

## FasTrak Software Keyed Single Licenses

### ➤ Added support for expiration dates past 12/2021

The following information does not apply to customers with keyless or key-on-install site licenses.

The software key programming utility included in FasTrak software and used to program FasTrak hardware keys has been changed to program expiration dates into the indefinite future. The following new software versions have been released on March 1, 2021 to support this change or are scheduled to be released shortly.

- PLC WorkShop for Siemens 505 V5.11
- 505 Simulator V2.34
- PLC WorkShop for Modicon V5.81
- Modicon Simulator V1.06
- PLC WorkShop for S5 V5.13
- PLC WorkShop for Square D V6.23
- FTVersionTrak V2.1.2
- ControlShop
  - FTLogger V3.06
  - FTTrender V2.06
  - FTAlarm V4.04
  - FTBatch V2.03
- FTSolution for APT V2.4.0
- FTSolution for APT Hardware Debugger V1.0.1
- FTSolution for APT Simulator V2.34
- FTVersionTrak for APT V2.1.2

#### **VERY important, please note:**

- ✚ In order to update a FasTrak key (dongle) past December 2021 expiration, the above listed latest software version, or subsequent, must be used.
- ✚ Once a key is updated to a 2022 key maintenance expiration date or later, **it will only work with this current or subsequent software versions.** The use of a software version older than the versions listed above is not possible with a key programmed for 2022 or beyond. When attaching the updated key to a computer with an earlier version, a message will display indicating:



From a file compatibility point of view, the above listed versions and later WILL obviously accept program files created in all earlier versions.

#### **For using a software version on your computer that is older than the ones listed above:**

In this case, the hardware key must not be updated to display a 2022 or later expiration date. The active maintenance agreement will entitle the customer to technical support as well as to hardware key service. A customer may update his software and his key at any time later as long as he remains covered by an active maintenance agreement. When running the software with a key that has gone out of date, a message will display indicating that the key has expired. After the message is cleared, the software will continue to run as normal.

*We always recommend the use of the latest software version in order to take advantage of fixes and enhancements.*

#### **For upgrading a hardware key to a 2022 or later expiration date:**

The procedure itself is unchanged (Help/Update key/copy license code into an email). The needed license code must however be taken from the above listed software versions or later which implies that the latest software is first installed on all computers on which the key is used. The license code for the key update will then need to be taken from the newly installed software version.

Several file format changes introduced several years ago could affect access to PLC WorkShop files with very old software versions. Should a customer still use 505WS V4.70 or earlier or PLC WorkShop for Modicon V5.49 or earlier, contact us first.