



# NAC-2/NAC-3

**Commissioning Manual** 

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The manual assumes that the user has basic knowledge of navigation, nautical terminology and practices.

Important text that requires special attention from the reader is emphasized as follows:

→ Note: Used to draw the reader's attention to a comment or some important information.

▲ Warning: Used when it is necessary to warn personnel that they should proceed carefully to prevent risk of injury and/or damage to equipment/ personnel.

#### **Manual version**

This manual is written for software version 1.0. The manual is continually updated to match new software releases.

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# Introduction

# NAC-2 and NAC-3 autopilot computers

The NAC-2 and NAC-3 autopilot computers contain the electronics needed to operate a hydraulic steering pump or mechanical drive unit, while also interfacing with rudder feedback units and NMEA 2000 devices.

The NAC-2 is designed for boats up to 10 metres (33 feet) in length and is suitable for low-current pumps, mechanical drive units, or solenoid valves (8 amps continuous/16 amps peak).

The NAC-3 is designed for boats 10 metres (33 feet) or greater in length and is rated to operate high-current pumps, mechanical drive units, and solenoid valves (30 amps continuous/50 amps peak).

## **Autopilot controllers**

The NAC-2 and NAC-3 autopilot computers can be controlled by various Simrad and B&G control units. This can be dedicated autopilot controllers (e.g. AP44), Multifunction displays (MFDs) and autopilot remote controllers (e.g. OP12) used in combination with instrument systems, or any combination of the above.

#### **Autopilot functions**

NAC-2 and NAC-3 include a large range of functions, but not all autopilot controllers have access to all options. E.g. autopilot systems including only an autopilot remote controller (without display unit) do not have access to turn patterns.

#### The user interface

The autopilot functions are presented slightly different on the different displays.

This manual shows screen examples from both MFDs and AP44.

## Autopilot computer setup

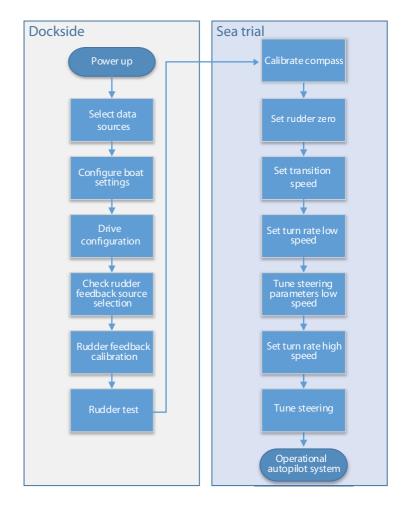
When the autopilot installation is completed, the setup of the autopilot computer must be performed. Failure in setting up the autopilot correctly may prohibit the autopilot from functioning properly.

The setup of the autopilot computer is divided in three main steps:

- Installation settings
  - Including dockside and seatrial commissioning. See "Dockside setup" on page 10 and "Sea trial" on page 16
- User adjustment of autopilot settings
  - Manual fine-tuning for various operational conditions and user preferences. See *"User settings"* on page 23
- → Note: The Installation settings can only be accessed when the autopilot is in Standby mode. Some systems require a dedicated physical standby key to perform installation procedures. This key can be a key on the autopilot controller, on an autopilot remote controller, or it can be a separate standby key.

▲ Warning: When the autopilot is delivered from factory and any time after an autopilot reset has been performed, the installation settings are all reset to factory preset (default) values. A notification will be displayed, and a complete setup has to be made. Failure to do so correctly may prohibit the autopilot from functioning properly!

#### Installation setup workflow



# **Dockside setup**



## **Data source selection**

Before commencing with autopilot computer setup the data sources must be available and configured.

Data sources selection is required on initial start-up of the system, if any part of the network has been changed or replaced, or if an alternative source is made available for a given data type and this source has not been selected automatically.

You can let the system automatically select your sources, or set up each source manually. Refer to documentation for the autopilot controller or for the display unit for details about how to perform the data source selection.

# **Boat characteristics**

#### **Boat type**

Affects steering parameters as well as available autopilot features. The following options are available:

• Sail

- Displacement
- Planing
- → *Note:* If the boat type is set to Sail, Virtual Rudder Feedback is not available.

#### **Boat length**

Used by the autopilot system to calculate steering parameters.

#### **Cruising speed**

Used if no speed info is available. It is used by the autopilot system to calculate steering parameters.

# **Drive configuration**

The drive configuration controls how the autopilot computer operates the steering system.

Refer to your drive unit documentation for relevant specifications.

#### **Control method**

Used for setting the appropriate control ouput for your drive. The following options are available:

- Solenoid
   For on/off steering of hydraulic valves. Gives fixed rudder speed.
- Reversible motor
   For variable speed pumps/drives.

#### **Drive voltage**

Nominal drive voltage specified for your drive unit.

- Options: 12 V and 24 V.
- → Note: 24 V output is only available with 24 V supply.

The setting must match the spec of the solenoids/pump/motor.

▲ Warning: Selection of improper voltage level for your drive unit may damage both the drive unit and the autopilot computer even if the protection circuits are activated.

#### Drive engage

Defines how the Engage output is used.

The following options are available:

Clutch

If your drive unit/motor/pump needs clutch to engage the actuator, it shall be connected to the "engage" output. Configure the "Drive engage" as clutch. The clutch will be activated when autopilot computer is controlling the rudder. In standby, the clutch is released to allow manual steering. Check specification of your drive unit to determine whether clutch is required.

• Auto

Output activated when autopilot computer is in Auto, NoDrift or Navigation modes. For manual rudder control (Standby, NFU and FU) the output is not activated. Typically used to switch between two rudder speeds on a continuous running pump, used when different rudder speeds are required for automatic and Follow-up/Non-Follow-up steering.

#### Minimum rudder

Some boats may have a tendency to not respond to small rudder commands around the "course keeping" position because of a small rudder, whirls/disturbance of the water-stream passing the rudder, or it is a single nozzle water jet boat. By increasing the Minimum rudder parameter you may improve the course keeping performance on some boats. However, this will increase the rudder activity.

→ Note: Only set a value for minimum rudder if it proves to give a better course keeping performance in calm sea. It should be set after the autopilot steering parameters have been optimised/ tuned.

#### **Rudder deadband**

Prevents the rudder from hunting induced by mechanical play in the steering gear or rudder.

The following options are available

• Auto

(Recommended).

The rudder deadband is adaptive and is continuously operative. It will also optimize the deadband to the pressure on the rudder

Manual

If the Auto setting doesn't perform properly due to extreme rudder speed and/or overshoot, it can be adjusted manually. Can also be used to reduce the rudder activity. Rudder commands smaller than the size of the dead band will be ignored

Find the lowest possible value that will prevent the rudder from continuous hunting. A wide deadband will cause inaccurate steering. It is recommended to check rudder stability in AUTO mode at cruising speed to get pressure on the rudder. (Slight hunting observed dockside may disappear at cruising speed.)

## **Rudder setup**

▲ Warning: During the rudder calibration and test the autopilot computer issues a series of rudder commands. Stand clear of the helm and do not attempt to take manual control of the rudder during this test!

#### **Rudder source**

The correct rudder source has to be selected before the rudder feedback calibration can be performed.

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Rudder source selection, MFDs

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|                                | 🔆 Display        |                       | Depth<br>Rudder feed<br>Baro pressur |                             |

Rudder source selection, AP44

- → Note: Virtual Rudder Feedback (VRF) should only be used if no rudder feedback is available. Installing a feedback unit will enhance the performance of an autopilot and provide an accurate rudder angle indicator on the autopilot display.
- → Note: VRF is not available if boat type is set to Sail.

#### **Rudder feedback calibration**

→ Note: Only available if you have a rudder feedback unit installed and selected as rudder source.

The rudder feedback calibration determines the rudder feedback's direction.

• Follow the on-screen guided steps until the rudder calibration is completed.

#### **Rudder test**

This rudder test verifies the drive direction. It detects minimum power to drive the rudder and reduces the rudder speed if it exceeds the maximum preferred speed for autopilot operation.

- → Note: If the boat uses power assisted steering, it is important that the engine or electric motor used to enable the power assist steering is turned on prior to this test.
- Run the rudder test as described in the on-screen instructions
  - Rudder should make a small movement within 10 seconds, then follow up with travelling both directions

Failure to complete test will result in an alarm.

#### **VRF** calibration

→ Note: Only available if the rudder source is set to a virtual rudder feedback.

VRF calibration determines the direction of rudder movement, the minimum output required to move the rudder and the voltage to rudder speed ratio.

To perform the VRF calibration you must be able to view the movement of the rudder.

• Follow the on-screen guided steps until the VRF calibration is completed.

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# Sea trial

A seatrial can only be performed after the dockside settings are completed.

→ Note: The seatrial must always be performed in calm conditions, in open waters and at a safe distance from other traffic!

# **Compass setup**

To achieve the best possible performance, the compass should be calibrated, and any offsets should be compensated for.

The setup needs to be done from an appropriate display unit. Depending on the unit, access to the compass setup is available from the compass's device dialog, or from a dedicated Calibration option in the unit's Settings menu.



Device dialog, MFDs

| Settings  | Calibration        |                 |            | _   |
|---|--------------------|-----------------|------------|-----|
| Calibration   | Calibration        | Heading         |            |     |
| Damping   | Boat speed<br>Wind | Offset          |            | 0 ° |
| Trip log  | Depth              | Calibrate       |            |     |
| Alarms  | Heading            | Auto calibrate  |            |     |
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|   | Rudder             |                 |            |     |

Calibration option, AP44

→ Note: The setup of the compass should be done in calm sea conditions and with minimal wind and current to obtain good results. Ensure that there is enough open water around the vessel to make a full turn.

Refer to your heading sensor's documentation for further details for your unit.

## **Transition speed**

The transition speed is the speed at which the system automatically changes between **Low** speed and **High** speed steering profiles.

The steering profiles are used to accommodate the boats' tendency to exhibit different steering characteristics at different speeds. You may also have different preferences about the steering performance of your boat required at low and high speeds.

On power boats it is recommended that you set a value that represents the speed where the boat's steering characteristics change. For instance the planing threshold (recommended), or at the speed you want the autopilot to change behavior.

There is a 2 knots hysteresis to prevent oscillation of high/low settings when the vessel is travelling at or near the transition speed. Example

The transition speed is set to 9 knots.

- The system changes from Low profile to High profile when the speed increases to 10 knots (= Transition speed plus 1 knot)
- The system changes from High profile to Low profile when the speed decreases to 8 knots (= Transition speed minus 1 knot)

The active profile (**'Low**' or '**High'**) is shown in the autopilot page (e.g. AP44) and in the autopilot pop-up (MFDs):





MFD Autopilot pop-up

### Set rudder zero position

Used to correct the rudder zero position found during dockside commissioning if the boat needs a small rudder offset in order to steer straight.

- → Note: Setting rudder zero position should always be done in calm conditions, where steering is not affected by wind and/or current.
- Bring the rudder to the position where the boat steers straight, then activate the **Set rudder zero** option to save the rudder zero parameter.
- → Note: On dual engine boats, verify that the engine RPM is equal on both engines so that the thrust from both propellers is equal. Otherwise, the zero rudder position might be set wrong.

## Set turn rate

Used for setting the preferred turn rate of the boat.

- Bring the boat into a turn with the preferred safe and comfortable turn rate, then activate the **Set turn rate** option to save the turn rate parameters.
- → Note: The captured turn rate will be stored in the active steering profile. This setting must therefore be repeated for each steering profile.

# **Tuning the autopilot**

→ Note: Tuning of the autopilot must be done separately for low and high speed profiles.

Both Autotune and manual tuning should be performed in calm or moderate sea conditions.

Providing you have entered correct vessel type, length and cruising speed, you may not have to perform further manual or automatic tuning.

Proceed as follows to verify satisfactorily steering:

- 1. Stabilize the vessel on a heading, and then select AUTO mode
- 2. Observe course keeping and rudder commands
  - The autopilot should keep the vessel on the set heading within an average of +/-1 degree, providing calm sea and wind
- Make some small and bigger heading changes to port and starboard and observe how the vessel settles on the new heading
  - The vessel should have a minimum of overshoot. See "*Rudder* gain" on page 21 and "*Counter rudder*" on page 21.

If the autopilot is not keeping the heading satisfactorily or not making the turns satisfactorily, you may now either try the Autotune function or go directly to manual tuning.

→ Note: If the vessel is more than approximately 30 m/100 ft or has a very high cruising speed it may be unpractical to perform Autotune. It is then suggested to proceed with manual tuning.

#### Autotuning

When performing an autotune, the vessel will automatically be taken through a number of S-turns. Based on the vessel behavior, the autopilot will automatically set the most important steering parameters (Rudder gain and Counter rudder).

- Stabilize the vessel on a heading and set the speed as close to cruising speed as possible, then activate the **Autotune** function.
  - The autopilot will now switch to AUTO mode and take control of the vessel.
- → Note: Autotuning can be stopped at any time by pressing the STBY key on the autopilot controller.

The autotuning takes approximately 3 minutes to complete. When completed the autopilot automatically switches to Standby mode, and the rudder must be controlled manually.

→ Note: All parameters that are set during autotuning can be manually adjusted. For optimal steering performance it is recommended to manually adjust the steering parameters after running the autotune.

#### **Manual tuning**

Rudder gain and Counter rudder can be manually adjusted.

- Stabilize the vessel on a heading and set the speed in the middle of the profile range (well clear of the transition speed) to avoid profile switching during tuning. Then activate the **Rudder gain** option. Adjust the value according to the descriptions below.
- If required, adjust slightly the **Counter rudder** option.

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| Chart            | Locked                        |        |            |
|                  | Autopilot                     |        |            |
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| Autopilot        | Sailing                       |        | Uigh speed |
| Navigation       | Low speed                     | ×      | )          |
| <u> </u>         | Turn rate (°/min)<br>240      |        |            |
| Et Fuel          | Rudder gain<br>0.50           |        |            |
| Tracks and Trips | Counter rudder (secs)<br>0.90 |        | 1          |
| 🔔 Alarms         | Autotrim<br>50                |        |            |
| Units            | Init rudder                   |        |            |
|                  | Rudder limit (°)<br>25        |        |            |
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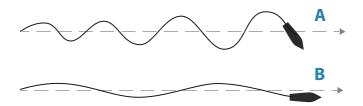
Tuning parameters, MFDs

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| 🕀 Autopilot                  | Installation             |                         | Counter rudder           |   |
| System                       |                          |                         | Autotrim<br>Init rudder  |   |
|                              | 1                        |                         | Rudder limit             |   |
|                              |                          | L                       | Off heading limit        |   |

Tuning parameters, AP44

#### Rudder gain

This parameter determines the ratio between commanded rudder and the heading error. The higher rudder gain value the more rudder is applied. If the value is too small it will take a long time to compensate for a heading error, and the autopilot will fail to keep a steady course. If the value is set too high the overshoot will increase and the steering will be unstable.



- **A** The value is set too high. Steering becomes unstable and often the overshoot will increase
- **B** The value is set too low. It will take a long time to compensate for a heading error, and the autopilot will fail to keep a steady course

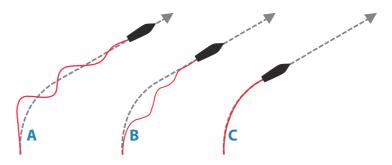
#### Counter rudder

Counter rudder is the amount of counteracting (opposite) rudder applied to stop the turn at the end of a major course change. The settings depend on vessel's characteristics, inertia, hull shape and rudder efficiency.

- If the vessel has good dynamic stability, a relatively small value will be sufficient
- An unstable vessel will require high value
- The greater the vessel's inertia, the greater value will be required

Increasing counter rudder value may result in some higher rudder activity also when steering a straight course, particularly in high waves.

The best way of checking the value of the Counter rudder setting is when making turns. The figures illustrate the effects of various Counter Rudder settings.



- A Counter rudder value too low; overshoot response
- **B** Counter rudder value is too high; sluggish and creeping response
- **C** Correct setting of Counter rudder; ideal response

Perform various course changes and observe how the boat settles on the new heading. Start with small changes, 10-20 degrees, and proceed with bigger changes, 60-90 degrees. Adjust Counter rudder value to obtain best possible response as in illustration **C**.

→ Note: As many boats turns differently to port versus starboard (due to propeller rotation direction), do the course changes in both directions. You may end up with a compromise setting of Counter rudder that gives a little overshoot to one side and a bit creeping response to the other.



# **User settings**

The user settings can be configured differently between the different profiles, depending on boat steering characteristics and user preferences.

# **Steering profile settings**

The NAC-2 and NAC-3 include two steering profiles (High and Low), used for high and low boat speed.

The initial parameters are automatically assigned when you select your vessel type. During the seatrial the parameters will be tuned for optimized steering performance. See *"Tuning the autopilot"* on page 18.

The options listed in the next pages are available for both High and Low speed profiles.

For Rudder gain and Counter rudder, see "*Rudder gain*" on page 21 and "*Counter rudder*" on page 21.

#### Turn rate

Used for manually setting the turn rate defined during seatrials (Set turn rate option).

#### Autotrim

Controls how fast the autopilot will apply rudder to compensate for a constant heading offset, e.g. when external forces such as wind or current affects the heading. Lower autotrim will give faster elimination of a constant heading offset

→ Note: In VRF mode this parameter controls the time constant of the rudder estimate. A lower value makes the rudder estimate faster, i.e. that it will more quickly catch up with the boat's movements.

#### Init rudder

Defines how the system moves the rudder when switching from power steering to an automatic mode.

The following options are available:

Center
 Moves the rudder to zero position

Actual

Maintains the rudder angle, and assumes that the current rudder angle is the trim required to maintain a steady heading.

#### **Rudder limit**

Determines the dynamic range of the rudder before its movement is restricted and alarm is triggered. Typical usage is to limit the amount of rudder action caused by yawing in following sea.

→ Note: Rudder limit is not a hard limitation of the rudder range, only around the current setpoint.

This Rudder limit does not affect Non-Follow-up or Follow Up steering.

#### Off heading limit angle

Sets the limit for the off heading alarm.

When the alarm option is activated an alarm occurs when the actual heading deviates from the set heading more than the selected limit.

#### **Track response**

Defines how aggressively the autopilot should steer towards the active route's leg.

#### Track approach angle



This setting is a limit to prevent approaching the track too steeply. Approaching the track at shallower angles is permitted depending on the cross track distance (XTD) and track response setting.

This setting is used both when you start navigating and whenever the autopilot is working the boat towards the route.

#### Course change confirm angle

Defines the limit for automatic course change to next waypoint in a route when the autopilot is following a route (NAV mode).

If the course change is greater than this set limit, you are prompted to verify that the upcoming course change is acceptable.

# **Sailing parameters**

→ Note: Only available if the boat type is set to SAIL.

#### Wind mode

Select what wind angle the autopilot will steer towards. The following options are available:

Auto

If True Wind Angle (TWA) is <70°: Wind mode will steer towards Apparant Wind Angle (AWA) If TWA is ≥70°: Wind mode will steer towards TWA

- Apparent
   Steers towards AWA
- True
   Steers towards TWA

#### Tack time

Controls how fast the autopilot tacks in wind mode.

#### Tack angle

Controls the angle that the boat will tack to in AUTO mode.

#### Manual speed

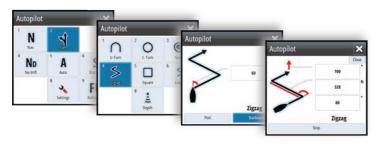
If neither boat speed nor SOG data are available and/or deemed unreliable, a manual value for speed can be entered and used by the autopilot to aid steering calculations.

## **Turn pattern settings**

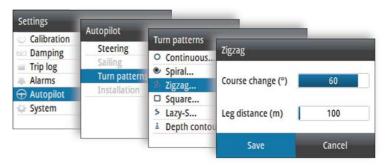
The autopilot computer supports a number of automatic turn steering features when the autopilot is in AUTO mode.

→ Note: Turn pattern steering is not available if the boat type is set to Sail.

All turn patters, except the U-turn, have associated turn pattern settings. Depending on the autopilot controller these turn pattern settings can be adjusted before you start the turn or during the turn.



Turn pattern settings, MFD



Turn pattern settings, AP44

→ Note: Not all autopilot controllers include turn pattern steering. Refer to your autopilot controller for more information.

#### **C-turn (Continuous turn)**

Steers the vessel in a circle.

- Turn variable:
  - Rate of turn. Increasing the value makes the vessel turn a smaller circle.

#### U-turn

Changes the current set heading to be 180° in the opposite direction.

#### **Spiral turn**

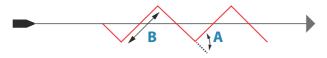
Makes the vessel turn in a spiral with a decreasing or increasing radius.

- Turn variables:
  - Initial radius
  - Change/turn. If this value is set to zero, the boat will turn in a circle. Negative values indicate decreasing radius while positive values indicate increasing radius.

#### Zigzag turn

Steers the vessel in a zigzag pattern.

- Turn variables:
  - Course change (A)
  - Leg distance (B)



#### Square turn

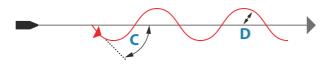
Makes the vessel automatically turn 90° after having travelled a defined leg distance.

- Turn variable:
  - Leg distance

#### Lazy-S turn

Makes the vessel yaw around the main heading.

- Turn variables:
  - Course change (C)
  - Turn radius (D)



#### Depth contour tracking (DCT)

Makes the autopilot follow a depth contour.

- → *Note:* DCT turn pattern is only available if the system has a valid depth input.
- Turn variables:
  - Depth gain. This parameter determines the ratio between commanded rudder and the deviation from the selected depth contour. The higher depth gain value the more rudder is applied. If the value is too small it will take a long time to compensate for drifting off the set depth contour, and the autopilot will fail to keep the boat on the selected depth. If the value is set too high the overshoot will increase and the steering will be unstable.
  - CCA. The CCA is an angle that is added to or subtracted from the set course. With this parameter you can make the boat yaw around the reference depth with lazy-s movements. The larger the CCA the bigger yawing will be allowed. If the CCA is set to zero there is no S-ing.
  - Ref. depth. This is the reference depth for the DCT function. When DCT is initiated the autopilot reads the current depth and set this as the reference depth. The reference depth can be changed when the function is running.
- → Note: If depth data is lost during DCT the autopilot will automatically switch to AUTO mode. It is recommended to turn ON the AP Depth Data Missing alarm when using DCT. When this alarm is activated an alarm will be raised if the depth data is lost during DCT.

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# Installation verification

When all units in the autopilot system are installed, external equipment connected and the software configured according to the previous chapters, the installation should be verified according to the checklist. The boat specific settings should be noted down in the relevant tables included this chapter.

# Checklist

| Description  | Reference                               |
|--|---|
| Units mounted and secured according to instructions      | Installation instructions for the units |
| Network powered and terminated according to instructions | Wiring instructions for the units       |
| Sources selected   | Autopilot control unit documentation    |
| Vessel configured  | "Boat characteristics" on page 10       |
| Drive units configured and calibrated                    | "Drive configuration" on page 10        |
| Compass calibrated                                       | "Compass setup" on page 16              |
| Seatrial completed (manual or autotune)                  | "Sea trial" on page 16                  |

# **Boat specific settings**

#### Boat

| Settings        |  |
|-----------------|--|
| Boat type       |  |
| Boat length     |  |
| Cruising speed  |  |
| Transition sped |  |

#### Drives

| Settings              |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Drive type            |  |
| Drive control method  |  |
| Nominal drive voltage |  |
| Drive engage          |  |
| Minimum rudder        |  |
| Rudder deadband       |  |
| Manual deadband       |  |
| Minimum output        |  |
| Maximum output        |  |

#### **Sailing parameters**

| Settings     |  |
|--------------|--|
| Wind mode    |  |
| Tack time    |  |
| Tack angle   |  |
| Manual speed |  |

#### **Steering profiles**

| Settings       | Low Speed | High Speed |
|----------------|-----------|------------|
| Turn Rate      |           |            |
| Rudder gain    |           |            |
| Counter rudder |           |            |
| Autotrim       |           |            |
| Init rudder    |           |            |
| Rudder limit   |           |            |

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| Settings                       | Low Speed | High Speed |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Off heading limit              |           |            |
| Track response                 |           |            |
| Track approach<br>angle        |           |            |
| Course change<br>confirm angle |           |            |

## **Turn Pattern settings**

| Settings       |
|----------------|
| Continuous     |
| Rate of turn   |
| Spiral         |
| Initial radius |
| Change/turn    |
| Zigzag         |
| Course change  |
| Leg distance   |
| Square         |
| Leg distance   |
| Lazy-S         |
| Course change  |
| Turn radius    |
| Depth contour  |
| Depth gain     |
| CCA            |

# Maintenance



## **Preventive maintenance**

The unit does not contain any field serviceable components. Therefore, the operator is required to perform only a very limited amount of preventative maintenance.

## **Checking the connectors**

The connectors should be checked by visual inspection only.

Push the connector plugs into the connector. If the connector plugs are equipped with a lock, ensure that it is in the correct position.

## Software update

You can update the software for the autopilot computer from a display unit connected to the network.

You can check the autopilot computer's software version from the display unit's Device list.

# **Resetting the autopilot computer**

You can reset the autopilot to factory default settings.

| 8                | \$ HDG 270 M | 5:28:10 pm 36:1 ft     |
|------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| Settings         | - 12         | ×                      |
| 🔅 System         | Chart compas | S Hide -               |
| Chart            | Locked       |                        |
|                  | Autopilot    |                        |
| Radar            | Steering     | •                      |
| Autopilot        | Sailing      |                        |
| Navigation       | Installation | Dockside commissioning |
| Fuel             |              | Seatrial commissioning |
|                  |              | Drive configuration    |
| Tracks and Trips |              | Reset                  |
| 🔔 Alarms         |              | - Hotelin              |
| Junits           |              |                        |

Reset autopilot computer, MFDs

| Settings    | Autonilet                     | -            |   |  |  |
|-------------|-------------------------------|--------------|---|--|--|
| Calibration | Autopilot                     | Installation |   |  |  |
| 🗠 Damping   | Sailing                       | Dockside     | • |  |  |
| Trip log    | Turn patterns<br>Installation | Sea trial    |   |  |  |
| Alarms      |                               | Reset        |   |  |  |
| 🕀 Autopilot |                               |              |   |  |  |
| System      |                               |              |   |  |  |
|             |                               |              |   |  |  |
|             |                               |              |   |  |  |

Reset autopilot computer, AP44

The first time the autopilot computer is started after reset, it will run through the automatic setup-procedure.

→ Note: Unless you need to clear all values set during the installation set-up procedure, you should not perform a reset of the autopilot computer.

# **Technical specifications**

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# NAC-2

| Approvals                   |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| · ·                         | ENAC divertime 2014/20/EU  |
| · · · ·                     | EMC directive 2014/30/EU   |
| Electrical                  |  |
| Supply voltage              | 9-31.2 V DC  |
| Power consumption - Max     | 500 W  |
| Power consumption - Typical | As required to drive rudder<br>actuator. See pump/motor<br>power ratings |
| Recommended fuse rating     | 20 A   |
| Environmental               |  |
| Operating temperature       | -25°C to +55°C (-13°F to 131°F)  |
| Storage temperature         | -30°C to +70°C (-22°F to 158°F)  |
| Waterproof rating           | IPx5   |
| Humidity                    | 100%   |
| Shock and vibration         | Acc to EN60945   |
| Connectivity                |  |
| NMEA 2000                   | 1 Micro-C port, 1 LEN  |
| Drive                       | 12/24 V DC, min 10 mA, max 3 A   |
| Rudder Feedback             | Variable voltage/resistive 0-5 V   |
| NMEA 2000 PGNs              | See "NMEA 2000 PGNs" on page 38  |
| Physical                    |  |
| Dimensions                  | See <b>"NAC-2"</b> on page 37  |
| Weight                      | 0.6 kg (1.3 lbs)   |
| Compass Safe Distance       | 500 mm (20 inches)   |
| Warranty                    | 2 years  |

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# NAC-3

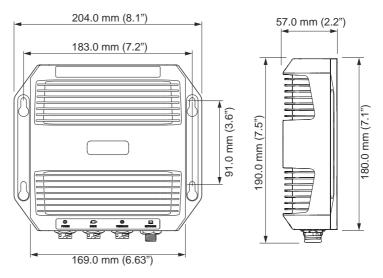
| Approvals                   |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Compliance                  | EMC directive 2014/30/EU   |
| Electrical                  |  |
| Supply voltage              | 12/24 V DC +/- 10-30%  |
| Power consumption - Max     | 750 W  |
| Power consumption - Typical | As required to drive rudder<br>actuator. See pump/motor<br>power ratings   |
| Recommended fuse rating     | 30 A   |
| Environmental               |  |
| Operating temperature       | -25°C - +55°C (-13°F - 131°F)  |
| Storage temperature         | -30° - +70°C (-22°F - 158°F)   |
| Waterproof rating           | IPx5   |
| Humidity                    | 100%   |
| Shock and vibration         | Acc to EN60945   |
| Connectivity                |  |
| NMEA 2000                   | 1 Micro-C port, 1 LEN  |
| NMEA 0183                   | 1 port IN/OUT. 4.8, 9.6,<br>19.2 & 38.4 kbaud  |
| Drive                       | <ul> <li>Reversible motor control<br/>of rudder.</li> <li>Max continuous load 30</li> <li>A, peak 50 A for 1s</li> </ul> |
|                             | or<br>• On/off<br>solenoid control of rudder.<br>12/24 V DC,<br>common, load range 10<br>mA to 10 A, off current <1 mA   |
| Engage                      | Output for bypass/clutch. 12/24<br>V DC, min 10 mA, max 3 A  |

| Rudder                | Rudder angle, frequency input.<br>15 V, 1.4 to 5 kHz, resol. 20 Hz/°  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Remote                | <ul> <li>Input: External open/<br/>close contact for remote<br/>controller</li> <li>Output: High/Low mode<br/>indicator signal</li> </ul> |
| Mode                  | External open/close<br>or pulse contact for autopilot<br>disengage  |
| Alarm                 | External alarm output for<br>buzzer/relay. Max 100 mA,<br>voltage level as local supply   |
| Physical              |   |
| Dimensions            | See <b>"NAC-3</b> " on page 37  |
| Weight                | 0.7 kg (1.6 lbs)  |
| Compass Safe Distance | 500 mm (20 inches)  |
| Warranty              | 2 years   |

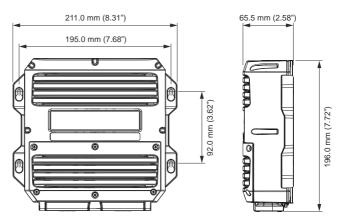


# **Dimensional drawings**

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# Supported data

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# NMEA 2000 PGNs

#### NAC-2

- MD: Main Device
- RF: Rudder Feedback
- VRF: Virtual Rudder Feedback

|        | MD |    | R  | F  | VRF |    |  |
|--------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|--|
|        | тх | RX | тх | RX | тх  | RX |  |
| 59392  | Х  | х  | х  | х  | х   | х  |  |
| 59904  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х   | Х  |  |
| 60160  | Х  | х  | х  | Х  | Х   | Х  |  |
| 60416  | Х  | х  | х  | Х  | х   | х  |  |
| 60928  | Х  | х  | х  | Х  | Х   | Х  |  |
| 65240  |    | х  |    | Х  |     | Х  |  |
| 65305  | Х  | Х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 65323  | Х  | Х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 65341  | Х  |    |    |    |     |    |  |
| 65342  | Х  | х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 126208 | Х  | х  | х  | Х  | Х   | Х  |  |
| 126996 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х   |    |  |
| 127237 | Х  | х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 127245 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х   |    |  |
| 127250 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 127251 |    | х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 127257 |    | х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 127258 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 128259 |    | х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 128267 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |  |
| 129025 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |  |

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|        | MD |    | R  | F  | VRF |    |
|--------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
|        | тх | RX | тх | RX | ТХ  | RX |
| 129026 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |
| 129029 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |
| 129283 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |
| 129284 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |
| 130306 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |
| 130577 |    | Х  |    |    |     |    |
| 130821 | Х  |    |    |    |     |    |
| 130840 | Х  | Х  |    |    |     |    |
| 130845 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х   |    |
| 130846 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х   |    |
| 130850 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х   |    |
| 130851 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х   |    |
| 130856 | Х  | Х  |    |    |     |    |
| 130860 | Х  |    |    |    |     |    |

#### NAC-3

- MD: Main Device
- RF: Rudder Feedback
- VRF: Virtual Rudder Feedback
- NM: NMEA 0183
- CD: Control Device

|        | М  | D  | R  | F  | V  | RF | N  | М  | С  | D  |
|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|        | тх | RX |
| 59392  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  |
| 59904  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  |
| 60160  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  |
| 60416  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  |
| 60928  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  |
| 65240  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |
| 65305  | Х  | Х  |    |    |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |
| 65323  | Х  | Х  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 65341  | Х  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 65342  | Х  | Х  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 126208 | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  | Х  |
| 126996 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    |
| 127237 | Х  | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 127245 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    |
| 127250 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 127251 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 127257 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 127258 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 128259 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 128267 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 129025 |    | х  |    |    |    |    | х  |    |    |    |
| 129026 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 129029 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |

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|        | Μ  | D  | R  | F  | V  | RF | N  | м  | С  | D  |
|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|        | тх | RX | ТΧ | RX | тх | RX | тх | RX | ТΧ | RX |
| 129283 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 129284 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 130306 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    | Х  |    |    |    |
| 130577 |    | Х  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 130821 | Х  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 130840 | Х  | Х  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 130845 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    |
| 130846 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    | Х  |    |
| 130850 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х  |    |    |    | Х  |    |
| 130851 | Х  | Х  | Х  |    | Х  |    |    |    | Х  |    |
| 130856 | Х  | Х  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 130860 | х  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |

## NMEA 0183 sentences

|     | In | Out | NMEA 2000 PGN              |
|-----|----|-----|----------------------------|
| AAM | х  |     | 129284                     |
| ACK | Х  |     | 130850                     |
| APB | х  |     | 129283<br>129284<br>129285 |
| BOD | х  |     | 129284                     |
| BWC | х  |     | 129284                     |
| DPT | Х  |     | 128267                     |
| GGA | х  |     | 129025<br>129029           |
| GLL | Х  |     | 129025<br>129029           |
| HDG | Х  | 10* | 127250                     |

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|     | In | Out  | NMEA 2000 PGN                        |
|-----|----|------|--------------------------------------|
| HDT | Х  | 10** | 127250                               |
| HSC | Х  |      | 127237                               |
| RMA | Х  |      | 129025<br>129026<br>127258           |
| RMB | х  |      | 129283<br>129284                     |
| RMC | х  |      | 127258<br>129025<br>129026<br>129033 |
| ROT | Х  |      | 127251                               |
| RSA |    | 5    | 127245                               |
| THS | х  |      | 127250                               |
| VBW | х  |      | 128259                               |
| VHW | х  |      | 127250<br>128259                     |
| VLW | Х  |      | 129026                               |
| VTG | Х  |      | 129026                               |
| ZDA | х  |      | 129033                               |

\* When magnetic heading source.

\*\* When true heading source.

# NMEA 2000 PGN description

| 59392 | ISO Acknowledgement   |
|-------|---|
| 59904 | ISO Request   |
| 60160 | ISO Transport protocol, Data transfer                             |
| 60416 | ISO Transport protocol, Connection management, RTS group function |
| 60928 | ISO Address claim   |
| 65240 | ISO Commanded address   |

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| 126208 | ISO Command group function |
|--------|----------------------------|
| 126996 | Product information        |
| 127237 | Heading/Track control      |
| 127245 | Rudder                     |
| 127250 | Vessel heading             |
| 127251 | Rate of turn               |
| 127257 | Attitude                   |
| 127258 | Magnetic variation         |
| 128259 | Speed, Water referenced    |
| 128267 | Water depth                |
| 129025 | Position, Rapid update     |
| 129026 | COG & SOG, Rapid update    |
| 129029 | GNSS Position data         |
| 129283 | Cross Track Error          |
| 129284 | Navigation data            |
| 129283 | Cross Track Error          |
| 129284 | Navigation data            |
| 130306 | Wind data                  |
| 130577 | Direction data             |

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