## IS-70052 User Manual

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## 1. Capabilities of the IS-70052

Thank you for purchasing the IS-70052. The IS-70052 is a stand-alone input device designed to communicate over a CAN bus using the RV-C protocol. On-board are six pushbuttons that display their current functions. By pressing a button, the function is activated. These functions could be used to move to a new set of functions or to send a signal out through CAN/USB to control a device. It is designed so that it only takes a maximum of three switch presses to activate any one of thirty functions (five functions distributed evenly among six menus with one button push to choose a menu, one to activate function, one to exit back to the Home menu).


The IS-70052 can be used in a variety of applications (especially in transportation) due to its CAN RV-C communication. The standard firmware commands devices but does not respond to any bus commands. Upon request, the firmware can be changed for nearly any usage scenario. The device can listen to the bus and display information, ignore the bus and send out button presses and commands, and anything in between. Please contact NKK with your system interface needs.

## 2.LCD 36x24 SmartDisplay Switch

The LCD $36 \times 24$ SmartDisplay switch is a graphic $36 \times 24$ LCD display mounted in the key cap of a momentary pushbutton. It has an RGB backlight with discrete control.

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NKK can supply subsystems with any configuration and number of LCD $36 \times 24$ switches with USB and Ethernet communication. SmartDisplay allows designers to dynamically change switch legends and images based on desired application functions. The system is ready to interface with a customer's application through CAN and USB. It can receive commands, send information, and update the SmartDisplay images.

SmartDisplay is ideal for use in applications with multiple, complex functions which would ordinarily require many dedicated switches and complex training. The dynamic nature of the system allows for instantaneous transitions from generalized lists of categories down to function specific actions. This reduces the need for complicated controls and shortens the time for training by only displaying relevant options and commands.

To help with development, NKK Switches provides free software, Engineering Kits Communicator, to save and erase images on the controller. Also, NKK Switches provides all the documentation necessary to get up and running quickly on our website: https://www.nkkswitches.com/SmartDisplayresources/

## 3. General Features

This system is a CAN-controlled 6 programmable display-on-pushbutton system in a compact form factor. It comes with the following features:

## Features:

- $636 \times 24$ LCD SmartDisplays with momentary pushbutton functionality.
- USB or CAN controlled.
- Power Specs: 5VDC USB, 0-30VDC CAN, Max 24 Watts. (with included power cord).
- The unit comes with a 6-foot USB 2.0 A to Mini-B cable (IS-USB1).
- On-board memory for 30,000 images
- 8 levels of brightness.
- Real-time control by host.
- Save images to memory.
- Show any saved image on any switch.
- Reports switch activity to host.
- Ability to send images directly to switches without saving to memory.
- Write text on switches in two different font sizes
- Controller board firmware can be customized based on customer requirements.
- Firmware field upgradable via USB.
- Windows based software is available for communication.
- Accepts bitmap files, extracts the images, and download them to the controller.
- Allows typing of commands and downloading to the controller.
- Messages to and from the controller are displayed in different colors.
- RV-C Communication protocol
- Please contact the factory about custom builds and firmware modifications.


## 4.Electrical Specifications

Power Specs: Max 3 Watts.
USB +5 V
CAN +30VDC max

## 5. USB Communication

The systems can communicate over USB and CAN. All commands and responses are detailed in the associated USB Command List. A non-inclusive list of commands is as follows:

- Acknowledge.
- Erase flash memory.
- Get/Set CAN settings.
- Reset system.
- Query version.
- Save image to flash memory.
- Send image directly to switch.
- Set image from flash memory on specific switch.

The system shows up as a generic USB COM port. This allows quick testing, loading of images, and integration with customer software. For testing, the NKK Engineering Kits Communicator, or a standard terminal program such as Putty can be used.

## 6.Images

Images can be created in any graphics software such as Paint, Photoshop, etc, or even user-created software. All images can be saved onto the system by using the free Engineering Kits Communicator, located on the NKK Website:
https://www.nkkswitches.com/
(Images can also be loaded onto the system with user-created software as long as the rules for the images and communications are followed.)

To use this software, images must be saved in the proper format:

| LCD 36x24 | Monochrome bitmap (.bmp) 36x24 <br> pixels |
| :--- | :--- |

Please note that the flash memory must be erased before new images are loaded, or images will not display properly. Erasing can take up to 2 minutes depending on the size of the flash memory. The command to erase all the flash memory is 2155 AA 5252 AA.

The Engineering Kits Communicator will auto-convert the monochrome .bmp file to the switch format and send the data. If writing custom software, be aware bitmap format specifies the bottom-left corner as the "top". Therefore, to send images properly to the switches the data needs to be sent last row first, followed by next to last, etc.

The system expects LCD image pixels to be monochromatic. Pixels are on or off. Only the backlighting has color. Each bit corresponds to a pixel in the image.

When saving images to flash, the data needs to be converted to ASCII hex for 240 bytes of data.

| Monochrome bitmap (.bmp) 36x24 <br> pixels | 1 byte per 8 <br> pixels | 120 bytes per <br> image |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

*the last 4 bits of every byte are dummy bits and not used

## 7.CAN Operational Overview

The system is configured through a series of behaviors known as "attributes". After creating an attribute file in excel, the attributes are sent via the engineering kits communicator. Each attribute has a set of behaviors associated with it, such as changing the brightness, sending DGNs and data over CAN, and changing other switch functionalities (attributes). All or none of these can be enabled for each switch. The user should configure the attribute file based on their usage scenario. Please see the attributes document for more information.

Upon power-up the system configures and turns on the switches. Attributes 1-6 from memory are loaded on switches 1-6 respectively. Depending on the current attribute, the switches either show images or text.

The system then waits for a switch press. The system takes no action until a switch press is received. When pressed, the switch attribute can have a variety of effects:

- Change some/all switch images \& attributes
- Send a DGN/data over CAN RV-C
- Adjust all switch brightness
- Visually show a function as being on/off

The system comes pre-loaded with example attribute functionality. For integration into a particular system, the user should edit the attribute file to attain their desired behavior.

## 8. How to Erase the Flash on the Demo

The IS-70052 comes preloaded with a simulated-use demo program. The device will automatically load the demo upon power-up. If different functionality is desired, the IS-70052 needs new images and attributes.

Before the IS-70052 can be used for a particular application the flash memory has to be erased and images and attributes installed. Erasing can take up to 2 minutes. Add the following command to the Manual Command section of the Engineering Kits Communicator and then press the Manual Command button. The erase will take up to 2 minutes to complete.

The command to erase all the flash memory is 2155 AA 5252 AA. Push the Manual Command to send it (not the Erase Flash button).


## 9. How to Add the Attributes to the Demo

The purpose of the attributes is to tell the IS-70052 how to behave when the buttons are pressed. When using the Engineering Kits Communicator, the attributes can be stored in an Excel file on a computer. Once they are finalized the Engineering Kits Communicator can be used to extract the data from the Excel spreadsheet and sent to the IS-70052.

| Part of the Demo Attributes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| , | A | B | c | D | E | F | G |
| 1 | RAW' DATA |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | CHARACTER |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | ; | Setep |  |  |  |  |  |
| $5$ | ; | Setup ID is olways 00 | Speed con be: <br> $0 \times 0 \mathrm{~F}=125 \mathrm{k}$ <br> $0 \times 10=250 \mathrm{k}$ <br> $0 \times 11=500 \mathrm{k}$ <br> $0 \times 12=1 \mathrm{M}$ | 00 - Passive (DGN column below ignored and 0x1FFB8 iz broadcast) 01 - Active ('when preseed, the DGN and data are sent from the attributes |  |  |  |
| 6 | - | ID | Speed | Inpert Teps |  | All Erase Comma |  |
| 7 | - | 0000 | 10 | 01 |  | 2155 AA 5252 AA |  |
| 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | ; | Attribstes |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | - | 2 bytes <br> ID must be unique for every line | 1 byte <br> Volues con be: <br> 00 - No change to switch brightness 01 - All switch brightness incressed by 1 (to maximum of 8) <br> FF - All switch brightness decreased by 1 (to minimum of 1) | 2 bytes <br> The image number to display if the function is off. If 0 , Row1 text and Row 2 text are used instead | The backlight to disploy if the function is off. <br> Volues are: <br> 00 - Off <br> 11-Blue <br> 22-Green <br> 33-Teal <br> 44 - Red <br> 55 - Purple <br> 66 - Yellow <br> FF - White | 2 bytes <br> The image number to display if the function is on. | The backlight to disploy if the function is on. $V$ जre: <br> 00 - Off <br> 11-Blue <br> 22-Green <br> 33-Tesl <br> 44 - Red <br> 55 - Purple <br> 66 - Yellow <br> FF - White |
| 11 | : | ID | Brightness Modi | Offinage | Off Backlight | Onlagre | On Backlight |
| 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | - | 0001 | 00 | 0001 | 33 | 0000 | 11 |
| 14 | - | 0002 | 00 | 0002 | 22 | 0000 | 11 |
| 15 | - | 0003 | 00 | 0003 | 44 | 0000 | 11 |
| 16 | - | 0004 | 00 | 0004 | FF | 0000 | 11 |
| 17 | - | 0005 | 00 | 0005 | 55 | 0000 | 11 |
| 18 | $\cdot$ | 0006 | 00 | 0006 | 66 | 0000 | 11 |
| 19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

To download the attributes from the Excel file to the IS-70052 use the Excel File button on the Engineering Kits Communicator and select the file with the File Open Dialog. The file must be in the proper format for the software to accept it.

The 42 rows of the spreadsheet in the demo are set up to have six menus with five devices and a home button for each menu. For new attributes it is best to use the demo spreadsheet as a template to best assure that the attributes are in the proper format. Each row must have a 2-byte address in hexadecimal format.

The addresses are in two-byte hex format. For instance, the first address is 0001 . The tenth address is 000A and the fifteenth is 000F. The last address for the demo that has attributes is 002A although images go all the way up to 0040 . Those last 22 images are just for the ON state and don't need attributes.

## 10. How to Add Images to the Demo

The images are stored on the IS-70052 as monochromatic $36 \times 24$ data. The Engineering Kits Communicator can translate monochromatic $36 \times 24$ bitmap files and send the image data to the IS70052. The example has images for both OFF and ON though they look identical except the ON images have a $2 \times 2$ pixel square.


## 11. Saving Images Using Engineering Kits Communicator (Detailed)

The Engineering Kits Communicator loads the images in alphanumeric order according to the image files names. It auto-assigns a sequential address to each image. Be sure to keep this in mind when naming images so that video images or animations are listed in the desired order. Avoid using symbols in the names as some symbols interfere with alphanumeric ordering. All images to be loaded should be saved in a single folder. The default starting address is 0001 . This can be changed if needed.

To save images to the system:

1. Open the Engineering Kits Communicator.
2. From the drop-down menu at the top, select the COM port of the system (usually the last one).
3. Click the 'Open Port' button.
4. Press the call button and verify the system responds with ' 61 ' in blue text in the left text box.
5. Select the image type from the drop-down in the 'Loading Images' section.
6. Click the 'Import Images' button.
7. Navigate to the directory with all the images and select one and click 'Open'.
8. Note that the images are loaded alphanumerically and automatically assigned addresses.
a. If some/all images do not show up in the image list after selecting the directory, it is because the image is not in the proper resolution or file type (.bmp). Double-check the image size is correct before downloading. If an image was skipped the images will load one address off and will have to be erased before reloading them.
9. If images were previously saved, click the 'Erase Flash' button.
a. Note that this operation can take up to 2 minutes.
10. Click the 'All selected images' button at the bottom.
11. Wait for the 'Success' message. If the process fails, click the 'All selected images' button again.

If writing custom software to save images, all data after the command must be sent in ASCII hex (See Sections Images and ASCII Hex).

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## 12. Board Dimensions

Typical dimensions.


## 13. ASCII Hex

All USB data is sent as ASCII hex as a safety measure to avoid being interpreted as a command. ASCII hex is a normal data byte split into two halves and converted to their ASCII equivalent (see $\underline{\text { www.asciitable.com }}$ ). Therefore, all data received will be in the $0 \times 30-0 \times 46$ number range, and anything received outside that is invalid. For example:

Data to be sent is 0x3D.
Each nibble is assigned its own byte: $0 x 3$ and $0 x D$.
Each of those bytes is converted to ASCII equivalent: $0 \times 330 \times 44$ ( $0 \times 33$ is the ASCII number ' 3 '. $0 \times 44$ is the ASCII letter ' $D$ ').

Receiving is the same process reversed:
Data received is $0 \times 410 \times 37$.
Each byte converted from the ASCII equivalent is $0 \times A 0 \times 7$ ( $0 \times 41$ is the ASCII letter ' $A$ ', $0 \times 37$ is the ASCII number ' 7 ').
Combine the two bytes to get the data byte 0xA7.

## 14. Key Terms \& Definitions

| Host | Any computer, terminal, or other device that can communicate over the USB line. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Byte | An eight-bit hex value ranging from 00 H to FFH (Decimal 0 to 255). The bit format of a byte is: ( B 7 B 6 B 5 B 4 B 3 B 2 B 1 B 0 ) where B 7 is most significant and bit BO is least significant bit. |
| Nibble/Hex Digit | A four-bit value ranging from OH to FH . A byte consists of two nibbles. |
| ASCII | A byte value representing a symbol. |
| Communication Format | There are two formats to transmit a byte: |
|  | 1. Hex format - A hex byte is transmitted without any change to it. [ xxH$]$ will be used to denote this. |
|  | All commands and some data are sent by using this format. |
|  | 2. ASCII HEX format - Each nibble of the byte is converted to ASCII code and sent as a byte. [ xxAH ] will be used to denote this. |
|  | For example, the hex byte 5 AH is transmitted in two bytes, 35 H and 41 H . The ASCII value for 5 is $\mathbf{3 5 H}$ and the ASCII value for $A$ is 41 H . |
|  | All addresses and most data are sent using this format. |
| Address | A two-byte value ranging from 0001 H to 03 E 8 H representing the 1000 memory locations for images on the flash memory. |

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## 16. Commands to the Controller

See the Command List on the next page.



## RVC Example codes

DGN + Address Data
19FE969F
19FE969F
19FEBC9F
19FEBC9F
19FEBC9F
19FFB99F
19FFB99F
19FFB99F
19FFB99F
19FFB99F
19FFB99F
19FFB29F
19FFB29F
19FEE49F
19FEE49F
19FEE29F
19FEE29F

03 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF
00 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF
01 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF
03 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF
00 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF
016464646400 FF FF
013264646400 FF FF
010000000000 FF FF
026464646400 FF FF
023264646400 FF FF
020000000000 FF FF
01 FF FC FF FC FF FF FF
00 FF FC FF FC FF FF FF
0001 FF FF FF FF FF FF
0000 FF FF FF FF FF FF
0000 FF C8 FF FF FF FF
0000 FF 00 FF FF FF FF

Function
All water heater circulation pumps on
All water heater circulation pumps off
Hydraulic pump forward on
Hydraulic pump reverse on
Hydraulic pump off
Dimmer light 1 on full brightness
Dimmer light 1 on half brightness
Dimmer light 1 on half brightness
Dimmer light 2 on full brightness
Dimmer light 2 on half brightness
Dimmer light 2 on half brightness
Water pump on at 950 PSI for both pump and regulator
Water pump off at 950 PSI for both pump and regulator
All doors locked
All doors unlocked
All windows unlocked and open
All windows unlocked and closed

