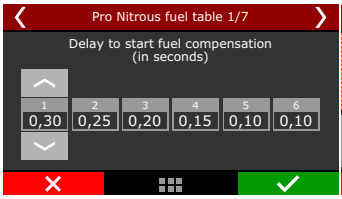


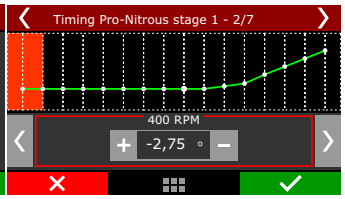


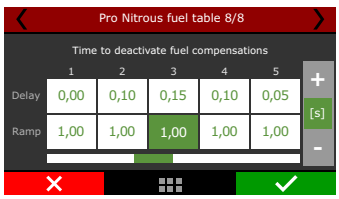
- **Bottle pressure compensation:** compensates the bottle pressure drop that happens in a run. The bigger the nitrous consumption, the bigger the pressure drops, and consequently the nitrous mass is smaller. With this, less fuel is necessary.



Nitrous stage timing tables: After the delay, there are the timing tables to each stage. You can program the timing compensation over RPM and it is calculated considering the main timing table. In the FTManager software is possible to visualize the total calculated ignition table.





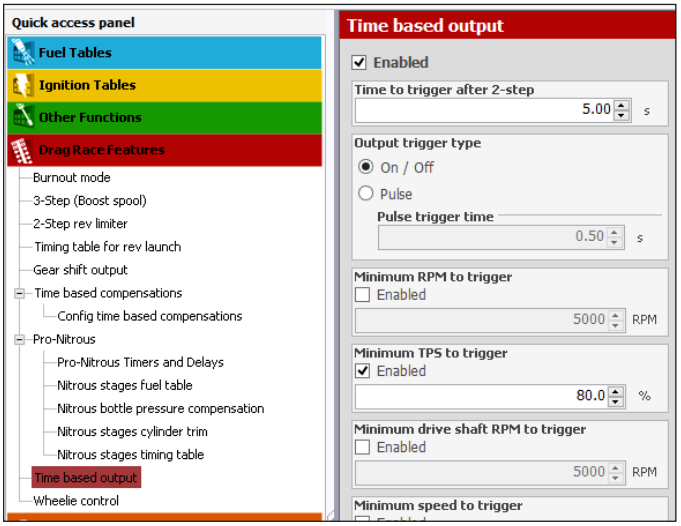


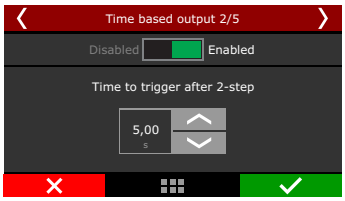
Nitrous stages timing table

(stg)	° BTDC	RPM (rpm) 2000	4000	5500	
1	-10.0	-10.0	-10.0	-10.0	
2	-6.0	-6.0	-6.0	-6.0	

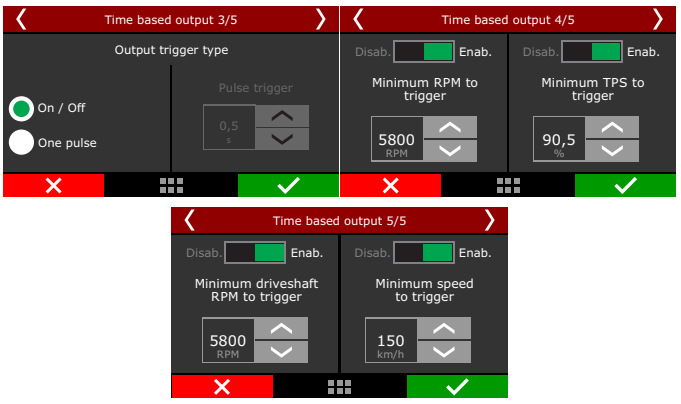
20.9 Time based output

This feature allows activating an auxiliary output by time, which can be used to release the parachute, turn on the nitrous or even switch on the torque converter lockup solenoid.





Also, there are conditions, besides time, to trigger the output. The conditions are: minimum RPM, minimum TPS, minimum driveshaft RPM and minimum wheel speed.



All this options can be enabled or disabled. The output signal can be an ON/OFF signal (remaining on while the conditions are valid) or a pulse (to release the parachute, for instance), which the duration is programmable

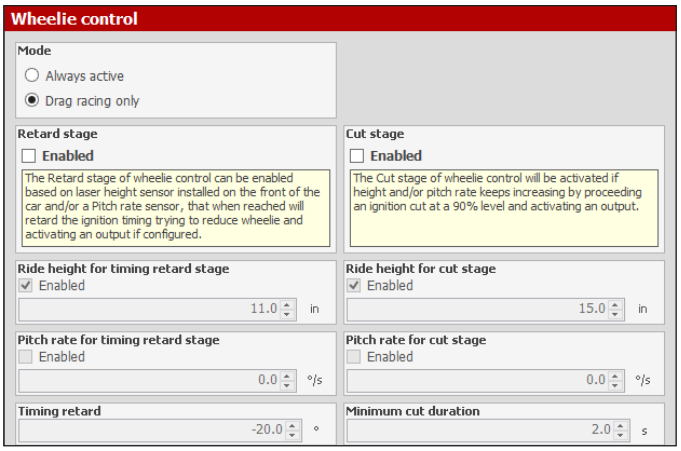
The available activation conditions are: minimum RPM, minimum TPS, minimum driveshaft RPM.

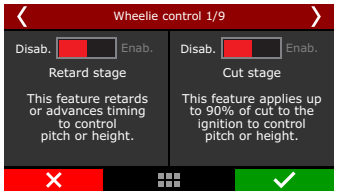
If the output trigger type is ON/OFF, when one of the conditions stop being met, the output is turned off.

When activated, the output switches to 0V. In the FTManager, select the output in the “Sensors and calibration” menu, then “Outputs”.

20.10 Wheelie Control

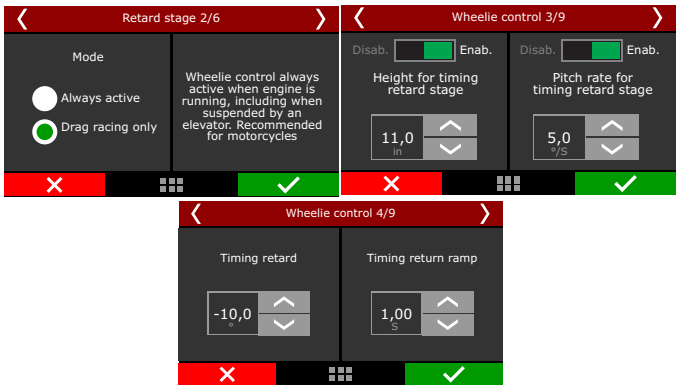
This function uses the reading of height and pitch sensors to avoid the car to wheelie. It is recommended to rear wheel drive cars and bikes.





The retard stage always retards timing when the vehicle's front end exceeds a predefined height. The ignition cut stage cuts the ignition to control the front end height.

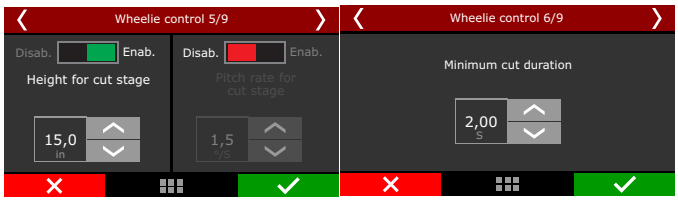
The retard stage trys to control the wheelie smoothly, in a way that will help on the run. The cut stage is a very aggressive control and the only purpose is to avoid the driver to lose control of the car.

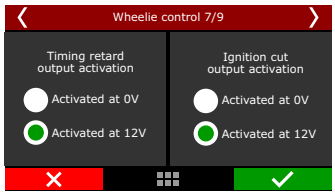


You can set as always active or drag racing mode. In drag racing mode, the control will work for only 15s after 2-step.

Set the maximum height or pitch rate to activate the timing retard stage. It is possible to use both sensors (height and pitch) at same time.

Then, enter the timing retard and the return ramp, which is a smoothness used to avoid a sudden engine power return.





As the retard stage, the cut stage also has height and pitch rate settings. Since it is a safety measure, the ignition cut level is 90%.

There is also the option of trigger an auxiliary output when the retard or cut is being performed. The output can be used to release the chute, shift gear, etc.

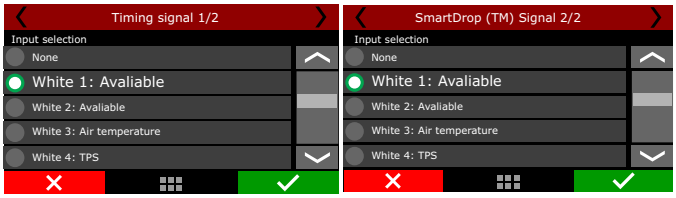
In the FTManager, select the output in the “Sensors and calibration” menu, then “Outputs”.

To use this function, a height sensor or a pitch rate sensor must be installed and configured in the “Sensors and calibration” menu, then “Inputs”.

20.11 Davis Technologies

Davis Technologies Profiler is traction control module, for rear wheel drive cars, which controls ignition timing and ignition cut by driveshaft RPM. This function allows direct communication with FT500.

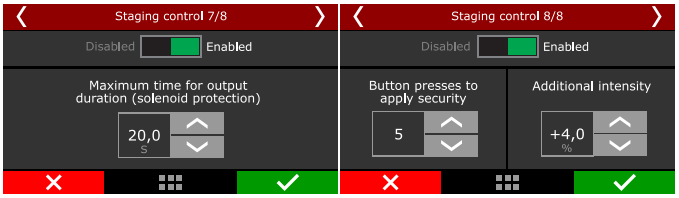
In the FTManager, go to “Sensor and calibration” menu, then “Inputs” and select the white wires that will do the communication with Davis Technologies Profiler.



20.12 Staging control

This function helps the car alignment when pre-staging after the burnout. When activated, it's possible to control the transbrake solenoid frequency to hold the car properly.

After configuring the inputs and outputs, its necessary to adjust the safety parameters, like the number of button presses to apply security, the additional intensity for security and the maximum time for output duration for solenoid protection.



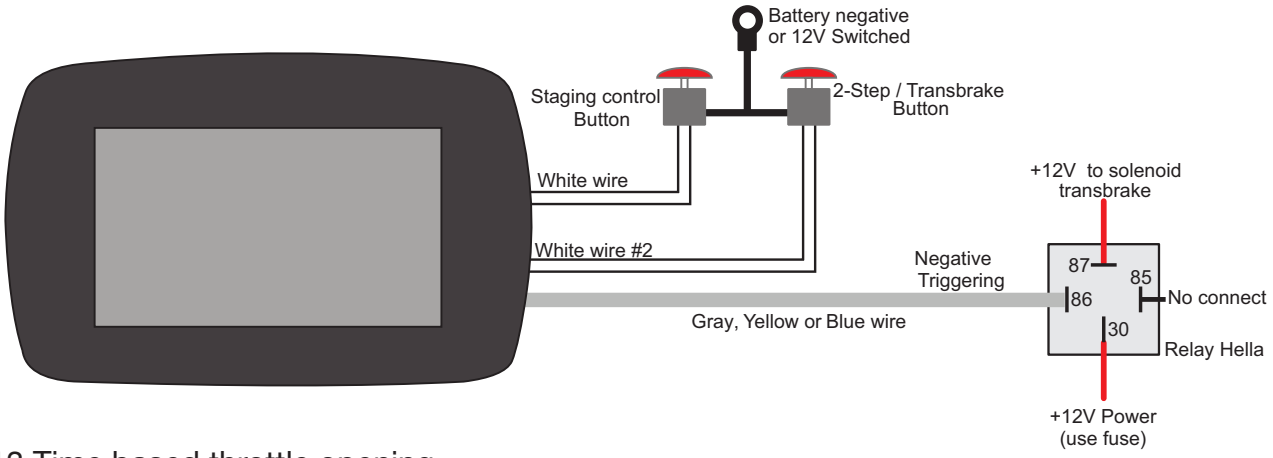
Staging control wiring diagram with Hella relay

Use the diagram below to activate the staging control function.

Any white wire input can be used for the staging control and 2-step/ transbrake. The buttons can be wired to the battery negative or switched 12v if necessary.

IMPORTANT

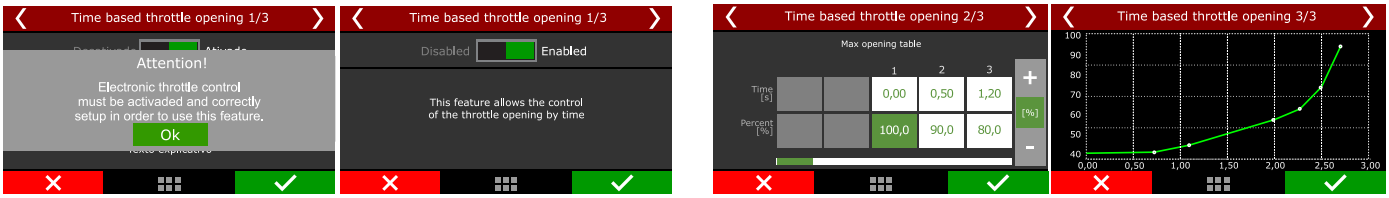
For the activation of the transbrake solenoid, a solid state relay is mandatory.



20.13 Time based throttle opening

This feature creates a curve for a time based progressive opening of the electronic throttle.

You can create a curve based on time by maximum percentage of throttle opening.



20.14 Mechanical fuel injection controller

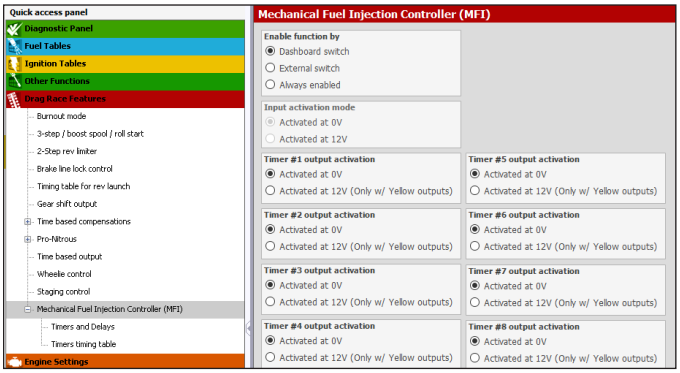
The Mechanical Injection Fuel Controller is used to activate or deactivate solenoids that decrease the amount of fuel that goes to the engine (Lean out solenoids) in cars that use mechanical fuel injection (without fuel injectors).

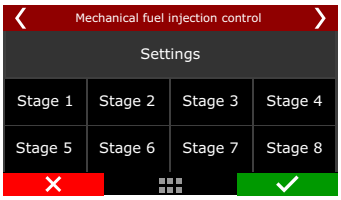
NOTE

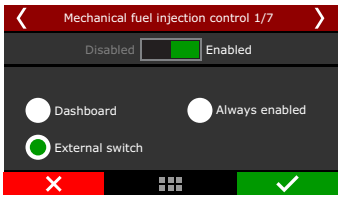
This manual shows the settings for one stage, but the same can be applied to all other stages.

Settings:

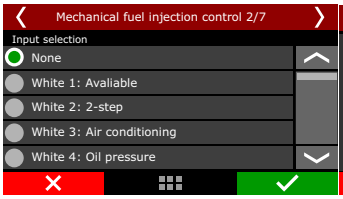
The function can be enabled by a button on the ECU dashboard, by an external switch (requires an appropriately configured analog input or always active when the ECU is switched on.

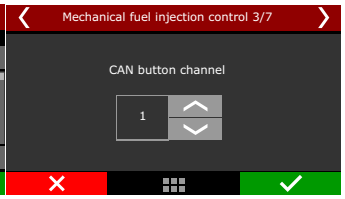






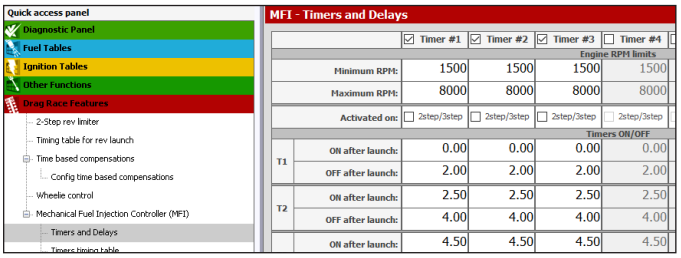
When using an external switch, a white input must be configured or a SwitchPanel-8 button when using CAN.

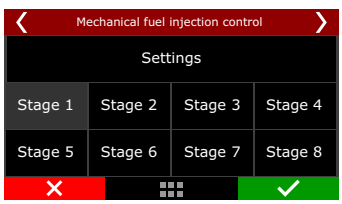




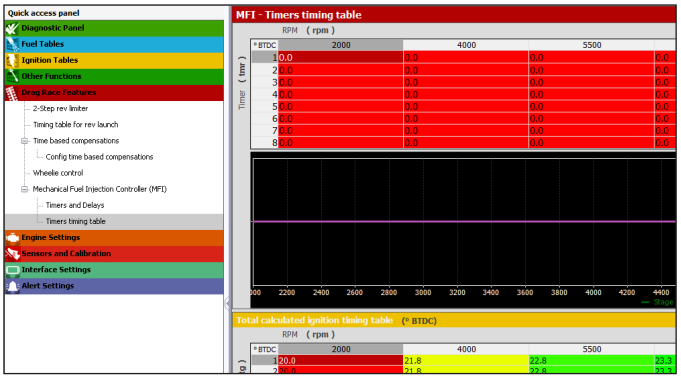
Stages

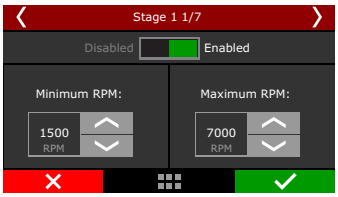
You can set up to 8 stages depending on what you need.

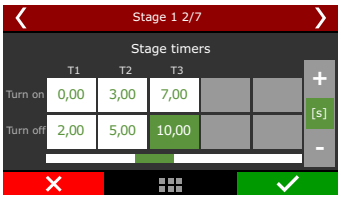




Stages can be triggered within a RPM window and/or maintain the desired stages during the 2-step and 3-step by enabling them in the check boxes

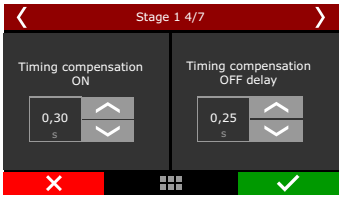


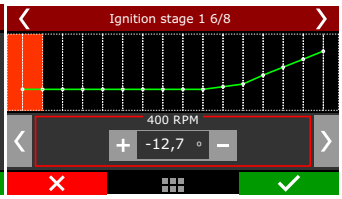




The ignition compensations for each stage can be activated or deactivated with a delay time in relation to the fuel solenoid activation time, thus seeking to get the exact time that ignition timing needs to be changed to equal the fuel difference that is going to the engine.

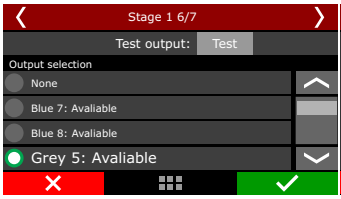
Next set up the ignition timing on the table, it's possible to set up to 16 points for each stage.

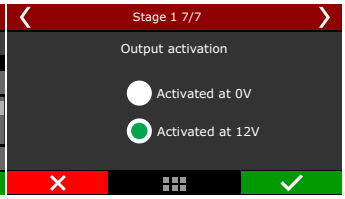




The last step is to select which output is responsible for each stage and how it activates (0v or 12v).

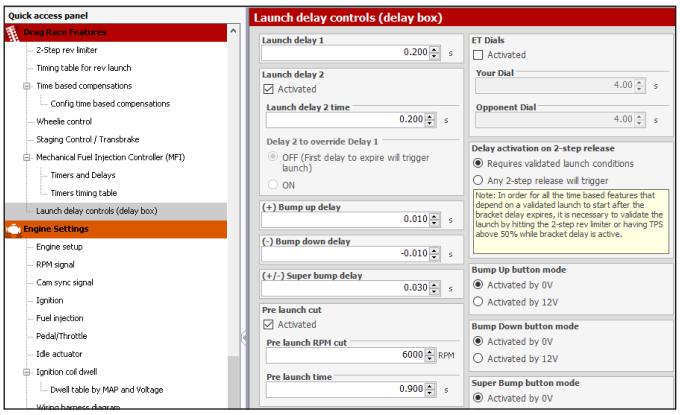
After that it's possible to test to see if the output is working properly by clicking on "test".





20.15 Launch delay controls (delay box)

This feature was developed for Bracket racing, in which two competitors launch at different times. There are several different delay times available for this function.

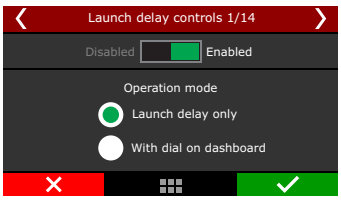


Operation mode

There are two operation modes for this function.

Launch delay only: This option adjusts the delays only according to the set up value, regardless the opponent time.

With dial on dashboard: In this option, the delays will be calculated according to the time shown on the dial.



NOTE

It's necessary to configure the dials (bracket) in Interface Settings / Dashboard setup

The next screens are dedicated to set up the launch delays 1 and 2. The values must be set in milliseconds.

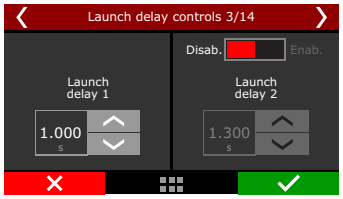
Delay 1: Timer to launch the vehicle that begins counting down upon release of two step button.

Delay 2: Secondary delay option that allows the driver to get a second hit on the tree by pressing the two step button again after delay 1 timer has been triggered.

There are two options for this feature:

ON: Delay 2 overrides delay 1 and will launch the vehicle based on delay 2 timer once 2 step button is pressed and released for a second time.

OFF: Delay 2 DOES NOT override delay 1 and the vehicle will launch with the timer of whichever delay expires first.

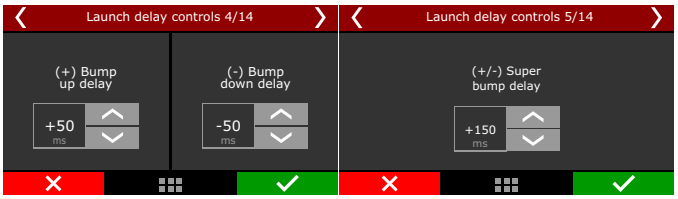


Bump Up (+): Adds a USER defined time to delay 1 in order to calculate final delay timer. The numbers in this field can only have a positive value.

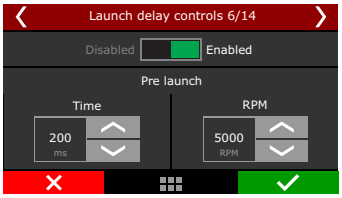
Triggering Bump up multiples times before delay 1 timer expires will result in each instance being added to final delay calculation.

Bump Down (-): Subtracts a USER defined time from delay 1 to calculate final delay. The numbers in this field can only have negative values.

Triggering bump down multiple times before delay 1 timer expires will result in each instance being subtracted from final delay calculation.



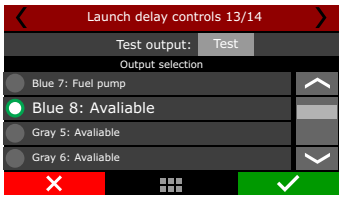
Pre launch RPM cut and Pre launch timer: This feature makes it possible to set a target RPM cut designed to "save" the engine during the staging procedure. The pre launch RPM target will be lower than the 2 step RPM target and will be active while the 2 step button is pressed. It will deactivate when a user defined pre launch timer is subtracted from an initiated delay 1 timer. (Example: 1.000 delay 1 and a 0.200 pre-launch timer will allow engine to climb to the 2-step target RPM cut at 0.800)



Inputs and Output

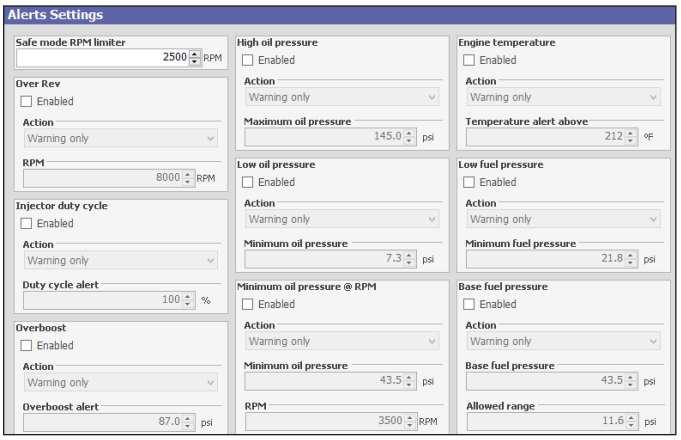
Inputs: There are 3 inputs that can be configured. *Bump up* button, *bump down* button and *super bump* button. These buttons can be connected to the analog inputs (white wires) or configured on a SwitchPanel via CAN network.

Output: This feature makes it possible to configure an output that will trigger a solenoid to limit the engine air intake opening. This output remains active while two step button is pressed and deactivates when the pre launch timer expires.



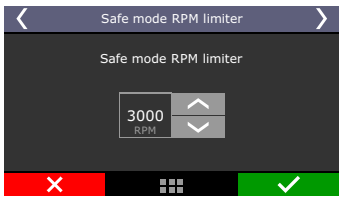
21. Alert settings

This is the menu where you can set all the alert warnings, including safety mode and engine shut down.



21.1 Safe mode RPM limiter

Safe mode protects the engine whenever an alert is activated, limiting max engine RPM while the alert condition is still happening.



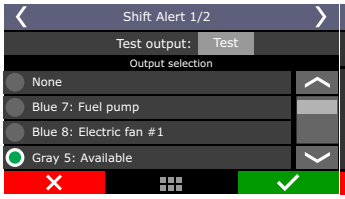
21.2 Alerts

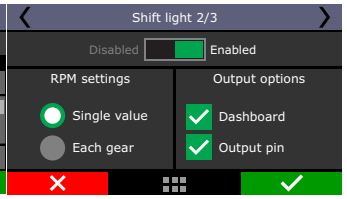
The configuration of alerts allows the programming of sound and visual alerts whenever a dangerous situation to the engine is detected. It is possible to setup up to three different actions when any alert is displayed on the screen:

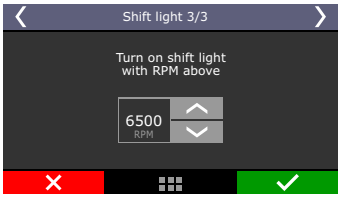
Alert only: alert is displayed on the screen, but the engine continues to work normally.
Safe mode: besides the alert displaying on the screen, engine has its max RPM limited to what was set up on the "Safe mode rev limiter" parameter
Engine shut off: besides the alert displayed on the screen, engine is immediately shut off by fuel and ignition cut

Shift alert

When engine reaches the RPM set on this parameter, an alert can be shown at the dashboard and/or an auxiliary output can be activated to control an external shift light.

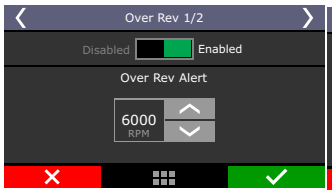


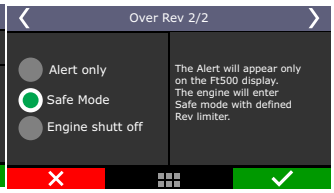




Over rev

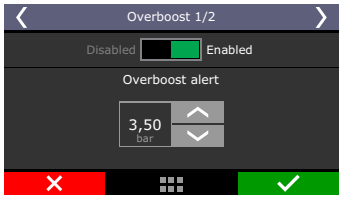
Setup the RPM for alert and the action the ECU must perform.





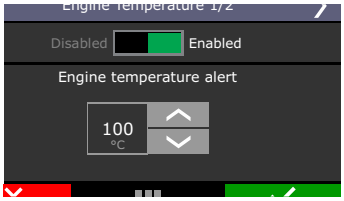
Overboost

Setup an overboost value to activate the alert and the action the ECU must perform.



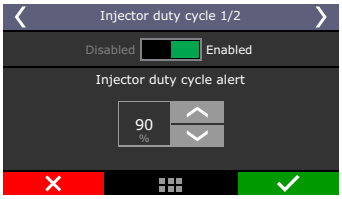
Engine temperature

Setup an engine temperature to activate the alert and the action the ECU must perform.



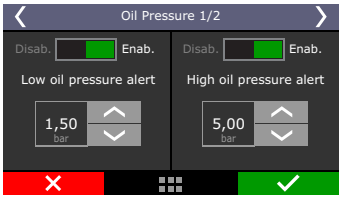
Injector duty cycle

Setup a percentage value that indicates injector's saturation.



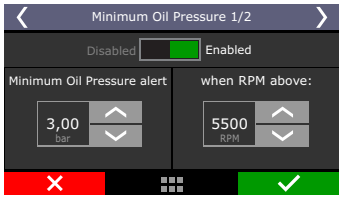
Oil Pressure

Setup a value that's considered as oil pressure excess and one that's considered for low oil pressure. Also, select how the ECU reacts when this alert is activated.



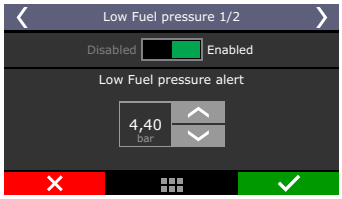
Minimum oil pressure

Setup a minimum oil pressure value above X RPM and how the ECU reacts.



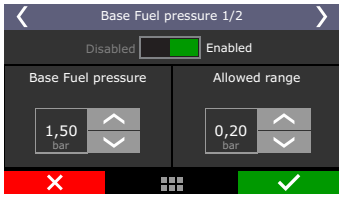
Low fuel pressure

Setup a value to activate the alert and how the ECU reacts.



Base fuel pressure

Setup here a tolerance for the base fuel pressure.



The base fuel pressure is what the pressure regulator should keep with MAP = 0 psi, that, in most of cases is 45psi with the engine turned off and the fuel pump turned on.

When engine is turned on, the vacuum/boost makes the fuel pressure regulator to manage the fuel pressure in a 1:1 ratio.

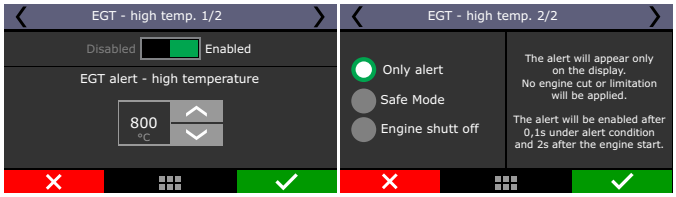
Example: an engine idling with -8.7psi of map pressure must have 34.8psi of fuel pressure if differential pressure is set as 43.5psi. If the MAP sensor is reading 29psi, the fuel pressure must be 72.5psi. If the tolerance range is 5.8psi, the differential pressure can vary from 37.7 psi to 49.3psi.

EGT alert - high temperature

Set the value for high exhaust temperature and whether it will be “Only alert”, “Safe Mode” or “Engine shutt off”

NOTE

This function will only work on EGTs configured by cylinder. General or banked EGTs will be disconsidered for analysis.



EGT Alert - Low temperature

Set the value for low exhaust temperature and whether it will be "Only alert", "Safe Mode" or "Engine shut off".

NOTE

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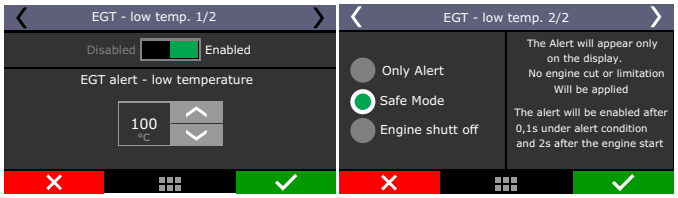


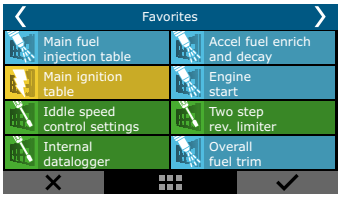
O2 closed loop limit

The O2 closed loop limit will use the maximum values set for this function and will execute the action of either "Only Alert" or "Safe Mode" if it reach the maximum value.

22. Favorites

In this menu it is possible to have access to the most used functions of the ECU. It gives quick access to functions as:

- Main fuel table;
- Main ignition table;
- Idle speed control;
- Internal datalogger;
- Accel. fuel enrichment and decay;
- Engine start;
- Two step rev limiter;
- Overall fuel trim;



23. Interface settings

Allows the configuration of all the visual functions of the FT500, like dashboard and day/night mode selection.

23.1 Day/night mode selection

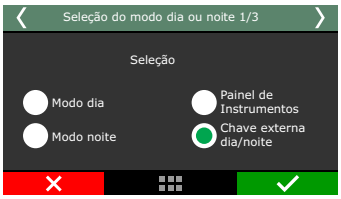
There are 4 options to select from:

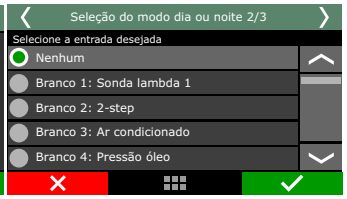
Day mode: Display the screen brightness according to the value set on the "Day mode" slider on the LCD Backlight settings.

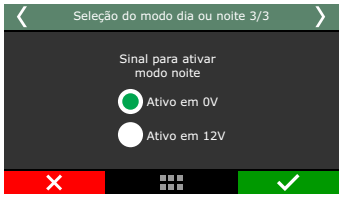
Night mode: Display the screen brightness according to the value set on the "Night mode" slider on the LCD Backlight settings.

Dashboard: Allows for a button to be set up to show on the dashboard to change between "Day mode" and "Night mode"

Day/night external switch: With this option, one of the white inputs must be wired to the vehicles light switch and properly set up on the inputs menu.

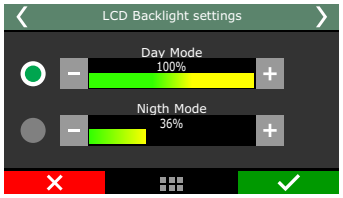






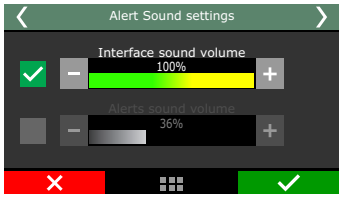
23.2 LCD blacklight settings

Adjust LCD brightness and select between night and day modes.



23.3 Alert sound settings

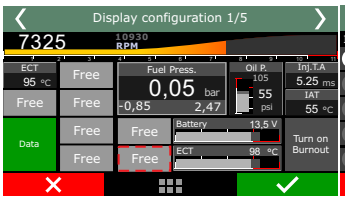
This parameter allows for setting the volume of sounds generated by touching the display. When the mute option is selected, the ECU is silent when the screen is touched.

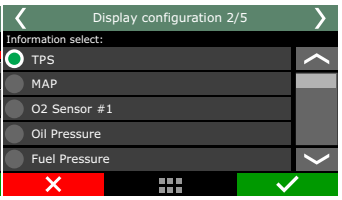


23.4 Dashboard setup

There are 24 configurable positions on the dashboard, with minimal size of 1x1. It's possible to select sizes as 1x2, 2x1 and 2x2.

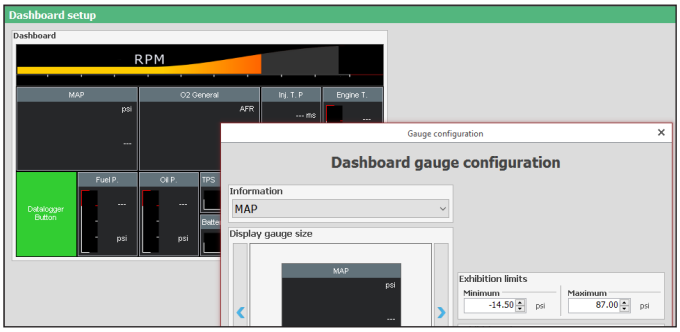
First, select the position where you want the information to be, then the reading that will be displayed and the reading size.





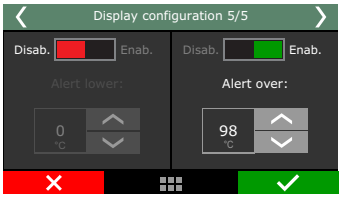
NOTE

From the version 3.10 onwards, it's possible to configure the dashboard screen directly on the software by clicking on the free squares and editing the functions.



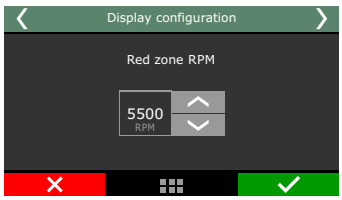
Exhibition limits and alerts

On some sensors, changes his color to indicate something is wrong. The readings with this options are: MAP, air temperature, engine temperature, battery voltage, fuel pressure, oil pressure, TPS, dwell, ignition timing, primary injection time, secondary injection time, O2 sensor 1, O2 sensor 2 and delta TPS



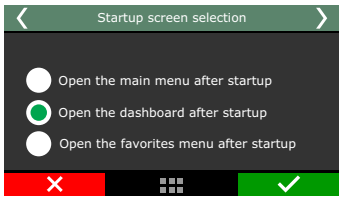
RPM bar

When clicking the RPM bar parameter, it is possible to setup the RPM where the red zone starts.



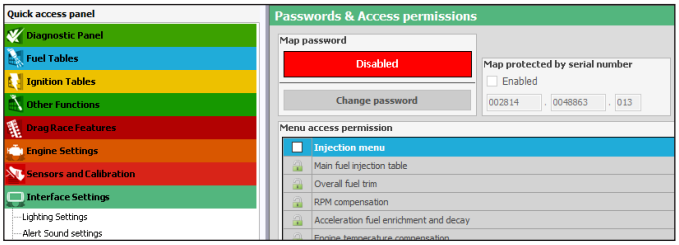
23.5 Startup screen selection

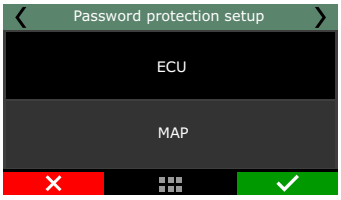
Select the screen shown right after the ECU is turned on. In case the option "Open the main menu after startup" is selected and the ECU is set up with a user password, the ECU will ask for the user password.



23.6 Password Protection setup

It is possible to set 2 different kinds of password:

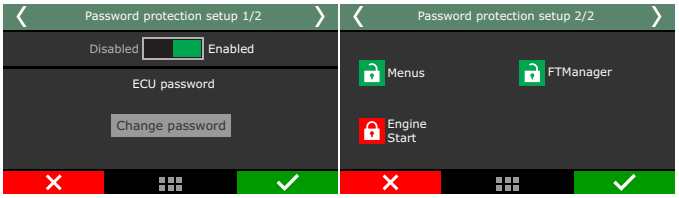




ECU Password

Activating the ECU password allows three types of blocking protection:

- **FTManager:** choose this option to activate an FTManager access password, but keep all touchscreen menus accessible. Do this to avoid that a password be activated without your consent.
- **Menus:** This option protects all the ECU menus, only giving access to information displayed on the on board computer and engine status.
- **Engine Start:** Engine start blocking. All menus will be available for viewing and editing, but the ECU system will be blocked until the password is inserted.



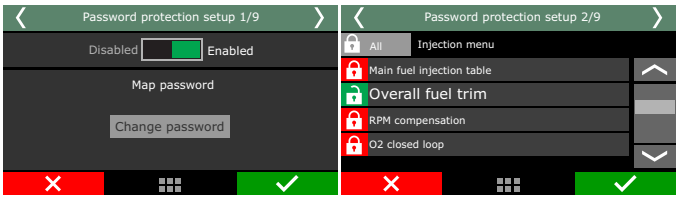
Map Password

This password blocks all the map menus of the fuel and ignition table adjust, engine settings, aux function and file manager. Alert settings, shift alert, display and initial screen are left unprotected. When this password is enabled, it's not possible to change any ignition or fuel map.

The FTManager software access is also blocked by the Map password.

WARNING

Passwords come disabled by default, when you enable a password you will be blocking access to people using the ECU, even yourself. When you choose a password, be sure you will remember it, as for safety reasons this password will only be removed through the total reset of the ECU (all maps and data are erased).



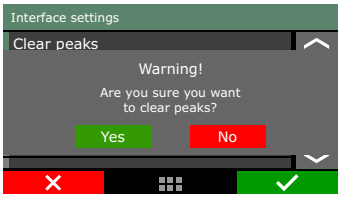
Maintenance Password

This password only used to block editing Odometer and Houmeter.

23.7 Erase peaks

At the Dashboard, values read by the sensors connected to the module are displayed in real time. On the bottom of each box on the display, the minimum (on the left) and maximum (on the right) values read by the sensor are shown.

It is possible to clear this data by accessing the option “Clear Peaks”, under the “Interface Settings” menu.



23.8 Measurement units

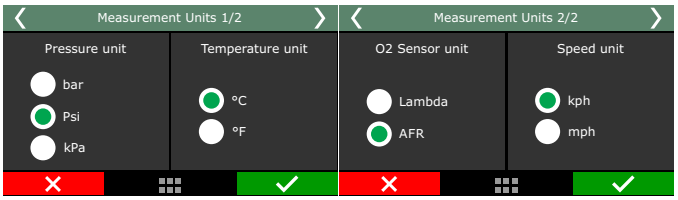
In this menu it is possible to change the measurement unit for some parameters as pressure, temperature, speed and O2 readings.

Pressure Units: bar, PSI or kPa;

Temperature units: °C or °F;

O2 sensor units: Lambda, AFR Gasoline or AFR Methanol;

Speed units: km/h or mph



23.9 Demonstration mode

The demonstration mode can be enabled to show the main features of FuelTech FT500 and its working. You can set the waiting time to get in the demo mode. To exit, just touch the screen.

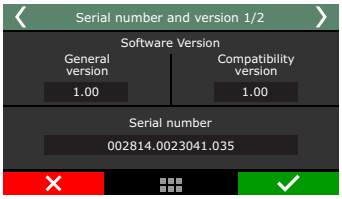
23.10 Touchscreen calibration

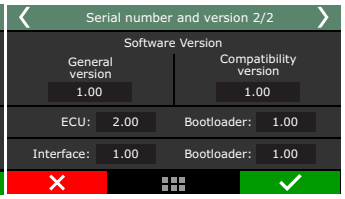
This function allows the touchscreen recalibration, use it whenever you notice the screen is unresponsive. Calibrate the screen with you finger or with a pen.

23.11 Serial number and software version

In this menu, it is possible to verify the software version and the equipment's serial number.

Make sure you have these numbers in hand whenever the FuelTech Technical Support is contacted to facilitate and optimize the assistance.





23.12 Odometer and Hourmeter

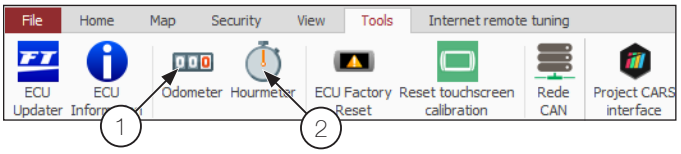
This function was speciallyu designed for engines that require a milage or timing control.

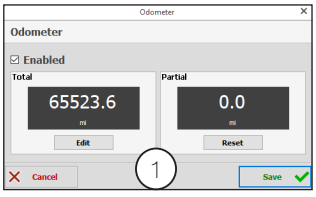
1 - Odometer: Inser the mileage of the vehicle in the "total" field, this value can be eddited only through the FTManager with the specific password, there is a "Partial" odometer that is possible to zero the value anytime.

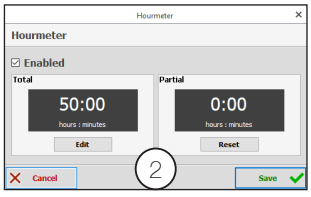
2 - Hourmeter: Follows the same principle of the Odometer, registering the engine hours in the "Total" field, having another field for "Partial" hours.

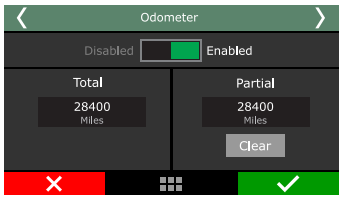
NOTE

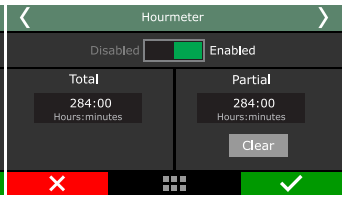
These values are saved in the FuelTech memory, independently of the map that is active. The values can only be changed through the FTManager and through a previously configured password.







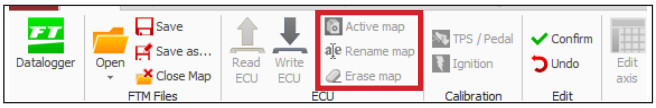


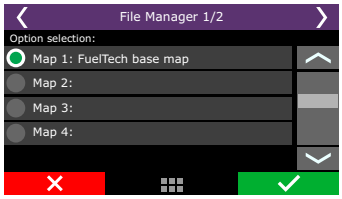


24. File manager

With the file manager it is possible to alternate between the 5 memories positions stored in the ECU. With this, you can have up to 5 totally different calibrations for different fuels or engines. Other option is to use the same ECU for up to 5 different engines with its own maps.

In the FTManager, the functions of File Manager are available in the tool bar.





24.1 FuelTech base map generator

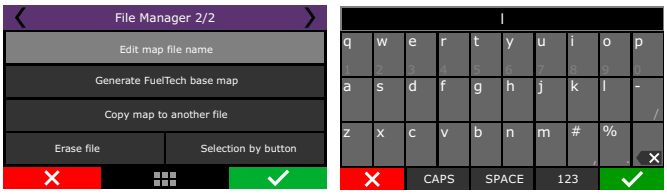
This function generates a base map that can be used to start engine tuning. It is very helpful cause gather information from the "Engine setup" menu to create a base map more accurate to the engine needs.

Before using this function, make sure you have followed chapter 5 in this guide.

Further information about the assistant manager can be found in the Chapter 7.7 of this manual

24.2 Edit map file name

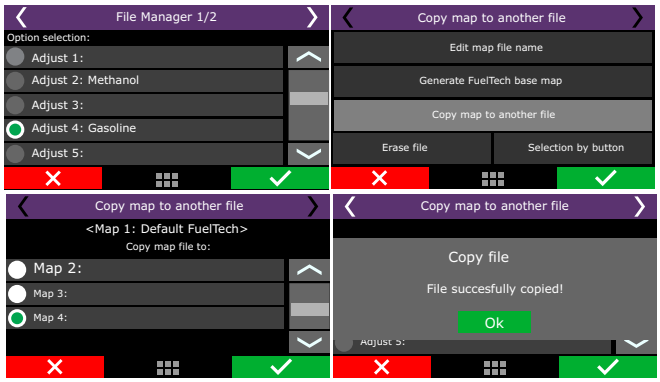
Edit the file map name after generating the FuelTech base map.



24.3 Copy map to another file

This option copies a map that is already setup, to an empty position or to overwrite a previous map. First, select the map that will be copied, click right, then select the option "Copy map to another file". On the next screen, map that will be copied is not shown, only the positions available to be overwritten.

In the example below, the Adjust 4 was copied to Adjust 1, which was empty:

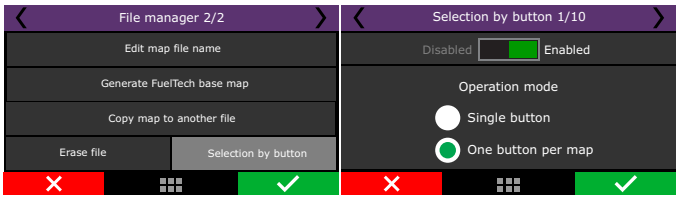


24.4 Erase file

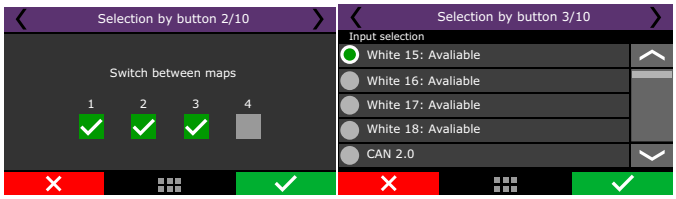
Map files that will no longer be used can be easily erased with this option. To erase a file, simply enter on in by clicking right, then select option "Erase file". After the confirmation, every parameter that was previously changed will be erased to factory default.

24.5 Selection by button

In this option it's possible to quickly change the map through a button wired by an analogic input or a SwitchPanel button via CAN Network. You can set a single button to switch between maps or one button dedicated for each map.



You must set which maps will be available to be switched and also whether it will be switched by analogic inputs or CAN Network.



If switched by analogic input, it is necessary to set the activation voltage (0V or 12V). If switched by CAN Network, you just have to define the dedicated buttons in "Sensors and calibration/CAN communication/SwitchPanel" or directly from the FT screen.

25. Rotary engines setup

FuelTech ECU will control the ignition timing using the reference of the 24 tooth wheel to calculate timing values based on the main timing table and corrections. All ignition timing programmed in the tables is referenced to the leading coil.

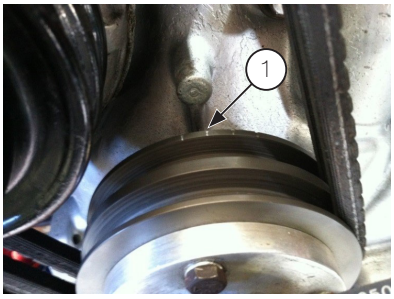
The trailing coil will be fired using the final calculated value from main timing table, including all corrections and timing controls, with an applied correction from the rotary timing split table. This means that if the ignition timing in the main table is 0° with no corrections and timing controls and the timing split is set as -10 ° in the rotary timing split table specific cell, the ECU will fire the leading coil at 0° and the trailing coil 10° after leading coil was fired.

If the rotary timing split values are different when the engine is operating with multiple cells, the ECU will interpolate the value between the cells and apply that value.

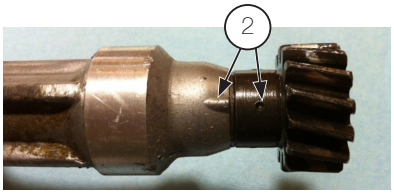
25.1 Crank angle sensor installation and alignment

The Crank Angle Sensor needs to be installed in the engine at 0° (top dead center position). To align it, follow this quick step by step:

1. Use your ignition timing marks in the damper to align the eccentric to TDC. The ignition timing mark to be used is shown below.



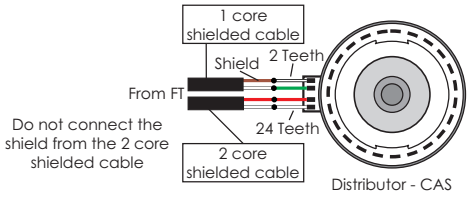
2. Align the Crank Angle Sensor to 0° using the mark in the shaft.



3. Install and tighten the Crank Angle Sensor in the engine. After the steps above are correctly followed, the Crank Angle Sensor should be aligned at TDC with the eccentric shaft.

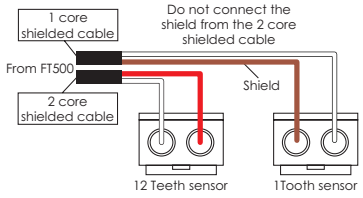
25.2 Crank angle sensor wiring

The stock distributor will be read by FT as a Crank Angle Sensor and Camshaft Position Sensor. Here's how to connect the FT to your stock Mazda distributor:

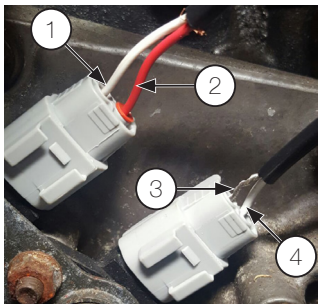


Function	Distributor wire	FuelTech wire	FuelTech pin
24 teeth signal (crank signal)	Red	Red from 2 way shielded cable	17
24 teeth sensor negative	White	White from 2 way shielded cable	8
2 teeth signal (home)	Green	White from 1 way shielded cable	15
2 teeth sensor negative	White/Black	Shield from 1 way shielded cable	19

For engines using trigger wheel instead of distributor, here are the connections:



1 - Crank trigger white wire
2 - Crank trigger red wire
3 - Cam sync shield
4 - Cam sync white



Function	FuelTech wire	FuelTech pin
12 teeth sensor negative	White from 2 way shielded cable	8
12 teeth sensor (crank signal)	Red from 2 way shielded cable	17
1 tooth sensor negative	shield from 1 way shielded cable	19
1 tooth sensor signal (home)	White from 1 way shielded cable	15

25.3 ECU setup

First, go to Fuel Injection Setup and enter the following:

- Max RPM: setup according to your engine;
- Injection mode: setup according to your engine;
- Idle by: TPS (fixed injection time on idle), MAP (injection time by MAP readings);
- Engine type: Rotary;
- Max boost pressure: setup according to your engine;
- Injectors banks: FT has two banks, setup how you want to use them (both as primary or A as primary and B as secondary);
- Acceleration fuel enrich: use by TPS, it's more accurate;
- Number of cylinders/rotors: setup according to your engine;
- Fuel injectors deadtime: if you don't have this info about your injectors, use 1,00ms;

Now, go to Ignition Setup and select:

- Ignition: Crank/Cam Ref. w/Multi Coils;
- Crank Trigger Pattern: select option "12 (at crank) 24 (at cam)";
- First Tooth Alignment: 0 teeth 5.0° BTDC;
- Crank Ref Sensor: VR differential;
- Crank Ref Edge: Falling edge;
- Cam Sync Sensor: VR (Variable reluctance) and FT600 use VR Differential;
- Cam Sync Polarity: Falling edge;
- Cam Sync Position: 23° BTDC;

Ignition output edge

Ignition system	ECU ignition output edge
Spark Pro	Falling dwell (Inductive / SparkPRO)
MSD DIS-2(1)	Rising duty (CDI)
MW Pro-14/R(2)	Falling dwell (Inductive / SparkPRO)
MW-Pro Drag 4/R(3)	Falling dwell (Inductive / SparkPRO)

Notes:

1. Use two (2) ignition units
2. Considering that MW PRO-14/R trigger edge need to be configured as Falling Dwell leaving pins 9 to 10 unconnected. See page 9 of MW Ignition manual for more details
3. There is no set up the trigger edge of Pro-Drag 4/R. Trigger edge is Falling Dwell by default.

After setting up Fuel Injection Setup and Ignition Setup menus, make sure you go through chapter 11.3 to generate a fuel and timing base map for your engine.

25.4 Ignition coils wiring

After setting everything up, the ignition outputs of the ECU are ready to be connected to your coils or ignition modules. FT ECU ignition outputs cannot be connected directly to dumb coils, only to smart coils (coils with integrated ignition module) or ignition modules.

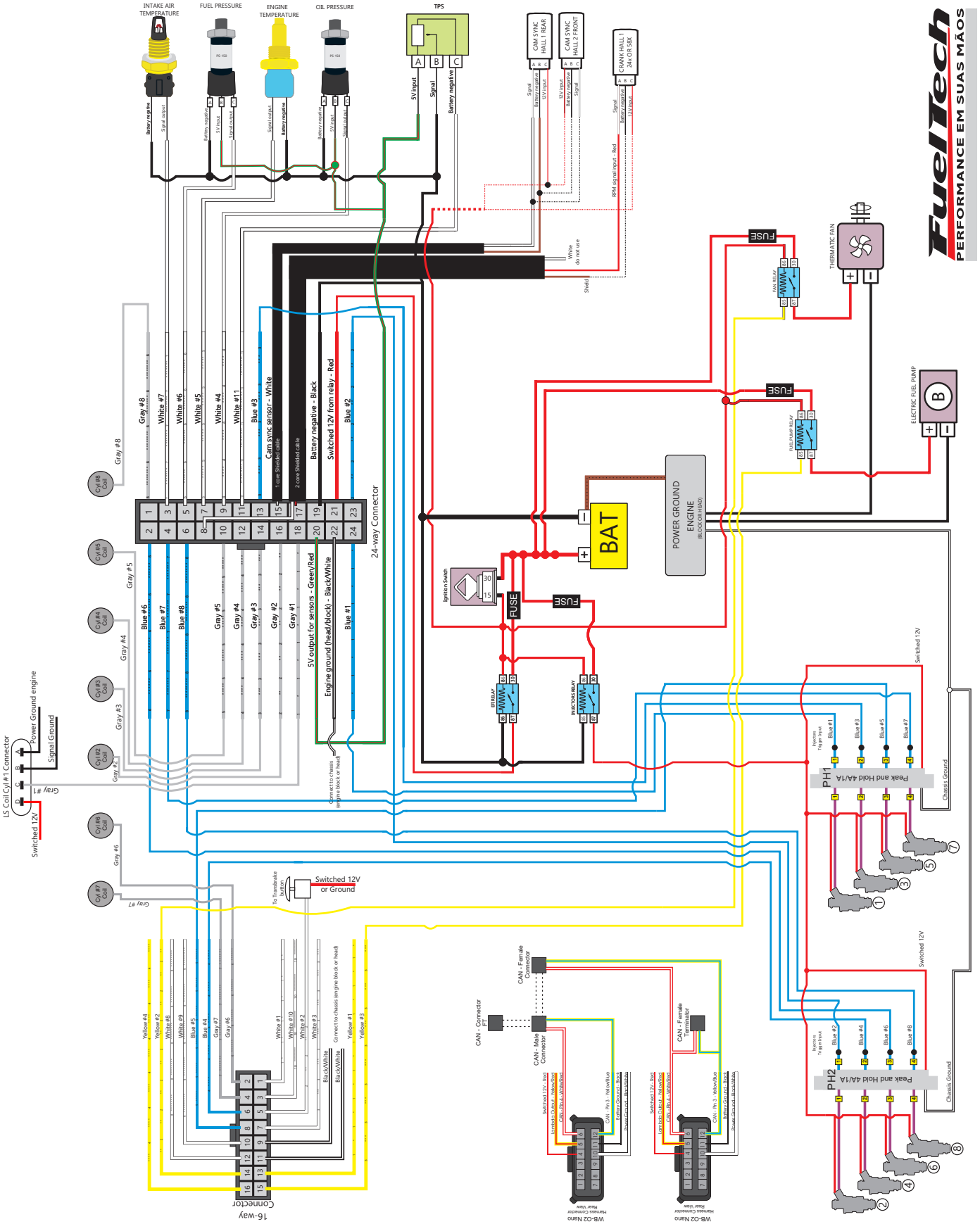
For 2 rotor engines, the gray wires are connected as the table below shows:

ECU ignition output	Function	Recommended SparkPRO-4 channel
Gray wire #A	Leading rotor #1 – Coil L1	Channel 1
Gray wire #B	Leading rotor #2 – Coil L2	Channel 2
Gray wire #C	Trailing rotor #1 – Coil T1	Channel 3
Gray wire #D	Trailing rotor #2 – Coil T2	Channel 4

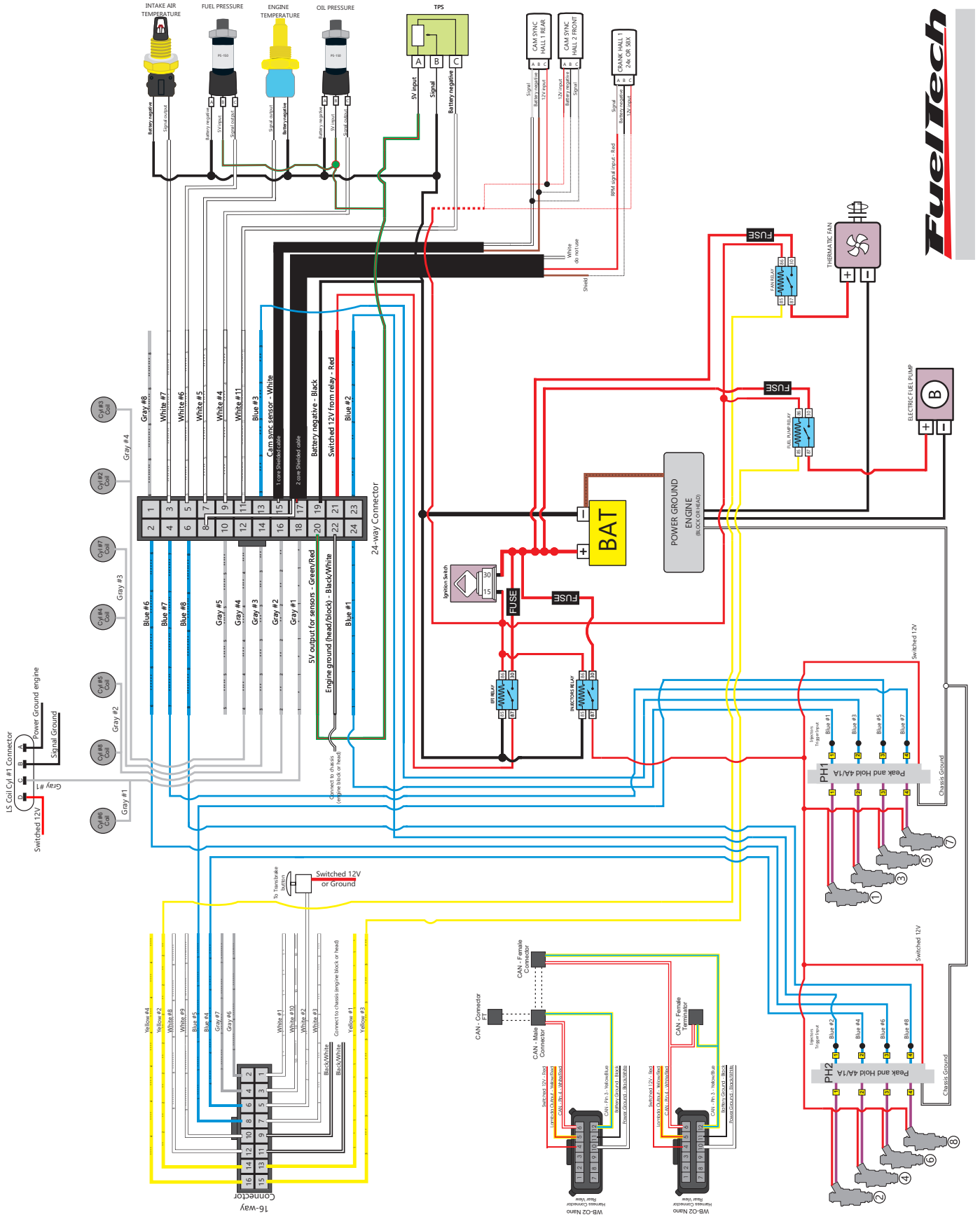
For 3 rotor engines, the gray wires are connected as the table below shows:

ECU ignition output	Function	Recommended SparkPRO-6 channel
Gray wire #A	Leading rotor #1 – Coil L1	Channel 1
Gray wire #B	Leading rotor #2 – Coil L2	Channel 2
Gray wire #C	Leading rotor #3 – Coil L3	Channel 3
Gray wire #D	Trailing rotor #1 – Coil T1	Channel 4
Gray wire #E	Trailing rotor #2 – Coil T2	Channel 5
Gray wire #F	Trailing rotor #3 – Coil T3	Channel 6

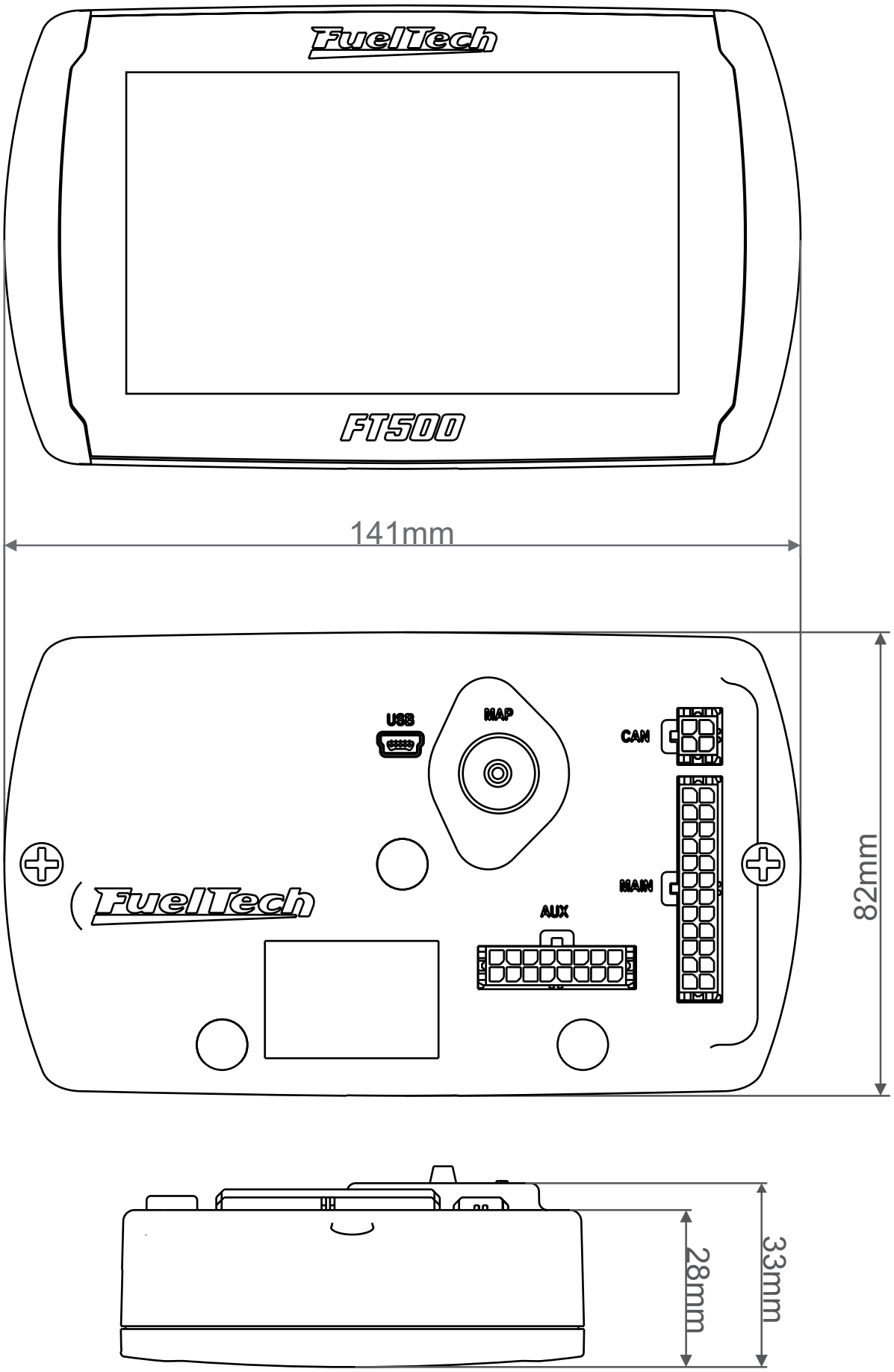
26. FT500 SFI / FT500LITE SFI - LSX V8 MSD – electrical diagram



Electrical diagram LSX V8 MSD - Wasted spark



27. FT500 SFI / FT500LITE SFI – ECU Dimensions



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